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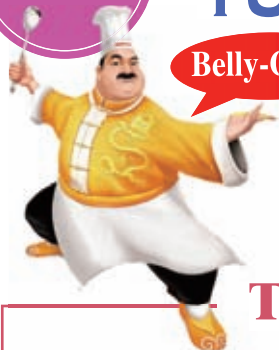
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YUMMY YUMMY TOUR - CHINA SERIES NORTHEASTERN CUISINE EDITION + HARBIN ICE & SNOW FESTIVAL

Cities Covered: Dalian, Lushun, Dandong, Tonghua, Erdaobaihe, Changbai Mt., Jilin & Harbin

Tour Package Includes

- * International Flight from HONOLULU
- * 5* Deluxe Hotel Accommodations (based on double occupancy)
- * Admissions and 24 Meals as Stated
- * Harbin Ice Carving & Snow Sculptures Festival
- * Viewing North Korean Border – Boat Ride Tour
- * Local Specialty Cuisine: Northeast Braised Bones, North Korean Cuisine, Chun Bing, Barbecue Dinner, Dumpling Banquet & Hot Pot
- * The Eastern Starting Point of The Great Wall – Hushan Portion
- * Ever-White Mountain – Baekdu Mountain
- * 2 Nights Natural Hot Spring Hotel at Erdaobaihe
- * Amazing Natural Sightseeing & Rimed Trees
- * Free Set of Winter Wear

FREE
Use of
Wireless
Tour Guide System

Traveling Dates:

Jan 15 – 26, 2018
(12 Days)

Price per person:

\$ 2,888

Incl: Tax & Fuel Charge
Single Supp: \$ 750

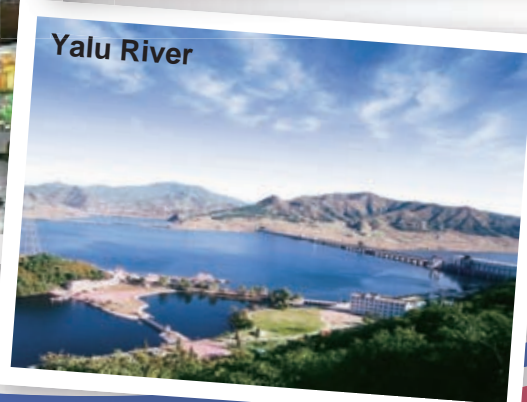
Harbin Ice and Snow Festival



Siberian Tiger



Yalu River



Northeastern/Manchu Cuisine Background

◆ Northeastern cuisine is one of China's traditional and distinctively local cuisines and has been famous since ancient times. It includes the cuisine of the provinces of Liaoning, Jilin and Heilongjiang, as well as Mongolia and East Union City and typically consists of wheat-based products, pickled meats and vegetables, and spiced stews. Although it is not included in the "Eight Major Cuisine" list, the distinctive taste of northeastern cuisine is popular within China and overseas.

◆ Manchu cuisine uses the traditional Manchu staples such as millet, soybean, pea, corn and broomcorn. It relies heavily on preserved foods (often pickled) due to the harsh winters and scorching summers in Northeast China. Manchu cuisine is also known for grilling wild meat, strong flavors, and wide use of soy sauce. Manchu cuisine is more wheat based than Han Chinese cuisines.

Day 1-2** Jan 15-16

Honolulu – Dalian →

We start our vacation by boarding an international flight bound for Dalian via Beijing, China – a beautiful seaside city on the southern tip of Liaodong Peninsula. Meals and snacks will be served on the plane.

*** *Meet at the airport on Jan.15 for our midnight flight.* ***

Day 3** Jan 17

Dalian

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We arrive at Dalian Zhoushuizi International Airport via Beijing. Once we exit customs we will be greeted by an Air & Sea Travel representative. After lunch, we can explore the city or enjoy free time and checking into our hotel.

*** *Hotel Accommodations: Hilton Dalian or Similar 5* ***

Day 4** Jan 18

Dalian – Lushun – Dalian

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After breakfast, we will transfer to Lushun, a port city formerly known as both Port Arthur and Ryojun in the Russo-Japanese War. First, we will visit The Fort of East Crest Hill (Jiguan Hill), one of the main battlefields in the Russo-Japanese War in 1904. After that, we will visit The Lushun Museum established in 1915 when this area was leased to Japan. This museum has a collection of 60,000 historical and art treasures and is partitioned into 20 different exhibition halls, such as Snuff bottles, Porcelain enamel, Mummy, and Lacquerware. After lunch, we will travel back to Dalian for a city tour and visit Xinghai Square, Binhai Road, Tiger Beach, Concert Square and Dalian Port, one of the most important trade harbors in East Asia. The day ends with a great dinner.

