ITINERARY

Chongqing & Yangtze River Three Gorges Cruise – Group Tour – 6 Days 5 Nights

Chongqing, a high-speed train to Yichang and a four-night upstream Yangtze cruise through the Three Gorges, with the Three Gorges Dam and Shennong Stream.

DEPARTURE	DESTINATION	DURATION
Chongqing	Chongqing	6 Days / 5 Nights

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1

Arrival in Chongqing

Arrive Chongqing

You are met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free to rest after your flight.

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

Day 2

Danzishi Old Street and boarding the cruise

Chongqing → Yichang (high-speed train) → Maoping

After breakfast you visit Danzishi Old Street, then take the high-speed train to Yichang (second-class seats).

From the Yichang Tourist Centre a free shuttle bus takes you to Maoping Port, where you board your ship and begin the Yangtze River Three Gorges cruise.

Meals: **Breakfast**

Hotel: **Victoria Cruises ship, balcony cabin on the second deck, or similar**

Day 3

Three Gorges Dam

Yangtze River cruise

The day starts with early-bird coffee and tea and a buffet breakfast. In the morning there is an optional shore excursion to either the Tribe of the Three Gorges or the Hometown of Qu Yuan.

After lunch there is an optional sightseeing-ferry trip through the Three Gorges Project ship lift, and in the afternoon a shore excursion to the Three Gorges Dam site. In the evening you attend the Captain's Welcome Reception, followed by dinner and a show of ethnic minority and dynasty costumes.

Meals: **Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

Hotel: **Victoria Cruises ship, balcony cabin on the second deck, or similar**

Day 4

Shennong Stream, Wu Gorge and Qutang Gorge

Yangtze River cruise

After early-bird coffee and breakfast, you join a morning shore excursion to Shennong Stream. After lunch the ship cruises through Wu Gorge and then Qutang Gorge.

Late afternoon brings an optional shore excursion to White Emperor City. Dinner is followed by a cabaret show on board.

Meals: **Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner** | Hotel: **Victoria Cruises ship, balcony cabin on the second deck, or similar**

Day 5

Fengdu shore excursion and Captain’s Farewell Dinner

Yangtze River cruise → Fengdu

After early-bird coffee and breakfast, the morning shore excursion is either the Snow Jade Cave at Fengdu or the Xiao Guan Shan Folk Culture Park. Fengdu Ghost City is offered as an optional excursion instead. Afternoon activities take place on board.

On some sailings an optional full-day excursion to the Wulong (Mt. Wuling) Great Rift Valley is also offered, with lunch on shore and a return to the ship at Fuling. In the evening you enjoy the Captain’s Farewell Dinner and settle your on-board account.

Meals: **Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner** | Hotel: **Victoria Cruises ship, balcony cabin on the second deck, or similar**

Day 6

Disembarkation in Chongqing

Chongqing → departure

After a buffet breakfast and check-out, you disembark in Chongqing at around 9:00. You are then transferred to the airport or high-speed railway station for your onward journey.

Meals: **Breakfast**

WHAT'S INCLUDED & EXCLUDED

COST INCLUDES

- ✓ Your tour price covers:
- ✓ 5 nights in the hotels listed in the itinerary, or similar, twin share
- ✓ Meals as listed in the itinerary
- ✓ Ground transport by air-conditioned coach or vehicle as described in the itinerary
- ✓ English-speaking guide
- ✓ Entrance fees for the sights listed in the itinerary
- ✓ Arrival and departure transfers as described in the itinerary
- ✓ High-speed train Chongqing – Yichang (second class)
- ✓ Shuttle bus Yichang Tourist Centre – Maoping Port
- ✓ Yangtze River Three Gorges cruise, 4 nights, balcony cabin on the second deck, all meals on board
- ✓ Cruise shore excursions to the Three Gorges Dam site, Shennong Stream and Fengdu (Snow Jade Cave or Xiao Guan Shan Folk Culture Park)
- ✓ Captain’s Welcome Reception, Captain’s Farewell Dinner and on-board shows

COST EXCLUDES

- ✗ The following are not covered by the tour price:
- ✗ International flights to Chongqing and home from Chongqing, and airport taxes
- ✗ Gratuities — CAD $120 per person (CAD $20 a day), added at checkout
- ✗ Single room supplement — CAD $88
- ✗ Chinese visa and travel insurance
- ✗ Meals not listed in the itinerary, drinks and personal expenses
- ✗ Optional: Tribe of the Three Gorges or Hometown of Qu Yuan shore excursion (Day 3, at extra cost)
- ✗ Optional: Sightseeing ferry through the Three Gorges Project ship lift (Day 3, at extra cost)
- ✗ Optional: White Emperor City shore excursion (Day 4, at extra cost)
- ✗ Optional: Fengdu Ghost City shore excursion (Day 5, at extra cost)
- ✗ Optional: Wulong (Mt. Wuling) Great Rift Valley excursion with lunch on shore (Day 5, on some sailings, at extra cost)

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.