

Tang Dynasty Dinner Show

Basics

Title: Xian Tang Dynasty Dinner Show

Duration: 2 hours (18:00 - 20:40)

Meeting point: Hotel

Place to visit: Shaanxi Grand Opera House Xian China

Overview: Xian is one the four important ancient capital cities in China. It was particularly prosperous in the Tang Dynasty. In this show, you will enjoy a comprehensive performance of Tang Dynasty dance and music, from which the affluence of the Tang Dynasty society is fully unveiled before your eyes. Meanwhile, Xian is a food paradise where various local specialties are revered and savoured. On this tour, you will be able to taste the Dumpling Banquet. Unlike usual homemade dumplings, you will enjoy a real imperial banquet filled with all kinds of stuffed dumplings in different shapes.

Highlights

- Enjoy the world-famous Dumpling Banquet after the show;
- Watch the Tang Dynasty Show performing various forms of singing and dancing;
- Learn about the Tang Dynasty culture and society through the show.

Itinerary

Date	Starting Time	Destination
Day 1	18:00 p.m	Shaanxi Singing and Dancing Theater

Your guide will take care of booking your tickets beforehand and there only be the driver who transfer you and help you to collect the paper tickets.

As the ancient capital city which hosted 13 dynasties in Chinese history, Xian boasts a rich culture,

of which the Tang Dynasty (618AD-907AD) music and dance is revered as the most graceful and splendid form to show the prosperous civilization at that time. It is one of the Top Ten Xian Activities which most visitors should not miss.

The **Tang Dynasty Music & Dance Show** combines the music and dance of the past dynasties, absorbing the essence of the minority groups and foreign cultures, creating a show that fully depicts the prosperous Tang Dynasty folk customs. During the one hour show, beautiful girls wearing long sleeved, colorful Tang Dynasty dresses sing merrily and dance gracefully, accompanied by the classic national orchestra with ancient musical instruments such as the bell, drum, lyra and zither, and poets in Tang Dynasty costumes read the ancient verses and songs.



Three of the most representative music stanzas are the "Spring Outing", "The Feather Dress Dance" and "The Warriors Triumphal Dance ". The "Spring Outing" depicts a group of young girls returning from a spring outing, dancing and singing. Their beautiful green dresses, long sleeves and graceful gestures make them look like the spring fairies. "The Feather Dress Dance" was created by Lady Yang, the favorite concubine of Emperor Xuan Zong in the Tang Dynasty. According to the legend, Xuan Zong dreamed that he traveled to the palace of the moon, where he met some celestial women dressed in feathers like rosy clouds dancing in the sky. After he awoke, he told the story to Lady Yang,



who then created and performed this dance according to the Emperor's recollection. The "Warrior Triumphal Dance", which was about Li Shimin, the second Tang Emperor who claimed himself Prince of Qin during the war before the founding of the dynasty, vividly shows the morale of his powerful commanding troops.

In local theaters, dinner usually accompanies a show. For dinner, you may choose between local dishes or the Dumpling Banquet. While enjoying the show, you will feel like you have been transported back to the Tang Dynasty experiencing the Tang court life and social customs. More

importantly, you will have a thorough understanding of the history of traditional Chinese music and dance. All this is will give you great insight into the age-old Chinese culture.

After the show, your driver will transfer you back to your hotel.

What's Important:

What's included:

Show tickets and dinner cost.
Private transfer service
Bottled water.

What's not included:

Guide service
Personal expenses or private entertainment items at sights.
Tips or gratuities for guide if he/she did a good job (recommended)

What to take: smile and a relaxed enthusiastic attitude.

Good to know:

1. You can only get full refund prior to 16:00 of the day you booked.
2. All reservations need to be made at least 2 days in advance.
3. All the tickets are valid only for the day you booked.
4. Children under 1m attend the show for free but have to pay for dinner. Those between 1m-1.2m require a child ticket. Kids over 1.2m will be charged the same price as an adult for both the show and dinner.
5. There is no discount for the disabled or elderly.
6. You are usually advised to enjoy this show after a day tour. In case you want to watch it on a separate day, we will assign a guide to help you collect the paper tickets in advance and will also provide a free private transfer service for you.

7. Our guides will leave you to enjoy this performance on your own after making sure you all get into the theater. Their working time is 8-9 hours per day, extra time will incur extra service fee charged.

FAQ

1. Is the show available everyday?

Re: yes, it's available every night.

2. Can you help us to book the tickets even if we don't book any tours from you?

Re: Yes, we can book the show tickets for you even if you haven't booked on of our tours. In this case, you will need to arrange your own round-trip transportation. We only provide the ticket booking service.