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WELCOME

Aboard



An intimate
voyage where
guests enjoy the
finest service
and amenities.

From bespoke design and exquisite palettes
to original artwork and lavish furnishings,
every detail reflects flawless execution.

UNFORGETTABLE

Itineraries

The upstream cruise and downstream cruise feature completely different shore excursions. Choose the journey that best fits your schedule, or book combination cruise to experience them all.



“ Thank you for a beautiful voyage! I could stay onboard for days, even weeks longer to experience 宁静以致远! (Still waters run deep.)”

Caroline Wilson
British Ambassador to China





Nature's Majesty and Timeless Heritage

Yichang to Chongqing via Shennongjia

Upstream – 4 nights

Venture into the untouched wilderness of Shennongjia, a UNESCO World Heritage site, where nature's magnificence meets China's ancient heritage. Spend a full day exploring this pristine landscape, home to the elusive golden snub-nosed monkeys and gentle giant pandas. Along your river journey, choose between sweeping views from the Three Gorges Summit or the historical allure of White King Town.



Ports

- Yichang
- Shennongjia
- Fengjie
- Shibao
- Chongqing

The adventure culminates with a choice of three enriching experiences: the majestic Shibaozhai Pagoda, the charming lanes of Xituo Town, or a peaceful hike through the serene landscapes of Huanghua Island. This exclusive itinerary fuses breathtaking natural beauty with profound cultural exploration, offering memories to last a lifetime.



An Immersive Voyage into the Yangtze's Soul

Yichang to Chongqing via Badong

Upstream – 4 nights

Set sail on a remarkable upstream journey where the Yangtze's majestic landscapes and deep cultural roots unfold before you. Begin with a breathtaking daytime passage through the Three Gorges Dam Ship Lift, followed by a serene cruise through the enchanting Xiling Gorge. Select from panoramic views at Wu Gorge Lookout or the tranquil beauty of Mistvale Haven in Badong.



Ports

- Yichang
- Badong
- Fengjie
- Shibao
- Chongqing

Continue to the Three Gorges Summit, where poetically inspired vistas await, or explore the historic White King Town. Your journey concludes with a choice of three enriching encounters: the cliff-carved Shibaozhai Pagoda, the timeless charm of Xituo Town, or a peaceful nature walk through Huanghua Island. This voyage unveils the Yangtze's profound grandeur, weaving together nature and culture in perfect harmony.



A Fusion of Culture, Nature, and Engineering

Chongqing to Yichang

Downstream – 3 nights

Embark on an extraordinary voyage where cultural heritage, natural beauty, and cutting-edge engineering converge. Begin with a choice between the monumental 816 Project or the captivating White Crane Ridge Underwater Museum, before exploring a vibrant local market. As dusk falls, the awe-inspiring Three Kingdoms Show transports you to the heart of ancient China.



Ports

- Chongqing
- Fuling
- Zhongxian
- Wushan
- Yichang

Sail through the magnificent Three Gorges, selecting either the serene Lesser Three Gorges or the sweeping vistas from the Goddess Sky Road. In the evening, witness the Ship Lift, a modern marvel of engineering. Conclude with a choice between the grandeur of the Three Gorges Dam or the cultural treasures of Zigui, followed by a farewell lunch showcasing regional delicacies in Yichang.





Chongqing – Yichang – Chongqing via Badong/Shennongjia

Downstream + Upstream – 7 nights

The Cultural Circuit (CC) and Naturalist Expedition (NE) embark from Chongqing, one of China's largest and most dynamic cities, offering a perfect blend of cultural discovery and natural beauty. Key highlights include Fuling's 816 Project, a lunch at Yichang's iconic Cliffsides Restaurant, and a visit to White King Town. On Day 5, CC explores Xiling Gorge and the Ship Lift, while NE ventures into the pristine wilderness of Shennongjia, home to golden snub-nosed monkeys and pandas. CC also showcases Badong's rich cultural heritage, with A Night Return to a Millennium of Badong performance.



Yichang – Chongqing – Yichang via Badong/Shennongjia

Upstream + Downstream – 7 nights

The Engineering Explorer (EE) and Modern & Wilderness Voyager (MWV) depart from Yichang, combining monumental engineering feats with unspoiled landscapes. Both itineraries feature a Chongqing city tour with an authentic hot pot lunch on Day 5. The EE highlights the Three Gorges Dam, Ship Lift, and Badong's cultural gems, while the MWV immerses guests in Shennongjia's UNESCO-protected wilderness, home to rare wildlife, including golden snub-nosed monkeys and pandas, harmonizing human achievement with nature's grandeur.



