

Short-distance Tour

9th-10th, September

Day 1 (9th Sept.): Visit Zhenguo Temple, ShuangLin Temple and Liang village, stay in Pingyao



Zhenguo Temple

Zhenguo Temple is a Buddhist temple located 10 km from Pingyao in the village of Hadongcun. Wanfo Shrine, the main shrine of Zhenguo Temple, dating back to the Five Dynasties, is one of China's earliest and most precious timber structure buildings in existence. It is notable for featuring very large brackets that hold up the roof and flying eaves. The sculptures inside the hall are among the only examples of 10th century Buddhist sculpture in China.



Shuanglin Temple

Shuanglin Temple is a large Buddhist temple in the countryside of Qiaotou village about 6 kilometres southwest of the ancient city of Pingyao. The temple complex appears like a fortress with 3 courtyards and 10 halls as it has a high compound wall with a gate. With more than 2,000 existing painted sculptures of various gods, goddesses and saints which were made in the Ming and Qing dynasties, is reputed as an "oriental art gallery of painted sculptures".



Liang Village

Liang Village is in the central area of the largest Loess Plateau in the world. Due to the erode of rainwater and irrigation of transformation by human beings, this area formed a special geography landscape consisting of earthen terrain and valley. The village is composed of five ancient earthen blocks and one ancient street, which is arranged in the shape of a phoenix, so that It is also called "Phoenix Village".

Day 2 (10th Sept.): Visit Dongquan Village and Shuimotou Village, stay in Pingyao



Dongquan Village

Dongquan Village was an important commercial town in the Ming and Qing dynasties. Dongquan Ancient Fort is surrounded by a ditch, and its shape is similar to an isolated island which forms a unique landscape. Only one road is connected to the main body of Dongquan Village.



Shuimotou Village

Shuimotou Village is located under the Baota Mountain, 17 kilometers southeast of the ancient city of Pingyao. It is a typical hilly mountainous terrain. Cliff-style caves and free-standing caves exist in Shuimotou Village. In 2011, it was the joint design base of Tongji University and Ecole de Chaillot.

Price

50 USD or 350 RMB/person

Include:

- Lunch (50 RMB/ person) for two days
- Sight tickets
- English speaking tour guide
- Tour bus
- Insurance

Exclude:

- Accommodation
- Dinner