



Wendy Wu Tours

Discover China's Horticulture Industry

"From the Earth For the Earth"

Exclusive behind the scenes access to China's Horticulture organisations & VIP entry to the Qingdao International Horticulture Expo 2014



8 days from
£1,840pp
Tour departs
Sep & Oct '14

Who should go on this trip

■ Anyone with an interest in the production and use of ornamental horticulture

■ Anyone involved in commercial plant production or with a keen interest in the subject horticulture

■ Anyone with an interest in gardens and landscape and how they develop around the world

What you will get on this trip

AIPH (International Association of Horticultural Producers) is the governing body that approves international horticultural exhibitions, representing horticultural producers' from across the globe. AIPH works hard to ensure that exhibition visitors get to see inspirational horticulture, and experience the pleasure that plants, gardens and landscapes provide.

Deroose Plants Co. is one of the largest flower exporters in China

(over 20 million plants per year) with an advanced R&D unit. One of their current research projects aims to create 'the perfect indoor plant of tomorrow'. During this trip you will enjoy exclusive access to Deroose, a leading company in the global horticulture industry. You will also enjoy a guided tour of Shanghai Flower Port (over 1 million square meters).

Shandong Oriental Floral Co. are professional growers of flowers, nursery stock, young plants, as well as being experts in landscape architecture. The

company has 80,000 square metres of greenhouse, and is a leading business in Shandong province.

The impressive 2014 Qingdao International Horticulture Expo has the theme "From the earth, for the Earth". It is hosted by the relaxed coastal city of Qingdao and will demonstrate against a backdrop of beautiful scenery, new technology which promotes the protection of nature and water conservation in an environmentally conscious and innovative way.

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Shanghai – Qingdao - Beijing



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Day 1: Depart for Shanghai

Take your flight to Shanghai today.

Day 2: Shanghai (D)

Upon arrival in Shanghai and your dedicated national guide will transfer you to the 4-star hotel for check-in. In the evening enjoy the chance to mingle with your fellow horticulturist friends over a delicious welcome dinner.

Day 3: Shanghai – Deroose Plants Co Ltd. (B, L, D)

This morning you will visit the Shanghai Flower Port, the Chinese version of the Dutch Keukenhof, to get a behind the scenes introduction from Deroose Plants

Co Ltd. Shanghai Flower Port (SFP) is over 1 million square metres and home to an amazing annual tulip festival from March to May. Other times of the year, it is a haven of tranquillity in the South Pudong area of Shanghai. In 2005 Deroose Plants, based in Belgium, formed an agreement with SFP, and since then have been operating a breeding and propagating program that produces 20 million plants per year for export. The proximity to Shanghai Flower Port means they can deliver plants to Korea and Japan within 2 hours. Their R&D primarily aims to create the perfect indoor plant. Production specialises in Bromeliads, Nepenthes and foliage plants.

Day 4: Shanghai – Dongying (B,L,D)

Depart Shanghai and take a flight to Jinan, capital of Shandong Province. Upon arrival transfer you to the city of Dongying and the hotel for check-in.

Day 5: Dongying – Qingdao (B,L,D)

This morning after breakfast visit Shandong Oriental Floral Co. Ltd,

professional growers of flowers, nursery stock, young plants, as well as experts in landscape architecture. The company has 80,000 square metres of greenhouse, which has been built for the production of Phalaenopsis, pineapple, arrowroot, anthurium, Rieger begonia and cyclamen.

Drive in 3 hours to Qingdao once a German colony, now a major seaport and home to the world's longest sea bridge. A trip to Qingdao would not be complete without a visit to Tsingtao Brewery, China's second largest brewery, founded in 1903 by German settlers. You will learn all about the brewery and taste a fresh beer straight from the production line!

Day 6: Qingdao – International Horticultural Exposition (B,L,D)

Visit the Qingdao International Horticultural Exposition. The Expo site covers a total area of 241 hectares. The Expo features well over 100 gardens including a Flower Promenade and a Boulevard plus twelve themed garden areas. These areas include:

Chinese Garden, Floriculture Garden, Caogang (Herbal) Garden, Children's Dream Garden, Science Garden, Enterprise Garden, International Garden, Tea Garden, Agriculture Garden, Flower Garden, Blossom Garden and Mountain Garden.

Day 7: Beijing Botanic Garden (B,L,D)

Take a flight this morning to Beijing. Upon arrival visit the Beijing Botanic (North) Garden situated between the Fragrant Hills Park and Jade Spring Mountain. The Garden was established in 1955 and covers a large area of 564,000 square metres. The gardens include a dozen exhibition districts, halls and exhibition greenhouses for tropical and subtropical plants. A curator will offer detailed information on the park and the multitude of plants found there.

Day 8: Beijing – Home (B)

Transfer you to the airport for your flight home today. Should you wish to stay longer in China please see the attached list of optional post tour extensions for inspiration.

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Prices and Inclusions

- 8** Days from
- Per person £1,840pp**
- ✓ Fully inclusive from UK
- ✓ Daily group departures

Departure Dates:

**19-27 September 2014,
16-24 October 2014**

**Daily departures for
private groups of 6+
May to Oct. 2014**

Flight and supplement information

- Fully inclusive from UK £2,490pp including international flights
- Single supplement £290pp

Price Includes:

- Visa fees for UK & EU passport holders
- Domestic flight tickets - Shanghai to Jinan, Qingdao to Beijing
- Dedicated English speaking guide
- Access to Deroose Co Ltd & Shandong Oriental Floral Co
- VIP entry tickets to Expo
- 4 star accommodation
- Meals as indicated on itinerary (B,L,D)
- All transfers in private air-co coach

Hotel List

Shanghai:
4* Shaanxi Business Hotel



Dongying:
4* Guangrao Jin Ling International Hotel



Qingdao:
4* Copthorne Hotel



Beijing:
4* Novotel Peace Hotel



Tour Extensions

Shanghai Short Stay
3 days from £320



Shanghai is famous for its bustling metropolitan atmosphere and rich cultural historical past. On this 4 day trip you will visit, Yu Yuan Gardens, the Old Town and the seriously interesting Shanghai Museum.

Beijing & Xian
7 days from £830



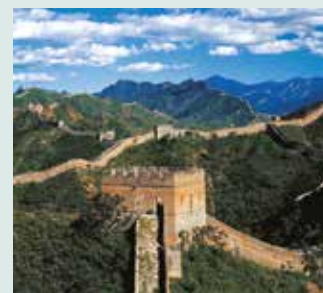
Travel to Beijing and stroll through famous Tiananmen Square to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, visit the Temple of Heaven and see the exquisite Summer Palace before flying to the former imperial capital of Xian for the Terracotta Warriors, Ancient city wall and Great Mosque.

Pure Yangtze
5 days from £280



During this tour you'll marvel at the peaks bursting from the river's surface as you lazily cruise past historic villages and see the force of China's development at the Three Gorges. Enjoy a side-trip to the striking Shennong Stream in a pea-pod boat, visit the Lesser Three Gorges and enjoy various shore excursions along the way.

Beijing Short Stay
4 days from £340



Beijing is one of the world's most famous historical, cultural and ancient cities. On this 4 day trip you will visit the massive Forbidden City & Tiananmen Square, Summer Palace, Temple of Heaven, Great Wall and the charming old Hutong neighbourhoods.

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