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Guangxi
Capital: Nanning
Population: 45.9 million
Area: 236,300 sq km

Guilin Special: **Hot Springs, Rice Terraces** **and Carst Mountains** *(7 Days/6 Nights)*



Located in China's rugged southwest, Guangxi is famous for its bizarre limestone karst peaks - one of China's most noteworthy natural landscapes. Enjoy this beautiful scenery by cruising down the Li River from Guilin to Yangshuo, explore the countryside on a bicycle trip or wander through rice paddy fields and an old picturesque village.

Its mountainous terrain and the variety of minorities that reside here helped Guangxi to maintain its distinct character and special flair. The stunning surrounding accompanied by good food and friendly people will make you feel far away from the concrete jungle of Shanghai.

Day 1: Longsheng

Flight Shanghai – Guilin

Private airport pick up and drive via scenic valleys to Longsheng Hot springs. Enjoy the hotel's facilities (please note: hot springs closing at 22:00) or explore the area with a



hike into the nearby forests and rural villages:

One hike starts off the road just before you reach Longsheng: Crossing a suspension bridge (Entrance Fee) towards a Monkey Rock into the Forest Park, you can walk for 30 mins on a path „in“ the rocks to reach Longsheng.

Another hike leads you from the Resort into forests and rural villages: Cross the small river opposite the Hotel Main Building and follow the river ... walk as long as you wish to hike and return the same way back to the hotel.

Soak in the hot tubs and enjoy a local dinner in a street restaurant close to the resort
Night at (****) Spa-Resort

Day 2: Ping An

After a basic breakfast (bring your own coffee) enjoy the scenic drive via Longshen towards Longji (2 hours). After passing a gate, you may be loaded into a small local bus to bring you via a scenic alpine windy road closer to Ping An.



From this Parking Spot, walk up to reach Ping An Village. Porters and Baggage Handlers are ready to assist you ... Check into a Ping An Guesthouse.

Hike above the traditional village in nicely maintained rice terraces. Suggested to walk to Vista Points 1 and 2 – it's not far and you will be rewarded with views over the area.
Night at a local Guesthouse, Ping An

Day 3: Longji - Guilin

Enjoy the rice terraces and the views over the village in the morning light. Time for leisurely hikes in the area. You may walk downhill via the old Longji Village to meet your car again. Or you return the same way, you came (via Parking Area).



In the afternoon, your car will bring you from Dazhai back to Guilin (approx 2 hrs drive).

Explore Guilin in the evening by yourself or embark on a small boat for the Show „Three Rivers and Four Lakes“
Night at (*****) Hotel, Guilin

This itinerary has been created through our personal travel experience in this region. It can easily be modified and combined with any other tour we offer in China and the rest of Asia.

If you don't have enough time to do the trip in its entirety, we would recommend to skip Longsheng Hot Springs and shorten your stay in Yangshuo by one day.

Our objective is to suit your interests best.

Talk to us and we will design the right trip for you.

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Day 4: Cruise on Li River - Yangshuo

A private driver or a coach will pick you up early (7:30) and bring to the pier for boat cruise on the River Li (Chinese lunch at 12:00 included).

Cruise on River Li - the boat will take you from Guilin to Yangshuo (approx 4 hrs) through one of the most scenic areas in China.

If weather allows, claim a place on the rooftop of the boat and stay here the entire cruise. From here, you can watch local life on the river, marvel at the carst mountains or try to compare the scene on your 20 Yuan note with the scenery around you.

Afternoon: Arrival in Yangshuo after the 4 to 5 hours boat cruise. Disembark and walk from the pier via lively West Street to your hotel (your belongings will be delivered directly to the hotel).

Check In - Time for a leisurely drink in one of the many bars or cafes along West Street.

Evening: Visit Water Show „Sister Liu“ directed by Zhang Yimou (optional)

Night at (****) Resort, Yangshuo



Option: extend your bike tour to Moon Hill and Banyan Tree area and cycle from there back to Yangshuo
Time for a beer in the West Street.
Night at (****) Resort, Yangshuo

Day 6: Bamboo Rafting - Mountain Retreat

Leisure breakfast in William's The 7th Heaven Café & Hostel on West Street as the day before.

Today, our guide will take you with an electro car to Chaoyang Pier not far from Yangshuo. Your bamboo rafting will commence here ... you may get a little wet, if you long for a refreshing splash of water.



Your rafting tour on quiet Jade Dragon River will last for about 2.5 hours, before you reach Mountain Retreat. Disembark.

Lunch and rest at Mountain Retreat (suggested), later the electro car will bring you back to Yangshuo for a free evening.

Night at (****) Resort, Yangshuo

Day 5: Bicycle Tour Yangshuo area

Leisure breakfast in William's The 7th Heaven Café & Hostel on West Street (Set breakfast with coffee, fresh juice, Toast, Bacon and Eggs, Yoghurt with fruits).

Meet your local guide there and check your bicycle after breakfast.

Cycle along the River Li on unpaved small country roads without a lot of traffic all the way to Liugong (16 km) – a small village at the shores of River Li.

