



Leman International School  
Grade 6 Student Trip

**GANBAO VILLAGE**  
4 DAY TRIP ITINERARY

## Who We Are

Extravagant Yak is a China based, Wholly Owned Foreign Enterprise (WOFE), with local partnership. We are a registered travel company in Chengdu, Sichuan, with operations primarily focused on Tibetan areas. We specialize in providing rich and authentic, personally crafted travel experiences in Tibet. Equally at home in the lap of luxury or in the warm hospitality of a nomad tent, we deliver tailored attention to detail on every unforgettable journey.

## Why Travel With Us

We love what we do. Extravagant Yak exists to provide second-to-none overland travel services to some of the most geographically extreme and culturally fascinating corners of Tibet. Our 15 years experience in this region uniquely qualifies us to have hands on control of the quality of your trip. Regardless of the trip type, each trip is designed for the expectations of international travellers.



Chengdu, Sichuan, is the gateway city to all three Tibetan areas in SW China: **Central, Kham & Amdo**



Extravagant Yak is certified to act as an official Supervisor/Assessor on Adventurous Journeys for licensed Independent Award Centres.





## Social Investment to Kham Tibet

Large portions of tourism resources across Tibet fail to benefit businesses run by the local people. Instead, businesses owned and operated from outside these areas often receive the majority of benefit. Sponsored by Extravagant Yak, **Tibetpedia** aims to help ensure locally operated businesses benefit from the tourism resources in their locale. **Tibetan Business Highlights** is the feature of this site that aims to not only help raise awareness of these businesses, but also to lend credibility to the businesses profiled here so that foreign travellers will experience the best of Tibetan service and hospitality.



**Erma Guesthouse** in Taoping Qiang Village is an example of a Tibetan owned business promoted on Tibetpedia



*"Travel with us and support **Tibetpedia!** This site represents the core of our CSR value. **Tibetan Business Highlights** is the feature of this site that promotes Tibetan small businesses of excellence across the plateau." - Jim Hamp, Co-founder - Extravagant Yak*



## What to Expect on Student Trips to Tibet

We plan every trip with the student in mind. Always keeping in mind the learning outcomes of each grade level, we work with schools to tailor each trip to best facilitate the learning experience. Extravagant Yak seeks to deliver the perfect blend of fun-filled cultural experiences with international standards of quality and safety, looking after all the details so that students and teachers alike are free to absorb their Tibetan experience to the fullest.

For international students living and studying in China and the Asia Pacific region, student trips to Tibet offer an other-worldly experience of a lifetime that is within easy reach. Whether the purpose of the trip is wilderness adventure, cultural studies, or service oriented, each student trip offers an experiential introduction to Tibetan culture, history, and lifestyle.





Yingxiu Earthquake Museum and Memorial



Ganbao Tibetan Village

## Trip Itinerary

### Sep 16: Chengdu to Taoping Qiang Village

Departing from Chengdu this morning, it's just a short drive to Yingxiu to see the 2008 Earthquake Museum and Memorial Site. After a thoughtful tour of the exhibits, you will head to town for lunch before continuing on to Taoping Qiang Village. Once you've settled in to the guesthouse, you will enjoy a short exploratory walk to the look-out over the village followed by a guided tour of the underground waterways found at one of the local homes. After dinner, the evening will be filled with games at the guesthouse.

Accommodation: [Erma Guesthouse, Taoping Village](#)

### Sep 17: Taoping to Ganbao Tibetan Village

Today you will make the short drive to Ganbao Tibetan Village. Here you will settle in to your homestay, then spend some time touring the village before lunch. In the afternoon you will walk outside the village, where you will work alongside the locals in





their fields. After a few hours of meaningful work, you will head back to the homestay to have dinner with your hosts. Afterwards they will give you an introduction to participate in some Tibetan dancing. This is a very informal and fun way to learn some a cultural dance!

Accommodation: [GeJi Nyma Tribe Guesthouse, Ganbao Village](#)

## Sep 18: [Bipeng Valley Trek](#)

This morning you will head out for a full day of trekking in Bipeng Valley protected area. For the first half of the day, you will make your way towards the waterfall where you will stop for a picnic lunch. The rest of the afternoon will be spent enjoying the beautiful trek on natural trails through the forest to the lake. Returning to the village by late afternoon, your homestay host will teach you how to prepare Tibetan style momos by hand. Students will make their own momos and the host will judge for best presentation at dinner time. This evening will be spent around the campfire, roasting marshmallows and drinking hot chocolate.

Accommodation: [GeJi Nyma Tribe Guesthouse, Ganbao Village](#)



Bipeng Valley protected area



Picnic at the lake





Bipeng Valley

## Sep 19: Ganbao Village to Chengdu

This morning you can challenge yourself to wake up a little early and offer to help your host with some simple chores around the house - a nice way to express your gratitude for their hospitality before departing. After breakfast, you will depart for Chengdu. Stopping in Wenchuan for lunch, you will have a relaxed ride back to Chengdu by mid afternoon.

Return to Leman by approx 3pm

*Dates & Cost below...*



## Dates & Cost

**Dates:** Sept 16-19, 2018. 4 Days.

**Cost:** TBD\*

\*Based on min group size of 20

### Inclusive of:

- Transport, 32 seat commercially licensed bus
- All accommodation based on combination of dorm style and double occupancy (3 nights)
- Extravagant Yak guides (2)
- Meals
- All activities and entrance fees enroute (per the itinerary)
- Comprehensive liability insurance, plus travel insurance
- Detailed daily risk assessment for all activities, with clear risk mitigation plans in place ahead of time

### Excludes:

- Medical and trip interruption insurance
- Activities not included on the trip itinerary
- Souvenirs, laundry, items of a personal nature



### Special Packing List for Ganbao trip:

- Water bottle
- Flashlight
- Rain jacket and warm sweater for evening/morning
- Extra set of clothes

