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Taiwan

TAIWAN "DOUBLE-TEN" CELEBRATION TOUR



Co-sponsor: Chinese Chamber of Commerce in Hawaii
China Airlines

Cities Covered: Taipei, Changhua & Taichung

Tour Package Includes

- * International Flight from Honolulu
- * Deluxe Hotel Accommodations
- * Night Market Experience
- * The National Palace Museum
- * Local Delicacies:
 - Din Tai Fung Soup Dumpling
 - All You Can Eat Hot Pot and more...
- * Hands on Experience: Bubble Tea



Traveling Dates:

Oct 5 – 11, 2017
(7 Days)

Price per person:

\$1,888

Incl: Tax & Fuel Charge

Single Supp: \$500

Double Ten Day is celebrated on Oct. 10, the National Day of the Republic of China (Taiwan). We will attend the celebration program for this special day in Taipei. A CNN poll taken in June 2015 selected Taiwan as the destination for the world's best food. We will have an opportunity to sample delicious street food and fresh Taiwan-style delicacies in Taichung & Taipei.

Double Ten Celebration



Taipei 101



Bubble Milk Tea



Xiao Long Bao
(Steam Dumplings)

Day 1 (5 Oct)**Honolulu – Taipei (Taoyuan) →**

We start our adventure by boarding an international flight to Taipei, the capital city and also the political, economic, and cultural center of Taiwan (ROC). Meals and snacks will be served on the plane.

**** Meet at the airport on Oct 4 since the flight leaves at Midnight.****

Day 2 (6 Oct)**Taipei (Taoyuan) – Changhua – Taichung****(L)**

Upon arrival at Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport, an Air & Sea Travel representative will greet us and get us started on our tour in Taiwan. We will transfer to Changhua which is ranked first by population among county-controlled cities. The Hans used Changhua as a base when they invaded Taiwan and built a fortress out of bamboo to defend themselves from the Taiwanese aborigines. Lukang is an important port in Changhua from the Qing Dynasty and also one of the oldest towns in Taiwan where merchants, fishermen, and businessmen gathered. Let's walk around Old Street and explore the little shops that sell souvenirs and interesting snacks. After lunch, we will visit Taiwan Glass Gallery, a unique building with a glass tunnel & maze that has many collections of artistic & practical glassware. We can find many glass art-crafts, and observe glass blowers create a work of art. We will also have a chance to go through the Golden Tunnel which is a space surrounding by glass and mirrors. Temples in Taiwan are like folk arts museums. But, have you seen a temple made out of glass? Mazu Glass Temple is the only one in the world made out of glass. Mazu is the indigenous goddess of the sea who protects fishermen and sailors, and is invoked as the patron deity of all Southern Chinese and East Asian people. We can find many temples in Taiwan honoring Mazu, but this is the only temple constructed entirely out of glass. Please enjoy the visit to the glass temple. After that, we will transfer to our hotel and enjoy free time for the rest of the afternoon. Tonight, we will take a tour of the bustling Fengjia Night Market, one of the popular markets in Taiwan where local merchants sell snacks and provide entertainment. We will then walk around to experience Taiwan's nightlife and enjoy our dinner here.

Day 3 (7 Oct)**Taichung****(B, L, D)**

After breakfast, we will visit Taichung Summit Resort, also called Xinshe Castle by the locals. It is a European-style castle with picturesque grounds featuring a koi-filled pond, waterfall, and dining facilities. We can enjoy our relaxing morning here. Bubble Tea, also known as "Pearl milk tea", originated in Taichung and is made with black tea, milk, and sago pearls. The combination of fragrant tea and chewy sago has made this beverage popular not only in Taiwan but in other countries as well. We will have an enjoyable Hands-on DIY Experience making Bubble Tea at Chun Shui Tang Cultural Tea House. Let's customize our own drink. Park Lane by China Metal Products (CMP) is a new concept of 'integration of life' in department store design. The outside wall is covered with 150,000 plants, making it a beautiful building with natural green. The department store also introduces new innovative brands not found in other stores. Tonight, we will have an All You Can Eat Hot-Pot for dinner.

