

Vietnam Majestic & Unique

15 days - 14 nights

TIME	PLACE	ACTIVITY	MEAL
 Day 1	Hanoi	Your arrival at the airport in Hanoi. Our driver picks you at airport and then transfer you to your hotel. Rest of the day is your leisure time for shopping or walking. Overnight in Hanoi.	-
 Day 2	Hanoi	Hanoi city tour. Visit some famous places in Hanoi that includes The Temple of Literature, Hoan Kiem lake, Ngoc Son Temple, Ethnology Museum and a cyclo tour around the Old Quarter of Hanoi. Evening, transfer to station for a night train to Sapa. Overnight in train.	B,L
 Day 3	Sapa	Arrival in Sapa. Admire the wonderful scenery of Hoang Lien mountain ranges, terraced rice paddies. Meet Black H'mong tribes. Towards the Zay village to enjoy the great landscape. Overnight in a local house of a Dzay family OR at hotel in Sapa town (by your preference)	B,L,D
 Day 4	Sapa	Continue exploring the beautiful Sapa. Trek through bamboo forests towards Giang Ta Chai waterfall, visit Giang Ta Chai village, Muong Hoa River, Supan village. Back to Sapa town. Overnight on train back to Hanoi.	B,L
 Day 5	Halong bay	Early morning, Arrival in Hanoi. Get a shower and breakfast at hotel then transfer to Halong bay. Cruise through thousand of islands and islets in Halong bay. Visit famous attractions in Halong bay. Overnight on boat.	B,L,D
 Day 6	Halong bay	Morning, breakfast on board. Cruise further and stop at a Pearl Farm village. Continue cruising through many island and islet to explore the hidden charm of the bay. Lunch on board while going back to the pier. Transfer back to Hanoi. Overnight in Hanoi.	B,L
 Day 7	Hoi An	After breakfast at hotel in Hanoi, spend your leisure for relaxation. Walking around the street in the Old Quarter of Hanoi for shopping and food finding. Afternoon, transfer to airport for flight to Da Nang. Take a 30 minute transfer from airport to Hoi An – An peaceful ambiance opposite to Hanoi. It's your leisure time to explore Hoi An on your own. Overnight in Hoi An.	B

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	Day 8	Hoi An	Morning, visit My Son Sanctuary, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Afternoon, visit Hoi An town on foot: Hoi An's Colorful Local Market, Tan Ky Old House, Fu Jian Assembly Hall, and the 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge. Overnight in Hoi An.	B,L
	Day 9	Nha Trang	Morning, enjoy delicious breakfast at hotel in Hoi An. Take a relax before our driver comes to pick you up and transfer to Da Nang airport for flight to Nha Trang. Spend your leisure time for relaxation at beach in Nha Trang. Overnight in Nha Trang.	B
	Day 10	Nha Trang	Morning, breakfast at hotel. Your leisure for relaxation at beach in Nha Trang. Overnight in Nha Trang.	B
	Day 11	Nha Trang	Breakfast at hotel in Nha Trang. Your leisure until we transfer you to airport for <i>flight to Ho Chi Minh</i> . Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.	B
	Day 12	Ho Chi Minh	Morning, Ho Chi Minh city tour. Visit the Re-Unification Palace, the Notre Dame Cathedral, the War Remains Museum, Jade Emperor Temple. Afternoon, Visit Cu Chi Tunnel. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.	B,L
	Day 13	Can Tho	Leave Ho Chi Minh for My Tho and Ben Tre. Take a boat trip on mekong river to a family business which epitomizes the idyllic rural lifestyle, walking through the fruit plantation village. Overnight in Can Tho.	B,L
	Day 14	Mekong delta	Boat trip to visit Phong Dien floating market. Proceed to rice noodle making village and Cai Rang floating market. See the ordinary daily life on Mekong river. Back to Ho Chi Minh. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.	B,L
	Day 15	Ho Chi Minh	Breakfast at hotel. Your leisure time in Ho Chi Minh until we transfer you to the airport for departure flight.	B

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1: Hanoi – Arrival.

Arrival in Hanoi. We welcome you at the airport and transfer you to hotel. It's your leisure time after check-in at the hotel.

Overnight at hotel in Hanoi.

Day 2 Hanoi – City tour (B,L)

Morning, pick you up at hotel to start the Hanoi city tour at 8.30am. Visit Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum and Ho Chi Minh Museum. Enjoy the architectural and historical aspects of Uncle Ho's final resting-palace. Just next door is

Ho Chi Minh's house on stilts where he used to live in the past. Lying to one side of the Mausoleum is the One Pillar Pagoda, built by King Ly Thai To in 1049 the structure has become an important symbol for the people of Hanoi.

