

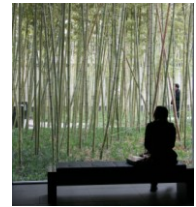


Great Subtropical Gardens of China

Kunming • Guangzhou • Shanghai • Suzhou

Spanning 2,200 km of Southern China

8 Subtropical Gardens • 4 Cities



KOOL PLACES GARDEN TOUR

Kool Places is a boutique travel consultancy with more than 20 years experience in China and Asian travel, delivering personalised advice and services for discerning travellers.

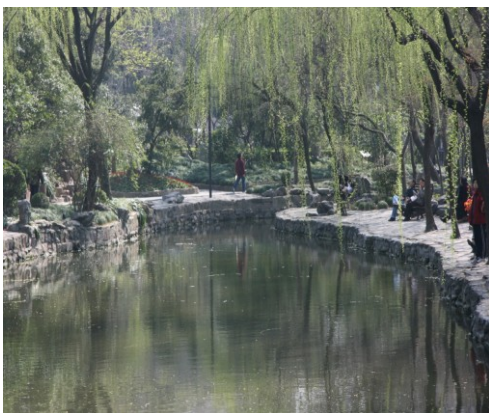
This tour has been designed in consultation with some of Australia's leading gardeners, and aims to combine subtropical gardening with a highly memorable, first class journey through southern China.

We will fly to China with a full service airline, and enjoy top quality hotels and Chinese cuisine, whilst visiting eight great gardens and four inspiring cities across southern China.

Explore the Great Subtropical Gardens of China with Kool Places'

Horticultural Escort: Paul Plant FAIH

Paul Plant was born in Queensland where he gained his horticultural qualification, resulting in a passion for subtropical and tropical gardening. He has taught horticulture, worked in the landscape and nursery sectors, been writing gardening articles since the early 1990's and occasionally stands in for Colin Campbell on radio 4BC.



TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 01 SAT 6 AUG 11

Australia

Depart your nearest capital city, Adelaide, Brisbane, Sydney, Perth, or Melbourne for Kunming, flying with Singapore Airlines.

DAY 02 SUN 7 AUG 11

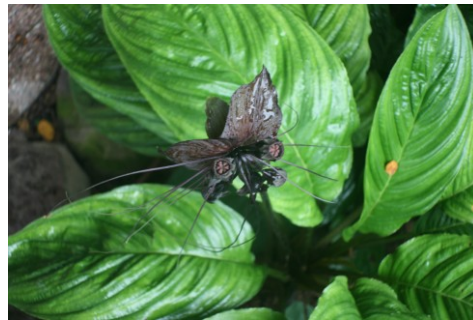
Kunming

Meet Paul Plant and your China national guide at Kunming International Airport and transfer to your hotel. Evening attend a welcome dinner.

DAY 03 MON 8 AUG 11

Kunming

Visit Kunming's famous World Horti-expo Garden. With 5 indoor halls, 6 theme gardens and 34 outdoor gardens this garden is in perfect harmony with the surrounding mountains, waters and forest, showing that it originates from and returns to nature.



DAY 04 TUE 9 AUG 11

Kunming

South East of Kunming we will visit the Stone Forest. Surrounded by unique stone peaks & layer after layer of green hills, we will take in the natural beauty of mountain caves and springs, and the plateau lake.

Evening flight to Guangzhou

DAY 05 WED 10 AUG 11

Guangzhou

Today we explore the South China Botanical Garden. Founded in 1929, it is one of the largest Botanical Gardens in the world with over 5,000 tropical and subtropical plants including palms, orchids, bamboo, shade plants, a Magnolia Garden and Ginger Garden.

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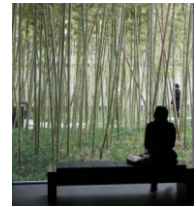


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DAY 06 THU 11 AUG 11

Guangzhou

This morning we visit the Qinghui Garden. This is a Royal, Qing Dynasty garden built around 1800 that creates its own all-embracing world.

In the afternoon we visit the Lanpu (Orchid Park). The eastern area holds the orchid collection of around 20,000 orchids. Varieties consist of Gold Mouth orchid, Silver Mouth orchid, Spun gold Horsetail orchid, Parrot orchid and song plum orchid to name a few. All the varieties are expensive and rare.

DAY 07 FRI 12 AUG 11

Guangzhou

Today we visit the Million Sunflower Garden in Nansha, Guangzhou. This garden consists of many varieties including the sunshine sunflower with a green core and bright yellow petals, red sunflower, super sunflower and the Potted Russian and Japanese sunflowers.

