



Study Tour to Fujian and Jiangxi, China The Porcelain Provinces of China

6-14 April 2010 (9 days / 8 nights)

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Tues 6 April	08:55- 12:45	SIN-Xiamen on Xiamen Airlines Flight MF856
		Check in to Wyndham Xiamen Hotel
	3pm	Bus and boat to Gulangyu Island , one of the most beautiful cities in China. It is nicknamed "Piano Island", as there are over 200 pianos in the Piano Museum.
	6pm	Dinner at Gulangyu and overnight @ Wyndham Xiamen Hotel
Wed 7 April	9am	Check out from hotel, then visit the Overseas Chinese Museum featuring information about pioneer migrants to Southeast Asia. The museum was founded by eminent overseas Chinese philanthropist Chen Jiageng (Tan Kah-kee) in 1958.
	10am	Depart by bus for Jinjiang (2 hrs). After lunch, we go to the Jinjiang Museum where we will see export ware from the Tang to Qing dynasties
	4.30pm	Jingjiaoyishan kiln site which features 4 ancient kilns from late Southern Song to early Yuan dynasties, and Cizao ware
	6pm	Check in to Rongyu International Hotel, Jinjiang
	6.30pm	Dinner in Jinjiang and overnight @ Rongyu International Hotel, Jinjiang
Thurs 8 April	9am	Checkout from hotel and depart by bus for Quanzhou Maritime Museum which showcases export ceramics and boat models. http://www.travelchinaguide.com/attraction/fujian/quanzhou/maritimemuseum.htm
	11.30am	Visit to Qingjing , a mosque site from the Yuan dynasty. As Quanzhou was the first/last point on the maritime Silk Road route there were many visitors of various religions – Christians, Muslims, Buddhists – who passed through the city on their way to and from the Chinese hinterland. Lunch @ Quanzhou
	2pm	Depart by bus for Dehua (approx 2.5 hrs).
	4.30pm	Visit Qudougong , a 57-metre long ancient kiln dating from the Yuan dynasty. 800 objects were found in the 17 kiln chambers. Qudougong is an example of a long kiln which has separate firing chambers (i.e. different from dragon kilns)
	5pm	Check-in to Daiyun Hotel, Dehua
	6pm	Dinner, and overnight @ Daiyun Hotel, Dehua
Fri 9 April	9.30am	Visit the Waterwheel at Sanban County where you will see the ancient method of producing kaolin from stones - by a waterwheel that is in use until today.
	10.30am	Visit to Yueji Kiln , an International Contemporary Ceramic Art Centre where artists from various countries create objects using local kaolin. You will see the process of creating ceramics from start to finish, including glazing and firing in kilns. You will also see how moulds are used for some of the bodies and handles of objects. Some works are for sale.
	1pm	Lunch @ Dehua
	3pm	Visit to Dehua Museum which shows Dehua ceramics from Tang to Qing dynasties. The Museum shop has reproductions of old ceramics, tea pots, etc.
	6.30pm	Dinner and overnight @ Daiyun Hotel, Dehua

Sat 10 April	9-11am	Free time for shopping before checking out from hotel and early lunch in Dehua (11.30am)
	1pm	Depart by bus for Jinjiang airport (approx. 2 hrs)
	3.05pm	Domestic airline flight MF8409, Jinjiang to Nanchang, ETA 4pm
	5.30pm	Check in to Haojing Park Hotel, Nanchang
	6.30pm	Dinner and overnight @ Haojing Park Hotel, Nanchang
Sun 11 April	9am	Check out from hotel, then visit to Jiangxi Provincial Museum . Many ceramic masterpieces excavated from tombs in Jiangxi province are displayed here. http://www.jxmuseum.cn/en/jxbwg.htm
	11.30am	Lunch @ Nanchang, then travel overland by bus to Jingdezhen (approx. 3 hrs)
	4pm	Visit to the Imperial Ceramic Museum where you will see Imperial ware that was produced in the Ming and Qing dynasties.
	5.30pm	Check in to Zijing Hotel, Jingdezhen
	6.30pm	Dinner and overnight @ Zijing Hotel, Jingdezhen
Mon 12 April	9am	Depart for Hutian Folk Kiln Museum (0.5hrs by bus). This is one of the important folk kilns in the Song & Yuan dynasties. We will see porcelain like Yingqing of the Song Dynasty and the Blue and White ware of the Yuan Dynasty.
	11.30am	Return to Jingdezhen for Lunch
	2.30pm	Visit Jingdezhen Ancient Kiln Museum where you will see an Imperial ceramic kiln of the Ming and Qing Dynasties. It was the largest kiln used of its time, and it was used for over 200 years (in contrast to average kiln age of 50 years only)
	4 - 6.30pm	Free time before dinner at Jingdezhen, and overnight @ Zijing Hotel, Jingdezhen
Tues 13 April	Free Day w/ lunch money	You may like to go shopping @ Fanjiajing in Jingdezhen. Near the ancient pier there is a good place to buy reproductions of ancient Jingdezhen blue-and-white porcelain.
	6.30 pm	Dinner and overnight @ Zijing Hotel, Jingdezhen
Wed 14 April	8.30 am	Check out of hotel, then travel by bus from Jingdezhen to Nanchang (3 hrs)
	11.30 am	Lunch @ Nanchang
	1.30 pm	Check-in for domestic flight MF 8428 Nanchang-Xiamen, ETA 1540
	4 pm	Check-in for international flight MF855 Xiamen-Singapore, departing Xiamen at 6pm, ETA Singapore 10.10pm