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Extending Learning Opportunities
Through School Trips to China




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*“Education breeds confidence.
Confidence breeds hope.
Hope breeds peace.”*

- Confucius



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LEARN TO TRAVEL, TRAVEL TO LEARN

At Travelbound, we have become leading experiential travel specialists overseeing tailor-made curriculum tours for schools, universities, colleges, and music groups. Travelbound are committed to:

- assisting teachers in planning the learning experience effectively.
- providing accurate information about our tours.
- providing activities, experiences or resources which meet learners' needs.
- reviewing your experience and act upon feedback.
- having a safety management process in place to manage risk effectively.

We believe in 3 pillars to ensure the success of our high quality, subject-led tours.

PASSION

Who can forget their first educational trip? That breathless sight of the Sistine Chapel's ceiling or the sense of achievement from shopping in French at a local market? We want to bring that 'first-trip feeling' to every one of our tours. Which is why we organise tours that inspire and motivate students to a lifetime of learning!

PROFESSIONALISM

We're a team of educational travel specialists AND travellers. We love to learn from other cultures and bring that learning into what we do day-to-day in our Brighton-based office.

SUPPORT

We have over 30 years of experience in supplying safe, high-quality, competitively-priced tours that support classroom learning. We're here to make it as easy as possible for Group Leaders because we've been there ourselves!

Whether you are seeking a multi-centre tour to China, a history trip to Normandy & Paris or are interested in organising orchestra and choir performance tours in Italy, our Travelbound team ensure every detail is taken care of to create a truly tailor-made, inspiring learning experience.



We have been at the centre of the Experience Education Student Travel Group. This has seen over 1,500,000 students travel across more 85,000 school trips. Our network spans 100+ countries which shows we can provide access to a large range of options without skipping on the personal service.

As part of Travelopia, Travelbound can provide unrivalled financial security. Our expertise in school travel forms part of the Travelopia family consisting of over 2,000 colleagues across 30 countries.



WHAT WE OFFER



To support the Confucius Insitute in delivering a comprehensive Mandarin Excellence Programme, Travelbound can offer educational tours to China that not only support the language goals of Confucius Classrooms but extend the learning and experiences of every young learner.

Our bespoke itineraries transport students to incredible worldwide destinations where every Travelbound experience is tailored to meet your specific educational and cultural requirements.

In addition to fine tuning your travel experience, we support you every step of the way from advice on how to complete your health and safety paperwork, financial protection and 24-hour phone support, to promotional tools and the deals you need to bring your trip in on budget – we have the expertise to make your tour safe and successful.

As more and more local education authorities and governing bodies are refusing trips with companies that do not have the appropriate accreditation, our credentials not only provide peace of mind but the financial assurances you deserve.



You can rest assured that we tick all the right boxes, so you can focus on making your upcoming school one to remember!



In addition to business visits, our team can also arrange visits to local schools. There are also numerous culture sessions available, including:

- Chinese paper cutting
- Mandarin lessons
- Chinese calligraphy
- Chinese painting
- Chinese cooking classes
- Chinese Kung Fu lessons
- Peking Opera visits
- Chinese pottery making
- Access to panda volunteer programmes

IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES

At Travelbound, we have the connections to provide your students with a range of outstanding immersive experiences. These contribute to creating a rounded experience for your learners allowing them to see behind the scenes of some of the world's largest companies.

Some of our standout factory visits include Mengniu Milk and Huiyuan Juice Company in Beijing, plus Volkswagen Auto, Bao Steel Plant, and the Yakult Company in Shanghai.

We can also offer business visits to companies where we can arrange company staff to speak about their working life. This presents a great opportunity for students to develop language comprehension through native Mandarin speakers. However, to ensure all students benefit from the experience, we can arrange for an interpreter to accompany the group.



OUR EXPERIENCE IN CHINA

At Travelbound, we take pride in offering a comprehensive and immersive experience for students visiting China. As your partner for school trips to China, Confucius Schools will benefit from:



EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE

With years of experience in organising educational trips to China, we have developed a deep understanding of the country's diverse culture, history, and educational opportunities. Our UK team consists of seasoned professionals who have developed strong relationships with knowledgeable ground agents who are well-versed in the nuances of catering to UK schools. They also hold a deep understanding around how schools can best explore Chinese history, art, language, and more.



