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Introduction

Pingyao is a small town in central Shanxi Province into whose history goes back 2700 years, when it was first built during the reign of King Xuan (827-782BC) of the Western Zhou Dynasty. Since the "province and County System" by Emperor Qin in 221 BC, the city has been the county seat in all the times. Despite so many events or incidents, it survived practically as it was in the 600 years or more since the Ming and Qing dynasties, and ranks as the only intact ancient city of Ming and Qing dynasties so well preserved in China.

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So many ancient houses, city walls, streets, lanes as well as other cultural sites of Ming and Qing Dynasties are so perfectly preserved in Pingyao City that it is really the only prototype found in areas of Han people in China.

In 1986, the State Council announced the city as a state city of history and culture and in December of 1997 UNESCO inscribed it on "World Heritage List" with their consideration that "the Ancient City of Ping Yao is an outstanding example of a Han Chinese city of the Ming and Qing Dynasties (14th to 20th centuries) that has retained all its features to an exceptional degree and in doing so provides a remarkably complete picture of the cultural, social, economic, and religious development during one of the most seminal periods of Chinese history"

ITINERARY

Train G605 (10:28-14:28) Beijing-Pingyao

Day1

15:00-17:00	Pingyao city wall
17:00-18:00	Rishengchang Ancient Bank
18:00-19:00	Dinner
19:00-21:30	Walk around in the ancient city
21:30-	Go to the Bar and have rest

Day 2

7:30-8:30	Breakfast
8:30-9:30	Ancient Xianya
9:40-10:40	First of Northern China Escort Agency
10:50-11:50	Mingqing Street and shopping
12:00-13:00	Lunch
13:10-14:00	Lei Lutai former residence

Train G628 (16:13-20:27) Pingyao-Beijing