

## TRAVEL TO CHINA WITH USCPFA IN 2010!

### USCPFA NATIONAL TOUR APPLICATION PROCEDURES

For more information and application forms, contact Barbara Cobb, USCPFA National Tours, at 496 Ellenwood Drive, Nashville, TN 37211; Tel/Fax 615-833-9512; Email [Barbara.Cobb@Juno.com](mailto:Barbara.Cobb@Juno.com).

To reserve a space on a tour, send Barbara your completed application form, a passport-sized photo, and a \$300 deposit (check payable to USCPFA National Tours). Note Payment Policy below.

Travel with a small group (usually 10 or less) and travel with friends—tours are led by a USCPFA tour leader and hosted in China by Youxie, China's friendship association.

### USCPFA NATIONAL TOURS – GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS *Revised 2/11/10*

**TOUR PRICE INCLUDES** orientation materials; tourist visa; transportation, transfers, meals, hotels (double-occupancy), & English-speaking guides for the tour group in China.

**TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:** Transportation between passenger's home and gateway city, nor international flights; nor transfers, transportation, and activities separate from the group; nor personal items (e.g., laundry, separate meals or tours), nor insurance.

#### PAYMENT POLICY

1. With application, passenger pays deposit of \$300/person by check to USCPFA National Tours. USCPFA cannot accept credit card payment.
2. No later than 60 days before departure, passenger pays before departure, passenger pays balance of tour price (e.g., tour price + single supplement, if required, less tour deposit and other pre-payments).

#### CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

Cancellations must be received in writing.

These cancellation fees apply, based on date cancellation is received

- 61+ days before departure = \$50 + cost incurred by USCPFA
- 45-60 days before departure = 50% of tour price
- 15-44 days before departure = 75% of tour price
- 8 -14 days before departure = 90% of tour price
- 0 - 7 days before departure = 100% of tour price

**Unused tour arrangements** (hotel, meals, etc.) included in the tour or added on are not refundable after departure. If USCPFA must cancel a tour, it is usual for USCPFA to make full refund of unexpended funds.

**INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS:** USCPFA can arrange international flights for passengers on its tours, and passengers can pay for the flights by credit card or check directly to the travel agent or airline. Tour price does not include international flights. Extensions may be available. Passenger will arrange deviations, extensions, upgrades, and tickets with frequent flyer miles directly with the travel agent or airline. Plan to book/purchase flights at least 60 days before departure.

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:** Hotels are 3-4-star in major cities and best available in outlying areas. Tour price is based on two people sharing a twin-bedded room. Persons occupying a single room for any reason will pay a single supplement. A person whose roommate cancels and/or for whom no roommate is available must pay the single supplement. A person who switches to a single room after the tour begins must pay the single supplement for self and for the assigned roommate.

**BAGGAGE** is at owner's risk throughout the tour. Checked baggage must be unlocked for inspection at airports. Airlines in China may ask you to lock luggage after check-in or sign a statement that it is unlocked. Airlines within China allow each passenger one piece of checked luggage and one piece of carry-on luggage. Excess baggage fees are chargeable to the passenger at each airport. On return from China, you may be able to check two pieces of luggage and to carry on one piece, although some airlines now charge for a second checked bag. Passengers must handle their checked as well as their carry-on baggage in airports/train stations, so keep it light. For train travel, bags are not checked; they stay with you.

USCPFA may add a surcharge of \$50-\$150 for documents received after the due date (to cover express mail and rush processing fees). Passports must be valid for six months after the tour arrives in China and have at least one blank visa page. If you do not have a valid passport, apply for one immediately.

Unless otherwise specified in writing, the following General Information and Conditions apply to all USCPFA National Tours. Please read them carefully. Payment of any deposit, or any partial or full payment for any reservation, shall constitute full and voluntary consent to all provisions and conditions listed.

**MEALS:** Three meals a day are provided in China. Breakfasts are usually Western; lunches and dinners are Chinese. Meals are set-menus and served buffet- or family-style; within this framework, travelers select foods to fit their dietary needs.

**HEALTH POLICY:** Travelers should be in good physical condition and health, and must sign a waiver to this effect and identify health problems. Participants must determine and arrange for any necessary immunizations or related preparations. Passengers requiring special assistance (e.g., in walking or getting on/off buses, trains, & planes; and handling luggage) must make this situation known when they apply for the tour and, if accepted on the tour, must be accompanied by someone who can and will provide that assistance. USCPFA has and may exercise the right to decline to accept or to retain any person as a tour member when USCPFA determines such action is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the tour group or the individual.

**TOUR PRICE ADJUSTMENT:** Tour prices are based on 8-10 people traveling together and on USCPFA handling arrangements.

- (a) Airfares are estimated, and are subject to change by the airlines without prior notice. Tour participants will be required to pay the full amount of airfare and any surcharges imposed by the airlines.
- (b) The land portion of the tour price may be subject to increases by suppliers, vendors, and operators, or government agencies. Tour participants will be required to pay the full amount of such increases.
- (c) If tour participants wish to travel to China without a full group, there may be an extra charge. This charge will reflect the additional direct cost incurred by USCPFA for operating a smaller tour. Participants will be notified of any increases and will have the option of deciding whether to go with a smaller group.

**LIMITATION OF LIABILITY:** The USCPFA and its officers, employees, representatives, agents, affiliates, and operators shall not under any circumstances be liable in contract, tort or otherwise, for:

- (a) Any expense, damage, or loss incurred or sustained by any tour participant as a result of the delay or cancellation of any scheduled flight or changes in the travel program;
- (b) Destruction, detention, loss, injury, or damages, however caused, to any tour participant and the property or effects of any tour participant whether or not such destruction, detention, loss, injury, or damage be caused by the negligence or willful default of the Organizers;
- (c) Death or personal injury to any tour participant whether directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to, or as a consequence of war, political action, strikes, adverse weather conditions, or other conditions beyond the control of the Organizers;
- (d) Illness or any medical, surgical, or dental cost any tour participant may incur during the course of the tour, however arising;
- (e) Any acts of omission of contractors whose services are engaged to provide travel programs.

**INSURANCE:** Insurance is not included in tour price. USCPFA recommends that participants consider purchasing insurance to cover trip cancellation and/or interruption, baggage loss, accidents, medical services, and emergency evacuation. Please carefully read the conditions and exclusions in insurance brochures.