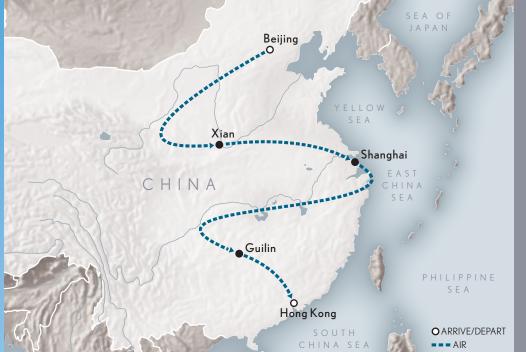
# WINGS OVER CHINA

## — Featuring Peninsula Hotels —

12 days from \$34,995 | Single Supplement from \$4,695 Oct 14–25, 2019 | Limited to 18 Guests

> Visiting Beijing, Xian, Shanghai, Guilin and Hong Kong







#### AIRCRAFT

Bombardier Challenger 850 or comparable

Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

## FLIGHT DETAILS

Beijing–Xian (2 hrs)
Xian–Shanghai (2 hrs)
Shanghai–Guilin (2 hrs 30 min)
Guilin–Hong Kong (1 hr 30 min)

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Fly in comfort and style between China's iconic cities via private chartered aircraft
- Enjoy world-renowned hospitality during your stays at The Peninsula Beijing, The Peninsula Shanghai and The Peninsula Hong Kong
- Bask in masterfully crafted "Pen Moments," enjoying drinks overlooking modern Shanghai at the glamorous Sir Elly's Terrace; Classic High Tea in Hong Kong; and a ride in a Rolls-Royce, all courtesy of Peninsula Hotels
- Watch wondrous rural landscapes drift by, on a bamboo raft ride down the Li River near Guilin
- Gain privileged, private access to a usually off-limits hall in Beijing's Forbidden City
- Discover Xian's incredible Terra Cotta Warriors up close, accompanied by an on-site specialist
- Savor a six-course dinner featuring specialties from two Michelin-starred restaurants
- Customize your travel experience one afternoon in Shanghai with your choice of three diverse
   Design Your Day options

#### ITINERARY

#### Day 1

## Arrive Beijing, China

Arrive in Beijing, modern China's dynamic capital city, where you are met and transferred to your luxurious hotel. *The Peninsula Beijing* 

## Day 2

## Beijing | *In the Footsteps of Emperors*

This morning, participate in a tai chi class taught by a master instructor at the Temple of Heaven, the single most beautiful example of classical Ming Period architecture. After lunch at a local restaurant, take in the sweep of history in Tiananmen Square, the vast government plaza that has witnessed epic moments of confrontation and courage, and explore the imperial grandeur of the Forbidden City, treated to special access to a hall usually closed to the public. This evening, gather for cocktails and a special welcome dinner of Peking duck at the Peninsula's Huang Ting restaurant. *The Peninsula Beijing | Meals: B L D* 

## Day 3

## Beijing | Atop the Great Wall

Visit the Great Wall of China, ascending to the top of its well-preserved Mutianyu section, and enjoy the vistas of the surrounding mountains, in the company of a local expert for an exclusive and insightful cultural experience. Then, sit down to an elegantly set table



atop the wall for a unique al fresco dining moment — a delightful Champagne brunch. After experiencing this largest of the New Seven Wonders of the World in such extraordinary style, return to the city. Then, ride by pedicab through a *hutong*, a neighborhood of small winding alleyways. Finish with a calligraphy lesson, taking time to appreciate the meditative qualities of this ancient art. *The Peninsula Beijing* | *Meals: B L* 



Walk along the Great Wall of China accompanied by a specialist who describes how it was built and explains its architecture and history in detail, for an exclusive moment of historical and cultural insight.

#### Day 4

### Xian | Vibrant Muslim Quarter

Fly by private charter to ancient Xian, where you begin your visit with lunch at a local restaurant. Then, see the Muslim Quarter with its teeming markets and 14th-century Great Mosque; a blend of classic Chinese temple architecture and central Asian embellishments make it one of the most fascinating sites in Xian. Finish your day with a private dumpling-making demonstration followed by dinner at a local restaurant.

Sofitel Legend People's Grand Hotel Xian | Meals: B L D

#### Day 5

### Xian & Shanghai | Terra Cotta Warriors

Today, accompanied by an on-site specialist, visit the excavation site of the Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses, the life-size army of thousands of soldiers, created to protect China's first emperor in his afterlife. Then, after a visit to the Yangling Museum and its restoration lab, followed by lunch at a local restaurant, fly to Shanghai, where you settle into your luxurious hotel. Tonight, revel in a seasonally inspired six-course meal at one of your hotel's Michelin-starred restaurants and meet the chefs. *The Peninsula Shanghai* | *Meals: B L D* 

#### Day 6

## Shanghai | Lovely Yu Garden & Thrilling Acrobats

Visit the 16th-century Yu Garden, and stroll in Old Town. After lunch at a local restaurant, explore the French Concession Area. Tonight, enjoy drinks at the Peninsula's Sir Elly's Terrace, taking in the spectacular views of Shanghai's skyline from one of the city's most chic venues. This evening, attend a thrilling acrobatic show. *The Peninsula Shanghai* | *Meals: B L* 

#### Day 7

## Shanghai | Design Your Day

Explore the bronze, jade and ceramic collections of the world-renowned Shanghai Museum on a private tour led by the museum's curator. This afternoon, personalize your travel experience to your interests as you enjoy the opportunity to Design Your Day.



