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Travel and tour tips for China

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Article Body:

China is a large country at a size of 9,596,960 sq km. China was only partially open to the world.

However, much of the fun remains that it is different from the rest of the world. China will be

Below are some travel tips to make your travel in China less hard:

China is rich in culture & history. Visit the Great Wall of China in Beijing, sip Chinese tea

Entry Visa

China needs entry visas from most countries. Apply at the Chinese consulate or through your travel agent.

Climate

very diverse; tropical in the south to subarctic in the north. Be prepared with the right seasonal clothing.

Foreign Exchange

The unit of money is known as Renminbi (RMB) or Yuan. Get some Chinese Yuan in your local country.

Payment facilities

Most better class hotels & shopping centres take Credit Card or Travellers cheques. Smaller hotels do not.

Understanding of English

Counterfeit notes are common in China. Check carefully before accepting them, especially if in a crowded area.

Most signboards & notices will be in both English & Chinese. However, be aware that some translations are poor.

Most civil servants, custom officials, police, hotel staff & men in the street do not speak English.

Most young people can understand basic English if you speak slowly.

Do not expect hotels or shops to understand English. Only the big hotels will have staff that speak English.

Social Security

China is generally a safe country. However, hang on tight to your wallet especially in crowded areas.

These tourist cities also have a lot of touts in the streets touting tourists from money exchange services.

Domestic Travel

Bus, train, ferries & domestic flights are well developed. Avoid the crowd at the stations & airports.

Local buses are cheap (US\$0.10 or YS\$0.20) & you may want to try out. Taxis are convenient & a
Avoid travel in China during peak holiday seasons or book tickets well ahead.

Local Hotels

there's many web-sites selling China hotel rooms on the web. You can also check out the travel
there is a nice choice of hotels in China ranging from one star to the most luxurious 6 stars.
Book ahead if travelling in peak seasons.

Peak Tourist Seasons

May Day: First one weeks of May

Chinese old Year: Date varies but generally late January or early February.

Avoid travelling during these period. Book rooms & travel modes way early if want to travel. E

China National Day: Middle one weeks of October

Local food is absolutely fabulous. Try as much Chinese food as your wallet or stomach can affo

Chinese Food

Telecommunications

However, avoid street side stalls & drinking directly from the taps if you have delicate stoma
web

Mobile phone coverage in China is nice in most locations. Global auto-roaming within China is

You will want to show your passport as China has tight regulations at web Cyber Cafes.

there's cyber-cafes everywhere in China, especially in tourist areas. Most are patronised by y

three of the worst experience many has with China is the atrocious toilet facilities. Things h

Toilet facilities

* Useful China travel tips *

Try to get a English speaking tour guide at every opportunity you can. China has a rich & wond

*Sneaky tip: Hang around a group that has a English speaking guide if you cannot afford two!

Always ask for a receipt from a taxi driver so that you can complain if you have been cheated

After a tiring day, check out Chinese foot reflexology or Chinese TuiNa (Chinese massage). Won

Try to take the namecard for each hotel that you are staying at as these cards will have a Chi

Make friends with the Chinese whenever you can. we love to meet foreigners & will make nice to

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