



# 14D SILK ROAD ESSENCE + NORTH XINJIANG TOUR

TOUR CODE: CNUS14a | VALIDITY: FROM 2025

*Tourist visas (single or multiple entries) may be required. Please refer to our tour consultants for more details.*

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Free Gift: Little Camel Pendant & lavender sachet**

**DELICACIES:** ☆ Authentic Lanzhou Ramen

☆ Ganzhou Pork Ribs ☆ Steamed Chicken Delight

☆ Snow Mountain Camel Palm ☆ Roasted Lamb

☆ Savory Chicken ☆ Specialty Squirrel Fish

☆ Snow Lotus Stewed Chicken

☆ Traditional Tuva Flavours ☆ Cold Water Fish

☆ Kazakh-style Potatoes

☆ **NO SHOPPING**

☆ **Urumqi Upgrade**  
5★ Hotel\*

☆ **2X Visit to Kanas**  
Scenic Area\*



### D1: SINGAPORE → Transit City → LANZHOU

*(For night flights, spend the night on the flight.)*

Assemble at Singapore Changi Airport for your transit flight to the capital city of Gansu – **Lanzhou**.

### D2: LANZHOU → WUWEI → ZHANGYE (B/L/D)

Upon arrival, visit the **Waterwheel Park**, **Mother of Yellow River Sculptures** and **Yellow River Bridge**. Next, coach to **Wuwei**. Visit the **Eastern Han Lei Tai Tomb** which got its name from the temple of Thunder God.

### D3: ZHANGYE → JIUQUAN or JIUYUGUAN (B/L/D)

Proceed to **Zhangye** and visit the **Great Buddhist Temple**, the largest architectural relic in Gansu Province of the Western Xia period. China's largest reclining Buddha is well preserved in this temple. Visit the famous **Zhangye National Geopark (Rainbow Mountains)** include shuttle. The mountains are a geological wonder of the world, with strange and beautiful shapes, the perfect showcase of the Danxia Landform.



Colorful Mountain

### D4: JIUQUAN or JIUYUGUAN → DUNHUANG (B/L/D)

Coach to **Jiayuguan**, an important fortress on the ancient Silk Road. Visit **Jiayuguan Tower**, an extended part of the Jiayuguan Pass. Coach to **Dunhuang** and visit **Silk Road Sculpture Gallery (Son of the Earth, Unbounded, Hanwu Xiongfeng, Gobi Ark)**. Proceed to **Dunhuang Shazhou Night Market**, the largest night market in Dunhuang City.



Jiayuguan Tower

### D5: DUNHUANG (B/L/D)

**Dunhuang** is an oasis in the Gobi Desert. Visit the **Mogao Grottoes (digital cinema included)**, also known as "1000 Buddha Cave". It is one of the four famous grottoes in China and houses the largest and best-preserved Buddhist arts in the world. Visit **Mingsha Mountain**, an enormous mountain composed of numerous soft sand dunes. Visit the **Crescent Moon Spring**, an oasis named for its crescent-shaped pond. Here, try **Camel Riding**.

### D6: DUNHUANG (4H) → TURPAN (B/L/D)

**Dunhuang Museum**, which has a collection of more than 13,000 items ranging from the Bronze Age to the Ming and Qing Dynasties and showcases the ancient civilization of Dunhuang. Take a **High-Speed Train to Turpan**.



Mogao Grottoes



**D7: TURPAN 🚌(3-4H) URUMQI (B/L/D)**

After breakfast, tour the **Turpan Flaming Mountains**, the hottest place in the country. Then, visit the **Jiaohe Ruins** and see what's left of the world's 'largest, oldest, and best-preserved city of raw-earth buildings'. This big ancient city was dug out from Turpan's yellow desert siltstone. Next, visit **Putagou (Grape Valley)**, famous for its widely planted grapes. Visit **Karez**, view the **Dabancheng Wind Power Station** (exterior) while driving to **Urumqi**, the capital of Xinjiang.

