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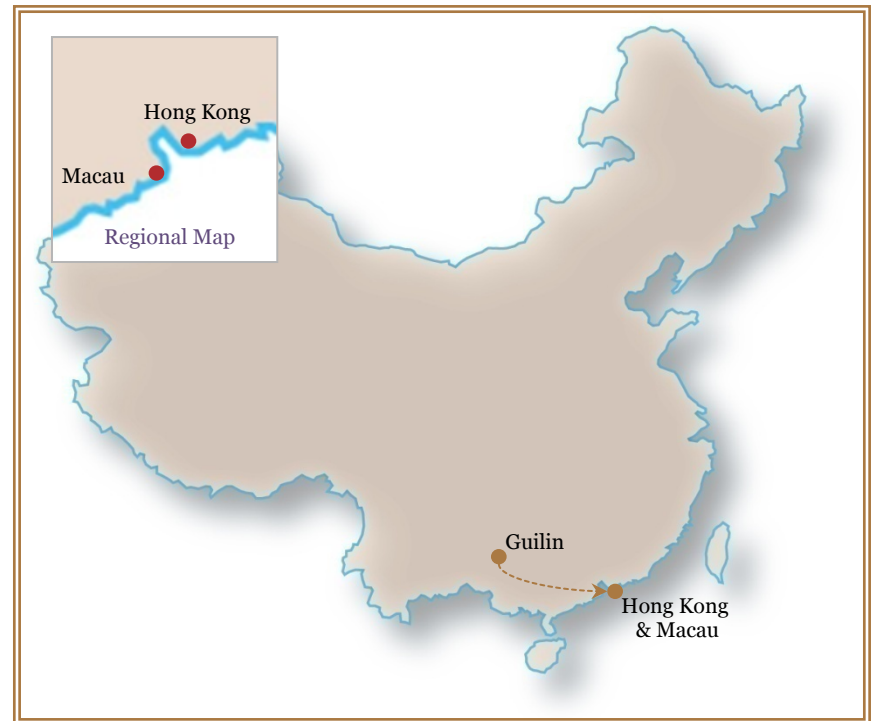
**Pre-cruise optional tours in  
Guilin and Hong Kong**



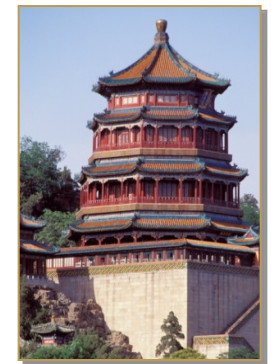
### Your Quick View Itinerary

<b>Sun, 4/8</b>	Arrive Guilin	Airport Pickup, Transfer to Shangri-la Hotel
<b>Mon, 4/9</b>	Guilin	Bamboo Raft Ride, Village Visit
<b>Tue, 4/10</b>	Guilin – Hong Kong	Morning at Leisure, Fly to Hong Kong, Transfer to Ritz Carlton Hotel
<b>Wed, 4/11</b>	Hong Kong (Macau)	Ferry to Macau, Barrier Gate, A-Ma Temple, St. Paul’s Cathedral, Senado Square, Avenida de Almeida Ribeiro, Return Ferry to Hong Kong
<b>Thu, 4/12</b>	Hong Kong (optional)	Victoria Peak, Central Walking Tour, Aberdeen Harbour, Private Tram Tour, Wong Tai Sin Temple

### Itinerary Map



“I have not told half of what I saw.”  
 Marco Polo





## Day by Day Itinerary

### Day 1, Sunday, 4/8 – Guilin

You will be met at **Guilin airport** by an Imperial Tours' China Host who will accompany you during your time in Guilin (our China Host acts as a personal concierge to you throughout your stay in China, allowing you to make changes as you see fit ... this may mean adding a site or taking out a site, changing a restaurant or booking a foot massage!)

After transferring to your hotel, you may enjoy a relaxing walk through the countryside that surrounds this retreat. (Hotel of Modern Art – Deluxe Room – Hotel Not Rated)

### Day 2, Monday, 4/9 – Guilin

B, L, D

The day begins with a ride on traditional **bamboo rafts** along a less visited tributary of the Li River. Children swim in the rippling waters, lined with overhanging clumps of bamboo. Local farmers rake the riverbed for reeds to give to their wives to dry out and weave. Fishermen click signals to their cormorants as they hunt the river bottom for fish.

