



## CIT Sample Custom Tour 6: Tianjin Day Trip

### Day 1: Beijing – Tianjin – Beijing

Today you will travel by train to **Tianjin**. After your arrival you will head to the Japanese concession for a tour of the **Garden of Serenity**, the former home of Puyi, China's last emperor. Next you will visit the "Five Great Avenues" section of the city, where many of Tianjin's most famous buildings are located, and enjoy a stroll along **Tianjin Food Street**. A square area enclosed within walls, it has two major streets intersecting at right angles lined with shops and stalls selling specialty foods from every region of China; here, food vendors show off their skills in constant culinary competition. Afterward you will tour **Ancient Culture Street**, where nearly a hundred different stores sell cultural goods and articles. Vivid paintings of Jiangnan-style gardens hang everywhere, creating an incomparably gorgeous and elegant environment. Your next stop will be at the **Antique Market**, where shops designed in traditional styles sell Chinese goods and antiques of every kind, including fine china, furniture, clocks, paintings, and calligraphy implements, as well as handicrafts made of gold, silver, bronze, iron, wood, and jade—everything you could expect to find. Finally, you will have a chance to stroll along the **Foreign Goods Pedestrian Street**, where no expense has been spared to create a classically European environment featuring "Western goods, Western styles, and Western brands." The street is lined with European-style buildings decorated in a refined, elegant style. After finishing your tour of Tianjin, you will return by train to Beijing and head to your hotel for the night.

#### Sightseeing Attractions:

**Garden of Serenity** (静园, Jìng Yuán) or **Former Residence of Pu Yi**

**Tianjin Food Street** (天津食品街, Tiānjīn Shípǐn Jiē)

**Ancient Culture Street** (古文化街, Gǔwénhuà Jiē)

**Antique Market** (古玩街, Gǔwán Jiē)

**Foreign Goods Pedestrian Street** (洋货市场步行街, Yánghuò Shìchǎng Bùxíngjiē)