China

US State Dept Travel Advisory
The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to China due to the novel coronavirus first identified in Wuhan, China. Consult its website daily via the link below for any travel advisories about visiting this country. Exercise increased caution in the PRC due to arbitrary enforcement of local laws for purposes other than maintaining law and order, including the use of exit bans.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements
US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 2 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country’s embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

US Embassy/Consulate
[86] (10) 8531-3000; US Embassy in Beijing, No. 55 An Jia Lou Lu 100600, China

Vaccinations
An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations.

http://www.who.int

Climate
Extremely diverse; tropical in south to subarctic in north

Currency (Code)
Renminbi yuan (RMB)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)
220 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): A, C, I

Major Languages
Standard Chinese or Mandarin, Yue (Cantonese), Wu (Shanghainese), Minbei (Fuzhou), Minnan (Hokkien-Taiwanese), Xiang, Gan, Hakka dialects, minority languages

Religions
Buddhist 18.2%, Christian 5.1%, Muslim 1.8%, folk religion 21.9%, Hindu < 0.1%, Jewish < 0.1%, other 0.7% (includes Daoist (Taoist)), unaffiliated 52.2%

Time Difference
UTC+8 (13 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); note: despite its size, all of China falls within 1 time zone
Potable Water
Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit
An IDP is not recognized. Tourists are not allowed to drive in China.

Road Driving Side
Right

Cultural Practices
Clicking finger or whistling is considered very rude.

Telephone Code
86

Local Emergency Phone Numbers
Ambulance: 120; Fire: 119; Police: 110, 122 (traffic accident)

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

World Health Organization (WHO) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int


To obtain an international driving permit (IDP). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs:
American Automobile Association (AAA) (www.aaa.com) and
American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA) (www.aataidp.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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