CUSTOMISED EDUCATIONAL TOURS

We understand each school has unique curriculum requirements. Our school trips to China see our Travelbound team work closely with educators to tailor tours that align with specific learning objectives and academic standards. Our itineraries encompass a wide range of educational activities, from historical site visits and visits to partner schools to hands-on workshops and language immersion experiences.



SAFETY AND SUPPORT

The safety of your students is our top priority. We ensure the highest safety standards and 24/7 support throughout the trip with ground agents meeting our stringent audit levels. Our team is equipped to handle any unexpected situations, ensuring a smooth and secure experience for both students and accompanying staff. As part of the Experience Education Student Travel Group under the support of Travelopia, we have the financial backing of the world's largest collection of specialist activity brands.



CULTURAL IMMERSION

Do not expect a just a sightseeing tour. Like you, our Travelbound team are passionate about the impact travel has on learning.

Our school trips to China emphasise cultural immersion, allowing students to engage with local schools and communities, experience traditional customs, and gain a deeper understanding of China's rich heritage.



LOGISTICAL EXCELLENCE

No Group Leader wants to deal with the headache of figuring out how to get from A to B. From visa assistance to accommodation arrangements and transportation logistics, we handle all the details, ensuring a seamless and stress-free experience for both students and Group Leaders.

Our partnerships and experience guarantee an authentic and enriching journey.



SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

As part of Travelopia, we are committed to responsible tourism practices. Our itineraries not only consider logistics but how we can promote sustainable travel. We encourage schools to challenge their students to appreciate and respect the environment and local communities they visit.

SCHOOL TRIPS TO CHINA

Recognising each institute has unique requirements, we collaborate closely with your Confucius educators to customise school trips that meet specific learning objectives. Our flexibility ensures the trip aligns seamlessly with the academic goals and interests of the participating students.

To widen the range of experiences available to your young learners, Travelbound offers one of the most comprehensive range of Chinese destinations allowing for multi-centre tours.

DESTINATIONS

BEIJING

Beijing serves as a living classroom, providing students with immersive opportunities to explore its rich history, diverse culture, and modern advancements. Visits to Beijing's iconic landmarks offer students firsthand encounters with China's ancient civilization, fostering an appreciation for history and architecture.

TOP EXCURSIONS: The Forbidden City, The Great Wall, The Temple of Heaven

SHANGHAI

The vibrant metropolis of Shanghai serves as a captivating backdrop for a unique learning experience that extends beyond the confines of the traditional classroom.

Our carefully curated school trips to Shanghai are designed to offer students a multifaceted understanding of China's economic, cultural, and historical significance with firsthand exposure to the city's rich history and rapid modernisation.

TOP EXCURSIONS: The Bund, Yu Garden, Pudong



Beyond the classroom, Travelbound school trips to China create lasting memories for students. Whether marvelling at the Great Wall, practicing calligraphy, or savouring local cuisine, every moment contributes to a transformative experience that students will cherish for a lifetime.



XI'AN

Xi'an provides students with a captivating journey through China's ancient history and cultural heritage. The city, known for its Terracotta Army and historic landmarks, offers a unique blend of educational and experiential opportunities that contribute to students' academic growth and personal development.

TOP EXCURSIONS: Terracotta Army, Ancient City Wall, Big Wild Goose Pagoda

MOUNT TAI

A visit to Mount Tai provides students with a unique and enriching experience immersed in natural beauty, cultural significance, and physical activity. The sacred mountain, recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage site, offers a range of benefits that contribute to students' holistic development. School visits to Mount Tai are carefully designed to blend nature exploration with cultural appreciation. Ascending the mountain's trails, students not only engage in physical activity but also witness breathtaking landscapes and ancient monuments. These experiences foster a deep connection with nature and an appreciation for China's cultural and religious heritage.