UNFORGETTABLE

Three Gorges

Sailing through the legendary Three Gorges is the highlight of any Yangtze River journey. Towering cliffs, misty peaks, and dramatic river bends unfold in a breathtaking panorama that has inspired poets and painters for centuries. Each bend reveals a new scene of raw natural beauty and timeless grandeur.

The Three Gorges are more than a spectacle of nature; they are also a gateway into China's history and culture. Along the riverbanks lie ancient temples, cliff carvings, and stories of legendary battles, offering guests a glimpse into a living heritage that continues to shape the spirit of the Yangtze today.

Our curated excursions allow you to experience the gorges from unique perspectives. Whether gliding on a small boat into hidden tributaries, listening to expert guides bring history to life, or simply watching the scenery drift by from the comfort of your suite, the Three Gorges experience is one of awe and discovery.



EXCLUSIVE

Suites

Unparalleled luxury can be felt in every aspect of the ship with dedicated crew members attending every need of our guests.

Celebrity Suites

Retreat to your private sanctuary aboard the Yangzi Explorer, where traditional elegance meets modern luxury. These expansive suites are your haven of comfort, featuring a separate bedroom with a four-poster bed and a spacious sitting area. Step onto your private terrace to behold the breathtaking, ever-changing vistas of the Three Gorges. Thoughtful touches, including a Marshall bluetooth speaker and Bvlgari toiletries in the ensuite bathroom, elevate your stay into an experience of pure indulgence.



Exclusive Amenities & Services

Your journey is enriched with a seamless array of all-inclusive privileges. A dedicated 24-hour private assistant attends to your every need, from unlimited laundry to arranging private in-suite moments. On shore, enjoy complete autonomy with a private vehicle and guide for every excursion. Culinary delights await with an exclusive à la carte menu, a reserved dinner at the signature Petrus Restaurant, and the freedom to dine in any venue or via 24-hour room service. Complementing these experiences is access to the Velvet Lounge for premium beverages and snacks.

Celestial & Imperial Suite 105 m²/1130 ft²
Jade & Mandarin Suite 89 m²/958 ft²

Facilities

- 270° river view terrace with lounge chairs & table
- Private bathroom with Kohler Bath Collection incl. a double vanity
- Kohler Smart Toilet
- Philips 55-inch LED satellite TV sets in sitting room & bedroom
- Fully stocked mini bar & fridge replenished daily
- SMEG Coffee Machine
- Marshall Bluetooth Speaker
- Dyson hairdryer
- Electric safe & Electric kettle
- Telephone
- Full-size mirror

Ambassador Suites

Perched exclusively on the highest Qutang Deck, the Ambassador Suite offers a breathtaking 40 m² sanctuary with the most commanding views of the Yangtze. This suite is designed as your private observatory, where the spacious layout—ample for three guests—and an exceptionally large private balcony blend seamlessly to frame the river's epic scenery. The experience is further enhanced by premier comforts such as an elegant double vanity in the bathroom, ensuring your immersion in the landscape is matched by refined living.



Your Scenic Retreat

40 m²/431 ft²



Your All-Inclusive Haven

31 m²/334 ft²

Deluxe Suites

The Deluxe Suite is your thoughtfully appointed 31 m² haven, located across various decks to offer diverse perspectives on the passing landscape. Designed for utmost relaxation, this private retreat features a balcony and is curated for modern comfort. The suite is equipped with thoughtful premium touches, including a Kohler smart toilet, a Dyson hairdryer, and exclusive Bamford bath amenities, ensuring a stay defined by understated luxury and well-being.

EXQUISITE

Dining

Dynasty Restaurant

Dynasty Restaurant offers a culinary experience that transcends the ordinary, blending exquisite cuisine with impeccable service and refined ambiance. It's a tantalizing array of gastronomic delights, expertly crafted by our talented chefs using the finest locally sourced ingredients and inspired by both traditional Chinese flavors and international influences. Buffet style breakfast and lunch, dinner is a mix of buffet selection and a la carte dishes, perfect for every guest. Lunch and dinner are served with unlimited soft drinks, local beer and house wine, tea and coffee.





Amber Restaurant

Amber Restaurant offers an exclusive dining experience for guests of the Ambassador and Celebrity Suites. Offering a refined and intimate atmosphere, Amber elevates your favorite dishes with gourmet touches and personalized service. Our carefully curated menu blends classic favorites with modern culinary artistry, ensuring each meal is as memorable as it is delectable. Meals are buffet style and à la carte option with unlimited soft drinks, local beer, imported house wine, tea and coffee.

