

## 7 Days Silk Road – Kashgar To Dunhuang

Prepared specially for

**SEA Small Group Departure (30 Sep- 06 Oct, 2017)**



### **Tour Price From:**

Twin Sharing: **RMB 9,210/-** per person  
Single Supplement: **RMB 2,160/-** per person  
Airfare: **RMB 9,717/-** per person

**Travel Date:** 30Sep-06 Oct, 2017

### **Registration Closing Date:**

31 Aug, 2017 or when tour is fully subscribed

### **Deposit Amount:**

**RMB 10,000/-** per person

### **Early Bird Promotion:**

Discount of **RMB 300/-** person for booking the trip with deposit by 31 Jul, 2017

**Pre-Departure Meeting:** 19 Sep, 2017

### **Highlights:**

Retracing the footsteps towards China ancient last frontier

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Be awed by the impressive grottoes at Dunhuang and gorgeous ruins in Turpan

The Sunday market at Kashgar

# ITINERARY SUMMARY



The Silk Road evokes exotic images of long caravan lines stretching across vast sand dunes and dusty travelers relaxing in the shade of a desert oasis. It also took tradesmen and monks, across mountains, deserts and seas from Europe to Asia.

Join us as we retrace this ancient trade route. Be mesmerized by the ethnic cultures of the Tibetans, Tajiks and Uygurs that you meet along the way; be awed by the impressive grottoes at Dunhuang and gorgeous ruins in Turpan; Our journey includes Kashgar, this is an important hub on the Old Silk Road and a vibrant Islamic centre within Chinese territory. Of course, we will definitely catch the outstanding Sunday market-the biggest farm trade market in central Asia.



# DETAILED ITINERARY

## DAY 01 30 SEP (SAT)

### SHANGHAI / KASHGAR

This morning take flight to Kashgar.

Fly Shanghai-Hongqiao/Kashgar CZ6998 0855/1715 (8h20m)  
*\*Stopover in Urumqi for 3 hours 5 minutes*

Upon arrival, met and transfer to the hotel, Kashgar is an oasis in the hostile Taklamakan Desert (biggest dessert in China and second in the World); now, as it was 2,000 years ago, it is a cultural and commercial crossroads. This evening we enjoy a walking tour of the **old town**.

**Meals: Welcome dinner included.**

## DAY 02 01 OCT (SUN)



Sunday Bazaar, Kashgar

### KASHGAR

Today we visit the outstanding **Sunday market**, the biggest in Asia. It attracts 50,000 people to view, thousands of donkeys, camels and sheep, as well as a huge range of merchandise, this will be a memorable experience.

In the afternoon, visit the **Yusuf Has Hajip Mazar** and the **handicraft street**, also the **Apak Hoja Tomb** and the local bazaar.

**Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner included**

## DAY 03 02 OCT (MON)

### KASHGAR/URUMQI

This morning transfer to airport fly to Urumqi.

Fly Kashgar/Urumqi CZ6812 1045/1235 (1h50m)



Heavenly Lake, Xinjiang

Upon arrival, we transfer to visit east of Urumqi to the serene alpine landscapes around **Tian Chi** (Heavenly Lake). With scenery reminiscent of Switzerland, the alpine pastures around the lake are home to the grazing horses of the yurt-dwelling Kazakhs. You will have time to explore the **Bazaar** by night.

**Meals: Breakfast / Lunch/ Dinner included**

## DAY 04 03 OCT (TUE)

### URUMQI / TURPAN

This morning we visit the **Xinjiang Museum**. After lunch, we drive about 200km to **Turpan**. This is a scenic drive where you see the Gobi Desert, the windmill hydro plant and ruins along the way. In the afternoon we start the tour of **Emin Minaret**, the **Karez underground irrigation system** and the **Turfan Museum**.

**Meals: Breakfast / Lunch/ Dinner included**

**DAY 05**  
**04 OCT (WED)**



*Flaming Mountain, Turpan*

**TURPAN**

After breakfast, you set off for your tour of Turpan, an oasis town 154 meters below sea level. You start with the Flaming Mountain, of the Monkey God fame (take photo on the way); the ruins of **Gao Chang**, an ancient Chinese Silk Road garrison town where you will be taken by donkey cart to visit the temple area; and the **Bezeklik Caves**; where "Bezeklik" means "a place with beautiful decorations". Enjoy **lunch under the grape tree with local family**.

In the afternoon visit the **Jiaohe Ruins** with a history of over 2500 years, **with a special permit**.

**Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner included**

**DAY 06**  
**05 OCT (THU)**



*Mogao Cave, Dunhuang*

**TURPAN/ DUNHUANG**

This morning take express train to Dunhuang ( 2<sup>nd</sup> class seats).