In the afternoon, you will have a chance to see rural China by traveling far from the tourist route deep into the countryside to **view village life**. You will visit a local school, watch villagers prepare soy milk and tofu, and wander through the rice fields. This is a wonderful place to relax and really enjoy rural China. (We ask you not to bring presents for the young children at the school. Imperial Tours takes care not to create a culture of dependency amongst the school children, and instead donates equipment to the school in return for the access it provides our guests.)

### Day 3, Tuesday, 4/10 – Guilin / Hong Kong

B, L

This morning has been left free. Many people will want to walk or bike around the stunning contemporary art sculptures that are dotted around the hotel grounds. Those of an artistic persuasion can take advantage of the contemporary art park's art workshop to organize lessons in **printing, pottery, painting** and other disciplines. (The hotel spa will prove an irresistible draw for others.)

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B, L, D denote Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



### Guilin Options

- + Private dinner inside a limestone cave.
- + Private taichi lesson

*For a complete list and description of the Options available please check Appendix 1*



### Hotel Profile

#### Hotel of Modern Art



The Hotel of Modern Art is one element in a huge project dedicated to contemporary art. Dozens of sculptures by local and overseas artists are the focus.

**Location:** in a secluded area 45 minutes from the airport.



**Rooms:** 75  
www.guilinhoma.com



*Li River*

## Day by Day Itinerary

### Day 3 - Continued

In the afternoon you will be transferred back to Guilin airport for your onward flight to **Hong Kong**, where you will land at the territory's international airport. This was Britain's last infrastructural project before handing over this dynamic commercial hub to China in 1997. Since then, despite fears to the contrary, this financial center of dizzying contemporary architecture, perched on a tiny tropical atoll in the South China Sea, has retained its potency as the major gateway to doing business in China.

Please note that the China Host will not accompany you to Hong Kong. You will instead be met at the airport by a local Imperial Tours guide.

After transferring to your beautiful hotel, if there is time you might like us to book you a treatment at the hotel's lovely spa. This evening, you may enjoy one of our recommended restaurants for your evening repast. (Ritz Carlton Hotel – Deluxe Harbour View Room)

### Day 4, Wednesday, 4/11 – Hong Kong (Macau)

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This morning you will be transferred from your hotel to the ferry terminal for departure to **Macau** via TurboJet or Catamaran. Meanwhile we will have your luggage delivered to the cruise liner for storage.

From the gentlemanly restraint of the “Wynn” to the adrenalin-fueled cackles of the local gambling dens, Macau's casinos are fun to visit. By contrast, our half-day tour focuses on the cultural wealth of this former Portuguese colony. Nothing sums up why and how Macau exists better than the view of **Barrier Gate**, the historic border crossing between tiny Macau and massive China.

Of course, the first traders arrived by sea, and our next port of call consequently is the ancient dock where the Portuguese first landed in 1535, opposite **A-ma Temple**, to create this trading colony. From here we drive downtown to view the relics of the Jesuit missionaries who followed quickly after their co-religionists, propagating not only catholic doctrine but also the latest scientific learning.

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*A-Ma Temple, Macau*



*Senado Square, Macau*



## Hotel Profile

### Ritz Carlton Hotel



The tallest hotel in the world, the Ritz offers unbeatable breathtaking panoramic views of Hong Kong Island and West Kowloon

**Location:** In the new West Kowloon Development with convenient access to both the Airport and Hong Kong Island.



**Rooms:** 312  
www.ritzcarlton.com

## Day by Day Itinerary

### Day 4 - Continued

Close to the emblematic **St. Paul's Cathedral**, which defines the center of this World heritage-listed city, lies the charming **Senado Square**, from which spurs the island's main thoroughfares, such as the **Avenida de Almeida Ribeiro**. Here, we may enjoy the unique atmosphere of a small European city ... in China. We recommend you enjoy a scrumptious lunch of Macauese specialties in the old town, after which you will have some time to walk around the old town.