Day 5** Jan 19

Dalian – Dandong

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After breakfast, we will drive to Dandong, the largest border city between China and North Korea and located by Yalu River. Upon our arrival, we will take a Boat Ride on Yalu River, walk around Yalu River Park, and see Yalu River Broken Bridge. During the boat ride, we can see mysterious North Korea without crossing the border. Today's lunch features Northeast Braised Bones. Afterwards, we will visit the most easterly part of the Great Wall of China, the Hushan Great Wall, known to Koreans as Bakjak Fortress. Historically, Dandong was a settlement established to protect the Chinese heartland during the late Ming and early Qing dynasties. The identification of Hushan as the eastern terminus of the Great Wall in 2009 was met with skepticism by the Korean academia. They allege that the Chinese renamed it from Bakjak to Hushan, then rebuilt the fortress and identified it with the Great Wall. They claimed that the Northeast Project of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences aimed to diminish local traces of Goguryeo, the ancient Korean state which Koreans consider to have first built Bakjak (Hushan). Climbing to the top step, we will have a grand view of the beautiful scenery of China and North Korea. The day ends with another great Dinner featuring North Korean Cuisine. To ensure authentic flavors, all the cooking and serving are done by North Koreans. It will be interesting to taste the different foods and enjoy the unique ambience and service.

*** *Hotel Accommodations: Hotel Wanda Realm Dandong or Similar Local Best* ***

Day 6** Jan 20

Dandong – Changbai Mt. (Erdaobaihe)



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After breakfast, we will drive to Erdaobaihe – a small town at the foot of Changbaishan Mountain. En route, we will try a local specialty for Lunch – Chun Bing. It is a Chinese burrito made with a flour pancake wrapped around vegetables and meat. The origins of Chun Bing date back to the Jin Dynasty. Northern Chinese would eat this pancake to celebrate the beginning of spring. The literal translation of this dish is "bite the spring." We will continue our drive to Changbaishan. We will then head to our Hot Spring resort for tonight. During our stay, feel free to enjoy the hot spring inside the resort. This rejuvenating experience will help reduce insomnia and aid in recovering from fatigue.

*** *Hotel Accommodations: Crowne Plaza Resort Changbaishan Hot Spring or Similar 5* ***

Day 7Jan 21**

Changbai Mt. (Erdaobaihe)



(B, L, D)

In the morning, we will go to Changbai Mountain (Changbaishan) North Scenic Area. The Chinese name Changbaishan means Ever-white Mountain. With volcanic mountain lakes, snowcapped peaks, cascading waterfalls, vast ancient forests, hot springs and abundant wildlife, the Changbai Mountain is one of China's most stunning natural attractions. In this area we will visit the Changbai Mountain's Heaven Lake (Tianchi), Changbai Mountain Falls, and Hot Spring. Meals in Erdaobaihe are mainly stews and salads. Let's enjoy the "Land Delicacies Feast" created with vegetables and meats found on the mountain. This kind of feast features ingredients like wild crucian carp, hazel hen, wild boar, clams, and matsutake mushrooms that have high nutritional values.

Day 8Jan 22**

Changbai Mt. – Jilin City

(B, L, D)

Today, we will drive to Jilin, famous for its rimed trees in the winter. Rime Island, also called Wusong Island is only 40 kilometers from Jilin City, but at a lower elevation. This island is completely surrounded by water and is a meeting point for cold air and warmer ocean air. The 6 square kilometer island is often covered with heavy fog that does not evaporate. After that, we will stop by the Gothic Catholic Church designed by the French. One of its distinctive features is the belfry which has an original European bell that can be heard for several kilometers when mass is held. The large blue stones from the Ashihada area of Jilin Province used in its construction give the exterior of the church a distinctive bluish hue. The church has 16 stone columns and 24 stained glass windows, combining both religious and ethnic themes. In the evening, we have arranged a special Barbecue Dinner.

*** *Hotel Accommodations: World Trade Winning Hotel or Similar 5* ***

Day 9Jan 23**

Jilin City – Harbin

(B, L, D)

After breakfast, we will pass along the Songhua River and enjoy the beautiful and enchanting Rimed Trees. In the winter, the Songhua River continues to flow through Jilin despite the subfreezing temperature. Steam rises from the river which is located near a hydroelectric plant and freezes when it touches the branches and leaves of the pine and willow trees along the river bank. Layer upon layer of ice encrusted on the tree branches appears transparent and forms breathtaking crystal scenery that never fails to enchant visitors. After lunch, we will drive to Harbin, the city with the most bitter cold winters among major Chinese cities. Harbin is heralded as the Ice City for its well-known winter tourism, recreational activities, and its beautiful ice sculpture festival. Besides being well known for its historical Russian legacy, the city serves as an important gateway in Sino-Russian trade today and has a sizable population of Russian immigrants. The city was voted the "Top Chinese Tourist City" by the China National Tourism Administration in 2004. On June 22, 2010, Harbin was appointed a UNESCO "City of Music" as part of the Creative Cities Network. Tonight's dinner features local dishes – Northeastern Dumplings. They typically consist of ground meat and/or vegetable fillings wrapped into a thinly rolled sheet of dough and sealed by pressing the edges together or by crimping. They look like the golden ingots used for money in the olden days of China, so serving them is believed to bring wealth.

