China Trip 2010

(* All telephone calls from US to China must first dial 011 + 86)***

Beijing: May 21- evening May 26

Hotel: Wen Bo Plaza

Tel: 10-84633756

Fax: 10-84633726

Friday, May 21: Customs clearance, hotel check-in

Lunch TBA

17:00 dinner at hotel

18:00 depart for evening tour of Wangfujing Street

Saturday, May 22:

7:00 - breakfast in hotel

7:45 - depart for Forbidden City (8:30 entrance tickets) and Tiananmen Square

13:30 - lunch

14:20 – board bus for Beihai Park

17:45 – board bus for dinner and return to hotel

free evening

Sunday, May 23:

7:00 – breakfast in hotel

7:45 – board bus for morning tour of Panjiayuan Market (antiques market)

10:30 – depart for Temple of Heaven

13:00 – board bus for lunch

14:20 – depart for tour of Qian Men (Front Gate) tea garden

16:10 – walking tour of National Grand Theatre

17:10 - walking tour of Tiananmen Square and The Pearl

18:10 – return to hotel

19:00 – dinner at hotel

Monday, May 24:

6:30 – breakfast at hotel

7:15 – departure for Great Wall (Badaling Section)

8:30 – begin walking along Wall

12:30 – lunch "to go"

13:30 – afternoon tour of outlying Ming Tombs (DingLing)

15:30 – board bus for return to city limits

16:10 – tour of Olympic Site

18:00 – dinner

Tuesday, May 25:

7:00 – breakfast at hotel

7:40 – depart for China Academy of the Arts

8:00 – morning lecture at China Academy of the Arts and tour of campus

10:00 – group photo

10:00 – private tour of musical instruments and painting collection

11:00 – board bus for lunch on New East Street

11:30 – "Beijing Duck" lunch

12:30 – board bus to visit Summer Palace

13:30 – arrive at Summer Palace

18:00 – return to hotel

19:00 – dinner theatre with 3-5 performances

Wednesday, May 26:

7:00 – breakfast at hotel

8:00 – bring luggage down to front desk for storage

China Arts Academy students accompany you on free day to explore city

16:30 – bus to train station dinner (dinner at station)

19:00 – board train: 19:25 – fast train to Jinan, Shandong Province. Arrive at 22:37

(3 hour journey)

Jinan: evening May 26 – morning May 30

(The order of events in Jinan is subject to change, but the hotel and activities themselves will remain the same)

Hotel: University Hotel (Xuelin):
Tel: 531-82963388

Fax: 531-82963358

Thursday, May 27:

8:00—Breakfast at hotel

9:30—lecture "Tai Mountain" and "Thousand Buddha Mountain"

12:00—lunch

14:00—Thousand Buddha Mountain

18:00—Dumpling Dinner

Friday, May 28:

7:30—Breakfast at hotel

8:30—Tai Mountain (lunch on the way)

18:00—Dinner (TBA)

20:00—Foot massage

Saturday, May 29:

7:30—Breakfast at hotel

8:30—Tour of a factory

12:00—lunch

13:30—shopping

18:00—Dinner (TBA)

Sunday, May 30: morning flight to Xi'an, Shanxi Province, departure: 8:05

Xi'an: morning May 30 – morning June 1

Hotel: Lotus Hotel

Tel: 29-83068888

Sunday, May 30: *continued*…

9:35 – arrive in Xi'an, check-in at hotel

Lunch

Afternoon tour of city wall, bell tower, White Crane Pagoda, Muslim Quarter

Traditional Dumpling dinner

Monday, May 31:

Breakfast at Hotel

Morning departure to see Terra Cotta Warriors

Lunch

Afternoon tour of Shanxi History Museum

Traditional Sichuan-style dinner

Tuesday, June 1:

Breakfast at hotel

Morning flight to Kunming, Yunnan Province, 11am departure

Kunming / Dali: afternoon June 1 – morning June 5

Hotels: (Kunming) Lotus Hotel (Dali) Landscape Hotel

Tel: 871-5192108 Tel: 872-2666188

FAX: 871-5191503

Tuesday, June 1:

13:00 Arrive in Kunming

14:00 Hotel check-in

16:00 lecture on minority nationalities in Yunnan

18:00 dinner on campus of Yunnan Normal University

20:00 *Dynamic Yunnan* (minority nationalities dance)

Wednesday, June 2: (Dali)

Can check most of your luggage into one hotel room and travel lightly

Morning bus trip to Dali (4 hours travel time)

Lunch on road

Afternoon – free exploration of old city (please stay within the walls)

Group Dinner

Thursday, June 3: (Dali, half day)

Breakfast at hotel

Early morning trip to San Ta (famous 3 Pagodas of the Bai People)

Mid morning drive to Er Hai and to surrounding countryside and villages

Lunch

Return trip to Kunming

Dinner

** evening foot massages!!

Friday, June 4:

Breakfast at hotel

Morning departure to the Stone Forest (approximately 1.5 hour ride)

Afternoon: return to Kunming and walking tour of Bird and Flower Market

Saturday, June 5:

Morning flight to Shanghai, depart at 8am

Shanghai/Zhouzhuang/Suzhou: morning June 5 – afternoon June 8

Hotel:	Zhouzhuang Hotel	Shanghai:	New Asia Hotel
	Tel: 512-57216666		21-63242210

Saturday, June 5: *continued*…

Arrive in Shanghai at 10:55

Bus trip to Zhouzhuang (approximately 1.5 hours ride from airport)

Lunch on way

Free day in old water town of Zhouzhuang, the "Venice" of China

Dinner

Night at hotel in Zhouzhuang

Sunday, June 6:

Breakfast at hotel

Morning bus trip to Suzhou (1 hour ride)

Tour of Zhouzhengyuan, "Humble Administrator's Garden"

Lunch

Afternoon tour of silk factory

Late afternoon bus trip to Shanghai

Evening tour of Nanjing Road and Bund

Night at hotel in Shanghai

Monday, June 7:

Breakfast at hotel

Morning tour of Shanghai Museum

Lunch at Yu Gardens, with “the most famous steamed dumplings in China”

Afternoon trip to Jinmao Tower Observations Deck

Free time in evening

Tuesday, June 8:

Breakfast at hotel

Morning free time

Lunch

High speed train to Pudong International Airport for return trip to USA

American Airlines (this remains unchanged)

China Departure: AA Flight # 288 - PVG to ORD: Tuesday, 16:10 (arriving at 16:40)

US Departure: AA Flight # 3960 – ORD to ROC: Tuesday, 20:55 (arriving at 23:30)