

5 Days Sichuan Chengdu, Leshan & Mount Emei Tour

Trip overview

Embark on an immersive journey through the heart of Sichuan. This curated 5-day private tour combines Chengdu's iconic **Giant Pandas** with the spiritual grandeur of two **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.

You will stand at the feet of the **Leshan Giant Buddha**, the world's largest stone Buddha, and ascend to the **Golden Summit of Mount Emei** to witness a sea of clouds and ancient Buddhist temples. From the leisurely teahouse culture in Chengdu's People's Park to the breathtaking mountain vistas, this tour offers a perfect blend of wildlife, culture, and nature.

- **Durations:** 5 Days
- **Destinations:** Chengdu - Leshan - Chengdu
- **Tour inquiry:** <https://asiachinatour.com/5-days-chengdu-leshan-mount-emei-tour/>

Itinerary

Day 1: Chengdu Arrival

Upon your arrival at the Chengdu airport or railway station, your friendly private guide will be waiting for you at the arrival hall, holding a welcome sign with your name. A comfortable, private vehicle will then transfer you directly to your hotel.

For the rest of the day, you are free to relax or explore the surrounding area at your leisure to get a first taste of the "Land of Abundance."

Accommodation: Hotel in Chengdu

Meals: /

Professional Suggestions:

*As Chengdu is famous for its culinary scene, we recommend heading to **Chunxi Road** or **Taikoo Li** for your first evening. It's a perfect blend of modern fashion and traditional snacks. If you're feeling adventurous, try a local "Non-spicy" hot pot (White broth) to ease your palate into Sichuan*

flavors. Also, staying hydrated is key after your flight, as Sichuan's climate can be more humid than you might expect.

Day 2: Giant Pandas & Leisurely Chengdu Life

Your exploration begins with a morning visit to the **Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding**. As the best time to see pandas is during their active breakfast hour, you will arrive early to watch these national treasures clumsily feast on fresh bamboo and play in their lush enclosures. If you are lucky, you might even see the tiny "pink beans" in the panda nursery.

In the afternoon, transition from wildlife to culture at the **Wenshu Monastery**, Chengdu's best-preserved Buddhist temple, where the scent of incense and ancient architecture offer a peaceful retreat. Next, embrace the local "slow life" at **People's Park**. Sitting in a traditional bamboo chair at a lakeside teahouse, you can enjoy a cup of jasmine tea and observe the authentic local lifestyle. Wrap up your day at **Jinli Old Street**, strolling through Ming and Qing-style buildings and perhaps trying some famous local street food.

Accommodation: Hotel in Chengdu

Meals: Breakfast in hotel, Lunch

Professional Suggestions:

When visiting the Panda Base, we highly recommend wearing comfortable walking shoes as the park is quite vast. To get the best photos without the crowds, try to reach the furthest enclosures first and work your way back. At People's Park, don't miss the chance to experience a professional "ear cleaning" service—it is a unique and surprisingly relaxing Sichuan tradition that has been passed down for generations.

Day 3: The Grand Buddha & The Gateway to Mount Emei

Leave the city behind as you head south on a 2-hour scenic drive to Leshan. Here, you will encounter the **Leshan Giant Buddha**, a breathtaking 71-meter masterpiece carved directly into the red sandstone cliff during the Tang Dynasty. After a local lunch in Leshan, you will board a sightseeing boat to appreciate the Buddha's full majesty from the water. From this unique vantage point at the confluence of the Minjiang, Dadu, and Qingyi rivers, you can capture the perfect panoramic photo of the statue's "mountain-sized" scale.

In the late afternoon, continue your journey to the base of **Mount Emei**. You will visit **Baoguo Temple**, the mountain's largest and most significant monastery. Its serene courtyards and intricate Buddhist gardens provide the perfect spiritual introduction before you ascend the sacred mountain the following day.

Accommodation: Hotel at the foot of Mount Emei

Meals: Breakfast in hotel, Lunch

Professional Suggestions:

The boat cruise is the most comfortable way to see the Giant Buddha, especially during peak season when the cliffside walking planks can be extremely crowded with long wait times. If you have extra time in Leshan, we recommend trying the local "Sweet-skinned Duck" (Tianpi Ya), a regional delicacy even more famous here than in Chengdu. For your stay at the foot of the mountain, consider visiting one of the local hot spring resorts to relax your muscles in preparation

for tomorrow's hike.

Day 4: Mount Emei Summit & Return to Chengdu

Today is dedicated to exploring the spiritual heights of **Mount Emei**, one of the Four Sacred Buddhist Mountains of China. To catch the best views, you will start early and take a sightseeing shuttle bus to **Leidongping**, followed by a brisk hike through the misty woods to **Jieyin Palace**. From there, a scenic cable car ride will whisk you up to the **Golden Summit (Jinhu)**.

Standing at 3,077 meters above sea level, you will be standing amidst the clouds. Marvel at the awe-inspiring 48-meter-tall multi-faced golden statue of Samantabhadra and explore the magnificent Bronze and Silver Palaces. If the weather is clear, you will be rewarded with a spectacular "Sea of Clouds" and views that stretch across the distant snow-capped mountains. In the afternoon, descend the mountain and enjoy a relaxing drive back to Chengdu.

Accommodation: Hotel in Chengdu

Meals: Breakfast in hotel

Professional Suggestions:

Temperatures at the Golden Summit are significantly lower than at the base, even in summer, so we recommend bringing a warm jacket or renting a coat at the Leidongping station. Also, be mindful of the local monkeys near the hiking paths; they are quite bold, so it is best to keep your snacks and water bottles inside your bags and avoid feeding them to ensure a safe and peaceful walk.

Day 5: Chengdu Departure

Enjoy your final breakfast in the "Land of Abundance" at your hotel. Depending on your flight or train schedule, you may have some free time for a last-minute stroll or to pick up some local souvenirs. At the appointed time, your private guide and driver will meet you at the hotel lobby and provide a smooth transfer to the Chengdu Shuangliu/Tianfu International Airport or the railway station for your onward journey.

Accommodation: /

Meals: Breakfast in hotel

Professional Suggestions:

*If you are departing from the new **Tianfu International Airport (TFU)**, please be aware that it is located about 60-70 km away from the city center, which usually takes at least 1.5 hours by car. We recommend leaving your hotel at least 4 hours before your flight to ensure a stress-free check-in. For those looking for last-minute gifts, high-quality **Shu Embroidery** or **Panda-themed handicrafts** from local boutiques are perfect mementos of your unforgettable Sichuan adventure.*

Booking Policy

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation by Customer

- Cancellation received before 60 days: FREE of charge
- Cancellation received from 30 days to 59 days prior arrival date: 20% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 15 days to 29 days prior arrival date: 40% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 7 days to 14 days prior arrival date: 70% of total rate
- Cancellation received less than 7 days prior arrival date or No show: 100% of total rate

Children Policy

The rate for children applicable for one child sharing a twin or double cabin with two adults.

- For infant (<04 years old): Free of Charge
 - 04 - 11 years old without bed: 50% adult rate
 - 04 - 11 years old with extra bed: 75% adult rate
 - Above 11 years old with extra bed: 100% adult rate
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