

Family Fun In Vietnam

Discover the whole of Vietnam: Experience the highlights of the country off the beaten track, relax at Halong Bay and dive into the daily life of so many different villages.

- Enjoy different local produced foods
- Discover Cuc Phuong, the oldest National Park in Vietnam
- Exploring Hoi An with a bicycle tour
- Cruise and stay overnight on a boat in Halong Bay

Day - 1 Hanoi

HANOI ARRIVAL

Arriving at Noi Bai airport in Hanoi, your English speaking guide is welcome you and brings you to your hotel. Afterwards it's time for relaxing after the long journey. When time permits, you may have an easy walk around the Old Quarter and tickets for a performance of traditional Water Puppetry, an art form unique to northern Vietnam, and a good, light-hearted introduction to its rural culture.

Overnight: Hanoi

Day - 2 Hanoi

HANOI ORIENTATION & BAT TRANG POTTERY VILLAGE (B, L)

During the morning, you start the day with a visit to the Ho Chi Minh Complex: which includes the Ho Chi Minh Museum, and his modest stilt house which provide valuable insights into the life and times of one of the most successful leaders of the 20th century. You will then visit the excellent Ethnology Museum for an overview of Vietnam's 54 distinct ethnic groups. Lunch will be served at KOTO – a restaurant belonging to a vocational training program that is changing the lives of street and disadvantaged youth in Vietnam. In the afternoon, you head to Bat Trang village – a premier ceramics centre 15 km northeast of the city centre. While the upper side is quite commercialized and focuses on glazed ceramic items, the riverside 'ancient' village leans more towards earthenware and pottery products. There're opportunities to try your hand on making our own products, or wandering around its large ceramics market.

Overnight: Hanoi

Day - 3 Halong

HANOI – HALONG (B, L, D)

Depart from Hanoi by private transfer to Halong City through the Red River Delta. Upon arrival, get on board and start cruising from Hon Gai pier to the boundaries of Halong bay while lunch with fresh seafood is served (vegetarian and kids menus available). After lunch, just make yourself at ease and relax. We are slowly getting off the classic cruising routes, far from the usual clichés of this busy tourism spot. Limestone rock formations will parade all around us before our stop at Hon Co island, where we take a few steps up to explore the Thien Canh Son cave. Inside the cave, stalactites and stalagmite in various shapes and sizes will tell you more about geographic history of Halong bay and the surrounding area. Late in the afternoon, the boat cruises to its anchorage area. Dinner is served either inside or outside depending on weather conditions. Overnight on board in a cozy air-conditioned cabin with en-suite bathroom facilities.

Overnight: Rivercruiseship

Day - 4 Tam Coc**HALONG – TAM COC (B, L)**

Wake up smoothly while witnessing the silence of the beautiful misty bay. A 30-minute Tai Chi session will be organized, energize your body and soul or just allow yourself some farniente time on a sunbath with a cup of coffee. Then, we hop on bamboo boats to go visiting a secluded floating village surrounded by the mountains. We trace our way between numerous floating houses and small rowing boats that serve the everyday life as vehicle, itinerant shops, fishing utility, sometimes overnight shelter. Lunch will be served while cruising back to pier. Take a last glance at the rocks, standing still as the eternal guardians of a kingdom. Disembark from the cruise; you have a private transfer from Halong to Ninh Binh. You reach Tam Coc (known as one of the most scenic spot of the region) in the late afternoon.

Overnight: Tam Coc

Day - 5 Tam Coc**TAM COC – CUC PHUONG NATIONAL PARK – TAM COC (B, L)**

After breakfast, we depart from Tam Coc for a quick drive to Cuc Phuong, the oldest National Park in Vietnam. We'll start with a visit the renowned Endangered Primate Rescue Centre to see some of the rarest apes and monkeys in the world and learn about the conservation efforts to save them. After lunch, a quick transfer takes you the park centre with a stop en-route at the Cave of Prehistoric Man. In the afternoon, you'll wander through a subtropical forest, rich in flora and fauna with thousand-year-old trees draped in vines. Back to Tam Coc in the afternoon. Dinner on your own and spend another night in Tam Coc.

Overnight: Tam Coc

Day - 6 Hue

TAM COC – HANOI AIRPORT – HUE (B, L)

In the morning, we embark on traditional rowing sampan on a less travelled canal of the region. It goes through caves and along the border with the natural site of Trang An. Afterwards you hop on bicycles for an easy-paced ride through scenic rural landscapes in Tam Coc. There's time for a visit to Bich Dong pagoda en-route. The site offers a nice climb up to the top building for a breathtaking view of Tam Coc area. The cycling route ends at a local house and enjoy a home-cooked lunch. (If cycling is something you're not keen on, a vehicle transfer for ox-cart ride can be arranged without any surcharge) Late in the afternoon we head back to Hanoi airport for boarding a flight to Hue.

Overnight: Hue

Day - 7 Hue

HUE ANCIENT CITY IN A KID-VERSION (B, L)

After breakfast, the day starts with a mini class of making your own paper kite. You'll be introduced to a kite maker whose family has been practicing this skill for generations. Under his guidance, the pre-prepared bamboo framework soon becomes a beautiful kite after your gluing and shaping. Next stop is Thuy Bieu village. The village is a real maze of narrow alleys giving access to ancient garden houses one more beautiful than the other. But the real treasures of this village are the people, descendants of the Mandarins. Lunch will be served at a local house. In the afternoon, we take a boat trip crossing Perfume River to Thien Mu pagoda, and then a quick transfer to the Imperial citadel – the most well-known of Hue ancient capital. If weather permits, we end the day with kiting your own product at the South Gate of the Citadel.

