

Recommended Itinerary for a Three-Day Expo Tour

The total expo site covers a huge area 5.28 square kilometers (1304 acres), and there are hundreds of expo pavilions to see, all of which are quite worthy of a visit. For this reason, a big problem is how to make full use of your limited time in Shanghai to visit the most places on the Expo site. In the following paragraphs, China Travel are glad to suggest to you an itinerary for a 3-day expo tour. Before reading the following contents, we suggest you first open [a map of the Expo site](#) in a new tab or window for reference.

See [Shanghai Expo Transportation](#) for how to get there.

Note: This itinerary is only for your reference, and it might not work in fact due to the popularity of the event.

Day One

Highlights: Expo Boulevard, Expo Center, Theme Pavilions, China Pavilion, pavilions of China cities and Asian countries.

- Get to Yaohua Road Station by subway line 7 before 8:30am, and then wait in a queue to get into the Expo site at 9:00am. In the entrance, make a reservation for visiting the [China Pavilion](#) on a reservation machine (reserve for an afternoon visit). The pavilions are going to be popular, so reservation in advance may save you a lot of time. When you make a reservation for a pavilion, you just need your valid certificates and expo ticket. Expo volunteers will be there to help you, so you don't have to worry about not being able to use the machine. When you finish a reservation, keep the reservation ticket for use when you enter a pavilion.
- Start your first-day visiting the Expo site. Walk along [Expo Boulevard](#) to Celebration Square, and visit the [Expo Center](#). There you will see the grand opening ceremonies for national pavilions of all the participating countries every day. If you are lucky enough you will happen to see some famous state leaders or big stars.
- Visit the Theme Pavilions: Urbanian Pavilion, City Being Pavilion, Urban Planet Pavilion, Urban Footprints Pavilion and Future Pavilion.
- Lunch Time: there is a Chinese food street between the Expo Center and the Theme Pavilions. You can taste special dishes from all over China, including all the eight regional cuisines. After lunch, you can watch some free cultural shows in the [Expo Performance Center](#).
- Visit China Pavilion at 13:30. Take the lift up to the 49-meter level, from where you will be stepping on a glass floor and seeing a movie which is directed by a famous China director. Interestingly, you will see a motion picture of *Riverside Scene at Qingming Festival* (a famous ancient Chinese painting) which is 100 meters long and people painted on the picture will be moving. After visiting the 49-meter level, go to the 41-meter level, and take a sight-seeing bus on tracks. Visit the 33-meter level, and see an image of the future of low-carbon China cities.

- Visit pavilions of China cities: Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan and other cities.
- Visit pavilions of Central Asian countries: Oman Pavilion → Pakistan Pavilion → Israel Pavilion → Sri Lanka Pavilion → Nepal Pavilion → India Pavilion → Saudi Arabia Pavilion (the most expensive expo pavilion) → Morocco Pavilion → Turkmenistan Pavilion → Qatar Pavilion → United Arab Emirates Pavilion.
- Take a break and have some dinner, then move on to visit more Asia pavilions: Lebanon Pavilion → Iran Pavilion → North Korea Pavilion → Uzbekistan Pavilion → Kazakhstan Pavilion → Japan Pavilion → South Korea Pavilion → Vietnam Pavilion.

Day Two

Highlights: Thailand Pavilion, Australia Pavilion, Pavilions of Oceanian countries, Pavilions of European Countries, Pavilions of American countries.

- At 8:30am, get to the gate on Changqing Road by subway line 7. Make reservations for the pavilions of the United States, Britain, Belgium, France and Switzerland.
- Thailand Pavilion → Australia Pavilion (recommended) → Singapore Pavilion → Malaysia Pavilion → New Zealand Pavilion (recommended) → Indonesia Pavilion → Cambodia Pavilion → Brunei Pavilion → Philippines Pavilion.
- Climb the steps to an elevated walkway and head towards the Huangpu River. Descend when you see the blue United Nations Pavilion. Visit the following pavilions: United Nations Pavilion → MeteoWorld Pavilion → International Red Cross & Red Crescent Pavilion → Pacific Joint Pavilion.
- Have lunch and prepare for the afternoon's visits.
- Visit pavilions of European countries: Spain Pavilion (recommended) → Monaco Pavilion → Serbia Pavilion → Belgium–EU Pavilion (recommended, free chocolate, lucky draw) → Poland Pavilion → Switzerland Pavilion → France Pavilion (recommended, arts works, 2010 new couples will be holding grand weddings there) → Germany Pavilion → Ireland Pavilion → Norway Pavilion → Ukraine Pavilion → Iceland Pavilion → Sweden Pavilion → Denmark Pavilion (recommended, especially for kids) → Finland Pavilion → Latvia Pavilion → Estonia Pavilion → Portugal Pavilion → Slovenia Pavilion → Czech Pavilion → Hungary Pavilion.
- Walk to Xiying Road and visit pavilions of American countries: Caribbean Pavilion → Brazil Pavilion → Venezuela Pavilion → Chile Pavilion → Mexico Pavilion → Canada Pavilion (recommended for kids) → Peru Pavilion → Columbia Pavilion → Central and South America Pavilion → USA Pavilion (recommended, 4D movie special effects).
- Have dinner in the restaurant inside the USA Pavilion.

- In the evening, visit the following pavilions: Argentina Pavilion → South Africa Pavilion → Egypt Pavilion → Tunisia Pavilion → Algeria Pavilion → Angola Pavilion → Libya Pavilion → Lithuania Pavilion → Croatia Pavilion → Russia Pavilion (especially recommend for kids) → Romania Pavilion → Austria Pavilion → Netherlands Pavilion → Luxembourg Pavilion → Italy Pavilion → UK Pavilion → Africa Joint Pavilion (recommended, there are African bazaars).

Day Three

Highlights: Corporate Pavilions. A place called Urban Best Practices Area is provided for visitors to learn about the hard work that has been done by people of all countries to improve the quality of urban life.

- At 8:30pm, arrive at the Expo site on South Tibet Road by subway line 8.
- Visit Jiangnan Shipping Pavilion which is rebuilt from old workshops. You are able to have a quick glimpse of the long shipping history of China and the replicated models of Zheng He's ships. (Zheng He, a great navigator in ancient China during the years from 1371 to 1433, made voyages to Southeast Asia, South Asia and East Africa.)
- Walk towards Nanpu Bridge and visit the Private Enterprises Joint Pavilion, where there will be lots of famous enterprises taking part in the exhibitions, including Alibaba.com and Red Star Macalline. Move on to visit the Corporate Pavilion of Vanke and the Urban Best Practices Area.
- Cross Nanpu Bridge to the street areas in the south, and you will see World City Square. There will be shows on the central stage of the square. At noon, have lunch near Future Pavilion in the restaurant that is the largest one in the West Huangpu River Area.
- In the afternoon, visit the following pavilions: Future Pavilion → Aviation Pavilion → Information and Communication Pavilion → Aurora Pavilion (recommend for those who would like to collect artware) → Railway Pavilion (recommended for those who travel by train a lot) → Shanghai Corporate Joint Pavilion (recommended, high-tech Haibao robots are the highlight – Haibao is the 人-shaped Expo mascot).
- Take a break and have dinner in Jiangnan Park. In the evening, visit the following pavilions: Coca Cola Pavilion → Space Pavilion → State Grid Pavilion → Oil Pavilion → World Expo Museum → Urban Footprints Pavilion → Japanese Pavilion.
- At night, leave the expo site from the exit on Luban Road, across Lupu Bridge. Take subway line 4 or public buses 17, 36 or 146 to your next destination.