



Harbin Ice wonderland Tour 2009

Day 1 26th Dec

Melbourne-Beijing

Assemble at Melbourne International Airport at 8:00am fly with CA 178 departs on 10:45am to Beijing a city of amazing contrasts - an ancient capital with some incredible historical sites and a bustling modern metropolis, which successfully host the 2008 Olympics. Upon your arrival in Beijing, our guide will meet you and transfer you to Hotel.

Day 2 27th Dec

Beijing

After breakfast visit the Tian'anmen Square, the symbol of Beijing. Then you will be able to experience the ancient emperor's daily life at the Forbidden City from where the Emperors from the Ming and Qing dynasties governed for over 500 years. It is the essence and a 'must see' in Beijing.

After lunch visit the Summer Palace, much-loved summer retreat of the Imperial families, the lovely landscaped gardens, halls, pavilions and corridors are set around the lake and rivers in natural harmony. This evening dine at one of Beijing's most famous restaurant having Peking duck.



Day3 28th Dec

Beijing

After breakfast visit Juyongguan Great Wall with magnificent structure and history. Then visit the temple of heaven builded in 1420A.D. It is the place where emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties would offer sacrifice to heaven and pray for good harvests.

This afternoon, visit Xiushui Street (Silk Market): Xiushui Street is one of the famous clothing markets in Beijing. It attracts domestic and foreign tourists with varied styles, colours and materials as well as an inexpensive price.



Day 4
29th Dec



Beijing -Harbin

After breakfast visit 2008 Beijing Olympic competition venues. Approximately 31 venues are used in Beijing Olympics, including National Stadium, the Bird's Nest and National Aquatics Centre.

This afternoon, you will be transferred to the Airport fly with CA1621 to Harbin, on arrival meet and transfer to the hotel.

Day 5
30th Dec

Harbin

After the breakfast visit Sun Island Snow Sculptures the site of the Snow Sculpture Exposition displaying a wonderful snow world. It is a famous snow art museum and many gorgeous snow sculptures.



Visit St. Sofia Orthodox Church and Tiger Park, The St.Sofia Orthodox Church is the largest Orthodox Church in the Far East. With a height of 53m. Under the bright sun, the church, together with the square around it, reminds the Chinese, bizarrely, of the Red Square in Moscow. Now it serves as an architectural art museum run by the provincial government.

This evening visit the ice and snow world and watch Ice Lantern Show, a galaxy of unique ice and snow art. Making use of the features of ice and snow, by way of multidimensional presentation methods, these exquisitely man-made ice and snow art works turn the place into a dreamlike world of pure whiteness and gleaming crystal.



Day 6
31st Dec

Harbin

After breakfast it's your chance to try all the ice activities, include watch winter swimming show at 10:00am, ride on ice sailing boat or ride sledge down the slope, After lunch visit Central Street Sino-Russian Trade market to experience the Russian cultural influence in Harbin.

Day 7
01st Jan

Harbin-Xian

After breakfast fly with CA 1644 to Beijing then transit CA1225 to Xian a city full of history and heritage. On arrival transfer to hotel, free leisure in the afternoon.

Day 8
02nd Jan

Xian

After breakfast visit Terracotta Warriors, discovered accidentally in 1974, this incredible army of over 7000 soldiers, archers, horses and chariots in full battle array has guarded Emperor Qin's tomb since 210BC. Each figure is unique, and the painstaking repair and excavation continues in 3 pits, which are protected inside huge hangars.



In the afternoon the ancient city walls, ramparts, gates and watchtowers form one of the oldest and most complete city defences still around. Then visit Bell Tower is a symbol of the city of Xi'an .

Day 9
03rd Jan

Xian

After breakfast visit big wild Goose Pagoda: A major Buddhist site, the simple, elegant brick Pagoda stands in the grounds of the attractive Da Ci'en Temple. The Pagoda was built in the 7th century to house the Buddhist materials that Xuanzang (Tripitaka) brought back from his epic journey to India. The Temple complex has several large halls with some great Buddhist statues and murals.





In the evening watch the traditional Tang Dynasty show: The Tang Dynasty Show showcases the costumes, music, and dancing of China's golden age: the Tang dynasty (618 - 907). The show begins with an ancient Chinese musical instrument ensemble while you dine and then later the cultural dance segment begins.

Day 10 **Xian-Beijing-Melbourne**
04th Jan After breakfast transfer to Airport fly with CA1206 to Beijing then catch the CA 177 international flight to Melbourne.

Day 11 **Arrived Melbourne**
05th Jan Arrived Melbourne at 09:00am, Tired but full of happy memories.

Price: \$2980 *

(prices include airport taxes which is approximately \$239.00 per person, and is subject to change until time of ticketing.)

Price includes:

Economy class return airfare with China Airline

10 nights accommodation twin share

All Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

English speaking guide

Stay in Hotels 

Beijing Jiangxi Grand hotel 4* or similar
Harbin New Paris 5* or similar
Xian Gloria Plaza Hotel 4* or similar