

# VIETNAM TOUR SET DEPARTURE 12 DAYS 11 NIGHTS

**Routing:** Hanoi – Ha Long - Hue – Hoi An – Cu Chi – Mekong Delta

**Tour Style:** Nature, Culture & History Tour

**Tour Start:** in Ha Noi / **Tour End:** in Saigon

**Trip duration:** 12 days 11 nights

**RATE IN USD : 912 USD / person**

**Valid Till 31 Dec 2024 Except Holiday Period**

*Stay in Twin share Room*

**If clients travel solo, Surcharge for Single room is : 270 USD/ person**

## **Description Detail:**

Discover a Vietnam budget tour for 12 days that will take you through some of the most renowned destinations such as Hanoi and Halong Bay, Hue, HoiAn, HoChiMinh . This tour will provide you with great experiences for some of the lowest prices on the market.

## **Highlight tour:**

- Hanoi full day city tour: Ho Chi Minh complex, visit One Pillar Pagoda
- Vietnam Ethnology Museum to learn about the culture of 54 ethnic groups living in the whole country of Vietnam,
- Visit Women Museum instead of Ethnology Museum,
- Temple of Literature – the first university of Vietnam, established in the 11 centuries,
- Hoa Lo Prison Museum which originally used by the French colonists in Indochina for political prisoners, and later by North Vietnam for U.S. prisoners of war during the Vietnam War.
- Discover the Halong Bay - natural wonders of the world. Have lunch with special foods while cruising through famous sights Ba Hang fishing village, Đỉnh Hương island, Chó Đá islet, Gà Chọi islet...
- Visit the ancient capital of Hue
- Explore My Son Sanctuary - The World Cultural Heritage.
- boat trip to Hoi An with nice and cool breeze on boarding, beautiful river scenery on the biggest river in the Central of Vietnam named as Thu Bon River.
- HCM City & Cu Chi tunnels
- Mekong Delta

## **Tour Summary**

Day	Trip Summary
2024	Hanoi Arrival
2024	Hanoi full day city tour (B, L)
2024	Hanoi – Halong – Overnight on Junk (B, L, D)
2024	Halong – Hanoi – Hue (B,Brunch) by flight
2024	Hue city tour (B, L)
2024	Hue – Hoi An (B) by a private car
2024	Hoi An – My Son – Hoi An (B, L)
2024	Hoi An free day (B)
2024	Hoi An – Da Nang – Sai Gon (B) by flight
2024	Sai Gon city – Cu Chi tunnels (B, L)
2024	My Tho – Mekong Delta (B, L)
2024	Sai Gon - Departure (B)

## **Trip Details**

### **DAY 1: HANOI ARRIVAL**

Arrive at Noi Bai Airport. Meeting with the driver and transferring to the hotel. Overnight in a hotel.

### **DAY 2: HANOI FULL DAY CITY TOUR (B, L)**

**8.00- 8.30:** Get picked up by our friendly guide and start to explore Hanoi City

**08.45:** Arrive at Tran Quoc Pagoda located on Golden Fish Island in West Lake - It is the oldest pagoda in Ha Noi built in the 6th century.

**09.30:** Visit Ho Chi Minh complex, you have a chance to see the embalmed body of Ho Chi Minh then walked around the garden to see 2 houses where he lived & worked from 1954 to 1969. Then visit One Pillar Pagoda where worships the Goddess of Mercy – It is the most unique pagoda in the world

- Should dress modestly by covering from shoulders to knees when visiting Ho Chi Minh mausoleum, temples, pagodas...
- Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum is closed on Mondays and Fridays.
- Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum is closed at least 2 months (15th June -15th August) for the annual maintaining but still can take picture Mausoleum and visit around that area

**11.15:** Visit Vietnam Ethnology Museum to learn about the culture of 54 ethnic groups living in the whole country of Vietnam

**Special Note:** we will visit Women Museum instead of Ethnology Museum closed on Mondays

**12.45:** Have lunch at our restaurant. You have an opportunity to enjoy Vietnamese cuisine with 8 delicious dishes.

**14.00-14.15:** Continue to visit Temple of Literature – the first university of Vietnam, established in the 11 centuries

**15.15:** Leave for Hoa Lo Prison Museum which originally used by the French colonists in Indochina for political prisoners, and later by North Vietnam for U.S. prisoners of war during the Vietnam War. During this later period, it was known to American POWs as the "Hanoi Hilton"

**16.15 -16.30:** Tour finishes. Back to the hotel. Night in Hanoi

### **DAY 3: HANOI – HA LONG – OVERNIGHT IN JUNK (B, L, D)**

**08:00 – 08:30** | Pick-up

Our bus will collect guests from hotels around Hanoi Old Quarter.