*** *Hotel Accommodations: Sofitel Wanda Hotel Harbin or Similar 5* ***

Day 10Jan 24**

Harbin

(B, L, D)

In the morning, we will visit St. Sophia Church built with timber and completed in March, 1907. The church was part of a plan to strengthen the confidence of the army by building an imposing spiritual symbol. After lunch, we will go to Northeast Tiger Park to see the recently listed endangered Chinese tigers before touring Sun Island, the site of an international snow carving competition held every January. In the early evening, we will go to the Harbin Ice and Snow Festival to enjoy the magnificent and gigantic ice sculptures. We will be wowed by all the illuminated full size buildings made from thick crystal clear ice or a single block of snow. With complex computer-controlled LED systems, these spectacular sculptures light up the city's night sky. A Hot Pot Dinner is arranged for tonight's meal. Hot pot is sometimes known as Chinese fondue or steamboat, consisting of a simmering metal pot of stock at the center of the dining table. While the broth is simmering, ingredients such as thinly sliced meat, leafy vegetables, mushrooms, wontons, egg dumplings, and seafood are cooked in the pot and then eaten with a dipping sauce. In many areas, hot pot meals are often eaten in the winter.

Day 11Jan 25**

Harbin – Beijing



(B, L)

After breakfast, enjoy our free time in the morning. After lunch, we will do our last minute shopping at Guandong Ancient Alley where we can find many items representing the culture and art of ancient northern China. Enjoy this special ancient atmosphere, ending our fantastic tour of the Harbin Ice and Snow Festival and other exciting cities in northeastern China. Tonight, we will transfer to the airport for our return flight home via Beijing.

Day 12Jan 26**

Beijing – Honolulu



Our flight to Honolulu leaves after midnight, ending our wonderful tour in China.

We arrive at Honolulu on Jan.25th at approximately 4:30PM.



**** FREE 10-Yrs China Visa w / multiple entries is available NOW ****

**** Call your Air & Sea Travel Agent for more details and conditions ****

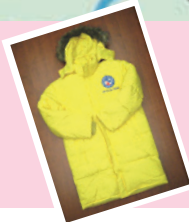
We wish you a safe journey and capture many wonderful memories to share with family and friends! ☺

B: Breakfast | L: Lunch | D: Dinner



Free Set of Winter Wear (per person):

- ◆ Overcoat
- ◆ Fleece lined pants
- ◆ Hat, scarf, gloves
- ◆ Non-slip, insulated snow boots



Remarks:

- ◆ Fares are per person, USD based on double occupancy and include all airline taxes and fees
- ◆ Escorted tour from with a minimum of 20 passengers
- ◆ Local English speaking tour guide service
- ◆ All transfers and sightseeing by air conditioned coach
- ◆ Tips and gratuities are not included
- ◆ Refer to "General Condition of Air & Sea"
- ◆ We reserve the right to modify the itinerary to ensure a smooth trip
- ◆ China Visa is not included, available at \$180 for 10-year multiple entries (subject to government approval)
- ◆ Tour price is subject to change according to any airfare increase, increase in government taxes, additional fuel charges and fluctuation of the rate of exchange between U.S. and foreign currency
- ◆ Tour price includes fuel surcharge & government taxes and fees. The tour price shown is current at time of listing and pricing on Jun.06th, 2017

Payment Policy:

CHECK OR CASH PAYMENT ONLY. A deposit of \$350 per person is required at the time of application. The balance is due **70 days prior to departure**. In the event payment balance is not made within the required time period, Air and Sea Travel Center reserves the right to cancel reservations and charge a cancellation fee.

Written notice is required for any cancellation. \$350 deposit is non-refundable if you cancel **within 70 days before departure**.

Within 70 days before departure, the cancellation fee will be as follow:

- ** **69-31 days** prior to departure, 50% of total price plus any other service fee caused from the cancellation;
- ** **30 days** prior to departure or withdrawing during the tour shall be regarded as willingly giving up all rights concerned, 100% of total price, and request for other services as a substitute shall not be accepted

We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance when you make a reservation.

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