TOP EXCURSIONS: Jade Emperor Peak, Dai Temple, Heaven Street

QUFU

The birthplace of Confucius, Qufu offers students a profound journey into Chinese philosophy, history, and cultural heritage. The city holds immense educational and cultural significance, providing a unique setting for students to explore the roots of Confucianism and gain a deeper understanding of China's historical contributions. Our Travelbound school trips to Qufu are thoughtfully crafted to immerse students in the rich tapestry of Confucian traditions and provide students with a firsthand experience of the philosopher's life and teachings.

TOP EXCURSIONS: Temple of Confucius, Cemetery of Confucius, Kong Family Mansion

CHENGDU

Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province in China, opens a gateway to a multifaceted learning experience encompassing culture, ecology, and culinary arts. Chengdu's unique blend of historical sites, vibrant traditions, and natural beauty provides students with a rich and immersive educational journey. Adding Chengdu to your school trip to China offers students a comprehensive understanding of the region's cultural and ecological diversity. Visiting landmarks such as the Wuhou Shrine and taking in the work to support the giant pandas provides students with a unique mix of exploring China's history and fostering an appreciation for biodiversity.

TOP EXCURSIONS: Wuhou Shrine, Jinli Ancient Street, Dujiangyan Panda Volunteer Experience



SCHOOL TRIPS TO CHINA

Benefit from the expertise of our China specialists, including seasoned tour guides and educators who possess in-depth knowledge of the country's history, culture, and language. Their insights enhance the educational value of the trip, offering a unique perspective on China's rich heritage while tailoring to your chosen subject(s) and learning goals.



SUBJECTS CROSS-CURRICULAR

A school trip to China offers students a cross-curricular journey that seamlessly integrates various academic disciplines, providing a holistic and enriching educational experience. Our carefully curated programs aim to foster a deep appreciation for China's history, culture, language, and environmental diversity, promoting a well-rounded understanding of this dynamic nation.

The historical treasures of Beijing, the cultural richness of Shanghai, the philosophical heritage of Qufu, the natural wonders of Mount Tai, and the biodiversity of Chengdu collectively create a tapestry of learning opportunities. Students engage in immersive experiences that span history, geography, language, arts, science, business and cultural studies, making the trip a cross-curricular extravaganza.

MANDARIN

Language skills are enhanced as students engage in authentic conversations with locals, broadening their linguistic abilities and cultural competence. Exposure to Mandarin language and Chinese customs promotes a sense of global citizenship and opens doors to future opportunities in an increasingly interconnected world. Our meticulously designed school trips to China aim to provide an authentic and immersive language experience, equipping students with valuable communication skills and a deeper appreciation for Chinese culture.

LINGUISTIC BENEFITS OF TRAVELBOUND SCHOOL TRIPS TO CHINA

- Practice Mandarin in real-life situations
- Enhance conversational abilities and confidence
- Daily interactions with native speakers
- Develop a profound understanding of Mandarin's nuances and intricacies
- Exposure to various dialects and regional accents

We support Mandarin language learning through collaboration with native-speaking guides and educators who facilitate language-rich experiences. Our expert guides provide insightful commentary in Mandarin, reinforcing language learning through context-rich explanations of historical and cultural landmarks. Collaborating with local language instructors, we can organise interactive language workshops that cater to different proficiency levels, ensuring an inclusive and tailored approach to language acquisition.



Immerse students in the vibrant tapestry of Chinese culture through carefully curated experiences. From interacting with local communities to participating in authentic activities, our trips foster cultural understanding and appreciation, broadening students' global perspectives.



ART

An art school trip to China provides students with a visually stimulating and culturally rich experience that enhances their artistic skills, creativity, and cultural appreciation. Our itineraries allow for a dynamic exploration of China's artistic heritage, contemporary art scene, and diverse cultural expressions, creating a unique platform for artistic inspiration and growth.

One of the key benefits of our art school trips to China lies in the exposure to a rich tapestry of artistic traditions. Students have the opportunity to witness iconic masterpieces, explore traditional Chinese art forms such as calligraphy and ink painting, and engage with local artists to gain insights into contemporary Chinese art movements. We aim to support artistic development with visits to renowned art districts, galleries, and museums in cities like Beijing and Shanghai to provide a firsthand encounter with the dynamic and evolving Chinese art scene.

From traditional brushwork techniques to modern multimedia expressions, students are encouraged to experiment with various mediums, expanding their artistic repertoire. Expert guides offer insightful commentary, connecting art experiences with the cultural and historical context of each site, enriching students' understanding and appreciation.

