

Daily Itinerary (subject to change; updated 7/19/24)

Sun., July 21: Depart ***Dulles*** for Xiamen (Parent/Guardian Drop-off)

- Arrive at the United Airlines Check-in Counter by 4:30am. Plan to leave the Baltimore area by 3am, as it takes approximately one and a half hours to get to Dulles Airport in Washington, DC
- United Airlines 667, Dulles (IAD), 6:30am; arrive LAX, 8:48am
- Spend the day in LA (visit Santa Monica promenade and the pier)
- Transfer to Xiamen Airlines MF830, LAX (Int'l B), departing at 23:55 (*Note: This will be a 12-hour, 35-minute flight. We lose a day (7/22) on our trip to China*)

Tues., July 23: Xiamen Day 1

- Arrive Xiamen Airport Gaoqi T3, 6:00am
- AM: Check into lodgings
- Afternoon: Icebreaker and opening ceremony
- PM: Video-making salon

Wed., July 24: Xiamen Day 2

- AM: Visit Jimei New Town and Red Dot Design Museum
- Afternoon: Experience dragon boat racing; Visit Meitu Company; Visit Xiatanwei Wetland Park
- PM: Watch a Chinese movie

Thurs., July 25: Xiamen Day 3

- AM: Visit Muzhisen Incense Art Center to experience Chinese incense art
- Afternoon: Visit Hongyanzhuang Puppetry Art Center; Tour Shapowei Art District
- PM: Chinese Foods DIY and traditional folk cultural experience--Mooncake Dice Game (Bobing)

Fri., July 26: Xiamen Day 4

- All-day tour of Gulangyu Island, a world cultural heritage site and the no. 1 must-see tourist attraction in Xiamen
- PM: Book-reading salon



Sat., July 27: Xiamen Day 5

- AM: Site visits to partner schools in Xiamen
- Afternoon: Tour Chinese time-honored brands with host families in the best-known local shopping street--Zhongshan Road
- PM: Dinner with host families and one-night home stay

Sun., July 28: Xiamen Day 6

- All-day tour of Tulou, a world cultural heritage site in Zhangzhou City
- PM: Fu boat making class and Chinese calligraphy class



Mon., July 29: Xiamen Day 7

- AM: Tour Lingling Zoo to see pandas; Meet with international students at Xiamen University
- Afternoon: Tour Yundang Lake and take a Chinese culture class in Yundang Academy; Experience Chinese tea culture and paper-cutting art & visit Xiamen's first Talent Service Center
- PM: Prepare for Farewell Party

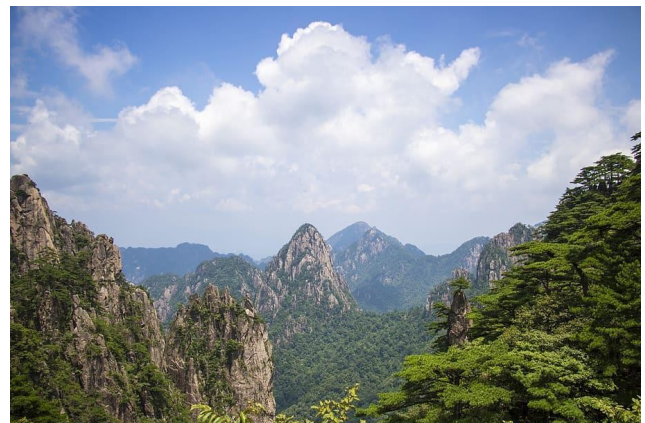
Tues., July 30: Xiamen Day 8 and travel to Anhui Province

- 2:14 PM: Take Bullet Train G3094, leaving Xiamen North Station; Arrive at Huangshan North Station at 6:17pm
- Check into lodgings



Wed., July 31: Anhui Day 1

- Sightseeing on Huangshan (Yellow Mountain) and in Hongcun Village; both are UNESCO Heritage sites

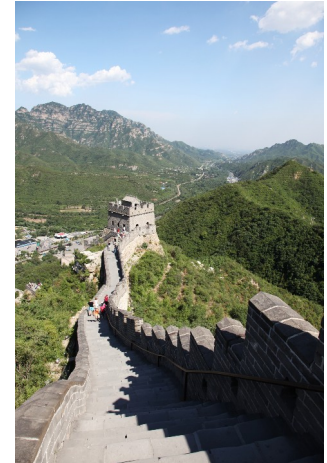


Thurs., August 1: Anhui Day 2 and travel to Beijing

- Exchange activities at Huangshan University with teachers and students
- 3:20 PM: Take Bullet Train G326 from Huangshan North to Beijing South; Arrive at 10:05pm
- Check into lodgings

Fri., August 2: Beijing Day 1

- 10-11am Beijing American Center (BAC) briefing with officers from the Economic, Political, and Public Affairs Sections
- Cultural Excursion: Palace Museum (aka Forbidden City), Tiananmen Square, and Qianmen Street



Sat., August 3: Beijing Day 2

- Juyongguan Pass of the Great Wall (located about 40 miles outside of Beijing, visit for about 2 hours)
- Summer Palace (2.5 hours) and the 2008 Beijing Olympics Park, including the Bird's Nest (National Stadium) and Water Cube (National Aquatics Center) (about 1 hour)

Sun., August 4: Beijing Day 3 and travel to Xiamen and LAX

- Cultural Excursion: Temple of Heaven (about 1.5 hours)
- 4:15 PM Xiamen Airlines, MF8102, Beijing Daxing Airport to XMN, arrive 7:15pm
- Xiamen Airlines, MF829, XMN, 10:10pm, 8/4/24, LAX, 7:40pm, 8/4/24
- 11:26pm United Airlines 1892 from LAX to ***Dulles***



Mon., August 5: Arrival in Baltimore!

- 7:20am Arrive at IAD (Dulles) on UA1892

