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Shangri-La – Yunnan Hidden-Gem – Guizhou

Cities and Sites Covered: Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Guiyang, Huangguoshu
Xijiang, Kaili, Kunming, Chuxiong, Dali, Lijiang, and Guangzhou

Huangguoshu Waterfall



Erhai Lake

Tour Package Includes:



- * International Flight from Honolulu by **JAPAN AIRLINES**
- * Domestic Flights from Shenzhen to Guiyang & Lijiang to Guangzhou in China
- * Experience China High Speed Rail from Kaili to Kunming
- * Deluxe Hotel Accommodations
- * Meals and Admissions as Stated
- * Huangguoshu Waterfall – The Greatest Waterfall in Asia
- * Miao Village of Xijiang
- * Stone Forest Kuming -- UNESCO World Heritage Sites
- * Yi Ethnic Group Welcoming Banquet Program
- * Erhai Lake Boat Ride
- * Tie-Dye Experience in Dali
- * Ropeway in Jade Dragon Snow Mountain
- * Impressions Lijiang Performance
- * Gratuity for Local Tour Guides & Drivers

FREE
Use of
Wireless
Tour Guide System



Traveling date: May 20 – May 31, 2026 (12 Days)

Incl. Tax & Fuel Surcharge Single Supp: \$ 850

Price per person:

\$ 3,888

Miao Village of Xijiang

Day 1 ** May 20

Honolulu → Haneda → Hong Kong

Our vacation starts by boarding an international flight bound for **Hong Kong** via Haneda. Meals and snacks will be served on the plane.

Day 2 ** May 21

Hong Kong — Shenzhen

We will arrive at Hong Kong International Airport, where an Air and Sea Travel representative will greet us and transfer us to Shenzhen for our overnight stay.

Day 3 ** May 22

Shenzhen → Guiyang

(B)

This morning, we will transfer to Shenzhen Airport for our flight to **Guiyang**, the capital of Guizhou province. Guiyang is renowned for its vibrant culture, shaped by its diverse ethnic groups and its striking Karst landscape—characterized by ridges, towers, fissures, sinkholes, and other unique formations created by limestone erosion. The city is home to over 30 minority ethnic groups, including the Miao, Buyi, Dong, and Hui, which enrich its cultural tapestry with unique folk traditions and colorful ethnic activities. With numerous Karst caves, Guiyang is also considered an ecological model for its landform. Upon our arrival, we will transfer to our hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Day 4 ** May 23

Guiyang — Huangguoshu — Guiyang

(B, L, D)

Today's excursion will take us to the stunning **Huangguoshu Waterfall Scenic Park**. Here, water cascades down a cliff into the Rhinoceros Pool (Xi Niu Tan), where sunlight diffracts through the droplets, creating beautiful rainbows. Huangguoshu Waterfall is the largest waterfall in Asia and a must-see marvel in Guizhou Province. We can enjoy breathtaking views via the **Sightseeing Escalator**. After lunch, we will visit the **Tianxiongqiao Scenic Area**, which consists of three main attractions: **Tianxing Cave**, the **'potted landscape' on water**, and the **Stone Forest in Water**. This scenic area features a variety of grotesque limestone formations, caves, waterfalls, forests, and lakes, as well as the 'Heavenly Star Bridge' (Tianxing Qiao), a striking stone slab that spans a gorge. It offers a mysterious and spectacular environment, perfect for enjoyable hiking. After our tour, we will drive back to Guiyang.

Day 5 ** May 24

Guiyang — Xijiang — Kaili

(B, L, D)

After breakfast, we will transfer to **Kaili** via **Xijiang**. On our way, our first stop will be **Langde Miao Village**, a charming ethnic village in the heart of Guizhou Province. Known for its rich Miao culture, Langde offers a glimpse into traditional lifestyles, colorful festivals, and unique customs of the Miao people. We will have the opportunity to enjoy **vibrant folk performances**. After lunch, we will continue to Xijiang. **Xijiang Qianhu Miao Village** is the largest Miao ethnic settlement in the world, renowned for its traditional wooden stilt houses (Diaojiailou), breathtaking night views, and vibrant atmosphere, serving as an "open-air museum" for Miao culture. **The night view of the village** is particularly stunning, with thousands of houses illuminated by warm, golden lights, creating a dreamlike landscape reminiscent of a "river of stars" or a "silver butterfly." After enjoying the night view, we will partake in a unique **"long table banquet"** featuring Miao specialties for dinner. Accompanied by the toasting songs of Miao girls, the melodies of the serene lu sheng (a traditional Miao musical instrument), and the mellow mijou in the girls' bowls, we will truly immerse ourselves in the daily life of the Miao people. After dinner, we will transfer to our hotel in Kaili.

