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China ❄️

## HARBIN: ICE & SNOW FESTIVAL HONG KONG: CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

**Cities Covered:** Dalian, Dandong, Erdaobaihe, Changbai Mt., Jilin, Harbin, Shenzhen & Hong Kong

### Tour Package Includes

- \* International Flight from HONOLULU
- \* Deluxe Hotel Accommodations (based on double occupancy)
- \* Admissions and **26** 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:**

**Feb 6 – 19, 2018  
(14 Days)**

**Price per person:**

**\$ 3,988**

**Incl: Tax & Fuel Charge  
Single Supp: \$ 1,050**

### Hong Kong

- ◆ New Year Eve's Dinner
- ◆ Spectacular Fireworks Show
- ◆ Asian Parade – Reserved Seat
- ◆ Horse Racing – Private Box

Harbin Ice and Snow Festival



Hong Kong Fireworks Show

Siberian Tiger



Sha Tin Racecourse

**Day 1 Honolulu – Incheon →**

We start our vacation by boarding an international flight to Dalian via Incheon. Meals and snacks will be provided on board.

**Day 2 Incheon**

Arrive at Incheon International Airport. We will stay overnight in Incheon where hotel accommodations will be provided by the airline.

**Day 3 Incheon – Dalian → (D)**

Depart for Dalian, China – a beautiful seaside city on the southern tip of Liaodong Peninsula. Upon our arrival we will proceed to immigration & customs. Once we exit customs we will be greeted by an Air & Sea Travel representative. We will take a City Tour and visit 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 4 Dalian – Dandong (B, L, D)**

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 as part of the Northeast Project of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences that 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 a great Welcome 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.

**Day 5 Dandong – Changbai Mt. (Erdaobaihe) ☪ (B, L, D)**

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.

**Day 6 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 forest, 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 nutrition values.

**Day 7 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 are 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 flavor. In the evening, we have arranged a special [Barbecue Dinner](#).

**Day 8 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**. Dumplings typically consist of ground meat and/or vegetable filling 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.

**Day 9 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 and see the recently listed endangered tigers of China. And then, we will take a tour to 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 hot pot is simmering, ingredients are cooked in the pot. Typical hot pot dishes include thinly sliced meat, leafy vegetables, mushrooms, wontons, egg dumplings, and seafood. The cooked food is usually eaten with a dipping sauce. In many areas, hot pot meals are often eaten in the winter.

**Day 10 Harbin – Shenzhen ✈️ (B, D)**

Today we will transfer to the airport and fly to Shenzhen, a major city in Southern China and next to Hong Kong. The biggest event of any Chinese New Year's Eve is the Reunion Dinner, called "Nian Ye Fan". This meal is comparable to Thanksgiving dinner in the U.S. and remotely similar to Christmas dinner in other countries with a large Christian population. This evening we will enjoy a special Chinese New Year's Eve Dinner.

**Day 11 Shenzhen – Hong Kong (B)**

Kung Hee Fat Choy!! Today is the first day of Chinese New Year, known in modern Chinese as the "Spring Festival". After breakfast, we will go to Hong Kong. Late this afternoon, we will walk to Tsimshatsui and join the local crowds to celebrate one of the most well known and biggest events of the year, the Chinese Lunar New Year Parade! Our Reserved Seats will provide us a perfect view of the International Parade. As one of the world's most festive events, the parade is comprised of colorful floats, dragon dancers, celebrities and performers from all over the world.

**Day 12 Hong Kong (B)**

The second day of the Chinese New Year, known as "beginning of the year" was when married daughters visited their birth parents, relatives and close friends. Traditionally, married daughters didn't have the opportunity to visit their families frequently. Today, you can take an optional day excursion to Macau or spend leisure time on your own. The celebration continues tonight with a magnificent Lunar New Year Fireworks Show over Victoria Harbor. We will walk to the harbor waterfront and watch the beautiful Fireworks shooting from the tops of skyscrapers. This fireworks display has been an annual event in Hong Kong since 1982 and has become a Chinese New Year greeting to the citizens.

**Day 13 Hong Kong (B, L)**

After breakfast, we will go to Sha Tin Racecourse to see the Traditional Chinese New Year Horse Races. A Private Box is reserved for our group. This is a legalized gambling event and one of the most popular sports in Hong Kong. Enjoy this exciting race and try your luck in the New Year. A premium Buffet Lunch With Complimentary Drinks, Including Wines And Liquors will be provided. You will have a very pleasant and comfortable experience in the balcony private box that offers unparalleled views of the racetrack.

