

Groups wanting to visit Beijing

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We welcome teams (up to 20 persons) to come and stay with us, see what we do, and to experience Beijing.

For larger groups your specific duties and itinerary will be discussed with you if they have not already been planned by your group leader prior to your arrival. If and when you are assigned to certain duties, an attitude of being a “willing servant” will be much appreciated. We are all here in this role as servants and we are here to serve the people of this village and the children.

Board and Lodging

- For your lodging you will be expected to donate US\$30 per person per day, which includes 3 meals a day. Accommodation for groups is in Mongolian Yurts. Bedding is provided.
- Meals are usually Chinese, served in the Dining Room. We will provide fruit, breakfast cereals, toast etc for those who prefer a Western breakfast. Refrigerator and utensils are provided.
- Laundry facilities will be provided. A communal shower block is available for your use. please bring your own toiletries, detergent and towels.

Transport and Tourism

- Transport to and from the airport is free of charge.
- Tourist trips and shopping in the city can be pre-arranged as part of your itinerary. Charges vary.

Our Expectations while in our Home

- A certain level of behavior is expected of you while you are with us, so that we do not offend the local people. You will be representing all the foreigners here as well as your home country. (No smoking, no alcohol, no bad language, decent dress code.)
- Distributing religious literature is against the law. Meetings with local people for religious purposes are forbidden. Any breach of this rule will jeopardize the safety of both the foreigners and locals here. Please take this as a serious warning as it affects the lives of all of us.
- Please treat all staff with respect. If you are concerned about anything that you see, please advise the Director immediately. We certainly appreciate your comments and suggestions that could improve the way we run our organization but please do not try to correct the local staff yourselves as this may cause confusion. They have been trained to care for the children according to our policies and there may be cultural issues that may not be clear to you.
- If you are ill, please do not interact with the babies as even minor infections can spread rapidly through the children. Frequent hand washing is mandatory in all our units.
- You will not be permitted to feed, bathe or change the young babies as these are the nannies' duties.
- You will not be permitted to enter the Isolation rooms.

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