

OCTOBER 2019 ELGIN AREA CHAMBER TRIP TO CHINA

Day 1 10/5 ORD/Shanghai/Beijing

Check in at ORD Airport for an afternoon flight MU718 by 2:50pm to Shanghai. Your adventure begins as you fly trans-Pacific aboard a wide cabin jetliner. Cross the International Dateline.

Day 2 10/6 Beijing

(The Great Wall Hotel Beijing/5 star, No.10 East 3rd Ring North Road Chaoyang District, Tel:0086-10-65905566)
Arrive in Shanghai at 6:25pm, then switch to flight to Beijing MU5186 9:40pm/00:10am+1. Arrive in Beijing, the Capital of China. You will be met by your local tour guide at the airport. Transfer to the hotel.

Day 3 10/7 Beijing

In the morning visit the Temple of Heaven, built in 1420 A.D., where the emperors prayed to the heaven for a good harvest. Visit the 2008 Beijing Olympic venues for the outside views of National Stadium the Bird's Nest and the National Aquatic Center. Continue the tour to the Great Wall. En route visit the Jade Factory. The Great Wall, the 4,000- mile long and 2,000 years old construction is said to be the only man-made structure visible by naked eye from the moon. Visit one of the Ming tombs, one of 13 Ming Emperors' Tombs is fully excavated and open for exploration.

Day 4 10/8 Beijing

Sightseeing includes the Tian An Men Square, the largest square in the world; the Palace Museum, also known as the Forbidden City, home of 24 emperors with a total space of 9,999 rooms. Visit the Pearl Market. The Summer Palace, known for many significance such as the Long Corridor with painted gallery, Kunming Lake and Longevity Hill, Seventeen- Arch Bridge and Marble Boat. Peking Roast Duck dinner is arranged. Have a business meeting with local government.

Optional tour: Hutong Tour: \$39/pp

Day 5 10/9 Beijing/Shanghai/Suzhou

(Grand Metropark Hotel Suzhou/4star, 1355 Jinjihu Avenue, Suzhou Industrial Park, Tel: 0086-512-62800666)
Flight to Shanghai by MU5183 7:25am/9:50am, then take a bus riding to Suzhou. Visit West Garden Temple covering an area of 1.6 acres was constructed in the Yuan Dynasty which blends garden art and temple art harmoniously. It is the largest active Buddhist temple in Suzhou.

Optional Tour :

Grand Canal Boat Ride: \$29/pp

Day 6 10/10 Suzhou/Hangzhou

(Grand New Century Hotel Yuhang Hangzhou/5 star, No.535 Yingbin Road, Linping District, Tel: 0086-571-88578888)

Morning visit Suzhou Silk factory. Continue the tour with the centuries old Lingering Garden. Afternoon visit to the National Embroidery Institute to see silk embroidery, an important local craft with 1,000 years history. Take a bus riding to Hangzhou.

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Day 7 10/11 Hangzhou/Shanghai

(Sheraton Shanghai Waigaoqiao Hotel/5 star,28 Jilong Road, China Pilot Free Trade Zone, Tel:0086-21-31219999)

In the morning have a boat ride on West Lake with relaxing stopover at jewel-like pagodas. Visit the Longjing Green Tea Plantation. Pagoda of Six Harmony stands majestic on the Moon Disc Hill overlooking the Qiantang River. It is a must for tourists to Hangzhou Continue the bus journey to Shanghai.

Day 8 10/12 Shanghai

Visit the Shanghai Silk Rug Factory. Afternoon enjoy the Yu Garden, a maze of marvelous pavilions, ponds, rocky works and over arching trees. Free time exploration of the old town bazaar.

Optional Tour:

Era Show: \$39/pp

Mag-lev Train Ride: round trip: \$25/pp

Day 9 10/13 Shanghai/ORD

Morning flight MU717 will depart by 11:40am for ORD where you will arrive at 12:40pm on the same day.