

2 Days Beijing City Classic Tour with Mutianyu Great Wall

Trip overview

Unlock the secrets of China's capital with our meticulously curated two-day private expedition. This tour is designed for travelers who want to see it all without feeling rushed. From the staggering stone ramparts of the Great Wall to the golden roofs of the Forbidden City, you will journey through 600 years of imperial history.

With a dedicated private guide and chauffeur at your service, you'll bypass the logistical hurdles and dive straight into the heart of Beijing's culture. Whether it's standing in the center of Tiananmen Square or enjoying a serene stroll through the Temple of Heaven, this classic itinerary ensures every moment is an unforgettable encounter with the soul of China.

- **Durations:** 2 Days
- **Destinations:** Tian'anmen Square - Forbidden City - Mutianyu Great Wall - Jingshan Park - Summer Palace - Temple of Heaven and Qianmen Street
- **Tour inquiry:** <https://www.asiachinatour.com/beijing-city-classic-tour-great-wall-two-days/>

Itinerary

Day 1: Imperial Majesty & The Great Wall's Golden Route

Summary: Experience the ultimate Beijing highlights with **VIP "Skip-the-Line" access** to the Forbidden City and a crowd-free exploration of the Mutianyu Great Wall. This expertly timed itinerary ensures you witness the transition from the golden roofs of the emperors to the misty ridges of the dragon's back—all without a single tourist shop visit.

07:30 – 08:00 | Professional Meet & Greet

Your dedicated guide and driver will greet you at your hotel lobby. We recommend wearing comfortable walking shoes, as today is a journey through the heart of history involving moderate exploration on foot.

08:00 – 10:30 | Tiananmen Square & The Forbidden City (The Insider's Path)

- **Tiananmen Square:** Start at the world's largest public square. Much like Times Square or Red Square, this is the symbolic heart of the nation. Your guide will share captivating anecdotes and historical insights that go beyond the guidebooks.
- **The Forbidden City (Imperial Palace Museum):** Enter through the massive red gates into the world's largest imperial complex. While most tours only visit 6 standard spots, **our local experts take you to 10 carefully selected locations**, including the exquisite **Hall of Clocks and Watches**. Marvel at the 9,999½ chambers that housed 24 emperors, and hear the secret stories of life within the Ming and Qing dynasties.

10:30 – 12:30 | Scenic Drive to Mutianyu

Relax in a comfortable, air-conditioned vehicle as we leave the city bustle behind for a 1.5 to 2-hour drive to the rolling hills of the Huairou District.

12:30 – 13:30 | Authentic Countryside Lunch

Savor a freshly cooked, authentic set-meal at a hand-picked local restaurant at the foot of the Great Wall—the perfect fuel for your afternoon adventure.

13:30 – 15:30 | Mutianyu Great Wall: The Golden Route

Ranked #1 on TripAdvisor for its breathtaking scenery and restored architecture, **Mutianyu** offers a more peaceful experience with far fewer tourists.

- **Efficiency & Views:** To maximize your time on the wall, we include **round-trip cable car** (or chairlift/toboggan) transfers.
- **The Golden Route:** Follow what hikers call the "Golden Route" between Towers 14 and 23. This section offers the most picturesque panoramic views of the wall winding like a stone dragon over the ridges. Your guide will provide a historical briefing, leaving you ample free time to photograph and soak in the grandeur at your own pace.

15:30 – 17:30 | Comfortable Return

After an exhilarating day of discovery, lean back and relax as we escort you directly back to your hotel in Beijing.

Day 2: Imperial Elegance & Authentic Beijing Life

Summary: From the highest panoramic viewpoint of the Forbidden City to the serene waters of the Summer Palace, Day 2 is a deep dive into the spiritual and leisure life of ancient Emperors. You'll witness the grandeur of the Temple of Heaven and end the day wandering through a 450-year-old commercial legacy at Qianmen.

07:30 – 08:00 | Morning Greeting

Your guide and driver will meet you at your hotel. Today's journey covers vast imperial gardens and historic boulevards, so comfortable walking shoes remain your best companion.

08:00 – 08:40 | Jingshan Park: The Imperial Bird's-Eye View

Located directly on Beijing's central axis, **Jingshan Park** offers the ultimate panoramic view of the Forbidden City's golden rooftops.

- **The Best Perspective:** A short climb to the hilltop pavilion reveals the symmetrical beauty of the Bell and Drum Towers to the north and the sprawling palace complex to the south.
- **Local Life:** Early morning is the best time to see "Old Beijingers" practicing Tai Chi, traditional dancing, and water calligraphy—a heartwarming glimpse into the city's soul.

08:40 – 11:00 | The Summer Palace: An Imperial Retreat

After a 50-minute drive, escape to the world's most well-preserved imperial garden. Built as a lavish birthday gift for the Empress Dowager, this 273-hectare masterpiece is a symphony of lakes and palaces.

- **Dragon Boat Cruise:** Glide across the shimmering Kunming Lake on a traditional dragon boat (weather permitting), capturing the best views of the Longevity Hill and the 17-Hole Bridge.
- **The Long Corridor:** Walk through the world's longest art gallery, adorned with over 14,000 vivid traditional paintings, as your guide deciphers the ancient legends depicted on the

beams.

12:00 – 13:00 | Traditional Chinese Lunch

Enjoy a curated lunch at a local restaurant, featuring authentic flavors that define northern Chinese cuisine.

13:00 – 14:30 | The Temple of Heaven: Echoes of Ancient Worship

Step into the sacred grounds where Ming and Qing Emperors performed solemn rituals to pray for bountiful harvests.

- **Beyond the Crowd:** While others only visit the Altar and the Echo Wall, your guide will take you to the **Hall of Abstinence**. Explore this "miniature palace" where the Emperor fasted in solitude, offering a fascinating look at the spiritual discipline behind the imperial facade.

15:00 – 16:00 | Qianmen Street: 450 Years of Commerce

End your tour with a stroll down **Qianmen Street**, a vibrant pedestrian boulevard that has been a commercial hub since the Ming Dynasty.

- **Hutong Culture:** Venture into the adjacent side streets and *Hutongs* to feel the traditional vibe.
- **Century-Old Brands:** See the legendary shops that have stood for over 100 years, such as **Tong Ren Tang** (Traditional Medicine) and **Rui Fu Xiang** (Exquisite Silk)—the perfect place to witness the enduring legacy of Beijing's merchants.

16:30 – 17:30 | Safe Return

Your private vehicle will escort you back to your hotel, marking a flawless conclusion to your 2-day Beijing panoramic experience with Asiachinatour.

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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