

## 2 Days Shanghai&Suzhou Tour

### Route Summary

Visit Chinas "shopping paradise"-Shanghai and representative southern city-Suzhou. The unique characteristics of the past are still remained in present-day Suzhou. It is renowned for the classic gardens, canals, silks, lakes, operas, legends and museums... and yet, there is so much more!

Yu garden, Jade Buddha Temple, Nanjing road, Bund, Tiger hill, Humble Administrator's Garden, Hanshan Temple

**Price:** 1 Person:\$190 2-5 Persons:\$150 Single Room:\$100

**Destination:**

**Duration:** 2 Days

**Tour Type:** Private Tour

### Day 1

Morning fly to Shanghai, meet arrival, visit **Yu garden & Jade Buddha Temple, Nanjing road, Bund**, overnight Hilton Hotel (5 stars).

**Yu Garden** is a famous classical garden located in Anren Jie, Shanghai. The garden was finished in 1577 by a government officer of the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) named Pan Yunduan. Yu in Chinese means pleasing and satisfying, and this garden was specially built for Pans parents as a place for them to enjoy tranquil and happy time in their old age.

**Jade Buddha Temple**, an old temple, was built to keep two jade Buddha statues which had been brought from Burma by a monk named Huigen. The temple was destroyed during the revolution that overthrew the Qing Dynasty. Fortunately the Jade Buddha statues were saved and a new temple was built on the present site in 1928.

**Nanjing Road**, the earliest and most prosperous shopping street in Shanghai dating back to the 1840s. Regarded as "the first business street in China", Nanjing Road offers all-in-one shopping malls, gorgeous restaurants and spectacular night views to attract thousands upon thousands visit from home and abroad.

As a landmark of Shanghai, the **Bund** is a must for visitors who come to Shanghai. It locates at the bank of Huangpu River in the Shanghai center. In 1840, Shanghai became the leased territory of foreign countries. From then on, the Bund has become the center of external trade. Many banks and department stores were built here. So the Bund becomes the finance street of Shanghai. And the Bund is also called the Oriental Wall Street.

**Meals:**

**Accommodation:**

### Day 2

Morning car to Suzhou visit **Tiger hill, Humble Administrator's Garden, Hanshan Temple**, afternoon back to Shanghai, evening fly back to Beijing.

**Tiger Hill**, known also as Surging Sea Hill, is a large hillock covering some 14100 square meters (over three acres) and is 36 meters (118 feet) in height. Climbing the hill, you will find a number of

historical sites some of which can be traced back over 2500 years to the founding of Suzhou. Although the hill is relatively small it has rich history. These are just some of the highlights of what is to be found there.

The **Humble Administrators Garden** was originally built in 1509 during the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644). It was initially a private garden of a former government servant named Wang Xianchen. It was said he intended to build a garden after retired and just do some gardening work like planting trees and vegetables there, which was said to be the life of a humble man by him. Hence is the name of the garden. The garden was created upon the old relics of a resident and a temple. Water feature is the main background and its natural landscape includes small forests, hills and rock formations. It also has man-made pavilions, halls and parlors. Unlike the Grand View Garden and other famous gardens in Beijing, it is representative of the Ming Dynasty building style.

**Hanshan Temple** is situated five kilometers (about three miles) from Fengqiao Old Town in Suzhou. It is said that in the Tang Dynasty, a famous monk Han Shan came to take charge of the temple, hence its name. Building originally commenced during the Liang Dynasty (502-557), and was repaired again in the following dynasties. Now, covering an area of about 10,600 square meters (about three acres), it presents the architectural style of the Qing Dynasty (1644-1911). There are many more historical relics in the temple, such as the statue of Han Shan, the stone tablet inscription of the poem A Night Mooring near Maple Bridge and some other tablet inscriptions written by famous intellectuals of ancient China.

**Meals:**

**Accommodation:**