**12:30** Receptionists welcome guests at the International Tuan Chau harbor.

**12:45** Captain welcomes guests to cruises by tender. Check in cruise, whilst enjoying a welcome drink, safety briefing and check in cabin.

**13:00** Leaving International Tuan Chau harbor, discover the Halong Bay - natural wonders of the world. Have lunch with special foods while cruising through famous sights Ba Hang fishing village, Đỉnh Hương island, Chó Đá islet, Gà Chọi islet...

**14:30** Cruises stops at Bồ Nâu cave, the core area of the world natural heritage. Transfer by tender to Surprise cave - one of the most beautiful caves in Halong Bay.

**15:45** Leaving Surprise cave, transfer by tender to the Titov island was named by Uncle Ho, after Gherman Stepanovich Titov - the Soviet astronaut who visited in 1962 Enjoy swimming, relaxing on the beach or climb the steps of the Rock to the top of the island. On the top of the mountain, you can see a corner of magical Halong Bay ...

**16:45** Back to the cruise. Relax and enjoy the sunset on the sun deck. Go to the overnight place.

**18:00 – 19:00** HAPPY HOUR - Buy 1 drink get 1 free (wine excluded).

**18:30** Enjoy Vietnamese cooking demonstration.

**19:00** Acquaint yourself with the set menu dinner.

**20:30** Evening activities include: film entertainment (in the dining room); squid fishing; massage (contact with cruise manager for service price)

### **DAY 4: HA LONG – HA NOI – HUE (B, BRUNCH) BY FLIGHT**

**06:00** Morning call (if you request).

**06:30** Enjoy Tai Chi instructions on the sundeck in 30 minutes whilst cruising to Luồn cave.

**07:00** Enjoy light breakfast in the restaurant (coffee, tea, fresh milk, water, pastries, bread, egg, fresh fruit, cereals will be served in the dining room).

**08:00** After breakfast, take a guided tour to visit Luồn cave - one of the cave open to the form beautiful about endemic the vegetation of the Halong Bay. Visit Luồn cave by a traditionally woven (bamboo) boat rowed by a local boatman.

**08:30** Then come back to cruise, relax and check out of cabin. Please put your luggage outside the door. Our porters will collect and get them ready on the Pier for you. The cruise disembarks in International Tuan Chau harbor.

**09:15** Enjoy brunch buffet menu served in the dining room. Settle bills in the dining room after brunch (if you have).

**10:45** Transfer by tender back to Tuan Chau harbor and disembarkation. Farewell to guests.

Pick up at your hotel and transfer to Hanoi airport for flight departure. Pick up at Hue airport and transfer to hotel (without guide). Night in Hue

#### DAY 5: HUE CITY TOUR (B, L)

Pick up at hotel (center) **8:00 – 8:30 AM**

Drop off at hotel: **16:00-16:30 PM**

##### Morning:

Dragon boat trip to Thien Mu pagoda - The oldest pagoda in Hue city.

Imperial Citadel – The home of Vietnam, last royal dynasty - the Nguyen Dynasty.

Hue Royal Antiquities Museum - A collection of ornaments from the Nguyen dynasty.

Dong Ba Market to see the daily life of local people.

##### Afternoon:

Lunch at a local restaurant.

Khai Dinh King's Tomb - a blend of Western and Eastern architecture.

Minh Mang King's Tomb, one is impressed by the majesty and symmetry of the architectural constructions.

Conical hat village, incense stick making village

**4:00 – 4:30 pm:** Back to your hotel. Night in Hue

#### DAY 6: HUE – HOI AN (B) A PRIVATE CAR

After breakfast, Free until transfer to Hoi An by a private car. Taking photographs from Hai Van Pass (The Pass of Sea and Cloud).

Night in Hoi An

#### DAY 7: HOI AN – MY SON – HOI AN (B, L)

**7:45 – 8:15:** Our guide pick-up at your hotel and depart to My Son Sanctuary - The World Cultural Heritage.

**9:30:** Arrive at My Son and we'll have 2 hours to discover the site by walking throughout the landscape, learning histories with our local English-speaking guide, enjoying the Champ traditional performances.

**11:45:** Get back to minivan and move to a local house to learn how to make rice paper, you will enjoy your own hand-making product later on!

**12:30:** Back to the van and have lunch at another local house. relax with cold herbal tea, nice foods and fresh air.

**13:30:** Take a boat trip to Hoi An with nice and cool breeze on boarding, beautiful river scenery on the biggest river in the Central of Viet Nam named as Thu Bon River.

