



**INSIDE JEWISH CHINA
JDC Entwine Insider Trip**

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Day One: Arrive in Shanghai

Evening Welcome to China! Traditional Shanghainese Dinner & Introductions facilitated by Trip Chairs & Staff

Core Conversation #1: Setting our Intentions

Overnight in Shanghai

Day Two: Welcome to China!

Morning Breakfast at the Hotel

Discovering Shanghai: Urban Planning Museum, the Bund & Peace Hotel, Shanghai Jewish Refugees Museum (former Ohel Moishe synagogue)

Set over five levels, the Urban Planning Museum covers Shanghai's urban planning history, tracing its development from swampy fishing village to modern-day megacity.

The Bund or Waitan ("Outer Beach") is a waterfront area in central Shanghai. The area centers on a section of Zhongshan Road within the former Shanghai International Settlement, which runs along the western bank of the Huangpu River in the eastern part of Huangpu District.

The Nazi annexation of Austria by Germany in March 1938, touched off a great tide of refugee migration to Shanghai, and some 17,000 residents of Central and Eastern Europe streamed to the city from 1938-1941. After Pearl Harbor, the Japanese authorities closed Shanghai to further immigration. At the same time, they deported to Shanghai most of the Jewish refugees then living in Japan and other Jewish refugees trapped in the Far East while in transit to other countries. All told, some 20,000 refugees lived in Shanghai at the opening of 1942 and 15,000 survived the war with the aid of JDC.

The Shanghai Jewish Refugees Museum is housed in the Ohel Moishe Synagogue, which was established in 1907 to serve Jewish refugees who sought sanctuary in Shanghai in order to escape from massacre.

Afternoon Late Lunch

Tea & Discussion with Consul General of Israel at the Israeli Business Center

The Israeli Business Center is the first of its kind. The center, an initiative of Israel's Ministry of Economy, is part of a commercial attaché in Shanghai aimed at helping exporters to their first steps in the Chinese market and to serve as a springboard for further activities.

Evening Dinner & Acrobatics Show

Pizza Party at Moishe House Shanghai

*Founded in 2006, **Moishe House** launched when four Jewish 20-somethings began hosting Shabbat dinners in Oakland, California for their friends and networks. Fueled by enormous*

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demand for peer-led, home-based programming from young adults and their Jewish communities, Moishe House has become the global leader of Jewish life for young adults.

Overnight in Shanghai

Day Three: Limmud China & Shabbat with the Local Community

Morning Breakfast & Discussion with Rabbi Grinberg, Chabad Rabbi in Downtown Shanghai at the Hotel

Walking Tour of Yu Garden & Old City Area

Souvenir Shopping in Yuyuan Bazaar

Yuyuan Garden is a famous classical garden located in Anren Jie, Shanghai. It was finished in 1577 by a government officer of the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) named Pan Yunduan. Yu in Chinese means pleasing and satisfying, and this garden was specially built for Pan's parents as a place for them to enjoy a tranquil and happy time in their old age.

Surrounding the garden is the bazaar and surrounding the bazaar is a maze of old laneways and alleys where locals live - although these old lanes are slated for demolition so the area is definitely on the development map.

Afternoon Lunch & Briefing on JDC's Work in China & East Asia with Danny Pins, Senior Staff, JDC Africa/Asia

Introduction to Limmud

Piloted in the UK, the success of Limmud has inspired many other communities across the Jewish world to adopt the Limmud model. Activists in countries across six continents have discovered that Limmud is a vehicle to reach all types of Jews and reflect the diversity of their own communities, creating cross-communal and cross-generational experiences, accessible to all. Limmud is proud of having inspired over 60 different communities around the world, and Limmud International exists as the body to develop and provide training, mentoring and support for Limmud groups around the world. Limmud International encourages and creates common spaces between the different Limmud groups to share ideas and approaches.

Limmud Sessions & Activities

Candle Lighting

Evening Shabbat Services Followed by Dinner with the Jewish Community of Shanghai

Shabbat Dinner with Local Young Professionals

Oneg Shabbat with Community Members

Overnight in Shanghai

Day Four: Limmud China

Morning Breakfast

Shabbat Morning Services or Free Time (Optional)

Limmud Sessions & Activities

Afternoon Group Lunch & Core Conversation #2: *Arevut and JDC*

Limmud Sessions & Activities

Evening Havdalah Ceremony

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Dinner with Community Members

Optional Evening Out

Overnight in Shanghai

Day Five: Exploring Shanghai's Jewish History and Culture

Morning Breakfast

The History of the Jews in Shanghai: Guided Tour of the Hongkou Ghetto, the Huoshan Park (monument in memory of Jewish refugees)

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Visit to Ohel Rachel Synagogue

The Ohel Rachel Synagogue marked the culminating achievement of Shanghai's First Wave of Jewish immigrants. It was built to accommodate the community of Baghdadi Jews (which at its peak numbered 700) and opened in March of 1920. Today, the Chinese government regulates the use of Ohel Rachel Synagogue, allowing the Jewish community to hold religious services there three times each year.

Afternoon Lunch at Local Restaurant

Core Conversation #3: *Arevut and Me*

Visit to Oriental Pearl TV Tower

The Oriental Pearl TV Tower is located in Pudong Park in Lujiazui, Shanghai. The tower, surrounded by the Yangpu Bridge in the northeast and the Nanpu Bridge in the southwest, creates a picture of 'twin dragons playing with pearls'.

Walking Tour of Tiandzfang

Tianzifang or Tian Zi Fang is a touristic arts and crafts enclave that has developed from a renovated traditional residential area in the French Concession of Shanghai. It is now home to boutique shops, bars and restaurants.

Evening Dinner & Festive Night Out

Overnight in Shanghai

Day Six: In Transit

Morning Breakfast at the Hotel

Free Time in Xintiandi (the Old French Concession Area)

The Xintiandi district is composed of an area of reconstituted traditional mid-19th century shikumen ("stone gate") and houses narrow alleys, bookstores, cafes, restaurants, and shopping malls. Xintiandi has an active nightlife on weekdays as well as weekends, and is considered one of the first lifestyle centers in China. It is also the most expensive place to live in China, with some apartments costing more than Tokyo, New York and London. It is home to the Chinese elite and top executive expats.

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Core Conversation #4: *Action*

Afternoon Depart China