Afternoon flight to Shanghai via Bao'an Airport, Shenzhen

DAY 08 SAT 13 AUG 11

Shanghai - Suzhou

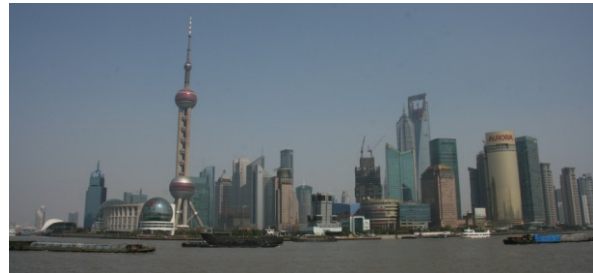
A day trip to Suzhou visiting Tiger Hill. This is a large hill rock, 36 meters in height and covering some 14,100 square meters in area. Climbing the hill, you will see historical sites, dating back over 2,500 years to the founding of Suzhou.

In the afternoon we visit one of South China's most elegant classical gardens; the world heritage listed, Humble Administrator's Garden, covering about 52,000 sq. meters.



Canal in Suzhou

"Venice of the East"



Pudong Business District Shanghai
Viewed from The Bund

DAY 09 SUN 14 AUG 11

Shanghai

Free time to explore Shanghai. Your national guide will provide maps, and tailored advice for exploring the best areas of Shanghai. See the list of possible activities below.



Small Garden in Suzhou

DAY 10 MON 15 AUG 11

Shanghai

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DAY 11 TUE 16 AUG 11

Depart Shanghai for Australia, flying Singapore Airlines

DAY 12 WED 17 AUG 11

Arrive Home

Limited places are available on this tour. Please book now to reserve your place and receive full early bird discounts.

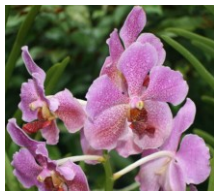
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TOUR INCLUSIONS

International return economy class airfare from Adelaide, Brisbane, Sydney, Perth, Melbourne to Kunming, returning via Shanghai.

Domestic airfares Kunming-Guangzhou, and Shenzhen-Shanghai.

Pre-paid airline taxes as indicated below.

Twin share 4/5 star hotels, including 4 nights at the luxurious Fours Points Sheraton, in Shanghai.

Daily hotel breakfasts, 6 lunches, 8 dinners.

Entrance fees to all gardens and sites noted on the itinerary.

All local transport in Kunming, Guangzhou and Suzhou.

Horticultural escort is Paul Plant, plus a national China guide from Kool Places.

Local advice and assistance provided when planning free days in Shanghai.

Tips & Gratuities for local guides and drivers.

NOTE:

Travellers will be responsible for the cost of:

1. Personal travel insurance (Kool Places offer a 25% discount off QBE Travel Insurance based on QBE online prices shown at KoolPlaces.com.au).
2. Chinese Visa (\$78.50 for Australian passport holders).
3. Personal spending money.

PRICING

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NOTE FOR CHINA TRAVEL:

Travel in developing countries such as China is sometimes unpredictable and therefore requires flexibility. Whilst Kool Places will endeavour to deliver the travel in accordance with this itinerary, we reserve the right to modify the itinerary where logistical limitations or other events beyond our control require modifications to travel. In making any changes we will aim to substitute similar/equivalent levels of travel services as described in the itinerary.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

These are optional activities for free time in Shanghai. Many of these are free of charge, some may incur additional cost. In Shanghai you can explore areas of interest such as:

Nanjing Rd (Centre of town, shopping district).

Jade Temple (Buddhist Temple near Moganshan Rd Art Precinct).

Self-directed Art Galleries Tours.

Shanghai Art Precinct, Moganshan Rd.

Science and Technology Museum (Pudong).

Maglev Train (Pudong).

Shanghai Museum (close to People's Square).

Urban Planning Centre (Near Shanghai Museum).

People's Square (Top end of Nanjing Rd).

Xintiandi, a modernised precinct of the French Concession (behind, South of, the Shanghai Museum).

Site of the First Congress of the Chinese Communist Party (in Xintiandi).

Former residence of China's first President, Dr Sun Yatsen (French Concession area).

Former residence of Chinese philosopher and writer, Zhou Enlai (French Concession area).

Fuzhou Park (French Concession area).

The French Concession.

Culture Street (Hong Kou District).

Pudong: Jin Mao Tower, Pearl Tower, Financial Centre Building, (Pudong, overlooking the River).

Yu Garden (Puxi, South of the Bund).

The Bund (on the river, bottom end of Nanjing Rd).

Shanghai Circus (Close to Four Points Sheraton).

Shanghai Performing Arts Centre (Adjacent to Urban Planning Centre & People's Square).

Evening river cruise (The Bund).

Enjoy some of Shanghai's iconic bars, cafes or restaurants

Foot Massage or total body massage (many options).

Shanghai Zoo (Southern districts of Shanghai),

Anything else you would like to see or do, let us know and we'll provide you with directions.

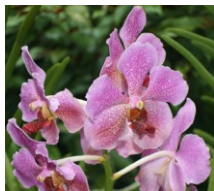
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Airline Meal Requests	
Travel Dates if different from main tour	
Departure City in Australia	

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