BUSINESS STUDIES

With Travelbound students can benefit from a direct insight into one of the world's most dynamic and rapidly evolving economies. Travelbound business studies trips to China allows for the exploration of China's business landscape, combining academic insights with practical experiences to enrich students' understanding of global commerce and entrepreneurship. Students gain exposure to diverse business practices and economic structures. Students have the opportunity to visit multinational corporations, local businesses, and financial districts, gaining insights into China's unique blend of traditional and modern business approaches. While visits to economic hubs like Shanghai and Beijing offer a real-world context for understanding global economic trends and market dynamics.

HISTORY

As China offers students a unique and immersive exploration of one of the world's oldest civilizations, you will not be short of incredible excursions. Our history itineraries provide students with a profound understanding of China's rich historical tapestry, from ancient dynasties to modern developments, fostering a deeper appreciation for global history and cultural heritage. Visiting landmarks such as the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, and the Terracotta Army, gaining insights into the architectural marvels and cultural legacies of ancient China, our Travelbound team are dedicated to ensuring students can link A to B through expert guides who provide historical context to enrich students' understanding. This supports Group Leaders in connecting classroom lessons to real-world experiences.



OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU



By choosing Travelbound as your school travel provider to China, you are not just booking a trip; you are investing in an educational experience that goes beyond the classroom. Join us on a journey of discovery, cultural exchange, and unforgettable memories in the heart of China!

Our school trips to China are meticulously designed to support students in their learning journey. We provide expert guides who offer insightful commentary, ensuring that students gain a deep understanding of the historical and cultural significance of each site. Additionally, we choose to work with excursions that can align with the Confucius school curriculum, reinforcing classroom lessons through experiential learning.



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FINANCIAL SUPPORT**



RELIABLE INSURANCE



SEAMLESS BOOKING



EXPERT SUPPORT



HEALTH & SAFETY FIRST



ROUND THE CLOCK HELP

OUTDOOR LEARNING WITH TRAVELBOUND

Travelbound understand the importance of school trips being an extension of learning beyond the classroom.

It is possible to run (and enjoy) an educational tour abroad for your students!

Learning outdoors does provide a truly unique experience. It is an opportunity for you to provide students with inspiration. Whether you wish to support the learning for Mandarin or ignite a passion for Chinese culture, an experiential trip overseas allows you to tap into the students. It allows you to better understand the triggers for learning and break down barriers to better attainment.

As Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC) Quality Badge holders, our tours have been recognised to exceed a number of quality indicators as set out by the Council for LOtC.

Our quest to provide inspiring educational tours is also underpinned by a stringent approach to health and safety. As a full member of the School Travel Forum (STF), Travelbound operates to the highest standards of care and responsibility.

Now more than ever, it's important for our schools, educators, students and guardians to have complete financial and personal safety assurances when it comes to booking their school trip of a lifetime.

In addition to being a member of the Federation of Tour Operators (FTO), all of our tours are fully bonded by ABTA and ATOL, protecting your group against unforeseen events.





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EXPEDITIONS WITH

World Challenge

Expeditions are redefined with an emphasis on developing tomorrow's leaders through international cultural immersion. With access to community partnerships in **over 40 countries**, trust **World Challenge** to lead your students.





For over 40 years, **Experience Education** has been the UK's leading experiential travel provider for schools. Our specialist brands and activity centres are trusted by over **3,000** British schools. We operate trips across five distinct travel categories: **curriculum tours**; **expeditions**; **ski trips**; **sports tours**; and **residentials** at our **UK activity centres**.

SKI TRIPS WITH

SkiBound

Boasting over **80 resorts** and **177 accommodation options** stretching across Europe and North America plus **3 exclusive French Clubhotels**, **SkiBound** are the number one choice in snowsports for UK schools.



CURRICULUM TOURS WITH

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Remember your first school trip? With **Travelbound**, learning outside the classroom is taken to new heights. **From Normandy to New York**, elevate your curriculum learning with **subject-specific itineraries** tailored to your school.

Get in touch with our passionate team of experts to plan your school's next adventure.



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