Day 6 ** May 25

Kaili → Kunming

(B, D)

This morning, we will transfer to **Kaili Train Station** to board a **bullet train** to **Kunming**. Kunming is the capital and largest city of Yunnan Province, serving as the political, economic, communications, and cultural center of the region. It is also the seat of the provincial government. Upon our arrival, we will begin our city tour with **Kunming Old Street**. This district preserves the layout and architecture from the Ming and Qing dynasties, featuring many structures that date back centuries. Today, it is a lively area filled with ethnic handicraft shops, traditional teahouses, and local food stalls. We will also visit the **Jinma Biji**, a renowned cultural site built during the Xuande era of the Ming Dynasty, boasting a history of over four hundred years. It serves as a symbol of Kunming. After dinner, we will check in to our hotel.

Day 7 ** May 26

Kunming — Chuxiong

(B, L, D)

After breakfast, we will visit the **Stone Forest**, renowned as "the most fantastic scenery under heaven," featuring a massive collection of gray limestone pillars shaped by rainwater erosion. It has been designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site as part of the South China Karst. Our journey will then take us to **Chuxiong**, where we will experience a

B: Breakfast | L: Lunch | D: Dinner

unique Yi Ethnic Welcome Program. This event showcases the warmth and hospitality of the Yi people through a series of performances, including a **Welcome Ceremony, Yi Love Songs, Yi Wedding Customs,** and a **Fire Sacrifice Ceremony.** These diverse scenes will deepen our appreciation for the colorful traditions and unique folk customs of the Yi ethnic group. After dinner, we will check in to our hotel in Chuxiong.

Day 8 ** May 27

Chuxiong — Dali

(B, L, D)

After breakfast, we will transfer to **Dali**, the home of the Bai Minority and often referred to as the most blessed spot on earth. Upon arrival, we will visit the **Three Pagodas of Sainly Worship**, iconic landmarks near Dali. These ancient structures, dating back to the Tang Dynasty, showcase exquisite architectural design and provide stunning views of the surrounding landscape. After exploring the pagodas, we'll embark on a **scenic boat ride on Lake Erhai**, one of the largest freshwater lakes in Yunnan. Following the boat ride, we'll have the opportunity to walk around the famous **Dali Old Town**, where you can enjoy its charming streets, local shops, and vibrant atmosphere. After dinner, we will check in to our hotel, concluding a delightful day of exploration.

Day 9 ** May 28

Dali — Lijiang

(B, L, D)

In the morning, we will transfer to **Zhoucheng**, the largest town of the Bai people in Dali, home to over 1,500 Bai families. Zhoucheng is famous not only for Butterfly Spring in its rural district but also for its preservation of the traditional customs of the Bai people, making it a "living fossil" of Bai minority culture. **Tie-dyeing** has been a traditional folk craft here since around the Ming-Qing dynasty transition in 1644, earning Zhoucheng the title of "the hometown of Bai tie-dye." We will have the opportunity to experience this art form firsthand. Next, we'll delve into the **"Three Courses of Tea,"** a traditional tea ceremony of the Bai people from Yunnan. This ceremony features "bitter tea," "sweet tea," and "aftertaste tea," symbolizing the stages and philosophy of life. After lunch, we will drive to Lijiang, an ancient and mysterious town. We'll then visit **Black Dragon Pool**, where we can enjoy the beautiful natural scenery and serene waters. Finally, we'll explore **Lijiang Ancient Town**, a historic town rich in culture, allowing you to stroll along its cobblestone streets and soak in the charming atmosphere.

