

hereby announces the fourth Go to China trip, summer 2007

Go'n'Games has to date arranged 2 **Go to China** trips, in the summers of 2004 and 2005. The interest in the trips has become greater and greater, and the third trip is very international, with around 30 participants from nearly 10 different countries. To date our trips have all been based in Beijing, but in 2007, we hope to be able to be able to offer even more flexibility, with trips to Shanghai and Beijing!



The participants will stay together in apartments or apartment hotels near the Beijing city center and have scheduled go teaching 5 days a week. All teaching will be given in English. During the trip, teaching by pro players and visits to top professional events will also be organized. We will do our best to cater all of your special needs.

"Hi, my name is Jan Czarnomski. I'm 16 years old and I'm from Germany. When I went to China I was just 15 years old, so my parents had a bad feeling about the trip to China. China is so far away and I'm a young boy. But in the end I found out, that there was no reason for such a feeling. The trip was an unique experience, that I would never repent. On the trip you could play go, relax, enjoy the great food, explore the Chinese culture...and much more. And when I came back to Germany, my parents asked me, if I missed them. I answered: "There was so much to do, I didn't have the time to miss you."





Daniel Jeppsson: The summer of 2005 forty Go interested people went to China for a truly unique experience. Most were there to study Go in some form and to visit all the attractions in Beijing of course. I could only go for the first month and my plan was to study 50% of the time and go sightseeing the rest. This seemed like a great plan but after the trip it felt like I hardly got to do enough of anything. Therefore I'm going there another month this year and if the trip is anything like last years (which is something I don't doubt it will be) we will all have a blast again. Party in Beijing 2006!

Go to China is also a unique opportunity for western go players to see the Chinese go scene for real. This is not an ordinary tourist trip, this is an adventure!

## Go to China is a unique experience...

During the first trip, the participants visited the Nie Weiping go school, and got to meet Ma Xiaochun. They also got to see pro games featuring Chang Hao, Gu Li and more famous professionals. In 2005, players got to meet famous pros such as Ma Xiaochun, Chang Hao and Wang Lei, and watch a pro event featuring Nie Weiping. We aim for something unique, a blend where western people live together, but have the opportunity to come as close to Chinese life and culture as possible.



## ... and you have plenty of time to see China too

The trips will feature shorter trips in and around Beijing, and we can help you with your plans for longer excursions. The second trip featured weekend trips to Xian to see the terracotta soldiers and to the Shaolin temple in Luoyang. There is also plenty of time to explore the Beijing street culture (plenty of good food!) and the Beijing nightlife.



For registration or more information, please contact <u>china@gongames.com</u>. The webpage of the trip is <u>http://gongames.com/china/</u>. On KGS, there is a special room called Go to China, in the Social category, where you can meet the organizers and participants from previous trips. If you contact us now, we will keep you updated with more information for next year as it is available.

The cost for the trip is from around €1000 for one month. Register as soon as possible to get an experience for life! The webpage is currently focused on the 2006 trip. During summer, it will be updated with information for 2007.

## About the organizers...

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