The 36th Harbin Ice & Snow Festival
Chinese New Year Celebration in Hong Kong

Traveling Dates: Jan 15 – 28, 2020 (14 Days)

Cities Covered: Dalian, Shenyang, Changchun, Harbin, Shenzhen & Hong Kong

Tour Package Includes

* International Flight from HONOLULU
* 5* Deluxe Hotel Accommodations
* Admissions and 27 Meals as Stated
* The 36th Harbin Ice Carving & Snow Sculptures Festival
* UNESCO World Heritage Site: Shenyang Imperial Palace
* Hands on Activity — Dumpling Making
* Local Specialty Cuisine:
  * Northeast Braised Bones
  * North Korean Cuisine
  * Chun Bing
  * Barbecue Dinner
  * Hot Pot
* Hong Kong New Year Eve’s Dinner
* New Year Spectacular Fireworks Show
* International Chinese New Year Light Parade – Reserved Seats
* Horse Racing – Private Box
* Complimentary Winter Kit
* Gratuity for Tour Guides
* & Drivers is included

FREE Use of Wireless Tour Guide System

Price per person: $4,488
Incl: Tax & Fuel Charge
Single Supp: $1,100
Day 1 ** Jan 15  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 ** Jan 16  Incheon

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

Day 3 ** Jan 17  Incheon ➔ Dalian

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. After lunch, 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. We will check into our hotel and stay overnight.

Day 4 ** Jan 18  Dalian – Shenyang

(B, L, D)

Today, we will drive to Anshan, the “steel capital of China” where we will visit a 260-ton Jade Buddha. In the afternoon, we continue on our bus ride to Shenyang, the capital city of Liaoning Province. Shenyang is an important center for trade industry and culture in northeast China. Then, we will try a local specialty for Dinner – Chun Bing, 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.”

Day 5 ** Jan 19  Shenyang

(B, L, D)

Today's highlight is to Shenyang Imperial Palace. Besides the Forbidden City in Beijing, the Shenyang Imperial Palace is the only other existing palace complex in China. The unique architectural style of the Shenyang Imperial Palace reflects a blend of Han, Manchu and Mongolian cultures which originated from the shape of a nomadic tent. In 2004, it was included on the UNESCO World Heritage List as an extension of the Imperial Palace site, or the Forbidden City, in Beijing. After lunch, we will visit General Chang’s Residence, built in 1914. This square shaped mansion is the largest and perfectly preserved former residence of celebrities in modern times and is reputed to be the first former residence of celebrities in Northeast China. Today’s dinner features Northeast Braised Bones.

Day 6 ** Jan 20  Shenyang – Changchun

(B, L, D)

After breakfast, we will visit the Shenyang Middle Street to experience the local life, and where you can find about everything you could possibly want to buy. After lunch, we will transfer to Changchun, the capital of the puppet "Manchu State" established by the Japanese during World War II. In the evening, we have arranged a special Barbecue Dinner.

Day 7 ** Jan 21  Changchun

(B, L, D)

Today, we will visit The Museum of the Imperial Palace of the Manchu State. The Palace was the official residence created by the Imperial Japanese Army for China's last emperor Puyi to live in as part of his role as Emperor of the Japanese puppet state of Manchukuo. In the People's Republic of China the structures are generally referred to as the Puppet Emperor’s Palace & Exhibition Hall. It is classified as an AAAAA scenic area by the China National Tourism Administration. After lunch, we will drive through the Eight Departments of Manchukuo. In 1932 the Japanese set up a State Council with Puyi, the last emperor of China, as its head. Known as the Manchukuo, it governed from 1932 until 1945. These eight buildings, namely eight branches of Manchukuo, were built, combining Chinese style and Western style into one entity. Surrounded by green trees, exotic moods filled the air, and each has its own unique and distinctive characteristics. Tonight, a North Korean Cuisine is arranged.

Day 8 ** Jan 22  Changchun – Harbin

(B, L, D)

This morning, 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. Upon our arrival, we will walk around the St. Sophia Church Square 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.
Day 10 ** Jan 24

Harbin - Shenzhen

**B**, **L**, **D**

One of today’s highlights is the **Siberian Tiger Park**, the largest breeding center in the world for Siberian tigers, the most endangered species in the world. We will take a bus with wire-mesh protection through the Siberian Tiger Park to see at close quarters about 100 purebred Siberian tigers, who roam freely inside the park. There is also a cage area housing lions, pumas, leopards and tigers. After having local dishes – **Northeastern Dumplings**, we will visit Sun Island – birthplace of China’s snow sculpture art. Every year it attracts snow sculpture masters from all over the world, and it is considered the world’s biggest Ice & Snow Carnival. Huge snow sculptures are given different meanings, and people can enjoy the snow in many different ways, such as snowmobiles and snow golf. In the early evening, we will go to the **Harbin Ice and Snow Festival**. When darkness comes, it’s time to explore the colorfully lit Ice and Snow World. Have fun in the ice labyrinth, ice slide and ice castle—you will find everything imaginable in a fairyland. We will be wowed by all the illuminated full size buildings made from thick crystal clear ice or single blocks 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. The cooked food is usually eaten with a dipping sauce. In many areas, hot pot meals are often eaten in the winter.

Day 11 ** Jan 25

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 ** Jan 26

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 ** Jan 27

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 ** Jan 28

Hong Kong - Incheon - Honolulu

**B**

Today morning, 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**

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*We wish you a safe journey and capture 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
- Escorted tour from with a minimum of 20 passengers
- Local English speaking tour guide service
- All transfers and sightseeing by air conditioned coach
- Gratuity for Tour Guides & Drivers is 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 Apr 10th, 2019

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