

SHOPPING WITH FAMOUS CHINESE ARTS & CRAFTS

- **Beijing**
- **Jade Factory:** China is rich in jade resources, therefore jade and its cultural impact to the Chinese people and to other Asians has been historical. Tourists will have an opportunity to visit the Beijing Jade Carving Factory which is the largest jade collection in China. Tourists will find thousands of items of precious jade, jadeites and other handmade jade carvings. The raw material for these comes from the Northeast and Silk road areas of China.
- **Pearl Farm:** The Pearl Shop in Beijing has been exhibiting a rich variety of sea pearls and fresh water pearls due to both the historical reasons and modern markets. The king and queen sized pearls are of precious quality. The type of Pearl Powder on sale was first attributed to the Qing Dynasty Royal Family as a cosmetic. It also can be found here.
- **Ming and Qing Dynasty Furniture:** This is an Ancient Furniture Fair. Apart from the antique furniture, there is also newly made reproduction furniture of Ming and Qing Dynasty style to be found in the fair. Shipment to other countries is available.
- **Cloisonné Factory:** Originating in Beijing over 300 years ago, cloisonné is the kind of handmade arts and crafts article used a great deal in the past by the Chinese royal families, and other wealthy families. Now it is popular with the general public. Tourists will have opportunity to visit this workshop to see how these beautiful articles are made. The gorgeous designs, hand-made workmanship, and great variety makes cloisonne articles very attractive to both domestic and foreign tourists alike.
- **Suzhou**
- **Suzhou Embroidery Institute:** This is a state-owned handicraft research institute. Among the myriad of products are the hand-made double-sided embroidery articles. The animal and flower patterns are outstanding.
- **Suzhou Silk Factory:** This factory produces one fifth of the country's silk products. The beautifully designed silk clothes and its model show of the factory make it a spectacular attraction to tourists. Additionally, silk quilts of many patterns and sizes are specially-produced for sale here.
- **Hangzhou**
- **Hangzhou Dragon Well Tea Farm:** The Dragon Well Tea planted in this village was once available only to the Chinese Royal Family. It is now a famous brand of Tea in China. While viewing the Tea Farm, a brief lecture will be given by a local tea farmer. Tourists will find this attraction both enjoyable and healthy.
- **Shanghai**
- **Shanghai Carpet Mill:** Superb quality silk tapestries of all kinds and sizes are produced here in the Shanghai Carpet Factory. The hand-made silk tapestries of 400 to 600 knots per square inch are considered world-class.