



# Urban Culture Week



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## 📍 China - Zhanjiang

Kickstart your stay in China with a week full of sightseeing, culture training and exploring of the bustling city of Zhanjiang...bond with your group and make new friends too!

You will begin to understand the Chinese ways of doing things. It is a fun filled week that is dedicated to getting to know China and some of its cultural aspects first hand. You can expect to meet the local people, bond with fellow participants, taste the local cuisine and become familiar with Chinese customs.



## Program Description

Whilst it has the longest written history in the world, and despite its staggering economic performance and entry onto the world stage as heralded by the Beijing Olympics, China remains an enigma. Of all Asian countries, it is one of the least understood.

This program will help you to understand their culture and everyday activities and it is the ideal starting point for anyone visiting China.

This program takes you beyond the headlines that appear in the Western press, away from politics, away from the big cities and the normal tourist attractions. During Culture week, you will learn about Chinese culture, get an insight into the language and even learn how to make dumplings!

You will visit Huguang Lake Global Geopark, Cunjin Park, Zhanjiang's beach and its Chinese University. Moreover, you will get to meet people, learn the basics of the language, and get a first hand understanding of the Chinese way of life.

It is a programme developed and delivered by Chinese people after careful research into what westerners really want to know. You will be with both Chinese and Westerners; discussing cultural differences not in just an academic sense but in a practical reality!

There is only one rule: if you want to know anything - just ask!

## Program Duration & Availability

**Min duration (weeks):** 1

**Max duration (weeks):** 1

## Aims & Objectives

- Give you a real insight into authentic Chinese culture
- Get you to feel comfortable in your new surroundings
- Help you learn phrases and understand the culture you will be engaging with

# Schedule

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## Monday

After breakfast, we will have a group meeting and a bus tour of Zhanjiang city, which will get you familiarized with your new surroundings. Afterwards, we'll head to center for essential shopping, where you'll be able to exchange money, buy essential things you might need during your stay, purchase a sim card, etc etc.... We will then have a yummy local lunch!

Once back at the accommodation, you will get a Chinese language lesson and you will also learn about the do's and dont's in China. After dinner, it's time to have a welcome party for you!

## Tuesday

After breakfast there is a Chinese culture session focusing on Chinese festivals.

In the afternoon we will gather to visit the Huguang Lake Global Geopark. Here you will have a trekking session around the lake, which will take 1.5hours.

During the evening, it's time to unwind with dinner and a Chinese movie.

## Wednesday

It's do-it-yourself day!

After breakfast, Chinese lesson in the morning, you will learn how to buy and bargain in Chinese, then after lunch, we will go to the Market to buy some food.

A Chinese culture lesson and cooking lesson awaits you in the afternoon and during the evening you can learn how to play Mah-jong or Chinese chess.

## Thursday

In the morning, we'll visit a school/child care center, meet the children and you will try your hand at some teaching or just a few games. After this, you will visit the French style Church and Haibin Park, which also hosts a Mangrove conservation reserve.

To end today, we'll visit the shopping mall, where you can treat yourself with any western food cravings!

## Friday

In the morning you will have a Chinese lesson and learn Chinese songs and paper crafting. You will visit the Cunjin Park after class. In the afternoon you'll enjoy your time in the beach...Finally, you'll have time to relax or prepare for any weekend trips ahead!

This schedule can be changed and/or amended depending on weather conditions, local conditions and unforeseen circumstances.

## Starting Dates

### **During 2019**

This program starts every week.

### **During 2020**

This program starts every week.

## Participant Criteria & Requirements

<b>Minimum age:</b>	-
<b>Maximum age:</b>	-
<b>Minimum English level:</b>	Basic
<b>CRB required:</b>	No
<b>Passport copy required:</b>	No
<b>Resume copy required:</b>	No
<b>Required qualification:</b>	None

### **Additional Requirements**

There are no specific participant requirements for this program.

## Additional Equipment

No additional equipment is required.