

The next Holt Heritage Tour to China has been scheduled for June 18-29, 2025!

Press here to see the requirements to participate.

- Open to families with Adoptees age 9 and older.
- Open to Adoptees from any placing agency. Does not need to be a Holt adoption.

Press here to see a sample itinerary for the tour.

(also attaching full itin)

Sample Tour Itinerary for 2 weeks / 14 days

Group 1 – This section applies only for travelers who wish to visit the adoptees birth location PRIOR to the main tour. This portion of travel will need to be booked and priced separately from main tour.

June 16 Monday Depart U.S. for China

June 17 Tuesday Arrive to China and fly domestically to adoptees province location. Transfer from Airport to Hotel. Rest.

June 18 Wednesday AM Visit to Orphanage / Possible Meeting with Foster Family / Sightseeing

June 19 Thursday Arrive to Beijing - Welcome by the local guide at the airport and transfer from airport to Crowne Plaza Hotel Lido Beijing

June 29 Sunday Group 1 Departs China back to U.S.

Main Tour for Everyone

June 18 Wednesday – Depart USA for China

June 19 Thursday – Arrive to Beijing - Welcome by the local guide at the airport and transfer from airport to Crowne Plaza Hotel Lido Beijing

June 20 Friday - AM Visit Juyongguan Pass of the Great Wall (Group Lunch) PM Back to hotel for rest and for made to measure Qipao outfits for adoptees. Peking Duck Welcome Dinner

June 21 Saturday AM Visit the Forbidden City. Take the Hutong City Tour by Rickshaw. Lunch at a local family house in Hutong. Optional Tour of Acrobat Show and dinner on your own.

June 22 Sunday AM Depart for Xian city via train - lunch on own. Check into Crowne Plaza Xian. Dumpling Banquet Group Dinner.

June 23 Monday AM Visit Terra Cotta Warrior Museum and Terra Cotta Figure Making Factory with a group lunch. PM Visit the Ancient Wall via optional bicycle tour. Dinner on your own.

June 24 Tuesday AM Go to Hu County to see Farmer's Painting Village (lunch included on this tour). PM Take flight to Guilin, check into Guilin Grand Bravo Hotel (dinner on own).

June 25 Wednesday AM Li River Cruise to Yangshuo City (lunch included on tour). PM Free shopping or walking on West Street. Check into Green Lotus Hotel near West Street. PM Enjoy "Guilin Romance Show" or "Impression Liu Sanjie" (an amazing large scaled musical drama based on the minority cultures within Guangxi province). Provided Group Dinner at the hotel.

June 26 Thursday AM Learn to make Chinese food at cooking school (lunch at school provided). PM Enjoy the views of Yangshuo town by bike or hike. Visit Studio for taking photos in National Costume (adoptees only)

June 27 Friday AM Drive from Yangshuo to Guilin. Stop at Guilin Rice Noodle restaurant for Lunch. Visit tea factory. Visit to Elephant Trunk Hill (symbol of Guilin City). PM Check into Guilin Bravo Hotel. Orientation Meeting for Province Visits post tour. Farewell Party at the Hotel.

June 28 Saturday Take the bullet train to Guangzhou (or other international airports in China by an additional charge) to catch the international flight home or to go on to Province Visits for adoptees in China.

June 29 Sunday Intl Departure from China to USA

Group 2 – This section applies for travelers who wish to visit the adoptees birth locations AFTER the main tour. This portion of travel will need to be booked and priced separately from main tour.

June 18 Group 2 Departs U.S. for China

June 19 Group 2 Arrives Beijing / Rest.

Main Tour

June 28 Saturday Travel from Guilin to Adoptees Birth Province.

June 29 Sunday AM Visit to Orphanage / Possible Meeting with Foster Family / Sightseeing

June 30 Monday Depart from China to USA

June 30 Monday Arrive to USA - Due to international date change you will arrive same date.

Press here to see cost information for 2025.

Main Tour Package \$2990. /adult

Main Tour Package \$2750./child

**Note: A child 12 or older is considered as an adult*

Inclusions

- Mentioned hotels with breakfast
- In-country transportation (*Beijing-Xi'an-Guilin-Guangzhou*)
- Tickets for sightseeing per itinerary
- Listed group meals
- Local guide and driver service
- Transfers between the airport and the hotel according to the group itinerary.
- A national tour guide
- Made-to-measure of Qipao for adoptees
- Photos in national costume for adoptees
- Meeting room for orientation
- International airfares and in-China travel expenses for one Holt staff if over 20 travelers OR international airfares for one Holt staff & in-China travel expenses for two Holt staff if over 30 travelers
- Holt Admin Fee and Scholarship Fee

Exclusions

- International airfares
- Passport and/or China Visa.
- Tips or gratuity (Suggested tip amount: Guide: \$4-6 or 30-45RMB/day/person Driver: \$2-4 or 15-30RMB/day/person.
- Personal expenses, spending money.
- Meals listed on your own in the itinerary (approximately \$20-\$40/person/day for lunch & dinner not included).
- Listed Optional tour to the Acrobatic Show (\$45/person)
- Transfers between the airport and the hotel before or after the main tour.
- In China, flights/trains to the cities after the main tour (i.e. Beijing, Shanghai, or Hong Kong) to catch the international flight home.

Please press the button below to register for the tour and pay \$500 per traveler to hold your spot.

Complete the Heritage Tour Registration Form

Complete the Payment Form for \$500 per traveler.

Complete the Liability Release per traveler
Complete the Code of Conduct for the group.
Complete the Media Release for the group.

Press Here for Information You Need to Know

A Holt China program representative will reach out to you by email as soon as we have your registration and \$500 per person down payment.

Holt will put each family group in touch with CITS travel service in China to craft a custom itinerary for the Optional Adoptee Province Visit, either before or after the main package tour. (Holt suggests that you book the province visit after the main tour but it is possible to do it before, if it suits you best.) CITS will prepare a custom invoice for the Province visit and Holt will collect the money from each family. Holt will then pay CITS for all custom tour arrangements per family.

All participating tour members must have their final payments (main tour cost -\$500 down payment + custom province visit cost) made to Holt no later than March 15 2025.

Families will purchase their own international air tickets and will secure their own travel visas to China. We recommend applying for your visa by February 1.

All families will be accompanied by an English speaking guide when they travel independently to their birth provinces, and for the main tour.

Still have Questions?

Contact a Holt China Staff Member by email here!

Both Alycia Fahr-Zarlons (alyciaf@holtinternational.org) and Hang Thuy Dam (hangd@holtinternational.org) will need to receive notifications and emails please.