Sunset Hotpot House

Indulge in the authentic Sichuan hot pot experience aboard the Yangzi Explorer. Choose from our rich, flavorful broths like the classic Spicy Pot or the savory Mushroom Pot. Cook premium hand-cut meats, fresh seafood, and a variety of vegetables at your table while the golden sun sets over the Yangtze River. It's a perfect harmony of fiery cuisine and serene beauty, creating a truly memorable dining journey. Celebrity Suite guests can enjoy complimentary access. All other guests are welcome to enjoy the experience with a supplementary charge.





Petrus Restaurant

Petrus Restaurant presents an exclusive private dining journey aboard the Yangzi Explorer, where artistry on the plate meets the soul of fine wine. Guests are invited to indulge in a meticulously crafted tasting menu—featuring delicacies such as pan-seared yellowfin tuna with caviar, sous-vide grain-fed sirloin, and Mont Blanc with white rum strawberry jam—all set within an intimate and luxurious ambiance. This exceptional experience is offered for both lunch and dinner, with one complimentary seating per cruise reserved for Celebrity Suite guests; other guests may partake with a supplementary reservation.



View Lounge

The View Lounge draws its name from an ancient verse celebrating the Yangtze: “Facing the rising sun, overlooking the river, carried by the breeze.” With panoramic views, it is the ideal place to relax, connect, and share in cultural exchange.



Explorer Bar

The Explorer Bar offers a sophisticated setting where skilled mixologists prepare bespoke drinks crafted to suit every taste. Overlooking the river’s ever-changing scenery, it provides an elegant atmosphere for quiet reflection or shared moments with fellow travelers.



Velvet Lounge

Designed as an oasis of tranquility, the Velvet Lounge offers exclusive access to guests of the Ambassador and Celebrity Suites. In this private haven, luxury and exclusivity converge in harmony. A complimentary assortment of refined snacks and select beverages is available throughout the day for your enjoyment.



REJUVENATING

Life on Board

Experience the Yangtze River in comfort and style, with attentive service and a setting where each detail awakens your spirit and fuels your curiosity.



Nestled within the iconic Xiling Deck, Ning Spa stands as the Yangtze River's most exclusive wellness sanctuary. Our meticulously curated space harmonizes traditional healing arts with contemporary luxury, featuring a Traditional Chinese Medicine therapy room, four interconnected treatment suites, reflexology beds, and a full-service hair and nail studio. Each space is thoughtfully positioned to frame the ever-changing river vistas, creating a serene backdrop for your transformation. Under the care of our master therapists, discover a complete journey of renewal—from therapeutic massages and rejuvenating facials to professional hair care and nail artistry.

On Board Activities

Discover China Traditional Culture

Yangzi Explorer provides an ideal introduction to this immense country for those who have never been to China before, and this extraordinary journey promises a unique adventure for guests that are returning to this magnificent land. On Xiling Deck as well there's our Ning Spa and Fitness Centre for when you want to wind down or work out. Seek out the beauty salon for manicures, pedicures and hair styling so that you look your best as well as feel it. Experience thrilling sights and exceptional tastes—time along the Yangtze is best appreciated at an easy pace, in this elegant environment.

Activities

- Captivating Tang Theatre performances
- Enrichment lectures by expert guides and distinguished guest speakers
- Live music and performances at the Explorer Bar
- Chef's cooking class
- Traditional Chinese medicine wellness & Chinese embroidery talks
- Yangzi River documentary & movies
- Taiji morning exercise with master on Explorer Deck
- Passing through Three Gorges Dam in the comfort of your suite



Ning Spa

Valmont Cellular Hydration Ritual for Sublime Rejuvenation

An artful fusion of Swiss precision and sensory bliss, this treatment delivers intensive bio-cellular nourishment to revitalize skin at its most fundamental level.



Chinese Signature

Tui Na Acupressure Harmony for Elemental Rebalancing

Drawing from ancient meridian wisdom, this deeply therapeutic practice employs precise acupressure techniques to restore energetic flow and release stored tension.



“ Thank you for your amazing service and kindness. We will never forget this wonderful experience because of you! ”

Virginia Coleman Drosos
Global Business Leader and Visionary CEO

Families with Children

Experience the Ultimate Adventure

Children of all ages are welcome aboard Yangzi Explorer, with those 16 and younger required to share a cabin with an adult. All cabin categories offer an extra bed option for added comfort. Children’s menus are available at mealtimes.

Experience the ultimate adventure for your little ones at our ship’s vibrant Kids’ Fun Corner. Designed with safety and fun in mind, this dedicated space offers a world of imagination and excitement. We invite children aged 2–12 years old.



Leaving the White Emperor Town at Dawn

By Li Bai (Tang Dynasty)
Translated by Xu Yuanchong

At dawn I leave the cloud-crowned
White Emperor Town:
A thousand miles to Jianglin—
I'm back in a day!
While monkeys' wails on river
banks still echo down,
My skiff has left ten thousand
mountains far away.



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