

GWPA11- Highlight of Great Wall Hiking (private)

One-day at Jinshanling

PRICES

Group size	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Price/USD each	128	134	138	146	156	168	196	318

For group sizes over 9 please send us an email request to obtain the best possible rate.

Children under age 12 receive 50% discount. Children under 5 are free. Children's price is based on adult travelers. Please send us children's details in email.

Remember when comparing price, you get what you pay for. We don't earn money by taking you to commissioned shopping stops, a common practice in China, wasting your time. Our guides are carefully selected, highly trained and well-paid to be friendly and patient travel companions. We are not the cheapest, but we are one of the best.

BOOKING: customer@greatwallhiking.com

WHY US?

- Great Wall hiking specialist with western standard service
- No hidden cost; no unscheduled or mandatory shopping stops
- Licensed tour guides and experienced drivers; safe and comfortable vehicles
- Your satisfaction and safety is our priority
- Responsible travel

TRIP NOTES

Trip name: Highlights of Great Wall Hiking: One-day at Jinshanling (private) Trip code: GWPA11 Trip length: 1 day Hiking route: Jinshanling East to main gate Meeting point & time: your hotel lobby at 08:00 Finishing point & time: your hotel at 17:00-18:00 depending on traffic Hiking duration: 3 hours Hiking distance: 6 km Best time to go: late March to early November **Physical rating:** $\bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \blacktriangle$ **Moderate**, but still some big steps Departure: your selected date, start and finish in Beijing **Highlights:** *Wild Great Wall at Jinshanling East *Partially restored Great Wall at Jinshanling middle part *Stunning photo opportunity of the Great Wall *Countryside-style food at local farmer's restaurant



Included:

- air-con vehicle with experienced driver
- personal expert English-speaking hiking tour guide
- entrance fee of the Great Wall
- unlimited bottled water; snacks; late lunch at local farmer's restaurant after the hike
- a certificate of completion for hiking on the Great Wall of China

Not included:

- travel insurance
- cable car or any other additional local facilities
- personal expenses
- tipping to hiking guide/driver recommended on good service on a 2:1 ratio separately

What to take:

comfortable shoes or boots, sunscreen, sun-glasses, lip balm, cap, day pack

Notes:

- There is no toilet along the path on the Wall. There are toilets at the entrance of Jinshanling East and Jinshanling main gate. Please prepare before hiking and always carry toilet paper by yourself.
- Please don't make any appointment after the trip as the return depending on the traffic between 5-6 pm.
- Unlimited bottled waters are stored in our car/van, and you need a day pack to carry them.
- We will bring trekking poles in our car/van and please tell your guide if you need one.
- It's recommended to prepare some snacks before departure from Beijing if you don't like snickers.
- Travel insurance is optional and is the sole responsibility of travellers. It is encouraged to have coverage of injury or accident.
- As responsible travellers, we "take nothing but photos, leave nothing but footprint".

Customized pick-up & drop-off:

If you plan the hike on the first or last day of your duration in Beijing, we can include a customized pick-up or drop-off at the following points without additional cost. It's safe to store your luggage at our car/van.

Beijing Capital International Airport (PEK): arrival before 7am or departure after 7pm Beijing Railway Station: arrival before 8am or departure after 7pm

Beijingxi (West) Railway Station (train to/from Xi'an): arrival before 8am or departure after 7:30pm Beijing Fengtai Railway Station (train to/from Pingyao/Datong): arrival before 8am or departure after 7:30pm

Beijingnan (South) Railway Station (train to/from Shanghai): arrival before 8am or departure after 7pm

Beijing Daxing International Airport (PKX) is a little further out of the city. Please email us for customized pick-up & drop-off. Additional cost is applied.



DETAILED ITINERARY

As the most popular hiking trip of the Great Wall around Beijing, it will show you both Simatai and Jinshanling sections of the wall within 3 hours. A 40-minute steps walking up will lead you to East-Five-Eye watchtower at Jinshanling East (Simatai West). You may take a few breaths before reaching the Wall, and will be rewarded by the breathtaking panoramic view of this amazing human constructions. Take a short break and some photos here, we will then walk westward to Jinshanling main gate. We will get off the wall at Shalingkou at Jinshanling, alternatively you can walk another 30 minutes if you feel energetic and then get off the wall at Zhuanduokou . The unrestored wall, the watch towers, the beacon towers snake on the mountain from east to west. You will have chance to meet local farmer friends, try local home-made food and learn local community development. It is the best place for keen photographers along the wall. Regarding fitness it is a medium-level hiking for all ages.

Pick you up at your hotel at 8am and then drive to Jinshabling East (Simatai West). You will start the hiking around 10:30 am, and it will take about 3 hours to complete the hiking. A lunch at a local farmer's restaurant will be organized after the hiking before returning your hotel.

This section offers arguably the finest hiking anywhere on the Great Wall. It is extremely photogenic, with over 15 watch-towers, and steep gradients that give constantly changing perspectives and wide, open views. There is fascinating variety in the watch-towers here. Some have two storeys, others three. Some have flat roofs, others rounded and others again are pitched with upturned eaves. This section of the wall is wild, ruined, preserved and original. On a clear day, it is difficult to fail to take good photographs here.

PAYMENT

We accept credit card payment via PayPal which is safe and fast. **Non-refundable deposit** is required via PayPal at the time of booking, remaining payment can be paid via PayPal as well before leaving home. If you want to pay the outstanding balance upon arrival, then cash payment (either USD or CNY) is accepted, as well as Alipay, which works much better than WeChat pay.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Days before departure	Charge applicable		
Not less than 14 days	Loss of deposit		
Between 7 and 13 days	Loss of 50% of the total booking cost or loss of deposit; whichever is the greater		
6 days or less	Loss of total booking cost		