**14:00:** arrive in Hoi An, we will drop you off at your hotel.

Free and night in Hoi An

#### DAY 8: HOI AN FREE DAY (B)

Full day free to explore Hoi An by yourself. Night in Hoi An

#### DAY 9: HOI AN – DA NANG – SAI GON (B) BY FLIGHT

Free until transfer to Da Nang airport for flight to Sai Gon. Pick up at Sai Gon airport and transfer to the hotel. Night in Sai Gon

#### DAY 10: SAI GON CITY – CU CHI TUNNELS (B, L)

PICK UP: **07:30 – 08:00** (the time of pick up depends on the customer's hotel/ accommodation's exact position).

RETURN: **19:00**

Take the morning trip to visit Independence Palace, also known as the Reunification palace, which was built on the site of the former Norodom palace. The Independence palace is a widely known landmark of Ho Chi Minh City and was designed by the architect Ngo Viet Thu. Continue seeing the beautiful structures from the French Colonial times such as the Notre Dame Cathedral, the historic Central Post Office. Followed by the remarkable site of the War Remnants Museum the museum has a vast display of both the Indochina wars.

Have lunch at a local restaurant.

Departing for Cu Chi tunnel, the trip will take approximately one and a half hours bus driving. Upon arrival, before exploring the tunnels, you will have some short introduction followed by an introductory video about how the tunnels were constructed and how the people survived in the harsh conditions of the war time. Then, spend your time exploring the remaining area and tunnel systems which included the specially constructed living areas with kitchens, bedrooms side by side with other martial facilities like storage, weapons factories, field hospitals, and command centers helping whoever lives inside the tunnels meet their basic needs. Besides, there are also many hidden trap doors and dangerous traps within the maze-like tunnels for security purposes during the war. Afterward, special tea and cassava (guerilla's food during the war) will be served.

Break time for relaxing or time for those who want to try the real shooting gun.

Return to Saigon.

Please take notes:

\*\*The Notre Dame Cathedral has been restored, so the guests just visit outside.

\*\*\*Drop off time is subject to traffic, weather...so the finished time could be later than expected.

#### DAY 11: MY THO – MEKONG DELTA (B)

PICK UP: **07:30 – 08:00** (the time of pick up depends on the customer's hotel/ accommodation's exact position).

RETURN: **17:30**

Leaving the hustle and bustle of Ho Chi Minh City and starting your trip to depart for My Tho, the town lies on the left side of the Mekong River. Upon arrival, visit Vinh Trang pagoda which dates back to the late 19th century. Then boarding the sampan and cruising down the river around the four beautiful islands known as Dragon, Unicorn, Phoenix and Tortoise islands.

Stop over at Unicorn Island, go walking around the country lane and see orchards, enjoy tropical fruits, folk song music which is performed by the local people. Visit the fruit plantation.

Ride a hand-rowed sampan through Thoi Son canal and treat yourself to the beauty of the countryside, visit the family business, visit honey-bee farm, enjoy honey tea and coconut candy workshop.

Have lunch at a local restaurant. Break time.

In the afternoon, time for cycling around the Tan Thach village, meet the local villagers to experience the local daily life in the Mekong Delta. Hammocks are relaxing and enjoy a cool breeze for those who can't join the cycling trip. Return to Ho Chi Minh City.

\*\*\*Please note: Drop off time is subject to traffic, weather...so the finished time could be later than expecting

#### DAY 12: SAI GON DEPARTURE (B)

Breakfast at hotel, free at leisure until transfer to the airport for the departure flight.

#### LIST OF HOTELS USE

#### Accommodation offering in this trip Or Similar ones.

City	Hotel
	3 Stars

<b>HA NOI</b>	<b>HANOI ALLURE HOTEL</b>
<b>HA LONG</b>	<b>SYRENA CRUISE</b>
<b>HOI AN</b>	<b>HOI AN ROSA GARDEN HOTEL</b>
<b>HUE</b>	<b>ROSALEEN BOUTIQUE HOTEL</b>
<b>SAI GON</b>	<b>BLUE DIAMOND HOTEL</b>

**INCLUSIVE:**

- Full airport transportation by car and shuttle bus as tour program indicated.
- Meals as itinerary indicated (B= Breakfast, L= Lunch, D= Dinner)
- 2 domestic flights: Hanoi - Hue, Danang - Saigon ( Vietnam Airlines, Economic class )
- English-speaking guide for SIC group tour.
- Entrance fees.
- Boat trip at sights mentioned
- Double/Twin-share accommodation (AC room)

**EXCLUSIVE**

- International airfare to/from Vietnam
- Personal insurance
- Expenditure of a personal nature, tips, such as drinks, souvenirs, laundry, emergency transfers & etc.
- Visa to Vietnam