



26th March - 2nd April





# **ITINERARY**

### Wednesday 26th March

Depart Dublin to LHR to connect onto your flight with Cathay Pacific direct to Hong Kong.

### **Thursday 27th March**

Land and transfer to the <u>5\* InterContinental Hotel</u>. Check in for 4 nights B&B. This evening, enjoy an amazing Sunset Dinner & Cruise package. Witness Hong Kong's breathtaking harbour view during sundown while dining at an award-winning Chinese restaurant. Then board an iconic red-sail junk boat for a 45 minute cruise with the best seats in town for the spectacular lights, laser and music show that lights up the harbour and the city's skyscrapers.

### Friday 28th March

Enjoy today at leisure. You have plenty of time to explore Hong Kong because the opening matches do not begin until the afternoon and usually feature teams from lower-ranked rugby nations. The hotel runs a complimentary shuttle to and from the Kai Tak Sports Ground (10 mins) and is on a first come first served basis. In the evening enjoy the more high-profile matches involving top-tier teams. Enjoy the electrifying vibe as the stadium fills up! You can then head out after the last match to explore the nightlife in areas like Lan Kwai Fong or Wan Chai.

### Saturday 29th March

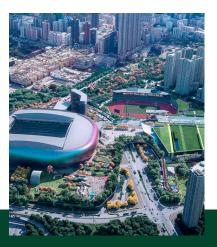
This morning the matches continue, with teams trying to advance out of the group stages. The afternoon has more intense matches as some of the bigger rugby nations compete in the knockout stages. This evening is typically the most lively time with fans in full fancy-dress costume! Explore some of Hong Kong's nightlife post-games, such as Victoria Peak for evening views or bar hopping.

### **Sunday 30th March**

It's Finals Day! The morning kicks off with more knockout-stage matches as the competition narrows down. This is a great time to try some local Hong Kong cuisine, go for a brunch before entering the stadium. In the afternoon the semi-finals and finals are held to determine the winners. The atmosphere is electric, and the crowd energy peaks with every big play. After the final match, there is huge fireworks display and prize ceremony.











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### **Monday 31st March**

A much needed day at leisure! Experience a blend of the city's culture, food, and iconic sights. We recommend the following: Head up to Victoria Peak, which offers stunning panoramic views of the city skyline, Victoria Harbour, and surrounding islands. Get there via the historic Peak Tram, one of Hong Kong's iconic attractions, or hike up the Morning Trail if you prefer a more active trip. The Peak Tower: Visit the Sky Terrace 428 for the best viewing point, or take a walk along the Peak Circle Walk to enjoy different views. Explore Central, the bustling financial hub. Walk along streets filled with a blend of modern skyscrapers and colonial buildings. Ride the Mid-Levels Escalator, the longest outdoor covered escalator system in the world, passing by interesting shops, cafes, and bars. Grab some authentic Hong Kong dim sum at Tim Ho Wan, one of the most affordable Michelin-starred restaurants in the world. It's famous for its delicious baked BBQ pork buns, dumplings, and more. Hop on the iconic Star Ferry for a short ride across Victoria Harbour which offers fantastic views of Hong Kong Island and the harbour. Head to Mong Kok for Kowloon's Markets (near your hotel) and explore the vibrant Ladies Market filled with street food, souvenirs, and local culture. Visit the famous Temple Street Night Market that is bustling with stalls selling everything from clothes to electronics, as well as street food and fortune tellers.

### **Tuesday 1st April**

Most of the day at leisure. You can check out of your hotel and leave your luggage securely with the porters. We recommend a trip to one of the lovely beachside restaurants on Cheung Sha Beach, Hong Kong's longest white sand swimming beach. Edged between the peaks of Lantau and the ocean of the South China Sea this is a very tranquil spot compared to the city centre. Please be back at your hotel ready for the departure to the airport. Check in for your flight to LHR.

### Wednesday 2nd April

Land at LHR and connect to onto your flight to Dublin. Land back in Dublin.

What a great tour and thank you for travelling with Rugby Travel Ireland.







