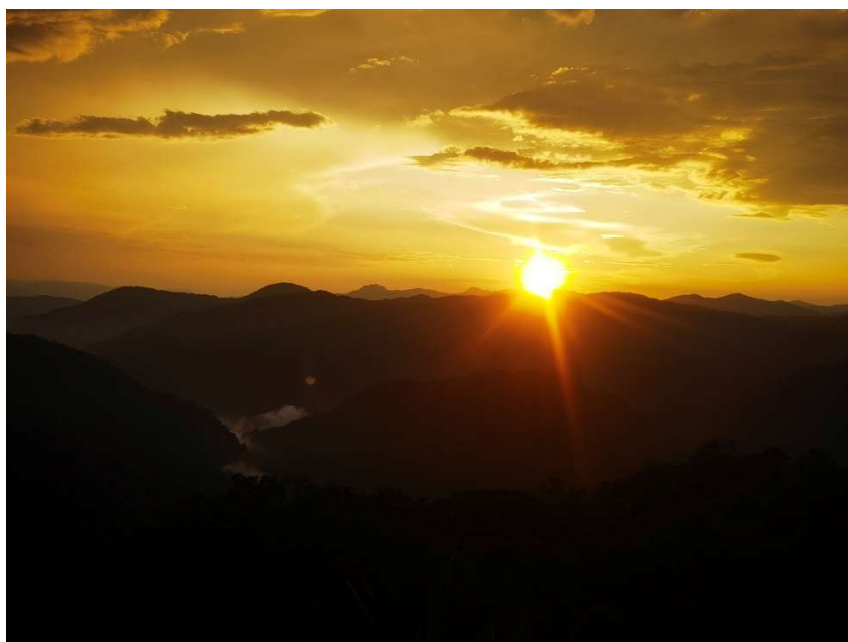

YIWU MOUNTAIN TEA

Yiwu Tea Travel Tour 2027 Info Guide



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Introduction

23st May to 29th May, 4880RMB (8880RMB for the premium package)

To offer tea enthusiasts the chance to experience Yiwu first hand through a fully guided tour, visiting significant historic locations, hiking through natural rainforest tea gardens, and understanding tea and local culture in famous tea villages.

This is a group tour plan optimized for 8-12 people, covering all local costs for 7 days, including 6 nights of accommodation, 3 meals a day, all transport costs, scenic attractions, tea tastings, tea making, local guide and translator. The itinerary is designed to allow space and time to enjoy each moment without the need to rush and offer flexibility to adapt where necessary should there be need to do so.

Standard package may choose from either local guesthouses (individual rooms, squat toilet) or hotel rooms (shared, western toilet).

Premium Package pays for extra or higher market value external services, and includes hotels with views, guaranteed individual rooms, extra food options, executive car hire, fully-serviced tea brewing space, and priority focus on exclusive single estate teas during tea tastings.

Key Information

Participants are responsible to book their own return flights to and from Jinghong (Xishuangbanna Gasa Airport, IATA: JHG, or Xishuangbanna High-speed Railway Station), and obtain appropriate visa documents.

Important dates

- 2027 Summer Travel Dates: Sunday 23rd May to Saturday 29th May
- Payment Confirmation Cut-off Date: 23rd April 2027
- Arrivals and initial check-in: Sunday 23rd May
- Monday to Friday Scheduled Itinerary
- Saturday 29th May departures (or Optional Extensions)

Costs

- 4880RMB/person. If unable to pay directly in CNY, the equivalent cost based on the exchange rate decided by the available payment portals will be charged.
- The price is an all-inclusive tour price so that you don't have to worry about preparing extra currency.
- Includes individual rooms at hotels/guest houses for 6 nights, prepared meals breakfast, lunch and dinner, snacks, transport, guide, translator, and tea hosting
- Additional costs will only be charged for optional extras, such as souvenirs, tour extensions, tea purchases, services not named in the itinerary, etc.
- Payment options: Wechat, Alipay, Unionpay, Bank Transfer (China, EU, US, UK)
- To ensure the best possible experience, this tour will be limited to a maximum of 12 spaces, first come, first served. Reservation priority is based on payment received date.
- VIP package at 8880RMB/person package is available. The price includes waterfront hotel in the city, best available accommodation in Yiwu, VIP car hire, priority services, extra food and snack options.

Cuisine and Food

- The tour includes a wide variety of cuisine, with mainstream Chinese cuisine and local ethnic cuisine both well-represented, focused on local ingredients.
- For vegans or other restrictive diets, there will be some options available. However, note that the pre-set group meals that focus on local cuisine do not focus on dietary restricted dishes. This is due to nature of localized round-table cuisine and their usage of available local ingredients.

Health and Safety

- Allergies: local support for allergies and intolerances will be minimal, so you should bring your own allergy and indigestion medicines.
- Fitness: for safety reasons, the hiking routes chosen for the tour are manageable for all generally fit adults. Strong, fit young children and elderly may also join, but others are recommended to use the time to enjoy extra tea tasting or hanging out and get to know the village hosts.
- Tropical Biodiversity: The tea forest hike and other tourist treks in the region will follow pathways through the forest that will expose you to risk of bug bites, stings, and other potential risks. It is important that you follow the path that the guides take and take appropriate precautions to avoid any potential issues for you and the traveling group.
- Based on your local region, check with your local doctor to see if you need any potential vaccines or precautionary medicine based on your individual situation. It is vital that you inform us of any known medical condition(s) that you have to make sure we can best ensure your safety throughout.