Overnight: Hue

Day - 8 Hoi An

HUE – DANANG – HOI AN ANCIENT TOWN (B, L)

In the morning, your guide takes you to Hue railway station for boarding a noon train to Danang. This local experience offers an excellent view of Lang Co beach, Hai Van mountain with the city of Da Nang spread out before you to the south. A quick transfer brings you from Danang station to Hoi An. In the afternoon, our guide shows you the Ancient Town and explain its considerable significance in the history of Vietnam.

Overnight: Hoi An

Day - 9 Hoi An

HOI AN PADDLE & CYCLE (B)

After breakfast, we set by bicycle off towards Duy Vinh – the country side of Hoi An. The picturesque cycling route is highlighted with rice fields, local garden and markets. Stop as often as you wish for taking photograph or some easy chat with locals. There's also time for a visit to a local family who are making sleeping mats in the traditional way or a local carving workshops nearby. Meet your water gear and let's explore Cam Thanh coco palm forest in your own way by SUP (stand-up-paddle). The area is a unique mangrove ecosystem to Hoi An and the scenery is spectacular. The Coco palm forest provides the locals with products such as fish, shells and Nipa leaves which are commonly used as a roofing material for local homes. Enjoy a local snack, before you head back to your hotel.

Overnight: Hoi An

Day - 10 Hoi An

HOI AN FREE DAY (B)

The day is free for strolling in the town, lazing on the beach, or whatever takes your fancy.

Overnight: Hoi An

Day - 11 Ho Chi Minh

HOI AN – DANANG – HO CHI MINH (B, D)

Morning/noon flight from Danang to Ho Chi Minh city (so-called Saigon) with private airport transfers. How to better explore Saigon than from the back of a scooter? Even if you're not familiar with riding on a two-wheel machine, this journey will charm you and surely remain as a highlight of your trip in Vietnam. Sit behind your driver, relax and watch the city passing by. This tour will take you on wide avenues and narrow lanes for an alternative sightseeing of Saigon. Get ready for the must-see landmarks while also getting off the crowded tourist trail for a peek at the history, the streets and the sights that most visitors never even hear about or see.

Overnight: Ho Chi Minh

Day - 12 Ho Chi Minh

HO CHI MINH – CU CHI TUNNELS (B, L)

In the morning, you visit the famous Cu Chi tunnels; a Byzantine maze of underground passages, chambers, rooms and booby traps used by both the Vietminh and the Viet Cong to suddenly materialize as if from nowhere, launch a lightning ambush, and vanish equally rapidly. Back to city centre for lunch and afterwards the afternoon is free on your own exploration.

Overnight: Cu Chi

Day - 13 Ho Chi Minh

HO CHI MINH – CAI LAY (B, L)

Following breakfast, we make our way through Saigon traffic. We exit the bustling metropolis and enter the Mekong delta and its rural sceneries. We reach Cai Lay town and visit its market. We discover a colourful array of products, and stop by the fruits area to buy some for our dessert later today. We then hop on a boat and transfer to our cycling playground. It is a narrow lane of about 12 km going along waterways and traditional houses. Many “hellos” on the way, some stops for pictures, at crafting and rice processing workshops; and a visit of a family. Our hosts will offer us local cake and some tea. We take the time to wander around and try catching fishes in the very traditional way, using the “vo ca”. We then get back on the waters of the mighty River and cruise at easy pace along the rice fields and other agricultural scenes. We reach a local home to enjoy a home-made lunch (and the fruits we bought earlier). Follow a digestive stroll around and the visit of carpenters in their workshop. Time to say farewell to our hosts and head back to Saigon.

Overnight: Ho Chi Minh

Day - 14 Ho Chi Minh

SAIGON DEPARTURE (B)

Enjoy the rest of the time on your own, before you head back to the airport for your departure or onward flight.

Inclusions

- 12 nights in your chosen accommodation
- 1 night on boat at Halong Bay
- Domestic flights Hanoi - Hue and Danang - Saigon
- Meal as specified in itinerary (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)
- Activities and excursions according to itinerary
- Tours and excursions in mini buses/buses according to itinerary
- English speaking tour guide
- Admission fees according to itinerary
- Domestic airfare with Vietnam Airlines

Exclusions

- International flights
- Meals other than mentioned in itinerary
- Tours and Excursions other than mentioned in itinerary
- Early check-in and late check-out at hotels
- Personal travel insurance
- Personal expenses and tips for driver/guides

Payment Details:

Group from 6 persons and
more starting from (p.P)

USD 1684

Private tour for 2 persons
starting from (p.P.) USD 2201

Booking Availabilities

Booking in between : **2nd May 2019 & 1st March 2022**

★★★ Star Hotel

Single Supplement	: USD 376.00
Double Room Price(per person)for the 1st + 2nd person	: USD 2201.00
Double Room Price(per person)for the 3rd + 4th person	: USD 2201.00
Double Room Price(per person)for the 5th + 6th person	: USD 1684.00