Enjoy scenes of local life on the way – waterbuffaloes, farmers, ploughing rice paddy fields, children playing and women doing their laundry

Lunch in Farmhouse (included), then bicycle back to Yangshuo (12 km).

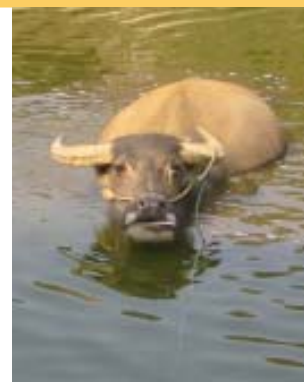
If you feel not energetic enough to continue your cycling tour back to Yangshuo, your guide can arrange a local car transfer back to Yangshuo (Not included in the price).



Day 7: Yangshuo

Enjoy Yangshuo on your own – last opportunity for shopping
Hotel check out and private transfer to Guilin airport (allow 1.5 hrs to Guilin Airport).

Flight Guilin – Shanghai



If you decide to travel with The Last Frontiers* we will be happy to provide an extensive personalised package, including:

- ✓ **Personal briefing**
- ✓ **Tips and hints on travelling in China**
- ✓ **Maps of the region and relevant cities**
- ✓ **Addresslist in both English and Chinese**
- ✓ **List of recommended restaurants, if available.**



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We have been working with our local partners for many years and know them as being reliable and professional. The hotels we chose for you are personally tested and approved by The Last Frontiers.

Should problems occur during your trip, we are here for you in our office in Shanghai. Just call us and we will try to solve any glitch on your trip as fast as possible.

Tour includes:

- + Domestic Tickets
- + Airport Transfers as specified
- + Accommodation (double occupancy)
- + Guided Tours as per programme

Tour excludes:

- City Taxes and Entrance fees
- All meals not mentioned in the itinerary or marked as optional or suggested
- Personal expenses (laundry, telephone calls, drinks, tip...)
- Personal insurances (health, third party, cancellation, luggage...)
- Any services non mentioned in itinerary



Price Indication for trip as specified above: around RMB 6.500 p person plus (airtravel) taxes based on a minimum of 2 pax travelling

For a more exact quote (based on discounted tickets, if applicable and available for your dates of travel), we need to know **travel dates, names of all travelers** as per passport and **birth date of children below the age of 12.**

Important Remarks:

This **proposal** has been prepared based on our experience and knowledge of the current situation locally. **No bookings have been made yet.** In case of your confirmation to go ahead and to book hotels, flights and other services, we will request those from our partners as per itinerary. Should hotels and flights not be available, we will endeavor to book services of similar quality. However, slight changes to our proposal above may be unavoidable.

Flight prices are quoted based on information from our booking partners. Prices are subject to change without prior notice, if new information becomes available (eg changed booking classes, holiday surcharges, fuel surcharge, security fees, taxes etc).

Flight schedules are subject to change without prior notice. In China, flights are cancelled or changed frequently with very short notice. Such changes are inconvenient, but beyond our control. We will endeavor to inform you of any flight change, but suggest, you re-confirm flight timings locally 24 hrs prior to departure. We cannot accept any liability for any expense caused by schedule changes by the airlines.

Flight connections are chosen by us to provide you with best and most convenient transit times. Delays however occur and we can resume no responsibility for missed flights due to delays. We will be happy to book earlier flights (if available) in order to create a higher safety margin for your transit.

Visas:

In case, Visas are required, The Last Frontiers* would be delighted to help you organizing the visas. Please note however, that The Last Frontiers can not be held responsible for information on visa regulations, or in case visas are not obtained or visas are not accepted by local Authorities.

Payment:

Invoices payable prior to departure or latest 2 weeks after Invoice Date. China Trips payable to our accounts in China or Cash RMB. Credit Cards and Chinese Bank Cards welcome (conditions apply). International trips payable in US\$ or Euro to our accounts in Hongkong, Singapore or (by exception) in Germany. Cheques accepted (Euro/US\$ 30 surcharge applies).

Cancellation:

Cancellation fees apply, if you change or cancel the trip (or parts of the trip) after your verbal or written confirmation. We will attempt to reduce cancellation fees to a minimum and will calculate cancellation fees according to our actually incurred costs and time spent on your case. **In any case, a minimum of 10% of the total cost of the trip will be invoiced as Cancellation Fee.** Normally, cancellation fees will not be higher than 50% of the confirmed price. The closer a cancellation is to departure, the more expensive it gets. In extreme cases, such as bookings of special packages or cancellations less than 24hrs prior to departure, we will not be able to refund at all.

Force Majeure:

Compensation payments do not apply, where performance is prevented by risk of war or threat of war, riot, civil strife, industrial dispute, terrorist activity, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, adverse weather conditions, technical problems with transport, closure or congestion of airports or ports, cancellations or changes of schedules by scheduled airlines and similar events beyond The Last Frontiers' control.

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Thank you for choosing The Last Frontiers* as your preferred Travelpartner.

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