A Passage Through Time: From Ancient China to Modern Taipei

HIGHLIGHTS

Join us on a journey to explore the evolvement of Chinese heritage through time:

[Ancient Civilization]
The National Palace Museum houses the largest collection of priceless Chinese artifacts in the world spanning over 8,000 years of Chinese history.

[Qing Dynasty]
Long Shan Temple, an architectural gem and national treasure perfectly preserving the traditional craftsmanship of yesteryear.

[The Founding Period]
Visit Chiang-Kai-Shek Memorial Hall and witness the formation of democratic Taiwan through the chronicles of an era.

[Contemporary]
Designed to characterize a bamboo shoot, the Taipei 101 Skyscraper incorporates a time-honored, naturalistic philosophy into modern architecture as a new beacon of Chinese culture.
OVERVIEW

As the nation’s capital of Taipei City abruptly awakens at the crack of dawn, we will commence on a curated journey through history: explore the foundation of Chinese culture through an extensive collection of artifacts at the National Palace Museum, visit the famed Long Shan Temple established by early settlers during the Qing Dynasty, observe the migration of China’s Nationalist government at the Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, and finally concluding with a visit to the ultra-modernistic Taipei 101 skyscraper.

Our first stop - the National Palace Museum is arguably the world's most prestigious museum of ancient Chinese art collection. Here you will be able to witness authentic "Forbidden City treasures" brought over during the retreat of the Nationalist government, such as the carved jadeite cabbage, the meat-shaped agate stone, and the bronze Maogong Cauldron. In addition, the museum features an amazing assembly of artwork spanning over 8,000 years for your eyes to feast on.

After perusing the imperial collection, we will visit a landmark center of Taiwan religion, the Long Shan Temple. Established in the Qing dynasty, the temple is a perfect demonstration of Chinese artistry and craftsmanship and features the only bronze dragon pillar in Taiwan, a characteristic of ancient Chinese temple architecture. Various gods are worshipped here besides the main Guanyin Buddha including the gods of marriage, examination, health, and more! Followers pray by holding an incense stick during prayer, a traditional Chinese custom that remains unchanged through time.
In the afternoon after lunch, we will immerse into the founding period of Taiwan as we take a trip to the Chiang-Kai-shek Memorial Hall. The hall was built to commemorate the former President of the Republic of China, Mr. Chiang-Kai-shek. Through the plaza and up the stairs, you will find a gigantic statue of Chiang staged within the Hall with guards positioned in front. There is a change of guards ceremony scheduled every hour, and is a main attraction for visitors from all over the world. Before leaving, you can visit the library and museum which documents Chiang’s life and shows exhibits related to Republic of China-era Chinese history.

Our journey concludes at the observatory platform atop Taipei 101, the tallest LEED Platinum-certified green building ever constructed. Standing 508 meters from ground to spire, the design concept of this remarkable architecture originates from the bamboo plant, a symbol of Chinese culture and one of the most weather-resistant vegetation found in nature. The building is a testament to both ancient and modern Chinese philosophies and a fusion of the best of both worlds.

**SCHEDULE**

Pick up at designated Taipei City Location → National Palace Museum → Long Shan Temple → Lunch → Chiang-Kai-Shek Memorial Hall → Taipei 101 & 89th Floor Observatory Deck → Drop Off at Taipei City Location
LENGTH OF TOUR
1 Day, No Overnight

VEHICLE TYPE & RESTRICTIONS
01 – 06 PAX – Volkswagen Caravelle
07 – 08 PAX – Volkswagen Crafter
08 – 19 PAX – Mini Bus
20 – 41 PAX – Tourist Coach
Selection of vehicle depends on group size

PREFERRED LANGUAGE OF TOUR GUIDE
Mandarin, English, France, German, Thai, Cantonese, Russian, Japanese, Korean, Spanish and others.

INCLUDED
➢ Transportation
➢ Tour Guide Fee and Gratuity
➢ Tickets: National Palace Museum, Taipei 101 & 89th Floor Observatory Deck
➢ Meals: Lunch
➢ Insurance: NTD $2,000,000 Liability & NTD $30,000 Medical insurance Per Person

NOT INCLUDED
➢ Shopping Stops: Absolutely No Shopping Stops Unless Directly Requested by Clients.

REMARKS
Lion Travel reserves right to modify itinerary without prior notice in cases of unforeseen operational difficulties or due to force majeure.

QUOTATION
Please contact us for an accurate quotation.

PAYMENT METHODS & TERMS
➢ Bank Wire Transfer (In USD)
➢ Credit Card Authorization (In NTD)

➢ 50% of total fare to be deposited no later than agreed upon deadline informed by your service personnel to guarantee reservations

➢ Fare to be paid in full no later than 5 working days prior to start of tour

➢ If itinerary is confirmed less than 5 working days before start of tour, then fare must be fully paid to guarantee reservations

CANCELLATIONS TERMS
➢ Over 05 Working days prior to start of scheduled tour - Full refund of deposit minus incurred costs previously authorized by payee

➢ 04-05 Working days prior to start of scheduled tour - forfeit 70% of total fare

➢ 00-03 Working days prior to start of scheduled tour - forfeit 100% of total fare

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