Train     Turpan/Liuyuan     D2704     1021/1356 (3h35m)

Upon arrival drive 2 hours arriving Dunhuang and take a tour view the lovely sunset in the **Mingsha Shan** (the Singing Sands Mountain) and **camel ride**, named after the natural phenomena, visit the Crescent Moon Lake - a natural wonder in the Gobi Desert. Enjoy dinner at hotel.

**Meals: Breakfast / Dinner included**

**DAY 07**  
**06 OCT (FRI)**

**DUNHUANG / SHANGHAI**

This morning we visit the world-famous, UNESCO-listed **Mogao Cave** site, with its thousands of caves, each with its exquisite Buddhist murals.

After lunch transfer to the airport fly back to Shanghai.

Fly     Dunhuang/Xian     MU2216     1550/1815 (2h25m)  
         Xian/Shanghai-Pudong     MU2169     2100/2315 (2h15m)

**Meals: Breakfast and farewell lunch included**



# QUOTATION

## PRICES PER PERSON:

- These prices are based on min. 6 adults traveling together on the dates stated above.

Hotel Used	Adult Twin Sharing	Child Twin Sharing	Single Supplement
<b>Based on 6-9 people travelling</b> - Silk Road Dunhuang Hotel - Huozhou Hotel Turpan - Universal Hotel Urumqi - Yue Xing Jin Jiang Kashgar	RMB 9,510/-	RMB 9,280/-	RMB 2,160/-
<b>Based on 10-16 people travelling</b> - Silk Road Dunhuang Hotel - Huozhou Hotel Turpan - Universal Hotel Urumqi - Yue Xing Jin Jiang Kashgar	RMB 9,210/-	RMB 8,990/-	RMB 2,160/-
Airfare quoted separately	Per adult	Per child(below 12yrs old)	
Shanghai-Kashgar-Urumuqi, Dunhuang – Xi'an-Shanghai ( on economy class)	RMB 9,717	RMB 5,665	
<b>Notes</b> - Room size are mostly small in standard room, request for third adult on extra bed please consulate us for room upgrade - Flight and train schedule is subject to change when make actual booking - Airfare is quoted separately on economy class and is subject to change based on seat availability. - Early Bird promotion: Discount of RMB 300/- person for booking this trip with a deposit by 31 Jul , 2017 - Deposit: RMB 10,000/-per person - Reservation closing date: <b>31 Aug, 2017</b> or when tour is fully subscribed			

## COST INCLUDES

- Accommodation on twin or double sharing basis;
- All tours and transfers by private car with an English speaking tour guide;
- Meals as stated & daily bottled water;
- Entrance fees as stated in the itinerary;
- Travel Insurance.

## COST EXCLUDES

- Airfare: Shanghai/Kashgar/Urumqi/Dunhuang/Shanghai on economy class;
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges;
- Beverages in the restaurants where meals are included;
- Gratuities to guide & driver.
- Personal and other expenses not stated in the itinerary.

# HOTEL DESCRIPTIONS

## DUNHUANG



### **Silk Road Dunhuang Hotel**

Situated against the backdrop of the picturesque Mingsha Sand Dunes. The hotel captures the spirit of the Tang Dynasty with its unique design.

[www.dunhuangresort.com/jden/index.asp](http://www.dunhuangresort.com/jden/index.asp)

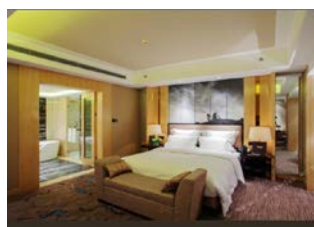


## TURPAN

### **Huozhou Hotel Turpan**

It is a 4-star in Turpan and is centrally located in downtown near Turpan museum. There are 145 well-furnished guest rooms with 24 hour hot water. Dining rooms are spacious serving typical Xinjiang flavor cuisine.

## URUMQI



### **Universal Hotel Urumqi**

Located in central Urumqi, Xinjiang, the hotel is just a 20-minute drive to the international airport and rail station. There are 358 fashionable and refined guest rooms covered with high-speed networks in the 28-stories building.

<http://english.ctrip.com/hotels/urumqi-hotel-detail-667840/universal-hotel-urumqi/#roomhash>

## KASHGAR



### **Yue Xing Jin Jiang International Hotel**

Conveniently located within easy access to all the main transportation links and will serve as an ideal base from which visitors can explore the city. Well-appointed, elegantly designed and spacious guestrooms and suites, equipped with modern amenities

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