**D8: URUMQI 🚌TIANCHI LAKE 🚌(4H) KUITUN (B/L/D)**

Visit **Mt. Tianshan** and enjoy a boat ride on **Tianchi Lake**, the Heavenly Lake. View Mt. Tianshan, the Heavenly Mountain. The lake's green waters mirror the surrounding peaks of the mountain, presenting a breathtaking scene. Coach to **Kuitun**.

**D9: KUITUN 🚌(7H) BURQIN (B/L/D)**

In the morning, visit **Urho Devil City (including mini train ride)**, also known as the Urho Windy City. On this barren Gobi, there are rugged and interlaced earth mounds which look very much like a deserted ancient castle. Upon entering the Windy City, visitors will get an eyeful of different weird earth hummocks. Next, you can view **Kelamayi Hundred Oil Field** en route to **Burqin**.

**D10: BURQIN 🚌KANASI 🚌(3H) JIADENGYU (B/L/D)**

Transfer to the **Kanasi Scenic Area (includes shuttle bus)**. Meaning 'beautiful, rich, and mysterious' in Mongolian, Kanasi Lake lies deep within Altai's forests and mountains, covering an expansive 44.78 square kilometers—ten times the size of Tianchi on Bogda Mountain. Along the journey, admire the scenic beauty of the **Birch Forest, Wolong Bay, Moon Bay, and Immortal Bay**. If possible, ascend to **Guanyu Pavilion**, perched at 2,030 meters above sea level, for the best vantage point to catch a glimpse of Kanasi Lake's fabled 'lake monsters'!"

**D11: JIADENGYU 🚌(2H) HEMU (B/L/D)**

Coach to **Hemu Scenic Area (including shuttle bus)** in Xinjiang, a hidden heaven and a photographer's paradise. Hemu was ranked in the top 5 most beautiful ancient towns in China by the Chinese National Geography Magazine. If weather permits, enjoy views of the beautiful snow mountain, icy lake and grassland. Proceed to the **Observation Deck**.

**D12: HEMU 🚌(6H) BURQIN (B/L/D)**

Depart Hemu for **Burqin**. Hemu Village, one of China's three remaining Tuva villages, is renowned for its stunningly beautiful and tranquil landscapes, earning it titles like the 'Paradise for Photography' and 'A Private Land of Gods.' Marvel at the stunning **Colorful Beach**, a striking example of the Yadan landform, where vibrant hues create a breathtaking, multi-colored landscape.

**D13: BURQIN 🚌(7H) URUMQI (B/L)**

Travel to **Urumqi** along the S21 Desert Expressway, China's first desert highway spanning 340km through northern Xinjiang. This route, which cuts 200km off the previous detour around the desert basin, takes you deep into the heart of the Gobi desert, offering ever-changing, colorful landscapes, the striking Gila Canyon, and a lush agricultural park. Upon arrival, explore



Kanasi Lake



Hemu Scenic Area



the **Urumqi International Bazaar**, the world's largest, where you'll find ethnic attire, handmade carpets, crafts, and souvenirs amidst local Uyghur shops, restaurants, and mosques. In the evening, you may choose to enjoy a captivating dancing show at your own expense.

**D14: URUMQI ✈️ Transit City ✈️ SINGAPORE (B)****Remarks:**

Please note that the sequence of the itinerary may change due to unforeseen circumstances, with or without prior notice. The tour is conducted in Mandarin unless otherwise specified, and this English itinerary is translated from the Chinese version; in case of discrepancies, the Chinese itinerary will be considered accurate. Xinjiang has a dry climate with high altitudes in mountainous and plateau areas, so please remember to bring moisturizer and sunscreen.

**\*Compulsory Tour:**

\*Mingsha Mountain Battery Car + Dunhuang Silk Road Music and Dance + Wuwei Kumarajiva Temple = 650 RMB/ person