

# YUNNAN WONDER

## CIVILISATIONS & ETHNIC CULTURES

This Yunnan plateau programme explores geology, ethnic civilisations, trade networks, and sacred landscapes through immersive field study, integrating environmental science, anthropology, and heritage preservation to cultivate analytical thinking and global perspective.

Age  
14-17

English Level  
A1

Start Date  
30 March

Duration  
10 days 9 nights



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- Day 3 – Dali: Ancient Towns & Bai Culture
- Day 6 – Lijiang: Snow Mountain & Glacier Ecology
- Day 8 – Shangri-La: Wetlands & Monastery Life



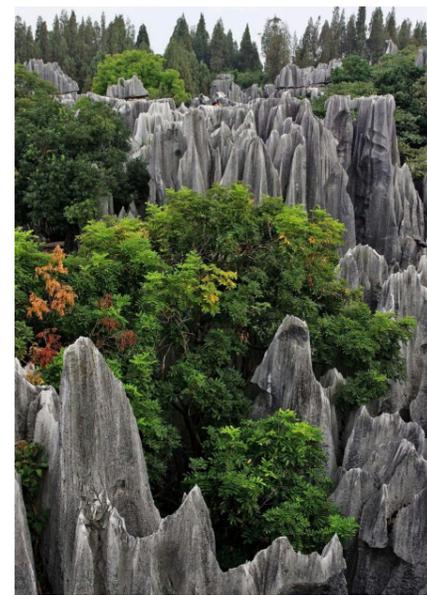
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Trip Detail



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## 🔍 Programme Overview

This interdisciplinary Yunnan plateau programme enables students to investigate how geology and ecology shape patterns of settlement, trade, governance, and belief systems in highland societies. Through structured field inquiry and experiential learning, participants analyse the relationship between tectonic landscapes, ethnic diversity, frontier economies, and spiritual traditions.

Integrating environmental science, anthropology, and history, students develop analytical reasoning, intercultural competence, and research skills, culminating in reflective synthesis seminars that enhance learning impact.

## 😊 Activities

### Historical & Cultural Exploration

Students examine how highland frontier societies shape identity, governance, trade, and belief within fragile ecosystems, and analyse sustainable human–environment interaction and cultural continuity.

### Reflection & Project-Based Learning

Through interactive cultural workshops and guided field tasks, students transform observation into applied understanding.

### Fun & Immersion Workshops

Complete structured learning tasks and reflective reports that synthesise insights across cities and disciplines, strengthening analytical thinking, presentation skills, and independent inquiry.

## ✅ Highlights

### Integrated China Field Study Expedition

This programme integrates archaeology, ecology, engineering, and urbanism through immersive interdisciplinary fieldwork.

### Small Group Learning & Quality Engagement

We maintain a structured cohort size to ensure personalised guidance, strong peer collaboration, and meaningful mentor interaction throughout the journey.

### 24/7 Student Wellbeing & Support

Our dedicated on-site team provides round-the-clock care and support, ensuring students feel safe, secure, and supported in both their studies and daily life.

## 🏠 Accommodation

We partner with carefully selected 4-star hotels known for their exceptional standards of comfort, cleanliness, and service. Each room is thoughtfully appointed to provide a safe and relaxing environment for students throughout their stay.

Amenities typically include a private en-suite bathroom, air conditioning, high-speed Wi-Fi, in-room entertainment, daily housekeeping, and essential toiletries. International power outlets and 24-hour hot water ensure convenience and comfort, allowing students to focus fully on their learning experience while enjoying a high-quality residential setting.

## 🛡️ Health & Safety

Students are supported by 24/7 trained staff, Welfare Managers, strong supervision ratios, and close links with local doctors and hospitals.

## 🚗 Transportation

Private coach/minibus for tours and fixtures.

## 🍴 Dining

All students receive breakfast, lunch and dinner, with many chances to taste delicious local cuisine.

## ✈️ Itinerary

### Day 1 – Arrival in Kunming

Visit Yunnan Ethnic Village, analysis of traditional architecture, ritual festivals and cultural preservation.

### Day 2 – Kunming: Stone Forest & Sacred Mountains

Explore Mount Emei's temples and Buddhist philosophy, experience Sichuan Opera and cuisine, and complete worksheets examining pilgrimage culture.

### Day 3 – Dali – Ancient Towns & Bai Culture

Transfer to Dali; study Nanzhao history, Tea Horse trade, Bai architecture, clan systems, and cultural continuity.

### Day 4 – Dali: Tea Traditions & Handicrafts

Students explore Bai culture and sustainability through workshops, ceremony, and analytical fieldwork.

### Day 5 – Lijiang: Ethnic Governance & Heritage Trade Systems

Study Naxi governance, Tea Horse trade, UNESCO preservation, and cultural integration.

### Day 6 – Lijiang: Snow Mountain & Glacier Ecology

Complete glacier ecology manual analysing high-altitude systems and scientific observation skills.

### Day 7 – Shangri-La: Tiger Leaping Gorge & Tibetan Heritage

Explore canyon geomorphology, Tibetan architecture, Tea Horse trade networks, meditation traditions, and holistic self-exploration in Shangri-La.

### Day 8 – Shangri-La: Wetlands & Monastery Life

Analyse alpine biodiversity, monastic cosmology, pastoral livelihoods, and intercultural resilience in Tibetan plateau communities.

### Day 9 – Shangri-La: Tibetan Art & Cultural

Examine Tibetan sacred art, museum curation, symbolic imagery, and cultural interpretation; return to Kunming.

### Day 10 – Departure

Reflection, presentations, departure transfer, and programme farewell.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- ✓ Hotel & Meals
- ✓ Coach transport
- ✓ Professional tour guide
- ✓ Local fixtures
- ✓ Travel insurance
- ✓ Tour manager

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