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5. China domestic transportation via flight, train, bus, water craft and cruise ships as per specified
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Day 02 Arrive in Beijing
Your flight will land in Beijing Capital International Airport. After immigration and customs, VIP private transfer service will greet and take you to the centrally located 5 star, luxurious, Beijing International Hotel. Remaining of the day is free for you to explore at your own pace, or to rest from the jetlag and get ready for tomorrow’s Silk Road adventure.

Day 03 Beijing – Lanzhou
Enjoy VIP private transfer service to the airport. We depart via Hainan Airlines’ flight HU7641 at 9:15 a.m., arriving in Lanzhou at 11:45 a.m. Welcome to Lanzhou, a strategic outpost on the ancient Silk Road. Located at the southern end of the narrow Hexi Corridor, it is shadowed by formidable mountain ranges at both North and South side of the city, commanding the approaches to the West to Central Asia, and to the East to ancient capital of Xian. This afternoon we will visit the White Pagoda Hill. At the Zenith is the White Pagoda Temple, originally built during the Yuan Dynasty (1206 – 1368) under the order of Genghis Khan, later reconstructed in the Ming Dynasty. At the center of the complex, one can see the seven story octagonal shaped white pagoda with green roof, where we can enjoy impressive birds’ eye view of the Yellow River, and the ancient crossing used by merchants and travelers for centuries. Next we will spend some time at the famous Gansu Provincial Museum to explore the rare collection of cultural artifacts of the Silk Road. The pièce de résistance is the elegant bronze “Flying Horse”, a masterpiece of ancient Chinese art. Other interesting collections include a silver plate indicating the contact between China and Rome more than 2,200 years ago and some wooden tablets used to send messages along the Silk Road in old days. (When the Museum is closed, the visit will be replaced with a tour to the Five Springs Mountain Park, a favorite among locals and travelers alike, where we can sip tea among beautiful ancient temple groups, and take in the birds’ eye views of the lush slopes and the city of Lanzhou below). Time allows, we also stroll on the city square to observe local’s daily about. Check in at the 4 star, deluxe, Legend Hotel Lanzhou. Tonight we will savor the delicious welcome dinner featuring specially prepared local delicacy - Lanzhou beef noodles.

Day 04 Excursion to Hanging (Thousand Buddha) Temple – Dunhuang
Today we will enjoy a spectacular excursion to Binglingshi, the famous Hanging Temple. A scenic drive will take us to the Liujiaxia Dam where we board a river boat, cruising across the
massive reservoir. Disembark at Jishi Hill, we will encounter numerous ancient statues, sculptures and frescoes, all with great artistic appeal, and all seems to be hanging from the cliff facing the Yellow River. Locals refer them as the “Thousand Buddha Caves”. Starting from 420 AD, these caves were a work in progress for more than a millennium. Today we will climb the precariously looking wooden walkways winding up the rock face to these natural cliff-side caves. The most impressive piece is the gigantic 90 ft tall statue of Maitreya, “the Future Buddha”. Our journey through the gorge lined by water-sculpted rocks, capped by towering peaks and an immense sky, is certainly a scenic and unforgettable experience.