**Day 14 Hong Kong – Incheon – Honolulu ✈️ (B)**

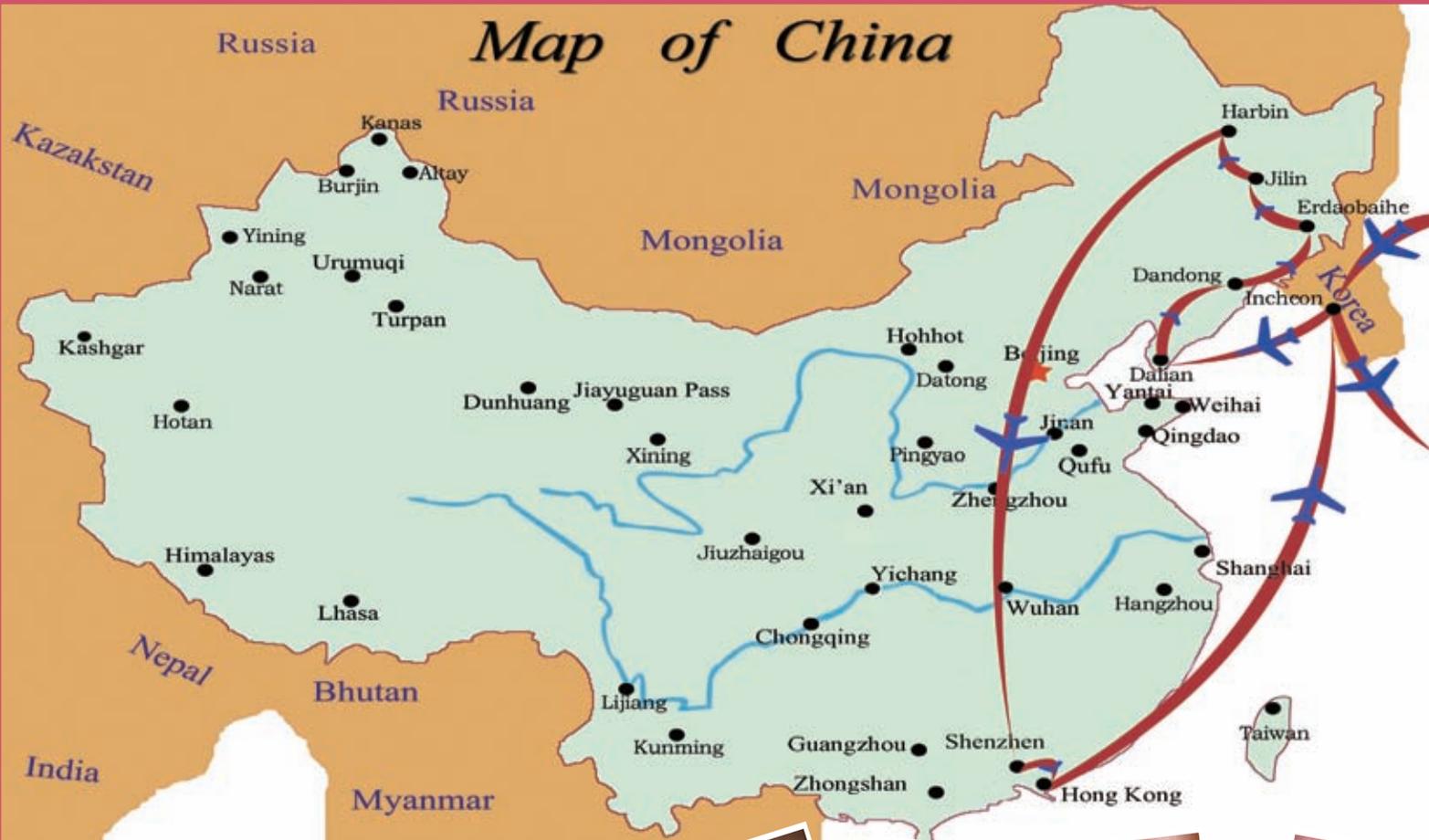
Today we will drive to the airport for our return flight home, ending our fantastic tour of the Harbin Ice and Snow Festival and Chinese New Year Celebration. We will fly back home via Incheon.



**\*\*\*\* FREE 10-Yrs China Visa w / multiple entries is available NOW \*\*\*\***  
**\*\*\*\* Call your Air & Sea Travel Agent for more details and conditions \*\*\*\***

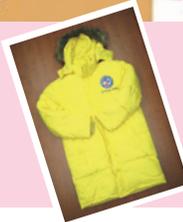
*We wish you a safe journey and capture many wonderful memories to share with family and friends! ☺*

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.04<sup>th</sup>, 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**.

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 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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