ITINERARY

Chengdu, Huanglong, Jiuzhaigou & Chongqing – Private Tour – 8 Days 7 Nights

Huanglong's travertine pools and Jiuzhaigou's lakes by high-speed train from Chengdu, then Chongqing's hillside lanes, light rail and hot pot.

DEPARTURE	DESTINATION	DURATION
Chengdu	Chongqing	8 Days / 7 Nights

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1

Arrival in Chengdu

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You arrive in Chengdu by air, are met at the airport and transferred by car to your hotel for check-in. The rest of the day is free.

Hotel: **Four Points by Sheraton Chengdu Chunxi Road, or similar**

Day 2

High-speed train to Huanglong's terraced pools

Chengdu → Huanglong → Jiuzhaigou

You take the high-speed train from Chengdu East Railway Station to Huanglong-Jiuzhaigou (Songpan) Station, then spend the day at Huanglong Scenic Area, riding the ropeway up, the mountain-top shuttle bus and the ropeway down. Huanglong is known for its terraced, coloured travertine pools set below snow-capped peaks.

After the visit you drive about 2.5 hours by car to your hotel in Jiuzhaigou. Lunch is at the Huanglong Visitor Centre; dinner is a buffet or set dinner at the hotel.

Meals: **Breakfast, Lunch (Huanglong Visitor Centre), Dinner (hotel buffet or set dinner)**

Hotel: **InterContinental Resort Jiuzhai Paradise by IHG, or similar**

Day 3

A full day in Jiuzhaigou Valley

Jiuzhaigou

You spend the full day in Jiuzhaigou Scenic Area using the official shuttle bus (ticket included), visiting Five-Flower Lake, Arrow Bamboo Lake, Panda Lake and Pearl Shoal Waterfall — a valley of clear blue lakes, tiered waterfalls and old-growth forest.

Dinner is a wild mushroom hot pot.

Meals: **Breakfast, Dinner (wild mushroom hot pot)**

Hotel: **InterContinental Resort Jiuzhai Paradise by IHG, or similar**

Day 4

Train back to Chengdu and a Jinjiang River night cruise

Jiuzhaigou → Chengdu

You take the high-speed train from Huanglong-Jiuzhaigou (Songpan) Station back to Chengdu East Railway Station at the scheduled time.

In the evening you visit Kuanzhai Alley, with its old Chengdu folk customs, and Chunxi Road, the city's busy commercial centre, then take a Jinjiang River night cruise. Dinner is Sichuan hot pot with a Sichuan opera face-changing show.

Meals: **Breakfast, Dinner (Sichuan hot pot with face-changing show)**

Hotel: **Four Points by Sheraton Chengdu Chunxi Road or similar 5-star hotel**

Day 5

Onward to Chongqing

Chengdu → Chongqing

After breakfast you are transferred to the airport or high-speed railway station for your journey to Chongqing. On arrival you are transferred to your hotel to rest (vehicle transfers included; no guide on this day).

Meals: **Breakfast**

Hotel: **Four Points by Sheraton Chongqing Yuzhong Peninsula, or similar**

Day 6

Ciqikou Ancient Town, Jiefangbei and Hongyadong

Chongqing

After breakfast you visit Ciqikou Ancient Town, whose old alleys are lined with local snacks and traditional handicrafts. Next comes Jiefangbei Pedestrian Street, Chongqing's central commercial landmark of high-rises, shopping malls and long-established brands.

You then visit Hongyadong, a stilt-house complex built against the cliffside, whose layered buildings are lit up at night.

Meals: **Breakfast, Lunch**

Hotel: **Four Points by Sheraton Chongqing Yuzhong Peninsula, or similar**

Day 7

Liziba light rail, Chongqing Zoo and a Pipa Garden hot pot dinner

Chongqing

After breakfast you ride two stops on the Liziba light rail line, which runs straight through a residential building. You then visit Chongqing Zoo to see giant pandas and other rare animals, stroll tree-lined Zhongshan 4th Road with its historic sites, and walk Shancheng Lane, an old hillside footpath with city views.

Dinner is at Pipa Garden Hotpot, a hillside restaurant with terraced tables and night views, listed by Guinness World Records as the world's largest hot pot restaurant.

Meals: **Breakfast, Dinner (Pipa Garden hot pot)**

Hotel: **Four Points by Sheraton Chongqing Yuzhong Peninsula, or similar**

Day 8

Departure from Chongqing

Chongqing → departure

You are transferred to the airport at the appropriate time for your flight (vehicle transfer included; no guide). End of the tour.

WHAT'S INCLUDED & EXCLUDED

COST INCLUDES

- ✓ Your tour price covers:
- ✓ 7 nights in the hotels listed in the itinerary, or similar, twin share
- ✓ Meals as listed in the itinerary
- ✓ Private vehicle and driver for your party throughout the itinerary
- ✓ Private English-speaking guide
- ✓ Entrance fees for the sights listed in the itinerary
- ✓ Arrival and departure transfers as described in the itinerary
- ✓ High-speed train Chengdu East – Huanglong-Jiuzhaigou (Songpan) and back
- ✓ Huanglong ropeway up and down and mountain-top shuttle bus
- ✓ Jiuzhaigou official scenic-area shuttle bus
- ✓ Jinjiang River night cruise
- ✓ Sichuan hot pot dinner with Sichuan opera face-changing show
- ✓ Wild mushroom hot pot dinner in Jiuzhaigou
- ✓ Liziba light rail ride (two stops)
- ✓ Pipa Garden hot pot dinner in Chongqing

COST EXCLUDES

- ✗ The following are not covered by the tour price:
- ✗ International flights to Chengdu and home from Chongqing, and airport taxes
- ✗ Gratuities — CAD $160 per person (CAD $20 a day), added at checkout
- ✗ Single room supplement — CAD $588–688 by season
- ✗ Chinese visa and travel insurance
- ✗ Meals not listed in the itinerary, drinks and personal expenses

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

- **Valid Passport** — must be valid for at least 6 months beyond the return date
- **Required Visas** — verify visa requirements for your destination and nationality before travel
- **Travel Insurance Certificate** — trip cancellation and out-of-country medical coverage (strongly recommended)
- **Credit Card & Cash** — for personal expenses and emergencies
- **Medications** — in original packaging with prescriptions, plus a copy stored separately

IMPORTANT TRAVEL ADVISORIES

Entry Requirements: Entry to another country may be refused even if the required information and travel documents are complete. It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure all documents are valid and in order.

Local Conditions: Living standards and practices at the destination, and the standards and conditions with respect to utilities, services, and accommodation, may differ from those found in Canada.

Airport Arrival: Please arrive at the airport at least **3 hours before** international departures and **2 hours before** domestic departures. Reconfirm onward flights with the airline at least 72 hours in advance.

Government Travel Advice: Check Global Affairs Canada at **travel.gc.ca** for the latest travel advisories for your destination.