Continue your visit to the Temple of Literature (Quoc Tu Giam) – Vietnam's first University constructed in 1070. Its gardens and well-preserved architecture offer a relaxing glimpse into Vietnam's past. Have lunch at a local restaurants.

Afternoon, proceed to visit Vietnam Museum of Ethnology – a research centre and a public museum exhibiting the ethnic groups of Vietnam. After that, we will take you to Hoan Kiem Lake, see the peaceful water and visit Ngoc Son Temple.

Enjoy an hours of cyclo tour around the bustling old quarter to see the ordinary life of Vietnamese people in Hanoi. At 06.00pm, drop you off at hotel. It's your free time now to have dinner and a short while to explore the streets of Hanoi on your own.

Evening, around 20.00, Our tour assistant pick up from your hotel to go to Tran Quy Cap train station. He will lead you to your cabin on the train. The train departs and sleep the night on train.

Overnight on train.

Day 3: Hanoi – Sapa (B,L,D)

Early morning at 5.00, We will pick you up at Lao Cai railway station by a van, to take you up to the township of Sapa which takes approx one hour arriving at.

After breakfast and a morning shower, we will walk from Sapa towards Muong Hoa valley where we can admire magnificent landscape. Here you will discover the wonderful scenery of Hoang Lien mountain ranges and meet Black H'mong tribes. Trek through terraced rice paddies and minority villages along the Muong Hoa River, where we can here a nice swim. We then cross the suspension bridge towards the Zay village, arriving at Ta Van village. Enjoy the great landscape surrounding the village.

Stay overnight:

Option 1: Enjoying the company and hospitality of our Zay family and homestay overnight.

Option 2: Back to Sapa town. Staying overnight at hotel.

Day 4: Sapa – Admire the beauty of Sapa (B,L)

Option 1: Ta Van – Giang Ta Chai – Su Pan – Sa pa

Enjoy mountainous landscape with your sunrise coffee, then enjoy a delicious breakfast ready to trek through bamboo forests towards Giang Ta Chai waterfall, cross over a rattan suspension bridge and enter into Giang Ta Chai village which is inhabited by the Red Zao minorities.

Here we will experience their daily life then cross over the Muong Hoa River up the mountain to visit Supan village of the H'mong people.

Option 2: Visit Cat Cat village and Sin Chai village

After breakfast at hotel, a walk down to the South-west of Sapa (around 4 km) to visit Cat Cat village of the Black H'mong. Relax at the food of the stunning waterfall and the vestige of a hydroelectric power station that was constructed by the French during the colonial time in Vietnam. Enjoy picnic lunch by the side of the river, and then next 6 km to Sin Chai, the village located at the foot of Fansipan Mountain, "the roof of Vietnam and Indochina". From here you can enjoy huge stunning landscapes before climbing up on the way a jeep to return to Sapa.

Back to Sapa. Take a fresh shower in the hotel before heading to Lao Cai train station for the night train back to Hanoi.

Day 5: Sapa – Hanoi – Halong bay (B,L,D)

At 05.00am, arrive at Tran Quy Cap station (Hanoi). Our tour assistant welcomes you back, accompany you to hotel for a morning shower and breakfast.

Around 8.00am, Our guide Pick you up at your hotel and go to Halong bay on a shuttle bus. Take a rest at Humanity center and enjoy local specialties after 2h. Arrival in Halong at 11.45. The captain and crew welcome you aboard. Savor the delicious lunch as boat pass through thousands of Islands and Islets with different shapes.

After the lunch, explore the biggest and the most amazing cave in Halong Bay – Surprise Cave. Then Kayaking for an hour around the fishing village and discover the life of community there. Then back to boat for Sunset Party, get to calm, clean water place for swimming. Enjoy delicious and romantic dinner with some barbecue courses.

In the evening, free time for entertainment with the funny plays such as squid fishing, karaoke program, stars watching on sundeck... Spend romantic night on board.

Stay overnight on boat in Halong bay.

Day 6: Halong bay – Hanoi (B,L)

In the morning, breakfast, fruits, coffee and tea are served on board. Cruise further and stop-over at a pearl farm to sea real peace cultivated by local fisherman. After that, we continue cruising further, go through many islands and islets to discover the hidden charm of the bay.

Join a cooking class opened right on the cruise for all the people are interested in cooking, especially cooking Vietnamese food. Cruise back to the pier while having lunch. Say goodbye to the crew and disembark. Get on bus to go back to Hanoi. Arrival in Hanoi around 04.30pm.

Stay overnight at hotel in Hanoi.

