

Qingdao & Mount Taishan Essence Tour - 5 Days

This tour takes you to explore the most attractive places of Qingdao and Mount Taishan Scenic Area. You could enjoy the beautiful scene and leisure atmosphere in Qingdao and appreciate the magnificence of world renowned Mount Taishan.

Date	Destinations	Attractions, Meals & Transport
1	Day 1 Qingdao	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• airport-hotel transfer in Qingdao• breakfast, lunch• After breakfast, take a full day excursion in Qingdao City. At first visit Small Qingdao Islet, a tiny and fancy islet lies 720 meters off the shore. The islet is dotted with numerous beautiful corridors, sculptures, waterside pavilions, and gazebos surrounded by various kinds of flowers and pines.
2	Day 2 Qingdao	<p>Afterwards, stroll through the Zhan Bridge, which was originally built in 1891 as a naval pier. Zhan Bridge can be regarded as a construction as old as Qingdao City.</p> <p>Then visit Tsingtao Beer Museum, China's first and the oldest beer factory. In this classic European style architecture, you could know about beer production techniques and machinery, as well as the long and rich history of Tsingtao beer.</p> <p>Then head to Badaguan (Eight Great Passes), which is made up of eight streets named after the eight great military forts of ancient China. Located along these famed streets are a number of houses and villas dated back to Qingdao's German-concession era from 1897 to 1914.</p>
3	Day 3 Qingdao - Qufu (by bullet train)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• train station transfer in Qingdao, train station transfer in Qufu• breakfast, lunch• <i>Temple of Confucian, Kong Family's Mansion, Cemetery of Confucius</i> The Temple of Confucian is built on the site of Confucius' former residence, and is recognized as the first Temple of Confucius in the history. It has a wide influence on the oriental architectures. The Kong Family's Mansion was used to be the residence of Confucius and his families. The Mansion boasts luxury furnishings, exquisite decorations, and precious cultural relics. The Cemetery of Confucius is the largest family cemetery with the longest history in the world. There rested Confucius and his descendents.
4	Day 4 Qufu -Tai'an (by automobile)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• private transfer from Qufu to Tai'an• breakfast, lunch• <i>Dai Temple , Mount Tai</i> Visit the Dai Temple - the largest and most completed ancient building complex of Mount Tai. Take a visit to the Mount Tai (UNESCO). You'll take a cable car to go up the mountain. It is reputed as the top one of the 'Five Sacred Mountains in China'. In the history, many poets and literary scholars also visited Mount Tai to gain inspiration and you could find many cultural relics and stylish stone tablets left by them.
5	Day 5 Tai'an	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• railway station transfer in Tai'an• breakfast• Service ends.• There are several bullet trains leaving from Beijing or Shanghai each day, so you could easily choose any train that fits your travel schedule. To make your trip convenient we also provide train or flight ticket booking service.
6	Getting there & away:	<p>Beijing – Qingdao :1.5 hours by air, 4.5 - 5.5 hours by bullet train</p> <p>Tai'an – Beijing : about 2 hours by bullet train</p> <p>Shanghai – Qingdao : 1.5 hours by air, 6.5 hours by bullet train</p> <p>Tai'an - Shanghai : 3.5 hours by bullet train</p>

Tour Includes :

- Private English-speaking tour guide
- Private air-conditioned van
- Land transfers between airport and hotel

- Entrance ticket as listed
- Lunch as listed
- Hotel accommodation with breakfast
- Domestic train tickets as listed
- Service charge & government taxes

Tour Excludes :

- International flight ticket
- Personal expenses such as laundry, drinks, fax fee, phone bills, optional activities
- Gratuities for guides and drivers
- China Visa
- Travel insurance

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