Itinerary Notes

- The base itinerary is detailed in Appendix A
- The organiser reserves the right to change the itinerary and/or schedule due to the road and weather conditions during the time of the trip
- Optional travel plans before or after this planned period may be made available on request, but is outside the scope of this document and budgeted plan. Please contact the organiser in relation to your requested schedule/activities.

Buying Goods and Services Locally - Local Currency

Special Note: Local currency is mostly paid through electronic payments ([WeChat](#), and also, less widely accepted, [Alipay](#)). To pay electronically, it is highly recommended that you download and setup these apps in advance. Both applications allow linking of Mastercard and Visa cards, with

Cash is still generally accepted, although many establishments no longer prefer this option. As a result, change is generally not available nor convenient, especially at the village level, and you may get offered change electronically via [WeChat](#) (or [Alipay](#)), or be asked to consider extra purchases to match your currency denomination.

Booking the Tour

- Interested participants can pre-register their initial interest using the official communication channels listed. A reply with specific details on how to finalize the booking will be sent.
- Participants can complete their booking via payment in full, before the cut-off date is reached.
- If there are less than 5 people confirmed by the cut-off date, the organizer may choose to cancel the tour with full refunds to all.

Contact Details:

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Discord: <https://discord.gg/GZRnKxUhd> (#group-travel-tour or PM Phil)

Instagram: @yiwumountaintea

Overview of booking process:

1. Send enquiry – receive booking information
2. Reply with required information
 - Contact details
 - passport details (passport info page)
 - preferred payment method
 - visa status
 - potential/booked transport, date and flight number (or train number).
3. Local tour team will check details and reply to resolve any potential issues.
4. Finalise your booking and send email to confirm
 - Finalize your flight or train details
 - Finalize your Visa
 - Complete full payment
 - Provide above details in formal email to finalize
5. Receive confirmation that you're fully booked and ready to travel.
 - If your arrival date is before the tour start date, or your return date is after the scheduled tour date, and you wish to do a pre-tour meetup and/or travel elsewhere, feel free to contact for more details

Appendix A – Proposed Base Itinerary

Day 1 – Arrival In Jinghong

- Arrival and pickup from Xishuangbanna Airport to hotel check-in
- Earlier arrivals can have early meetup, arranged meals, chat over tea, and flexible time for resting or meet/greet the local host and other guests
- Hotel rest and overnight stay in Jinghong



Day 2 – Historic Yiwu

Jinghong to Yiwu (~3hrs)

- Yiwu Tea Museum,
- Ancient Tea Horse Road,
- Visit tea factories,
- Tea Tasting



Day 3 – Forest Tea Trees and Tea Production (*optional items)

Gaoshan Village

- walk through ancient tea gardens and tropical rainforest
- experience local Xiangtang minority culture
- experience tea making and tea tasting
- *option of personal batch (more details below)



Day 4 – Famous Yiwu Villages

Depending on the time and weather, we will visit one or more of the following famous Yiwu villages and tea gardens:

- Luoshuidong, Mahei, Guafengzhai, Dingjiazhai, Paxihe, Yangjiazhai



Day 5 – Tea Tasting / Road Trip

Half day to finish up business in Yiwu

- Morning Tea, pickup finished tea and wrap up in Yiwu
- Travel from Yiwu to Jinghong (3hrs)
- Menglun Botanical Gardens
- Visit Manyuan Village (Top 10 Most beautiful village in China)
- Dai-style Peacock Feast dinner

Day 6 – Tour of Jinghong

City exploration

- Jinghong City – Standard Option
 - o Visit Dai Village
 - o Walk Through Manting Dai Royal Park
 - o Buddhist Temple
 - o Jinghong agricultural market
 - o Xishuangbanna Local Specialities
 - o Xishuangbanna Museum
 - o Gaozhuang Scenic Area
 - o Riverside Night Market and Local Specialties
 - o *Free time
- *Or request optional extras (see below for Day 7+)



Day 7 – Checkout and prepare to travel (or optional add-on days)

- Breakfast
- Check Out
- Transport to Airport and departure from Xishuangbanna

Optional Extras:

Day 3 – Personal wok of tea

Day 3 offers a group tea making experience and if weather allows for tea to dry by evening of day 4, everyone will receive samples of the group's tea.

If enough fresh leaves are available, individuals may opt to process their own personalized batch (one full wok of tea) at extra cost, with the cost dependent on what material from available flushing gardens. Prices range from 800 to 3000RMB per wok, and usually result in over 1kg of dried leaves. Tea is usually dry by day 5 (if not raining) or can be pressed, packed and shipped for 200RMB service charge.

Day 6 – Day trips outside of Jinghong

If you prefer to go on a standard day trip tour to one of the major sites surrounding Jinghong, this can be booked in advance and you may join a different local tour group for the day at extra cost.

***Day 6 – Yiwu Tea Master Class, for groups of 3 or more, extra 1200RMB/person*

A series of tea related classes, hosted in a specially selected function room in Jinghong.

- Home Tea Brewing Techniques, incl. Cuppings, Gongfu and Pot brewing
- Side-by-side cuppings to explore aspects of quality within a terroir
- Understanding Processing
- Fresh vs. Aged Teas and brewing technique
- Selection of Unique and Collectors Teas

**Day 7+ - Optional extra days*

- Tea Tourist Options
 - Menghai
 - Jingmai
 - Puer City
 - Tea Tasting and Appreciation Master Class
- Xishuangbanna Tourist Options:
 - Rainforest Valley Tour
 - Wild Elephant Valley Tour
 - Local Dai Village tour and photography tour
 - Menglun Botanical Gardens

Appendix B – Guesthouse and Hotel Information

Jinghong – Option 1, Serviced apartment rooms

More info coming soon...

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