Day 7: Hanoi – Hoi An (B)

After breakfast at hotel in Hanoi, spend your leisure for relaxation. Walking around the street in the Old Quarter of Hanoi for shopping and food finding.

Afternoon, transfer to airport for flight to Da Nang. Take a 30 minute transfer from airport to Hoi An – An peaceful ambiance opposite to Hanoi. It's your leisure time to explore Hoi An on your own.

Overnight in Hoi An.

Day 8: Hoi An – Visit My Son Sanctuary & the city (B,L)

At 8.00, Our guide picks you up at hotel and leave Hoi An for visiting My Son Holy Land – the ruins of Cham people and was an imperial city during Cham dynasty. Here you can have more chance to explore and understand of technique of Old Cham people in making red bricks to build Tower which still now a secret to everyone, you can see a large complex of religious relics that comprises more than 65 architectural works. It also surprises for those who are curious with architectural art. In 1999, UNESCO labeled the Cham architecture in My Son as a World Cultural Heritage Site. Moreover, you have chance to enjoy traditional music performed

by Cham girls in their colorful uniforms.

Afternoon, we will discover the city of Hoi An by foot. The historic town which used to be a prosperous seaport city from the 16th to 18th centuries is now a beautiful city that can't be missed while touring the South East Asian region. While walking through the city, we will visit Hoi An's Colorful Local Market, Tan Ky Old House, Fu Jian Assembly Hall, and the 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge. Travelers can also see local residents raise silkworms and produce silk for Hoi An's burgeoning textile industry.

Stay overnight at hotel in Hoi An.

Day 9: Hoi An – Nha Trang (B)

Morning, enjoy delicious breakfast at hotel in Hoi An. Take a relax before our driver comes to pick you up and transfer to Da Nang airport for flight to Nha Trang.

Spend your leisure time for relaxation at beach in Nha Trang.

Overnight in Nha Trang.

Day 10: Nha Trang – Leisure (B)

Morning, breakfast at hotel. Your leisure for relaxation at beach in Nha Trang.

Stay overnight in Nha Trang.

Day 11: Nha Trang – Ho Chi Minh (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Your leisure until we transfer you to airport for flight to Ho Chi Minh.

Stay overnight in Ho Chi Minh.

Day 12: Ho Chi Minh – City tour and explore Cu Chi tunnel (B,L)

Morning, Ho Chi Minh City tour. We start the trip by visiting Notre Dame Cathedral, the historic Central Post Office, followed by exploring the Reunification Palace, and the remarkable site of the War Remnants Museum, (Drop you off at Ben Thanh Market for shopping if we have enough time).

Afternoon, leave Ho Chi Minh for Cu Chi. Explore Cu Chi Tunnels. Located 60km from HCMC, Cu Chi is now a popular spot for both Vietnamese & foreign tourists – the network of over 200km of tunnels became legendary when they played a vital role in the War. In their heyday, the tunnels were functioning underground cities including numerous trap doors, specially constructed living areas, storage facilities, weapons factories, field hospitals, command centers & kitchens. Finish the tour at around 05.30pm.

Stay overnight in Ho Chi Minh.

Day 13: Ho Chi Minh – Mekong delta (B,L)

Around 8.00am, Leave Ho Chi Minh city, enjoy the scenic journey along the National Highway bordered by green rice fields. On arrived at My Tho, visit Vinh Trang pagoda, take a leisurely boat ride along the river, view stilt houses, fruit plantations and fishing villages along the river bank.

Proceed to Tortoise islet, have lunch in the orchard garden. Then a boat ride to An Khanh, a less touristy attraction in Ben Tre, enjoy cruising on a hand-rowed sampan under the shade of the water coconut trees along natural canals.

Have a short cycling tour (if we have enough time) then enjoy seasonal fruit & honey tea to the sound of

“Southern Vietnamese folk music”, performed by the locals. Visit a family business which epitomizes the idyllic rural lifestyle, taste delicious coconut candy & observe the pastoral life as you roam through fruit plantations and villages. Transfer to Can Tho city.

Stay overnight at hotel in Can Tho.

Day 14: Mekong delta – Visit floating villages – Ho Chi Minh (B,L)

After breakfast, take the morning boat trip to visit the Phong Dien floating market which is at its busiest at this time of day. Keep cruising through the small channels system and visit a rice noodle making village. Experience the “Monkey Bridge” in the Delta. Visit a second floating market (Cai Rang). Break for lunch. Return to Ho Chi Minh.

Stay overnight at hotel in Ho Chi Minh.

Day 15: Ho Chi Minh – Departure (B)

Morning, breakfast at hotel in Ho Chi Minh. Your leisure until we transfer you to airport for your departure flight.

End of the journey!