Day05 Dunhuang
Welcome to Dunhuang, literally means “the Blazing Beacon”, referring to the beacons lit to warn of attacks by marauding nomadic tribes in this frontier garrison town. Lies in an irrigated cotton-producing oasis at the edge of the Kumtag Desert, Dunhuang was once a major caravan stop along the ancient Silk Road. By 2nd century AD it already had a population of more than 76,000, and was a key supply base for caravans that passed through the city. It also became an important Buddhism pilgrimage center dating back 2,000 years. Sir Marc Aurel Stein, a Hungarian-British archeologist wrote about his 1907 journey to Dunhuang, mentioned the town’s strategic “geographically important position……near the point where the greatest old high road of Asia from east to west is crossed by the direct route connecting Lhasa, and through it India, with Mongolia and the southern portions of Siberia.” Today we will devote much of our time to the Mogao Grottoes, the wondrous “Caves of the Thousand Buddhas”. As China’s oldest monumental Buddhist grotto, Mogao contains 1,600 years of accumulated architectural and artistic treasures. Total 492 caves were cut into the desert cliffs above a dry river valley. They were created over a thousand-year period stretching from the 4th to 14th century AD, during which nine dynasties rose and fell. The caves are full of brilliant murals, vivid statues, and precious manuscripts contributed by artists and authors from various background, religions, and styles. It was a virtual testimony to the wide variety of people who made their way along the ancient Silk Road thousands of years ago. The last cave was carved out at about the time of the Mongolian conquest in 1277. Since then, Mogao sunk into oblivion, until a Taoist monk Wang Yuanlu settled here at the turn of the 20th century. Much to his surprise, in the first two caves he opened, he found more than 40,000 manuscripts. Shortly after, Sir Marc Aurel Stein reached here in 1907 and discovered the precious Diamond Sutra, the
world’s oldest printing text that has a date (868AD). In the following 7 years, by befriending and eventually bribing Wang, he removed up to 40,000 scrolls gradually from Mogao, eventually acquired 24 cases of manuscripts, and 4 cases of painting and relics. Many of them, including the Diamond Sutra, are now on display at the British Museum. He was knighted for his efforts, but has been vilified to this day in China, for the removal of countless priceless artifacts from the caves. His discovery inspired other French, Russian, Japanese and Chinese treasure hunters and explorers who also took their toll on the collection. The most famous among them was the French Sinologist Paul Pelliot who reached Mogao only months after Stein. Just like Stein, he managed to befriend Wang and gained access to the secret chamber which contained massive loads of ancient manuscripts. After three weeks of rush analyzing (often at a rate of 1,000 a day), Pelliot convinced Wang to sell him the 6,000 most important ones for an equivalency of £90. Today, the excavation and research by historians and artists continues, and now only about 30 caves are open to the visitors daily at random paces. After an impressive presentation of this amazing UNESCO World Heritage Site at her newly built palatial auditorium, we will explore the actual caves - accompanied by a highly qualified researcher / museum guide who is specialized in grotto arts and history. We will be allowed to walk in about 10 of the most impressive caves with detail in-depth on site explanations. Feel free to ask any questions! B/L/D.

**Day06 Dunhuang – Liuyuan – Urumqi**

At crack of dawn, we head for the desert to embark on our camel ride to the Singing Sand Dunes. The dune is named so due to the fact that when people slide down the side, the unusual humming sound can be heard as if the desert is singing. One can enjoy the stunning views of endless golden sand stretching to the horizon. The color and the solitude of sunrise on the desert is breathtakingly beautiful. British Christian Missionary Alice Mildred Cable wrote in her book, *The Gobi Desert*, describing her 1923 trip here in the ocean of sand: “The range is so long, and the hills so lofty, and so massed one behind the other, that it seemed incredible such a mighty rampart could be composed wholly of shifting sand”. Afterwards we explore the majestic Crescent Moon Lake with the ever shrinking water surface reflecting the surrounding red walled temples, golden sand dunes and azure blue sky. In the afternoon enjoy Orient Odyssey’s unique “People to People Contact©” feature we will visit the bustling local market and have a leisurely stroll in town. Take the opportunity to mingle with locals, bargain with vendors, or even go for a much needed, refreshing foot massage. Enjoy interaction with locals for a genuine insight of their daily life. Tonight we will enjoy a 2 hour ride through the vast Gobi Dessert to the small train station of Liuyuan, where we will board the Overnight Train T177, leaving at 9:48 p.m. Tickets for the best class – deluxe soft sleeper class, with four beds per compartment – are reserved. Enjoy the ride crossing the vast Gobi
Day07 Urumqi (Heavenly Lake Excursion)
Awaken by the sunrise as we travel cross the immense desert. At 6:40 a.m., our train reaches Urumqi. The local representative will greet us on the platform and accompany us to breakfast. Welcome to Urumqi, meaning “Beautiful Pasture”, the capital of the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region. Located on the northern slope of Mt. Tianshan, “the Celestial Mountains”, Urumqi (2,953 ft) has the dubious honor of being the most remote city from any sea in the world in the Guinness Book of Records – it is about 1,600 miles from the nearest coastline. **Our first stop of the day is the Xinjiang Autonomous Region Museum.** Here we will study the outstanding collection of archaeological and ethnological finds along the Silk Road including some astonishingly well preserved mummies dating back to 4,000 years. Featuring blond hair, long noses, deep-set eyes, and long skulls, these pre-historic mummies are obvious Caucasian or European. Unlike the roughly contemporaneous mummies of ancient Egypt, Xinjiang Mummies were not rulers or nobles; nor were they subjected to deliberate mummification process. They were preserved merely by being buried in the parched, stony desert, where daytime temperatures often soar over 100 F. In the heat the bodies were quickly dried, with facial hair, skin and other tissues remaining largely intact. Excavations demonstrated the high probability that ancient merchants had traveled along the Silk Road between China and Europe long before what the existing record showing us. After check-in at the 5 star, luxurious, **Hoi Tak Hotel Urumqi**, we embark on a scenic drive to the beautiful Heavenly Lake – “Tianchi”, lying at 6,234 ft on the slopes of the Celestial Mountains (“Tianshan”, or “Heavenly Mountains”). We will enjoy a short boat cruise and take in the lovely scenery with steep green pastures, virgin conifer forests and snow capped peaks. B/L/D

