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## Home Stay in Beijing of Best of China Tour

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**Tour Code:** CET-HS01

**Length:** 11 days and 10 nights

**Cities Visited/Stayed:** Beijing, Xi'an, Guilin, Shanghai

**Highlight Attractions:** Forbidden City, Great Wall, Summer Palace, Terracotta Warriors and Horses Museum, Li River, Yangshuo, Yu Yuan Garden, Huangpu River

**Experience & Features:** Home Stay in Beijing

Do you want to experience the real daily life of local ordinary people? Do you want to cook authentic Chinese food with friendly Chinese people? Do you want to enjoy the top destinations in China with professional guides? You can enjoy all of them if you join this home stay tour with China Expedition Tours. To discover a real China and make an extraordinary and unforgettable China journey!

### Itinerary

#### Day 1: Beijing

Welcome to Beijing! Our China Expedition Tours representative will meet you at airport upon your arrival, and transfer you to your hotel.

Stay overnight in the hotel of Beijing.

**Meals:**

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#### Day 2: Beijing

Today we will visit **[Temple of Heaven]**, the ancient emperors used to pray for the God's bless of the whole nation at there, then the **[Tian'anmen Square]**, the largest city square in the world, and **[Forbidden City]**, the largest imperial palace in China during the Ming and Qing dynasties with a long history of around 600 years.

Stay overnight in the hotel of Beijing.

**Meals:** (B, L)

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### Day 3: Beijing

We will travel to **[Mutianyu Great Wall]** , 80 kilometers northeast of Beijing. Mutianyu Great Wall is characterized by many watchtowers on overlapping mountain ranges. The wall, built with slabs of stone, is crenellated on both sides with bricks. After a late lunch in a local restaurant, get back to the downtown.

Stay overnight in the hotel of Beijing.

**Meals:** (B, L)

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### Day 4: Beijing

After breakfast, we will check out and the guide will arrange us to a local family's home in the old Beijing area. Your home stay host will be met. Check in to your room in their house or apartment and have lunch with them. In the afternoon, follow your host and guide to the local market to buy stuff you want for dinner. THIS IS COMPLETELY "WHEN IN ROME, DO AS THE ROMANS DO." You will learn to cook your own Chinese dinner from your host! Enjoy your REAL Chinese dinner and have tea with them. Know the ordinary people's life from your talk and from your own experience.

Stay overnight in a local Beijing Home.

**Meals:** (B, L, D)

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### Day 5: Beijing-Xi'an

Visit the**[Summer Palace]** to experience the biggest and most renowned imperial summer resort from the Ming and Qing Dynasty and have a short-sight of this great example of China's extraordinary workmanship and architecture. After lunch we will drive to the airport for a pm flight to Xi'an.

Stay overnight in Xi'an.

**Meals:** (B, L)

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### Day 6: Xi'an

The tour to the renowned **[Terracotta Warriors and Horses Museum]** today will make us know these unearthed pottery figurines, also regarded as "the Eighth Wonder of the World" and one of the most significant archaeological discoveries of the 20th Century. After coming back, the rest free time can easily be spent walking around the narrow streets among the Muslim Quarter where we can find quaint shops, lively markets, tables of whitebeard men in skull caps sipping tea in rough cafes.

Stay overnight in Xi'an.

**Meals:** (B, L)

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## Day 7: Xi'an-Guilin

There is some free time for you to explore the morning city yourself. Then we will go to visit the **[Shaanxi Provincial Museum]** which will colorfully illustrate how Xi'an became the cradle of Chinese culture. Following this, we go to visit the **[Big Wild Goose Pagoda]** which was built by the eminent monk Xuanzang in 652 AD and till nowadays, has a great importance in China's Buddhism history. After those, we will go to the airport, taking a pm flight to Guilin.

Stay overnight in Guilin.

**Meals:** (B, L)

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## Day 8: Guilin-Yangshuo-Guilin

We need to go to the wharf, for today's **[Li River cruise]**, which we can enjoy the Li River picturesque scenery to Yangshuo. The cruise will definitely make your visit to China much better. We will pass the extraordinary peaks, long sprays of bamboo lining, local fishing rafts constantly floating on the river and picturesque villages. After arrival, some free time will be spent on Yangshuo town which boasts the "Global Village" due to the popularity among travelers from all over the world. And then we will drive back to Guilin.

Stay overnight in Guilin.

**Meals:** (B, L)

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## Day 9: Guilin-Shanghai

We will go to visit the **[Reed Flute Cave]**, the endless variety of remarkable scenes ornamented by the natural beauty of a large amount of stalactites and stalagmites. Then come to the **[Elephant Hill]**, the symbol of Guilin city, which looks like a giant elephant with its long trunk drinking water from the Li River. Then we will drive to Guilin airport to take a pm flight to Shanghai.

Stay overnight in Shanghai.

**Meals:** (B, L)

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## **Day 10: Shanghai**

Today, we are going to visit **[Yuyuan Garden]**, a beautiful private garden regarded as the most typical representative of its sort of Chinese garden; the **[Huangpu River Cruise]**, from where you see the modern skylines of this China's biggest city; and then walking along **[the Bund]**, you may marvel at the perfect combination of modern high-rise and the traditions.

Stay overnight in Shanghai.

**Meals:** (B, L)

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## **Day 11: Shanghai-Departure**

Free at leisure until you are transferred to the airport for your flight home. Your tour served by us ends at the airport.

**Meals:** (B)

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