Christmas Shopping Tour In Taiwan
Cities Covered: Taoyuan, Taichung, Hsinchu & Taipei

Tour Package Includes

* International Direct Flight from Honolulu
* 5* Deluxe Hotel Accommodations (based on double occupancy)
* Admissions and 11 Meals as Stated
* Yangmingshan National Park
* The National Palace Museum
* Night market experience: Fengjia & Shilin Night Market
* Hands on Experience: Hakka Leicha & Taro Cake
* Shopping check points:
  - Park lane by CMP
  - YongKang Shopping Street
  - Ximending Shopping District
  - Xin Yi Commercial Center
* Local Delicacies:
  - Traditional Hakka Cuisine
  - Din Tai Fung Soup Dumpling
* Gratuity for Tour Guides & Drivers

Dec 4 – 11, 2019
(8 Days)

Price per person:

$2,288
Incl: Tax & Fuel Charge
Single Supp: $650
Day 1

**Honolulu ➔ 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.

Day 2

**Taoyuan**

Upon arrival at Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport, an Air & Sea Travel representative will greet us and escort us to our hotel.

Day 3

**Taoyuan – Hsinchu – Taichung** *(B, L)*

After breakfast, we will head north to **Beipu Township**, a rural township in Hsinchu County in northern Taiwan. Beipu is well known as a center of Hakka culture, dongfang meiren tea, and its special Hakkanese blends of tea and nuts called **Leicha**. We will have a fun hands-on experience making leicha and walk around the **Beipu Old Street**. After enjoying **Hakka Cuisine**, we will process to Taichung, the center of central Taiwan (Taichung Region) and attracts visitors from everywhere. We will visit **Park Lane by China Metal Products** (CMP), 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 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 4

**Taichung – Taipei** *(B, L, D)*

**Taro Cake** is a famous Taiwanese dim sum. It is one of the best souvenirs appraised by the Taichung Government and the designated dessert for the 2004 state banquet. Today after breakfast, we will have an enjoyable **Hands-on DIY Experience** making taro cake at **Ah-Tsung-Shih Taro Culture Museum**. We will enjoy our lunch at the **Wu Wei Tsao Tang Teahouse**. With a reputation of being a tea empire, Taiwan has the topography and climate perfect for growing tea plants. There are many varieties of tea available in Taiwan. Let’s enjoy some tea and dim sum. After lunch, we will proceed to **The National Taichung Theater** where performing arts are promoted. As a public cultural venue, it is also responsible for holding free cultural activities and incubating creative cultural brands. Tonight, we will enjoy our dinner at Taiwan’s iconic **Din Tai Fung**, a world-famous, award-winning restaurant specializing in Xiaolongbao (small steamed dumplings).

Day 5

**Taipei** *(B, L)*

Today, 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
Day 6

Taipei (B, L)

Today after breakfast 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 lunch, we will go to Yangmingshan National Park, a volcanic terrain-type park featuring crater lakes, sulfur fumaroles, hot springs, grassy plains, blossoming cherry trees and many butterflies and birds. We will see the most active cinder cone in the park – the Little Oil Pit, which is a post-volcanic geological landscape area. After that, we will experience another one of Taiwan’s nightlife by walking around the popular, bustling Shilin Night Market, largest and most famous night market in Taiwan. Enjoy dinner on our own in the night market before returning to the hotel.

Day 7

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 8

Taipei → Honolulu (B)

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 drive to Taipei 101, located in Xinyi business district and is the most developed business district in the capital city of 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. Afterward, we will transfer to Taoyuan International Airport for our return flight home, ending our fantastic Christmas shopping tour in Taiwan.

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

B: Breakfast | L: Lunch | D: Dinner
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.

**Remarks:**

- Fares are per person, USD based on double occupancy and include all airline taxes and fees
- Escort 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
- Gratuity for Tour Guide & Driver is 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 Jan 30th, 2019

**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**.