Day08 Urumqi – Kashgar (Kashi)
This morning’s program calls for Orient Odyssey’s **“People to People Contact”** and we will visit a local Kazak family and their yurt, enjoying chats with household members and obtaining a true insight of their daily life. Traditionally Kazakhs lead a nomadic pastoral life style, following fresh pastures and herding their live stocks from place to place in different seasons. Their houses, yurts, have been in use since the 13th century, and there are indications that the design is much older. Traditional yurts consist of a circular wooden frame carrying a wool felt cover. The frame consists of one or more lattice wall-sections, a door frame, bent roof poles and a crown, which is held together with one or more ropes or ribbons. The yurt is designed to be dismantled easily and the parts can be carried on camels or yaks to be rebuilt on another site. Inside the yurt one can observe pattern based decoration which are derived from sacred ornaments with certain symbolism. Symbols representing strength are among the most common - including the khas (swastika) and four powerful beasts.
(lion, tiyurt, garuda and dragon), as well as stylized representations of the five elements (fire, water, earth, metal and wood) which are considered to be the fundamental unchanging elements of the cosmos. Kazakhs believe the common use of these patterns in their home will bring them strength and offer them protection. These and other geometric patterns can be found not only in the yurts, but also on their embroidery, furniture, books, clothing, doors, and many other objects. At around noon time, we head to the airport and board China Eastern Airlines flight CZ6809 at 1:25 p.m., reaching Kashgar at 3:25 p.m. Flung out far to the west on the other side of the great vastness of the Tarim Basin, lies Kashgar or Kashi in Mandarin Chinese, on the Tumen river in the middle of an irrigation oasis, with snow peaks of the Celestial Mountains at one side, and the deadly Taklamakan Desert on the other. Kashgar is bordering with Pakistan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan and Kyrgyzstan. It is closer to Kabul, Islamabad, Moscow, Teheran and Delhi, than it is to Beijing. The climate here is extreme: in winter the temperature can fall to -11 F, and in summer it regularly reaches above 104 F. The population of a quarter of a million is predominantly Uyghur. Kashgar’s history goes back more than 2,000 years. It first became Chinese around 200 BC during the Tang period. Two branches of the ancient Silk Road passed though here. The major one crossed the Pamirs into Central Asia; and the other one goes southward towards Hunza, Kashmir, and India. Today Kashgar’s historic significance are revalidated, as it becomes increasingly important in the ever expanding commerce at its international borders. This evening we will roam the fabled oasis city and explore China’s largest mosque, Id Kah, built in 1442. We will walk through the gate to the tree lined squares for prayers, and see the Great Prayer Hall from outside (opened only on Fridays). Up to 50,000 worshippers will gather here on a religious feast day. Next to the mosque is the Id Kah Square. From here we will stroll to the north, through winding, walled paths of the old city, to an extremely lively bazaar of barber shops, book and fur traders, blacksmiths, bakers, tailors, and, directly by the mosque, dentists. The covered bazaar has just about everything for sale in timeless Central Asian style. Tonight we stay at the 5 star, deluxe, Yin Rui Lin International Hotel Kashgar, the local best (and one of the newest) properties in town. B/L/D