In the afternoon you will be transferred back to the Ferry Terminal for your return shuttle to Hong Kong, where you will be transferred to spend the night on board the Celebrity Millennium cruise liner.

### Day 5, Thursday, 4/12 – Hong Kong *(This is an Optional Tour)* B

Today's activities are optional – please refer to the pricing page for cost of today's touring. You will be met at the Celebrity Millennium dock in the morning.

To paraphrase President Coolidge the business of Hong Kong is business. Our full-day tour gives a human face to this fascinating city. We begin aboard the funicular Peak Tram climbing to **Victoria Peak** for its expansive views over this financial hub and harbor beyond. Hong Kong's fast-paced development is then explored in our **walking tour of Central** that passes from colonial edifices near the waterfront to the totemic skyscrapers of modern times and finishes on Hollywood Road where contemporary art galleries vie for space with antique dealers.

Early afternoon, you will board a **private vintage tram** for a slow jaunt through the streets of Hong Kong, weaving between its skyscrapers. On board you will have the opportunity to get up-close to Hong Kong life yet with the comfortable views from the tram's open rooftop.

At **Aberdeen Harbor** we board a sampan to retrace the original landing path of the British Lord Aberdeen to Hong Kong and sail through a flotilla of Hakka boat people that still call this harbor home.

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*International Finance Centre*



*Bank of China Building*



*Cantonese Dim Sum*

## Day by Day Itinerary

### Day 5 - Continued

The transience underpinning Hong Kong's story is explored after lunch in our visit to **Wong Tai Sin Temple** on Kowloon side. This shepherd God became famed for an ability to grant wishes spurning a thriving cottage industry in fortune-telling – worthwhile if it improves your odds in the dynamic, opportunistic whirl of Hong Kong. Please note that the car, driver and guide are available from 9 am to 5pm.

Late afternoon you will be returned to the dock for an evening cocktail and departure.



*Hong Kong Tram*



*Shopping District*



*Hong Kong Skyline*



## Tour Quotation

- \$2,999 pp (based on 10–15 people)
- \$2,699 pp (based on 16–20 people)
- \$2,599 pp (based on 21 or more people)
- For single occupancy, a supplement of \$699 applies.
- 3% price discount available for clients paying by check or wire transfer

### Included in the tour price are:

- 3 nights accommodation in outstanding five star hotels (those hotels that are not five star rated have been so indicated in the itinerary)
- 3 breakfasts (buffet breakfast), 2 lunches, 1 dinner at our carefully selected restaurants (including soft drinks and local beer)
- Services of a Western bilingual China Host and local tour guides
- 1 flight (Guilin to Hong Kong) in economy class
- All land transportation (as listed on the itinerary)
- Entrance fees to all tourist sites (as listed on the itinerary)
- Local guide and driver gratuities
- Baggage handling, domestic airport, city and hotel taxes
- Gratuities

### Not included in the tour price are:

- International airfare to/from China, visa processing fees, travel insurance;
- Personal expenses such as alcoholic beverages, imported mineral waters, excess luggage fees, telephone charges, room service and laundry charges

### Optional Day 5:

- | \$199 for 4/12 Touring
- | \$179 for 4/12 Touring
- | \$159 for 4/12 Touring

### PAYMENT

In conformity with Imperial Tour's participation in the Travel Money Protection Plan — regarded as the most secure consumer protection plan in the travel industry — all funds paid to us, whether by check, credit card or wire transfer will be deposited in an escrow account, held at the Shelby Financial Corporation/Bank of America, until after the completion of your trip. We accept check, wire transfer, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover. A deposit amount of 10% is due at the time of booking. The remaining 90% of the tour price can be settled 60 days prior to tour departure.

### CANCELLATION CHARGES

**a)** Should you decide to cancel your tour between the time of deposit and 90 days prior to the tour, you will forfeit \$250 per person, between 90 and 60 days prior to departure, you will forfeit \$500, between 60 and 30 days prior to departure, you will forfeit 25% of the tour price, between 30 and 15 days you will forfeit 50% of the tour price, from 14 days or less, you will forfeit 70% of the tour price and from 3 days or less, you will forfeit 100% of the tour price.

**b)** All notices of cancellation must be written to be effective. The date of cancellation will be the date of reception by Imperial Tours' personnel.