



International Winter Swimming Association is happy to announce  
**6TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL FOR WINTER SWIMMING IN SPRINGS**

We have the privilege to invite our member countries to join us for the unique Winter Swimming in the Springs Festival in the City of Jinan in Shandong Province, China. For the first time, this event will be a stage of the IWSA World Cup, with the competition taking place in the beautiful ancient City of Taierzhuang.



Our Chinese partner has planned a 10-day program that includes transport, accommodation, meals and different activities during the festival.

The program for 10 days has two pre-tour options, one from Beijing and one from Shanghai. You need to choose your international flight to one of the cities. We recommend you to plan your arrival either on the morning of January 11, or if you want to arrive earlier, you can plan that yourself. The official event program will start on January 12 (you can find the hotel information enclosed). There will be full guidance during the pre-tour trip, so you don't need to worry if you are for the first time in China.

The first part of the Festival includes the swim across the Daming Lake in Jinan. The distance is 300 meters and water temperature is approx. +4 C. There will be a lot of Chinese participants in the Jinan swim and one unusual thing is that, according to the Chinese tradition, they will give small money awards, so if you swim well - you have a chance of receiving such an award as a part of top 20 of your age group.



For the first time, a visit to Jingzhou city in Hubei province, with it's 2399 years of history, is included in the Festival program. You can enjoy swimming with the locals in the still water of +5C with a sunny beach and a small island about 250 m from the shore.



Our partner, The Shandong Province Tourist Board, will support us as their main goal is to get swimmers from 20 different countries. For this purpose, we can invite 3 persons per country for the subvented price.

*Cost for international swimmers:*

Pre tour in Shanghai + transportation, accommodation and program including meals mentioned in the program - 399 EUR/466 USD per person.

Pre tour in Beijing + transportation, accommodation and program including meals mentioned in the program 355 EUR/419 USD per person.

+ Airport-hotel transfer (without guide) one-way 25EUR/30 USD per person

Single room supplement 165 EUR/190 USD per person for 6 nights.

+ Tips for guides and drivers etc. 40 EUR/50 USD per person for 7 days.

+ Fee for the IWSA World Cup swim registration per person will be 100 EUR/120 USD.

This flat fee includes registration to all swims you want to swim + program during the IWSA World Cup.

The total for a subvented package cost for an international swimmer arriving to Beijing is 545 EUR/ 649 USD, for Shanghai option - 589 EUR/ 696 USD.

If there will be interest more than 3 persons per country, there is a possibility to add more people for extra payment of 339 EUR/ 399 USD per person above 3.

**ALL THE PAYMENTS WILL BE COLLECTED CASH (EUR or USD) AFTER YOUR ARRIVAL TO JINAN.**

After you have chosen the representatives from your country, please fill up the attached form, save it and send it with passport copies and a photo of each person to Roman Karkachev, at roman@iwsa.world **before the 5th December 2016.**

#### SWIM DISTANCE REGISTRATION

When applying, you need to submit the distance which you are planning to swim. The following are available:

- 25m Breaststroke
- 25m Freestyle
- 25m Butterfly
- 50m Breaststroke
- 50m Freestyle
- 100m Freestyle
- 200m Freestyle

If you wish to attend the 300m swim across the Daming Lake, mark the checkbox in the form. There is also a possibility to swim a shorter distance without competing, make a note in your e-mail if you prefer this option. The confirmation must be send **before the 5th December 2016.**

## PROGRAM

### *Pre-tour Start from Beijing.*

Day 1 (11 Jan)

Arrival Beijing, meet and transfer to hotel.  
Overnight in Beijing.

Day 2 (12 Jan)

Guided visit to Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City and Great Wall. Overnight in Beijing (B, L).

Day 3 (13 Jan)

Transfer to train station for high speed train to Jinan. (B)

### *Pre-tour Start from Shanghai.*

Day 1 (11 Jan)

Arrival to Shanghai, meet and transfer to hotel. Overnight in Shanghai.

Day 2 (12 Jan)

Guided visit to Yu garden and market, The Bund, TV Tower, Nanjing Road. Overnight in Shanghai.

Day 3 (13 Jan)

Transfer to train station for high speed train to Jinan. (B)

## Shandong (Winter Swimming Festival/IWSA World Cup Stage 4)

Day 3 (13 Jan)

Arrival to Jinan, meet and transfer to restaurant for lunch, check into the hotel and put on your swimming suite, transfer to the Spring-water Park (Daming lake or Maimai spring park) to try the water.

Welcoming banquet. Overnight Jinan.

Day 4 (14 Jan)

Opening Ceremony of Jinan Winter Swimming Festival Swimming Competition. Swimming Competition across the Daming Lake. Overnight in Jinan. (B, L, D)

Day 5 (15 Jan)

Transfer to Taierzhuang city. Opening Ceremony of the IWSA World Cup, sightseeing in the old town. Welcoming dinner. Overnight in Taierzhuang. (B, L, D)

Day 6 (16 Jan)

IWSA World Cup in The Grand Canal. Award Ceremony. Closing ceremony with dinner. Overnight in Taierzhuang (B, L, D)

Day 7 (17 Jan)

Transfer to Jingmen/Wuhan by high speed train and bus. Overnight in Jingmen, a city with 2399 years of history. (B, L, D)

Day 8 (18 Jan)

Half day swimming with locals in a beautiful calm clear water (+5 degree) with sunshine and sand. Half a day tour of the city Jingmen and the Mo Sorrow village, the world cultural heritage. Overnight in Jingmen. (B, L, D)

Day 9 (19 Jan)

Transfer to train station for train to Beijing/Shanghai. Overnight in Beijing/Shanghai. (B)

Day 10 (20 Jan) Transfer to the airport. (B)

Hotel Information

Beijing

Yongan Hotel

5 Nongzhanguan North Rd, Chaoyang District, Beijing

Tel. - 0086-10-65011188

Shanghai

Ramada Hotel (Wujiaochang)

1888, Huangxing Rd, Shanghai

Tel. - 0086-21-55509999

Jinan

Liangyou Fulin Hotel

5 Luoyuan Avenue, Jinan, Shandong, China

Tel. - 0086-531-86956888

Taierzhuang

Taierzhuang Guest House

Taierzhuang, Zaozhuang city, Shandong province, China

Tel. - 0086-632-6679038