Day 4 (8 Oct)**Taichung – Taipei****(B, L)**

After breakfast, we will return to Taipei, the capital of Taiwan and a modern metropolis with Japanese colonial lanes, busy shopping streets and contemporary buildings. Upon arrival in Taipei, we will visit National

Revolutionary Martyrs' Shrine dedicated to the war dead of the Republic of China. After lunch, we will explore the National Palace Museum which has one of the world's largest collections of priceless Chinese art treasures. More than 620,000 art objects are currently stored in the museum. After that, we will proceed to Shilin Official Residence, the residence of Republic of China's President Chiang Kai-Shek. Its garden is a great example of combining eastern and western horticultural styles, with beautiful flowers and ecological gardens. Tonight, we will experience another one of Taiwan's nightlife by walking around the popular, bustling Shilin Night Market, the largest and most famous night market in Taiwan. Enjoy dinner on your own in the night market before returning to the hotel.

Day 5 (9 Oct)

Taipei

(B)

Full day at leisure. "Shop till you drop; eat till you overflow!" Enjoy this free day to shop around the city and eat whatever looks interesting.

Day 6 (10 Oct)

Taipei

(B)

Double Ten Celebration participants will attend the Presidential Parade. The official celebration begins with the raising of the flag of the Republic of China in front of the Presidential Building and the singing of the National Anthem. The Military Parade, including the Color Guard, shows the martial spirit of the armed forces in full regalia during the military review. Festivities include many aspects of traditional Chinese, Taiwanese, and aborigine cultures such as the lion dance and drum teams. We will enjoy our free time after the celebration program.

Day 7 (11 Oct)

Taipei – Honolulu →

(B, D)

After breakfast, enjoy free time in the morning. Then we will go to Yong Kang Street, one of the most famous streets in Taipei, known for its delicious foods and drinks. Feast on unforgettable dim sum and try the refreshing mango shaved ice on your own. We will visit Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, a famous monument, landmark and tourist attraction erected in memory of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, former President of the Republic of China. Then we will visit The National Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall, a memorial to the Republic of China's National Father, Dr. Sun Yat-sen. The building contains displays of Sun's life and the revolution he led, and is also a multipurpose social, educational and cultural center for the public. Afterwards, we will drive to Taipei 101, located in Xinyi business district, the most developed business district in Taipei. Taipei 101 is a landmark skyscraper of Taipei, formerly known as the Taipei World Financial Center and was ranked as the tallest building in the world from 2004 to 2010. We can also walk around the Xin Yi Commercial Center, a newly developed area in Taiwan. It is a modern place for the younger generation to hang out. Then we will enjoy our dinner at Taiwan's iconic Din Tai Fung, a world-famous, award-winning restaurant specializing in Xiaolongbao (small steamed dumplings). After dinner, we will transfer to Taoyuan International Airport for our return flight home, ending our fantastic tour in Taiwan.

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

B: Breakfast | L: Lunch | D: Dinner

Taiwan Double Ten Tour (Sun Moon Lake Extension)

Oct 11 – 15, 2017 (5 Days)

Sun Moon Lake & Hsinchu

Extension Package Includes

- * Deluxe Hotel Accommodations (based on double occupancy)
- * Admissions and Meals as Stated
- * Most Popular Ranking Scenic Spots in Taiwan:
Sun Moon Lake with Boat Ride
- * Natural Hot Spring Hotels (2 Nights)
- * Local Specialties Meals

Price per person: \$ 800
Incl. Tax & Fuel Surcharge
Single Supp: \$ 450

Day 1 (11 Oct)

Taipei

After the Taiwan Double Ten tour, we will stay overnight in Taipei, and be ready for our extension tour to Sun Moon Lake the next day.

Day 2 (12 Oct)

Taipei – Sun Moon Lake

(B, L, D)

After breakfast, we will proceed south to **Nantou County**, the only landlocked county in Taiwan. Surrounded by mountains, Nantou is abundant in tourism resources, with picturesque scenery everywhere. First, we will visit the **Nantou Winery**, home to one of the eight national wines in Taiwan, the Shaosing Rice Wine. After lunch, we will arrive at **Sun Moon Lake**, the largest body of water in Taiwan and a popular tourist attraction. The lake surrounds a tiny island called **Lalu** and the east side resembles a sun while the west side resembles a moon, hence the name. We will take a **Boat Ride** from **Sheshui Terminal** to **Syuan Guang Temple** which lies between Sun Lake and Moon Lake. A golden idol of Master Syuanzang, above which is written, "Great National Scholar" is inside. We will transfer to our **Natural Hot Springs Hotel** in **Sun Moon Lake**. Enjoy our stay and dinner in the hotel.