**Day09 Excursion to KKH - the Karakoram Highway and the Lake Karakul**

Today is one of the most memorable days on our Silk Road Adventure. After breakfast, we strike out on an unforgettable driving journey towards the Southwest, to the epic Karakoram Highway (the legendary KKH). Not far out of town we encounter the striking icy mass of the Pamirs. Enjoy the exquisite sceneries that are unmatched anywhere else in the world, passing by nomadic yurt villages and camel caravans. Ascending slowly ascending to the Sariko Valley, we find ourselves in the beginning of one of the world’s geographic masterpieces, the Pamir Knot, surrounded by five of the highest ranges on earth, the Karakoram (Black Wall), the Kun Lun, the...
Celastial Mountains, the Hindu Kush (Hindu Killers), and the Himalaya. We will stop and spend some time at the shore of the magnificent Lake Karakul – a scenic picnic lunch is in order! At 11,811 feet, it is the highest lake of Pamir Plateau. Take in the serene solitude, the beautiful scenery, and the clarity of the water – the color ranges from a dark green to azure and light blue. Be awed at the breathtaking reflection of ice-covered peaks of Muztag Ata (24,770 ft), Kongur Tagh (25,262 ft), and Kongur (24,710 ft), before we drive back to Kashgar for the night. 

**Day 10  Kashgar (Kashi) Sunday Market**

As a key junction of the Silk Road, Marco Polo once write about Kashgar in the 13th century as the “starting point from which many merchants set out to market their wares to the world”. Merchants heading to the east needed to update their wares, selling horses and yaks, buying camels to get ready to cross the vast desert. West bound traders went for the opposite so they could tackle the high mountain passes into the Central Asia on to Persia and then Europe. Thus Kashgar became a great market town. Orient Odyssey has carefully planned our logistics so we will experience the most important event – the tumultuous Sunday Market, also called “Da Bazha” or the grand bazaar, can be heard miles away. Locals joke that “you can find everything you want to buy in a Sunday Market except chicken milk and cow eggs”. Don’t miss the commotion at the livestock market, where sellers and buyers race horses up and down the sandy, dusty testing track. Colorful painted wooden saddles are also on sale. Hungry? The next food stall presents the choice line-up of goats' heads and hooves,…….. There is a genuine medieval feeling in the air, unchanged for more than a thousand years. The population of Kashgar is reputedly swelled by a hundred thousand every Sunday for this market, but only a minuscule fraction of these visitors are foreigners. For us, the lucky few who ventured here today, will know in no doubt that it is at this giant oasis, near the westernmost tip of China, our epic journey on the Silk Road reaches its height! Late afternoon we will visit the Abakh Khoja Tomb set among poplar trees, with a large dome of dazzling glazed green tiles shining in the sun, and a tower pointing towards the cloudless sky. It is a masterpiece of Uygur architecture. Legend says that Iparhan, a descendant of Abakh Khoja, is Qing (China’s last dynasty) Emperor Qianlong’s favorite concubine. She was called “Fragrant Concubine” as she was known to exude an enchanting fragrance.
without using any perfume. After 28 years of marriage to the Emperor, she died at age of 55. The Emperor ordered a coffin filled with her clothes to be sent back to her home town of Kashgar. It took 124 men three and half years to complete the journey from Beijing. The original cart carrying the coffin still stands in front of the mausoleum today. B/L/D

Day11  Kashgar (Kashi) – Urumqi– Turpan
After breakfast, we still have some time to stroll the street of Kashgar and enjoy interaction with locals. The guide will take us to the airport. We board Tianjin Airlines’ flight GS7568 and depart at 10:20 a.m., reaching Urumqi at 11:55 a.m. The guide will greet and escort us on a scenic drive to Turpan. On route we will drive pass Babancheng, where we can see thousands of windmills. At about 6 miles west of Turpan, we will stop to visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Jiaohe Ancient City Ruins. Established as early as 108 BC, the city was a natural fortification, built on a large islet in the middle of a river with sheer steep cliffs more than 100 feet high standing at all sides. Uyghurs call it Yarkhoto, or “the cliff city”. It had been a major, bustling metropolis until the 13th century when it was finally abandoned after its destruction during the invasion of the Mongols led by Genghis Khan. Today, the ruins remain in strikingly good, evocative condition. We will take a look at large fragments of streets, buildings, statues, government center, observation tower, a monastery, and even a prison. Late afternoon we will reach Turpan and check-in at the 4 star, superior, Tuha Petroleum Hotel Turpan, one of the newest and the best properties in town. B/F/D