## THE GREAT WALL BY THE NUMBERS

## 13,170

Length in miles of the Great Wall, totaling all of its sections, the longest of which, built during the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644), spans 5,500 miles

## 2,000

Approximate number of years it took to build

#### 26

Height, in feet, of the wall at its highest point

#### 30

Width, in feet, of the wall at its widest point

## 800,000

Approximate number of soldiers, prisoners and laborers employed to build the wall during the Qin Dynasty alone

### 3,873,000,000

Estimated number of bricks used to build the wall

#### 05

Percentage of the Great Wall that has been officially restored

Savor an immeasurably satisfying travel moment — Champagne brunch atop the Great Wall — courtesy of A&K.



## DESIGN YOUR DAY | Select from these options

- Relax with an On-Site Spa Treatment Indulge your mind and body with the holistic wellness treatments and state-of-the-art therapies available at The Peninsula Shanghai's spacious spa.
- Walk Shanghai's Historic Jewish Quarter Explore the fascinating history of a little-known haven for Jews who emigrated from Europe and elsewhere on a guided walking tour of Shanghai's former Jewish Quarter, viewing buildings that date to the 1800s.
- Shanghai Urban Planning Exhibition Center Discover the in-depth planning and activity that went into building this modern metropolis on a visit to the Shanghai Urban Planning Exhibition Center, with its striking Art Deco-influenced architecture.

Tonight, dine at a superb local restaurant. The Peninsula Shanghai | Meals: B D

Day 8

## Guilin | Incredible Limestone Karsts

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Board your private charter flight to picturesque Guilin, then travel into the stunning countryside dotted by fantastical karst topography, as you journey to your resort. This evening, share a Scenic Sundowner with your Resident Tour Director before enjoying dinner at your hotel. Banyan Tree Yangshuo | Meals: B D

## Guilin | The Li River by Bamboo Raft

Begin the day by boarding a bamboo raft for a cruise along the Li River. Observe the quiet, rural life along the river with towering limestone pinnacles providing a dramatic backdrop. Watch as the locals ply the river, transiting between homes, markets and terraced rice paddies. Next, stroll Yangshuo's West Street, with its blend of medieval and modern architecture, and enjoy lunch at your hotel. This evening, take in the Impression of Liu San Jie Show. Banyan Tree Yangshuo | Meals: B L

Day 10

## Hong Kong | An Icon Revealed

Today, explore the sights and scents of a tea plantation nestled among the towering limestone karsts. Then, fly by private charter to Hong Kong, China's glittering gateway of international trade and finance. Settle into the peerless, iconic Peninsula Hong Kong, and then relax and enjoy the splendid amenities. The Peninsula Hong Kong | Meals: B L

Day 11

## Hong Kong | Victoria Peak & Floating Villages

Depart for Sheung Wan, one of the earliest British settlements. Stroll through an herbal medicine market, and stop at Man Mo Temple on Hollywood Road for an in-depth look at a Chinese temple. Take in a panoramic view of the city, Victoria Harbour and Lamma Island from atop Victoria Peak. Then, enjoy Classic High Tea

in the lobby of your iconic hotel, a quintessential Hong Kong experience. Tonight, gather for cocktails and a Farewell Dinner, with time to toast your extraordinary China journey. The Peninsula Hong Kong | Meals: B L D

Day 12

## Depart Hong Kong

After breakfast, transfer to the airport in one of the hotel's signature Rolls-Royces — enjoying the finest luxury travel experience to the final moment of your spectacular journey — and board your departing flight. Meals: B

#### DATES & PRICING

Oct 14-25, 2019	\$34,995	\$4,695	
Departure	Double	Single	
Date	Occupancy	Supplement	

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 11.

A spring 2019 departure of this journey with alternative sightseeing is available. Please visit abercrombiekent.com for details.

## YOUR INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### The Peninsula Hong Kong

Grand Deluxe Harbour View Room in Hong Kong's most iconic hotel, named to the Condé Nast Traveler Gold List.



## The Peninsula Shanghai

Deluxe River View Room on the Bund, in a luxurious hotel on the Condé Nast Traveler Gold List.



## Sofitel Legend People's Grand Hotel Xian

Ideally located, historic structure boasting classic French and Russian heritage and luxury styling.



## The Peninsula Beijing

Spacious, luxurious Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel, situated in the heart of China's dynamic capital city.



#### Banyan Tree Yangshuo

Condé Nast Traveler Gold List hotel with gorgeous views of the surrounding rice terraces and limestone karsts.