

4 Days Chengdu to Bipenggou Winter Tour: Giant Pandas, Skiing & Natural Hot Springs

Trip overview

Immerse yourself in the serene magic of western Sichuan on this classic 4-day winter itinerary from Chengdu to Bipenggou Valley. Designed for nature lovers, families, and cultural explorers, this journey seamlessly blends iconic wildlife encounters, rich Zen heritage, and authentic local teahouse relaxation with a thrilling high-altitude alpine snow adventure.

Begin your adventure in Chengdu meeting giant pandas during their most active morning hours and soaking up the slow-paced local lifestyle at historic teahouses. Then, journey high into the snow-draped peaks of Bipenggou Valley to admire frozen jade lakes, dramatic mountain reflections, and snow-covered forests. Enjoy light hiking, family-friendly skiing, and snow activities before unwinding in soothing outdoor thermal hot springs. Conclude your winter getaway with an authentic Tibetan family visit inside an ancient stone fortress village before returning to Chengdu.

- **Durations:** 4 Days
- **Destinations:** Chengdu - Li County - Chengdu
- **Tour inquiry:** <https://www.asiachinatour.com/4-days-chengdu-to-bipenggou-winter-tour/>

Itinerary

Day 1: Touchdown in the Capital of Pandas — Private Escort & Leisure Evening in Chengdu

Welcome to Chengdu, the vibrant capital of Sichuan Province world-renowned as the Hometown of Giant Pandas and UNESCO's first designated City of Gastronomy in Asia. Upon your arrival at Chengdu Tianfu International Airport (TFU), Shuangliu International Airport (CTU), or Chengdu East Railway Station, your dedicated private guide and driver will greet you at the arrival exit, assist with your luggage, and escort you to your downtown hotel in a comfortable private vehicle.

After checking in and settling into your room, the remainder of the day is yours to unwind from your travels at your own unhurried pace. Step out in the evening to soak up Chengdu's famous laid-back lifestyle with a stroll through the lively pedestrian lanes of Kuanzhai Alley, or sample gentle Sichuan culinary specialties at a local teahouse.

Meals: None

Accommodation: Chengdu

Expert Journey Insights:

Chengdu operates two major airports with distinct transfer times to downtown hotels: Shuangliu Airport is located roughly 18 kilometers southwest (a 30-minute drive), while Tianfu International Airport sits 55 kilometers southeast, requiring a 50 to 60 minute highway transfer. High-speed train arrivals at Chengdu East or Railway Station enjoy a swift 20 to 30 minute transfer into central hotel districts. Your local guide will gladly provide personalized neighborhood recommendations for your evening free time, including tea culture spots and authentic Sichuan dining tailored to your preferred spice tolerance.

Day 2: Private Morning Panda Safari & Immersive Cultural Traditions — Chengdu Classic Highlights Tour

Enjoy a seamless private immersion into Chengdu's signature attractions. Begin with expedited morning transfers to the **Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding** to watch giant and red pandas during their morning feeding routines alongside your private guide.

Continue to the serene complex of **Wenshu Monastery** for a private guided walk through Qing Dynasty timber halls and quiet gardens. Afternoon arrangements feature reserved seating at **Heming Tea House in Renmin Park**, allowing you to relax over premium local teaware while taking in authentic local life. End your afternoon with a stroll down historic **Jinli Ancient Street**, followed by private transfers back to your downtown hotel or an optional VIP evening Sichuan Opera show.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Chengdu

VIP Operator Insights:

Private chauffeured transfers allow for flexible pacing throughout the day, ensuring seamless transitions between the suburban Panda Base and central historic quarters without public transit delays. For guests interested in attending the evening Sichuan Opera show, premium front-row orchestra seats can be reserved in advance to ensure unobstructed views of the face-changing and shadow puppetry performances.

Day 3: Journey into Sichuan's Alpine Wonderland — Bipenggou Lakes, Alpine Skiing & Mountain Hot Springs

Depart Chengdu early this morning on a scenic 3-hour private drive into the western Sichuan mountains, arriving at the breathtaking snow-covered realm of Bipenggou Valley. Board an eco-sightseeing bus to tour the park's highlights, stopping first at **Longwang Sea** to photograph snow-capped peaks perfectly mirrored on crystal alpine waters along paved boardwalks.

Continue up the valley past **Shanghaizi** to **Panyang Lake**, where frozen lake surfaces offer ideal settings for family snow play, snowball fights, or optional snowmobiling adventures. Higher up at **Yanziyan** (3,800 meters), walk surrounded by dramatic alpine cirques and view Queen's Peak before heading to **Zhuoma Beach Ski Resort** for two hours of gentle skiing on beginner slopes. Conclude your winter day checking into a mountainside hot spring resort to soak in warm outdoor mineral pools against a backdrop of glowing snowy peaks.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: hot spring hotel

Expert Journey Insights:

Bipenggou Valley reaches elevations between 3,000 and 3,800 meters above sea level, making slow, relaxed walking along boardwalks essential to prevent high-altitude exertion, especially for young children. Wearing warm layered clothing, waterproof snow boots, and UV-blocking sunglasses is strongly advised due to intense winter sun reflecting off snowfields. Sightseeing electric cars operate continuously between Shanghaizi, Panyang Lake, and Yanziyan, allowing families to easily adjust walking distances according to their preferred activity level.

Day 4: Thousand-Year Stone Fortress Culture & Farewell to Sichuan — Ganbao Tibetan Village to Chengdu Departure

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast at your hot spring hotel before departing Bipenggou Valley on a scenic 1-hour drive to **Ganbao Tibetan Village**, an ancient stone fortress village built along steep mountain slopes. Walk through narrow stone alleyways with your guide, visit a local Tibetan family in their traditional stone home, and sample authentic butter tea alongside roasted barley *tsampa* while learning about centuries-old mountain stonecraft architecture.

Afterward, relax on your private chauffeured transfer back toward Chengdu. Your guide and driver will escort you directly to your Chengdu hotel, Chengdu Shuangliu International Airport (CTU), Chengdu Tianfu International Airport (TFU), or Chengdu East Railway Station according to your onward travel schedule, concluding your unforgettable Sichuan winter adventure.

Meals: Breakfast

Expert Journey Insights:

The drive from Ganbao Tibetan Village back to central Chengdu or major transit hubs takes approximately 2.5 to 3 hours along modern expressways. For guests with afternoon or early evening flights out of Chengdu Tianfu International Airport, scheduling departure transfers directly from Ganbao Tibetan Village ensures a smooth and stress-free transit without needing to backtrack through downtown traffic. Traditional stone steps in Ganbao Tibetan Village can be uneven, so wearing sturdy walking shoes is recommended during the home visit.

Booking Policy

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation by Customer

- Cancellation received before 60 days: FREE of charge
- Cancellation received from 30 days to 59 days prior arrival date: 20% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 15 days to 29 days prior arrival date: 40% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 7 days to 14 days prior arrival date: 70% of total rate
- Cancellation received less than 7 days prior arrival date or No show: 100% of total rate

Children Policy

The rate for children applicable for one child sharing a twin or double cabin with two adults.

- For infant (<04 years old): Free of Charge
 - 04 - 11 years old without bed: 50% adult rate
 - 04 - 11 years old with extra bed: 75% adult rate
 - Above 11 years old with extra bed: 100% adult rate
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