Kailash, Manasarovar and Guge

Tour code · SNOWLAND TRAVEL-035

17 days | Prepared 30 October 2026 • planning edition



Indicative price

CNY 16,790 / person

All tour quotations use Chinese yuan (CNY) as the fixed base. Season, party size, rooming, guide language and confirmed services determine the final written quote. Foreign-currency equivalents are dated references, not settlement rates.

Dates arranged on request; no confirmed departure or live availability is represented.

Indicative equivalents · USD 2,519.17 / TWD 81,784 / JPY 397,822

Frankfurter reference rates dated 2026-10-29

Route

Lhasa · Kailash · Manasarovar · Guge · Lhasa

Journey highlights

Explore western Tibet’s sacred mountain and lake with gradual approach days; pilgrimage walking and remote nights need careful preparation.

Day-by-day programme

Day 1 | Arrive in Lhasa: transfer and rest

Meet your transfer from the confirmed flight or train and check in. Review the coming days with the team. Keep the day free of demanding visits; a short walk near the hotel is optional if you feel comfortable.

Overnight · Overnight: Lhasa.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 2 | Potala Palace, park and Barkhor

Visit the Potala Palace at the reserved time, exploring its history and architecture. Rest around the park below and view the palace exterior. Walk through Barkhor in the afternoon to understand the old town and its living traditions. Follow on-site visit arrangements.

Overnight · Overnight: Lhasa.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 3 | Drepung and Sera monasteries

Explore Drepung’s monastery layout and traditions of Buddhist learning. After a lunch break, visit Sera. Observe debate only if it is taking place and open to visitors; respect monastic study and photography instructions.

Overnight · Overnight: Lhasa.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 4 | Lhasa, Yamdrok, Gyantse and Shigatse

Leave early for permitted Yamdrok viewpoints, then continue via Gyantse to Shigatse with breaks. A Pelkor Chode visit depends on arrival time and opening conditions. This is a long driving day, so arrival and rest take priority.

Overnight · Overnight: Shigatse.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 5 | Shigatse to Tingri and the Everest area

Travel via Lhatse and Tingri toward Everest, allowing time for document checks and breaks. Stop at authorized viewpoints when weather permits. Confirm the accessible visitor area, shuttle arrangements and overnight location in advance; mountaineering camp access is not promised.

Overnight · Overnight: Everest area or Tingri, subject to confirmed lodging.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 6 | Everest / Tingri to Saga

Continue across the plateau to Saga, stopping only where permitted. Allow time for meals, checks and rest before the next westward stage.

Overnight · Overnight: Saga.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 7 | Saga, Manasarovar and Darchen

Travel west and visit the open shores of Manasarovar, then settle in Darchen. Review walking arrangements, luggage storage and support needs. Lake immersion and unauthorized ceremonies are not included.

Overnight · Overnight: Darchen.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 8 | Darchen to Zanda via the earth forest

Travel to Zanda with authorized earth-forest viewpoints en route. Rest on arrival and confirm the following day’s Guge visit; road and access conditions can affect timing.

Overnight · Overnight: Zanda.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 9 | Guge ruins and return to Darchen

Visit Guge under its access arrangements, exploring the former kingdom’s history and architecture. Respect conservation restrictions, then drive back to Darchen.

Overnight · Overnight: Darchen.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 10 | Kora day 1: Darchen to Dirapuk

Transfer to the agreed trailhead and walk along the valley toward Dirapuk. A typical planning stage is around 20 km, varying with shuttle points. Prepare trail supplies and confirm simple lodging and meals in advance.

Overnight · Overnight: Simple lodging near Dirapuk.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 11 | Kora day 2: Dolma La to Zutulpuk

Start early for Dolma La and continue toward Zutulpuk under the guide’s direction. This is the most demanding stage, commonly over 20 km with steep, high-altitude sections. Progress depends on weather, access and individual wellbeing.

Overnight · Overnight: Simple lodging near Zutulpuk.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 12 | Kora day 3: return to Darchen

Finish the valley walk and transfer from the agreed pickup point to Darchen. A typical stage is around 10 km or more, depending on endpoints. Keep the afternoon for recovery and packing rather than another long drive.

Overnight · Overnight: Darchen.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 13 | Darchen to Saga

Return east to Saga with regular breaks, allowing for fatigue following the kora.

Overnight · Overnight: Saga.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 14 | Saga to Shigatse

Drive back to Shigatse with meal and rest stops. Keep the evening for rest after the long journey.

Overnight · Overnight: Shigatse.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 15 | Tashilhunpo and return to Lhasa

Visit Tashilhunpo to explore Tsang’s monastic culture and architecture. Drive back to Lhasa with lunch and rest stops. Settle into the hotel with time to rest or prepare for the next stage.

Overnight · Overnight: Lhasa.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 16 | Lhasa buffer and cultural time

Keep a buffer for earlier transport or weather changes. If unused, discuss old-town walking, photography or cultural exchanges, agreeing activities and costs first. Household and workshop visits require host consent.

Overnight · Overnight: Lhasa.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

Day 17 | Depart Lhasa

Check out and transfer for your confirmed flight or train. Check luggage, documents and tickets. Agree the transfer window, endpoints and any extra waiting service in writing.

Overnight · Overnight: None, tour ends.

Meals · Itemized by day in the written quote

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We cross-check public operator references for comparable trips. Headline group prices are often based on three-star hotels, low season and exclusions; they do not establish the price of a private six-person programme.

Scope to confirm in the written quote

Agree airport/station transfers, licensed local transport, guide language, hotel list, daily meals, admissions and permit handling individually. Only services expressly included in your signed itinerary and quote are included; hotel stars do not imply heating or oxygen.

Normally quoted separately

International and domestic flights, train fares, visas, insurance, single-room supplements, unlisted meals, personal spending, voluntary tips, porters/pack animals and evacuation costs unless expressly included.

Hotel names and room facilities require written confirmation. Remote and trekking nights may be basic; use the daily overnight notes rather than assuming a city standard throughout.

Prepare for your journey

Travel at a gentle pace and allow acclimatisation. Seek medical advice before high-altitude travel; persistent or worsening symptoms require prompt medical assessment and no further ascent. Roads, weather, reservations and access rules may change the order or feasibility of visits. Religious ceremonies, clear mountain views and seasonal flowers cannot be guaranteed.

Foreign passport holders and Taiwan travellers need an approved, agency-arranged Tibet itinerary. Submit complete documents at least 20 working days ahead; allow at least one month for Ngari/Kailash and more buffer when needed. Our preparation policy is to carry the permit original and valid original travel ID for both flight and train boarding; reconfirm carrier requirements before departure.

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