

## China Travel Information May 19 - 28, 2012

### Booking Your Flight

This trip is LAND ONLY to allow you the option of airlines and best fares as well as the opportunity for pre/post trips on an independent basis. Domestic and International air transportation are not included. Participants are responsible for arranging and paying for their transportation to and from the following destinations:

**Arrival Date:** May 19, 2012

**Arrival Location:** Beijing, China (Beijing International Airport - PEK)

**Departure Date:** May 28, 2012

**Departure Location:** Beijing, China (Beijing International Airport - PEK)

### Supplemental Travel Insurance

Heifer strongly recommends that you purchase travel insurance as trips may be canceled or changed at any time. Various companies offer insurance that is available for trip cancellation, medical needs, luggage, etc. To purchase travel insurance, contact your insurance agent or travel agency. A reference list is below, though should not be seen as recommendations for any one specific agency.

[www.travelguard.com](http://www.travelguard.com)

[www.travelsafe.com](http://www.travelsafe.com)

[www.accessamerica.com](http://www.accessamerica.com)

[www.csatravelprotection.com](http://www.csatravelprotection.com)

[www.travelinsure.com](http://www.travelinsure.com)

[www.insuremytrip.com](http://www.insuremytrip.com) (this site compares various options)

### Registering with U.S. Embassy/Consulate

Heifer Study Tour participants are encouraged to register with the nearest U.S. Embassy or consulate. Registration is important as it will keep you updated on local travel security and allows the State Department to assist U.S. citizens during an emergency. U.S. citizens can register at <https://travelregistration.state.gov> or directly with the nearest U.S. Embassy or consulate.

Travel information can be found at the U.S. State Department and Embassy websites:

China - [http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis\\_pa\\_tw/cis/cis\\_1089.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1089.html)

China Embassy - <http://www.china-embassy.org/eng/>

### Health and Vaccination Information

To ensure proper health preparations prior to your tour, meet with your health care provider. Information and medical/inoculation recommendations for travelers can be found at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website - [www.cdc.gov/travel](http://www.cdc.gov/travel). Be aware that some countries require documented proof of a current yellow fever vaccination upon entering the country.



### Required Travel Documents

If your passport will expire within 6 months from the date of entry, you will need to renew your passport prior to leaving the country. If you have less than two blank pages left in your passport, you will need to apply for more pages. Country specific requirements are listed below.

#### China

- A Passport with at least 6 months remaining validity is required to enter China
- A Tourist Visa is required to enter China and should be obtained before the trip.
- U.S. citizens traveling to China may apply for up to a one-year multiple-entry visa. Check your U.S. passport before applying for a visa to make sure that it has one year or more validity remaining; otherwise, you may be issued a visa for less than the time you request. A multiple-entry visa is essential if you plan to re-enter China, especially if you plan to visit either Hong Kong or Macau.
- Visit the Embassy of China's website for the most current visa information:  
(<http://www.china-embassy.org/eng/>) A Visa Application can also be downloaded from this website.

#### Options for Obtaining Your Tourist Visa

1. Send your visa applications and passport directly to the Chinese Embassy.
2. Use a Visa Service (typically charges \$50 plus appropriate country visa charges). Heifer staff use the following service:

DMS Visa International  
Dastagir Samee  
2651 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 201  
Washington, DC 20008  
(202) 745-3815  
([dsamee@dmsvisainternational.com](mailto:dsamee@dmsvisainternational.com))

**ALWAYS SEND YOUR PASSPORT BY A CARRIER WITH A TRACKING SYSTEM.**

**For your visa application form, the Heifer China Office Contact Information is:**

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C-5, Shanghuanjing  
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