

Experience Beijing-Hanoi

Along the way Beijing Hanoi

Connecting down to South East Asia



What's included

FULL ON

Train

 Soft Class 4-berth sleeper Beijing-Hanoi (pre-assigned berths)

Beijing

> 2 nights 3★ hotel

Visa Requirements

Visitors to China and Vietnam require visas. These must be obtained prior to departure. Visa processing times for China and Vietnam can be up to;

China	10 Working Days
Vietnam	10 Working Days

Fast track processing is possible. For full information regarding visas, please refer to our web site .

NO FRILLS

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Hints and Tips

Photocopy your passport including the visas issued pages, airline tickets and insurance policies.

Your passport must be valid for at least six months past the end of your travel dates.



Travellers Checklist

Day pack, back pack, money belt, first aid kit, sun hat, lightweight jacket, warm jacket (Sep-Apr departures).

Climate and time – Minimum/maximum Temperatures °C

	Jan/Feb	Mar/Apr	May/Jun	Jul/Aug	Sep/Oct	Nov/Dec
Beijing	-20/-10	-6/+14	+15/+22	+24/+30	+8/+22	-10/+6
Hanoi	+13/+21	+17/+28	+23/+33	+26/+32	+ 24/+29	+18/+22

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full on itinerary – 5 days

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DAY 01

If you are arriving into Beijing Central Station* at the end of your trans-siberian journey our driver will meet you at the end of the platform and will be holding a meeting- board with your name on. Transfer from the station directly to the Red Wall Hotel 3★. The facilities available at this hotel include a Chinese restaurant, coffee shop, and a beauty salon. The extremely convenient central location positions you to get the most of your own exploration of the legendary Imperial city, where the rich traditions of Buddhism, Daoism, and Confucianism meet with the opulence of the Chinese Emperors and the vibrant realism of contemporary China. (Please note your onward train tickets will be delivered to the hotel during your stay.) No meals

DAY 02

If you haven't pre-booked one of our city excursions today is your own to explore. During your stay in Beijing you'll certainly want to visit both the Forbidden City and Tiananmen Square these are within walking distance of the Red Wall Hotel, and adjacent to each other, so this couldn't be more convenient! No meals

DAY 03

You'll need to check out of your room by 12 noon today but the hotel offers a Left Luggage service for a small fee. Your time is free until your train departs. Hotel Reception can pre-order you a taxi – it's wise to allow one hour to get through Beijing's traffic and a second hour to complete security (metaldetectors are now in force and there can be queues to use them) and find your train and platform. Own transfer to the station where you will board the Hanoi bound train. No meals

DAY 04

On board. No meals

DAY 05

Early morning arrival in Hanoi your journey comes to an end. No meals

No ordinary trip

At The Russia Experience we like to ditch the clichés, discard the puff and concentrate on what we do best – bringing to life the world's longest train route: the places visited, the encounters made and the realisation of a journey that is both engaging and rewarding.

We continually look at ways of enhancing the Trans Siberian experience, incorporating seasonal considerations (such as the Harbin Ice Festival), providing the historical context (pay a visit to the only remaining Soviet Gulag) or inviting you to savour the diverse cultural influences of indigenous people (sit down with a shaman, or enjoy the Siberian art of throat singing!). We have no group departures, our advertised dates always operate (barring anything completely out of our control) and, above all, we will tell you it like it is – allowing you to make the right choice from a portfolio of journeys rich in variety and full of memorable experiences. Sorry! We couldn't resist at least one cliché!

These dossiers are designed to provide you with a guide to our trips, the places visited, accommodation used and to give you a flavour of your daily itinerary. You will be travelling in parts of the world where the unanticipated and the unusual are all part of the experience and, as a result, the unexpected can happen and we may on occasions need to vary your plans. These dossiers do not form part of any contract.