Day 10 ** May 29

Lijiang

(B, L, D)

We will begin our day with a visit to **Jade Dragon Snow Mountain**, the highest mountain on the southern bank of the Yangtze River. This majestic mountain is considered a holy site and the soul of the Naxi people. We'll take a **cable car** to enjoy panoramic views of Lijiang City and the surrounding landscape, offering a breathtaking perspective of this stunning region. Next, we will attend the performance of **"Impression Lijiang."** This magnificent outdoor show, directed by the renowned Zhang Yimou, showcases the traditions and lifestyles of the local ethnic groups through vibrant singing and dancing. After the performance, we will head to **Blue Moon Valley**, where a strikingly blue river meanders through a lush valley at the foot of Jade Dragon Snow Mountain. The valley features four large turquoise lakes and numerous miniature white waterfalls, creating a picturesque setting. The incredible scenery in Blue Moon Valley makes it a perfect spot to feast your eyes and capture beautiful photographs. We will return to our hotel after dinner.

Day 11 ** May 30

Lijiang → Guangzhou

(B, D)

We will conclude our journey with a transfer to the airport in Lijiang for our flight to **Guangzhou**. Upon arrival in Guangzhou, we will be warmly greeted and taken on a **half-day city tour**. Our first stop will be **Huacheng Square**, a beautiful urban park that showcases the modern architecture of Guangzhou. Next, we will visit the iconic **Canton Tower**, often referred to as the "Little Waist" due to its unique shape, where you can enjoy stunning views of the city. We'll then explore the **Chen Clan Ancestral Hall**, a remarkable example of traditional Cantonese architecture adorned with intricate carvings and decorations. To wrap up the day, we will enjoy a **farewell dinner** featuring authentic Cantonese cuisine, allowing us to savor the rich flavors and culinary traditions of the region.

Day 12 ** May 31

Guangzhou → Haneda → Honolulu

(B)

After breakfast, we will transfer to the Guangzhou International Airport for our return flight home via Haneda. As we embark on this journey back, we will carry with us cherished memories of our remarkable trip to China, filled with cultural experiences, breathtaking sights, and unforgettable moments.

We wish you a safe journey and many wonderful memories to share with family and friends! ☺

***** Special China Visa w/ 10 years multiple entries is available at \$300 *****



Remarks:

- ✦ Fares are per person, USD based on double occupancy and include all airline taxes and fees
- ✦ Business class is available, please call your agent for the price
- ✦ Refer to “General Condition of Air & Sea”
- ✦ We reserve the right to modify the itinerary to ensure smooth operation
- ✦ Tour price is subject to change according to any airfare increase, increase in government taxes, additional fuel charges, and fluctuation of the rate of exchange between U.S. and foreign currency
- ✦ Tour price includes fuel surcharge & government taxes and fees. The tour price shown is current at the time of listing and pricing on [Sep 9, 2025](#)
- ✦ Escorted tour with a minimum of 20 passengers
- ✦ A special 10-year China Visa for a China group tour is available for USD 300 per person, subject to government-approved
- ✦ Gratuity for Local Tour Guides & Drivers is included
- ✦ It is mandatory to inform Air and Sea Travel of any existing conditions that may require medical attention or accommodations during the trip. You need to provide this information in writing in the Tour Supplemental Information section of the application. If you do not have a travel companion who can help you with your special needs, you need to talk to your agent to determine if this is an appropriate tour for you. Some tours may be too strenuous depending on your condition. Air and Sea Travel reserves the right to reject or cancel your booking. You are responsible for any cancellation penalty that this may incur.
- ✦ All travelers, regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status, are welcome to travel with us and will no longer be required to provide proof of pre-departure testing, except for specific countries where COVID-19 vaccination, testing, or additional documentation is required by law. Please visit or revisit the government site to verify the travel requirements. Fully vaccinated is recommended. Vaccines combined with multi-layered preventative health and safety measures will help us provide a safe and healthy vacation environment.
- ✦ As government regulations evolve, our health and safety protocols will evolve as needed to ensure compliance. This may mean different protocols from state to state and city to city based on local requirements.

Payment Policy:

CHECK OR CASH PAYMENT ONLY. A deposit of \$350 per person is required at the time of application. The balance is due on **Feb 10, 2026**. In the event balance payment is not made within the required time period, Air and Sea Travel Center reserves the right to cancel reservations and charge a service fee for cancellation.

Cancellation Policy:

Written notice is required for any cancellation. The cancellation fee will be as follows:

- ** **Feb 11 to Mar 27, 2026, 50%** of the total price plus any other service fee caused by the cancellation;
- ** **From Mar 28, 2026, to departure** or withdrawing during the tour shall be regarded as willingly giving up all rights concerned, **100%** of the total price, and request for other services as a substitute shall not be accepted.

****We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance when you make a reservation****