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## 2-day Tour to Zhengzhou, Dengfeng and Luoyang

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**Tour Code:** ZL01

**Length:** 2 days and 1 night

**Cities Visited/Stayed:** Zhengzhou, Dengfeng, Luoyang

**Highlight Attractions:** Yellow River Scenic Area, Shaolin Temple (a Sacred Place of Wushu and Chan Buddhism) , Longmen Grottoes, White Horse Temple (Baima Temple)

**Experience &Features:** Yellow River Scenic Area, Shaolin Temple, Pagoda Forest, KungFu Show, Zen Music Shaolin Grand Ceremony, Longmen Grottoes, Lord Guan's Temple, White Horse Temple

**Physical Rating:**1

**Cultural Shock Rating:** 1

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Zhengzhou-Dengfeng

You will be picked up at your hotel in Zhengzhou in the morning and firstly go to visit the **[Yellow River Scenic Area]** in Zhengzhou, take hovercraft cruising the river. The Yellow River is the second longest river in China, and also the "Mother River" for Chinese nation and the Chinese civilization stated along the Yellow River. Since 2/3 of Yellow River is sand, so it is difficult to cruise Yellow River, so you can take hovercraft to cruise Yellow River to have a full landscape of the Whole Area, and hug with our mother river.

After the Yellow River Scenic Area, we drive southwest to the **[Shaolin Temple]**, the No.1 famous temple under heaven. This temple was built from between 495AD and 512AD, the 28th patriarch of Sakyamuni in India—Buddi Dama came to the Shaolin Temple and founded Chan Buddhism and Shaolin KungFu. In Shaolin Temple, you can visit the main building of the temple, and then visit the tombs of Shaolin Monks from Tang Dynasty—**[Pagoda Forest]**, where there are 247 pagodas built from Tang Dynasty till now. And then let's enjoy the **[KungFu Show]** inside the performance hall for 30 minutes, and you can also learn with the Kung Fu master on the stage. In the evening, enjoy the the

[Zen Music Shaolin Grand Ceremony] in the evening, the music director is Tandun, renowned for his Grammy and Oscar award winning scores for Ang Lee's Movie name "Crouching tiger and Hidden Dragon". He gives his greatest work in this striking visual and audio impression containing 5 movements of "Water", "Wood", "Wind", "Light", "Stone", with 700 artists and monks performing at the mountain stage of 1400 meter long.

Stay overnight in Dengfeng.

**Meals:** (L)

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## **Day 2: Dengfeng-Luoyang**

In the morning we leave Dengfeng for Luoyang, going directly to visit the **[Longmen Grottoes]** -- one of the three largest grottoes in China. It was built in 496AD, which last for more than 1000 years, have more than 100,000 statues, 2300 caves, 40 pagodas. The biggest statue there is 17.14 meters high and just made according to the appearance of the Tang Dynasty Empress Wuzetian from—the only empress in Chinese history.

After the Longmen Grottoes, we come to **[Lord Guan's Temple]**. Lord Guan is the famous general of Shu State during the Three Kingdoms Period. His name is Guanyu, and after his death, his head was buried in Luoyang, his body buried in Dangyang.

Then we drive to the east suburb to visit the **[White Horse Temple]** -- the first Buddhist Temple which was built by the government in 68AD during Eastern Han Dynasty. It was used to commemorate two Indian monks.

The tour ends when you're transferred to your hotel in Luoyang.

**Meals:** (L)

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