Day12  Turpan
Welcome to Turpan, a luxuriant crossroad at the foot of the Celestial Mountains. Here the Silk road steps into one of the deepest continental basins on Earth, the Turpan Depression at 505 ft below sea level, an oasis in the middle of the desert, bordered by the Taklamakan Desert in the South and the Celestial Mountains in the North, shaded by poplar trees and grape arbors. Our first stop is at the ruins of the ancient city state of Gaochang founded more than 2,000 years ago. A busy trading center at the time and one of the most important stop for merchant traders traveling on the ancient Silk Road, it was once home to over 30,000 inhabitants, 3,000 monks and more than 40 Buddhist monasteries. We will enjoy a ride on an electric cart through the ruins; observing the layout of the town center, the sacred buildings, bazaars and housing estates. Next stop is the Astana-Karakhoja Tombs dating back thousands of years. Owing to the arid climate, the relics – including miniature carts, horses, pavilions, parades, musical instruments, chess sets, pens, and even food: grapes, melons, dumplings, and pancakes – are all very well preserved. The most striking are multiple murals on the walls of underground cambers, all with vivid pictures of humans, animals, flowers, mountains, and rivers. There is a picture of ladies playing chess, illustrating the happy life of aristocrats in the early Tang Dynasty (618-907 AD). From these paintings archeologists and historians obtained useful knowledge about the life style and dresses at the time. The highlight of the day is a tour of the interesting cave monastery of Bezeklik, “Thousand Buddha Grottoes”, dating from the 5th to the 9th centuries, one of the most remarkable remnants of Buddhist art in the region. The caves were carved high up on a cliff face at about 262 ft above the western bank of the Murtuq River. We will walk on a spectacular path through the canyon to the 77 rock cut caves, most of which have rectangular spaces with rounded arch ceilings covered with hundreds of Buddha murals, many of which are considered masterpiece of religious art. Larger number of important murals were removed by German
Archaeologist and explorer Albert von Le Coq who sent them to Germany. Unfortunately, many of them, especially the large pieces that were affixed onto the museum walls, were destroyed during the WWII when Berlin was bombed by the Allies. Also on today’s agenda is the theatrical Flaming Mountain, a range composed entirely of barren, eroded, red sandstone. Their striking gullies and trenches have been etched by years of volcanic activity that caused molten lava to course down the mountainsides. With the harsh climate and the extremely high summer temperatures, frequently reaching 122 F in this region, the 62 mile long bluff, with some peaks rising up to 2,600 feet, looks like a tableau of raging fire in the blazing afternoon sun. Early evening we return to the oasis of Turpan to visit the Karez Wells, the remarkable underground irrigation system originated 2,000 years ago during the Han Dynasty (206 BC – 24 AD), and is still in use today. This system consists of a horizontal series of vertically dug wells, linked by underground water canals which collect water from melting snow and glaciers of the Celestial Mountains. The canals, mostly underground to reduce water evaporation, channel the water to the surface, taking advantage of the current provided by the gravity of the downward slopes of the Turpan Depression. Today there are still over 1,000 Karez wells remained in use, with a total length of over 3,100 miles. Blessed by the engineering genius and the geography, Turpan is also renowned for its grapes and melons. We will end today’s activity at the famous Grape Valley, where locals dry the grapes under the sun and turn them into the region’s most sought-after exports. B/L/D

Day 13 Turpan – Urumqi – Beijing
After breakfast, a scenic drive takes us to Urumqi Diwopu International Airport. Our China Southern Airline’s flight CZ680 will depart at 2:50 p.m., reaching Beijing at 6:45 p.m. Enjoy VIP private transfer service to the 5 star, luxurious, Beijing International Hotel, with central downtown location. The evening is free for explore or shop at our own pace. Enjoy a restful night and get ready for tomorrow’s homebound flight. B/F

Day 14 Beijing - USA
After breakfast, savor the memory of the thrilling odyssey to the glorious Silk Road and Kashgar. Enjoy the VIP private transfer service to the airport, check-in for homebound transpacific flight. You will arrive back to USA on the same day depends on the international flight schedule. B/F

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