☪ Fuli Hot Spring Resort: As the steady breeze sways, the intoxicating fragrance from the water slides made from Chinese cypress timbers and the steam from the hot spring combine in the misty air, we can immerse in the spring pool to soothe and relax our nerves, while admiring the scenery on the horizon cast by the sunset glow.

Day 3 (13 Oct)

Sun Moon Lake

(B, D)

Today, we will spend our day in **Formosan Aboriginal Culture Village**, an amusement park in Nantou. The park contains the tallest free-fall ride in Taiwan as well as Taiwan's largest European gardens and bell tower. In this amusement park, we can enjoy different entertainment attractions. One of the most popular programs at the Culture Village is **the splendid aboriginal folk dance show** at **Naruwan Theatre**, performed by representatives from Taiwan's nine aborigine tribes. We can also enjoy the show in **Pestle Music Theatre** for performances of **traditional aboriginal instruments** and the **Culture Square** for the **welcome and farewell show**. These are must see at Formosan Aboriginal Culture Village. Taiwan is famous for its tea, which are of three main types: oolong tea, black tea and green tea. And now, we can find organic tea at **Antique Assam Tea Farm**. This Tea Farm has its own tea grinder and is one of the "Organic Agriculture Demonstration Farms" in Taiwan. We will return to our hot spring hotel after dinner.

Day 4 (14 Oct)

Sun Moon Lake – Hsinchu

(B, L)

After breakfast, we will visit the **Taiwan Times Village**, a museum with exhibits of the past life in Taiwan. It includes the life of Hakka, Hoklo, Taiwanese aborigines and veterans from Mainland China in different community blocks. After lunch, we will visit **Wufeng Lin Family Mansion and Garden**. **Laiyuan** is a section commonly known as the Lin Family Gardens and the Ten Scenes of Laiyuan, are collectively known as one of The Four Great Gardens of Taiwan. Let us enjoy this ancient garden. Afterwards, we will transfer to Hsinchu, located on the west coast of Taiwan. This city is commonly called "The Windy City" because of its windy climate. Hsinchu is administered as a provincial city within Taiwan. We will visit **Green Grass Lake** when we arrive in Hsinchu. Green Grass Lake is a significant reservoir with a design that was adapted from the blueprints of the famous Hangzhou West Lake, by the Hsinchu City Government in 2007. A series of trails around the lake take visitors to scenic spots like the **Lingyin Temple**, **Phoenix Bridge**, **Moon Bridge**, **Yu Fei Island** and other attractions. **Hsinchu Cheng Huang Temple Snacks Market** was already in operation during the Japanese colonial period. The snacks here are what local residents enjoy the most. Let us enjoy our dinner and the real taste of Hsinchu here.

Day 5 (15 Oct)

Hsinchu – Taoyuan – Honolulu

(B, L, D)

After breakfast, we will visit **Shihmen Dam**, a major rock fill dam across the Dahan River in northern Taoyuan City. It forms the **Shihmen Reservoir**, Taiwan's third largest reservoir or artificial lake. We will enjoy an hour long boat ride in this artificial lake. After lunch, we will start our journey by visiting **Yingge**, a town in Taipei County. "Yingge" means "parrot song" and is famous for its pottery. The **Yingge Ceramics Museum** is dedicated to preserving the history of ceramics in Taiwan through imaginative and beautiful displays. We will walk along **Old Street**, a pedestrian shopping street specializing in ceramic, pottery, porcelain, and other related products to experience the peaceful ambiance and nostalgic old streets. After dinner, we will transfer to Taoyuan International airport, ending our fantastic journey to Taiwan.



Welcome to Taiwan

Remarks:

- ✦ Fares are per person, USD based on double occupancy and include all airline taxes and fees
- ✦ Escorted tour with a minimum of 20 passengers
- ✦ Local English speaking tour guide service
- ✦ All transfers and sightseeing by air conditioned coach, except on the free day
- ✦ Refer to "General Condition of Air & Sea"
- ✦ We reserve the right to modify the itinerary to ensure smooth operation
- ✦ Tips and gratuities are not included
- ✦ 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 the time of listing and pricing on July 18th, 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 balance payment 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.