14 Days Vietnam By Train

14 days 13 nights

<u>Ha Noi</u> - <u>Lao Cai</u> - <u>Ha Noi</u> - <u>Ha Long Bay</u> - <u>Ha Noi</u> - <u>Hue</u> - <u>Da Nang</u> - <u>Hoi An</u> - <u>Khanh Hoa</u> - <u>Ho Chi Minh</u> - <u>Mekong Delta</u> - <u>Ho Chi Minh</u>

Tour code: PH 05

Overview

This 14 days tour takes you from North to South of Viet Nam to see, admire and experience all the beauty the country has to offer. Travel between the major highlights is covered by a domestic train which is possible to maximize your touring days and to reduce the traveling time. Full of joys and excitement are waiting for you.

Day 1: Ha Noi capital

Arrive at NoiBai Airport. Meeting with the guide and transferring to the hotel. Welcome dinner featured a Vietnamese specialty at ThangLong restaurant. Evening is reserved for the Water Puppet Show. Overnight in a hotel.

Meals: D

Day 2: Ha Noi capital > Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum > One Pillar Pagoda > Temple of Literature > Tran Quoc pagoda > Museum of Ethnology

Your tour starts with a visit to HoChiMinh mausoleum, One pillar pagoda. The next stop is Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first college -QuocTuGiam, then roaming around HoanKiem lake Lunch in nice restaurant No 69 at Old House. Afternoon: Visit Ethnology Museum. Free time.

20h30 Transfer to Train Station for night train LC 5 (22h00 - 6h00) to Sapa. Overnight on the train by soft sleeper.

Meals: B,L

Day 3: Sapa > Cat Cat village

AM: 7h30 arrive Lao Cai, take a local bus to Sapa. Free for visiting ethnic market, Sapa town.

PM: Trekking to visit Cat cat village, H'mong people and Cat Cat waterfall lying in a small valley. Overnight at a hotel in Sapa.

Meals: B,L

Day 4: Sa Pa > Ha Noi capital

All day trekking to visit some minority villages. Lao Chai - TaVan. You will meet some different minority people H'mong, Zay, Red Dzao, you can see the different colorful dresses. 17h00 transfer to Lao Cai train station for night train to Hanoi. Overnight on the train.

Meals: B,L

Day 5: Ha Noi capital > Ha Long Bay > Ha Noi capital

5h00 Arrive at Hanoi Train Station. Pick up and have breakfast, 8h00 depart to Halong bay. An hour boat trip gives you a chance to enjoy the breath-taking beauty of Halong Bay - the World's Natural Wonder. Afternoon back in Hanoi. Evening is reserved for the Water Puppet Show. Overnight in Hanoi.

Meals: B,L

Day 6: Ha Noi capital > Hue City

Full day free time for shopping. 18h30 transfer to Hanoi train Station for Train S 1 (19h30 - 9h00) to Hue. Overnight on the train.

Meals: B

Day 7: Hue City > Thien Mu pagoda > Imperial Citadel > Tu Duc tomb

Arrival in Hue around 9:00 AM Pick up then transfer to your hotel in Hue to leave your luggage. Then the driver and guide will take you to the boat landing on the river to make a trip on Perfume river for visiting Thien Mu pagoda. Along the river on a dragon boat you will enjoy the tranquil feeling with two sides of the green banks' river and see the daily life of local people. Next you will be transferred back to Hue city center to visit the Imperial Citadel where the Nguyen Dynasty ruled between 1802 and 1945 with numerous of attractive places to see like Flag Tower, Noon Gate, Nine Dynastic Urns, Nine Holy Cannons, Thai Hoa Palace, and Forbidden Purple City. Thai Hoa Palace. Have a break for lunch at a restaurant.

You will continue to visit the mausoleums of Nguyen's Kings like Tu Duc tomb. Back to hotel. Overnight at hotel in Hue.

Meals: L

Day 8: Hue City > Hai Van pass > Cham Museum > Marble Mountain > Hoi An Ancient Town > Japanese Covered Bridge > TanKy Old house > Phuc Kien pagoda > Hoi An Museum > HoiAn market

Drive to Hoi An, Spend time in LangCo beach enroute, taking photographs from HaiVan Pass (The pass of Sea and Cloud). Visit Cham Art Museum, Marble Mountain in DaNang Arrival in Hoi An: Visit Hoian old town including Japanese Covered Bridge, TanKy Old house, PhucKien Pagoda, Hoian Museum and Market.Night in Hoi An

Meals: B,L

Day 9: Hoi An Ancient Town > Da Nang city > Nha Trang

Am: Transfer from Hoian to Danang Station for a Train SE1 (11h00 -20h00) to NhaTrang. Arrive NhaTrang. Pick up then transfer to your hotel.

Meals: B

Day 10: Nha Trang > Tri Nguyen Aquarium > Mieu Island > Mun Island > Hon Mot island

Start from your hotel to Cau Da port. Tri Nguyen Aquarium on Mieu Island is the first place to visit, many sea species of Nha Trang/Khanh Hoa province make a small ocean world there. Mun Island is the best island for snorkeling where you can see lots of colorful corals and fish. You will also be able to see caves in which the sea swallows make their nest. Then relaxing, swimming & doing water sports or other activities at Mot Island, Tranh Beach Island or on a small island called "Mini beach". Taking a fresh lunch at the island. On the way back you will visit a fishing village before going to the shore. Night in Nha Trang

Meals: B,L

Day 11: Nha Trang > Po Nagar Cham Towers > Long Son pagoda > Dam Market > Ho Chi Minh city

Morning: Free time for swimming at the beach. The 12h00 tour guide picked me up for lunch and a city tour to Po Nagar Cham Tower and LongSon pagoda. Shopping at Dam market then 18h00 Pick up and transfer to train station for Ho Chi Minh City. Overnight on the train.

Meals: B,L

Day 12: Ho Chi Minh city > Post office > Notre-Dame Cathedral > BenThanh Market > Reunification Hall > History museum > Thien Hau Pagoda > Binh Tay Market > ChinaTown

4h30 arrives at the train station. Pick up and transfer to the hotel to relax and have breakfast. 8h30 Explore the city: Town hall, post office, Cathedral, BenThanh Market, Independent Square. Visit: History museum, ThienHau Pagoda, Binh Tay Market, Cholon Chinese district. Overnight at the hotel.

Meals: B,L

Day 13: My Tho town > Mekong Delta > Vinh Trang pagoda > Ho Chi Minh city

8h00 Am: Continuation of your trip to the Mekong River Delta. Stroll on a boat through tiny channels and quiet villages in MyTho. Lunch at a pleasant restaurant inside the garden. Return to SaiGon in the afternoon, on the way to visit VinhTrang Pagoda.. Overnight in HoChiMinh City.

Meals: B,L

Day 14: Ho Chi Minh city

Free until transfer to the airport for departure. The end tour

Meals: B

Tour Cost includes:

- Full transportation by private car or bus as the tour program indicated.

- Meals as indicated in the itinerary(B = breakfast, L = lunch,) at local restaurant
- Train ticket S1 Soft sleeper (Cabin of 4 persons): Hanoi Hue
- Train ticket 2 ways Soft sleeper -first class: Hanoi -Laocai -Hanoi.
- English or French speaking guide
- Blue train ticket Nha Trang Hanoi soft sleeper class
- Private Boat trip in Halong bay, Perfume River, Nhatrang, Tiengiang river in Mytho.
- Twin-share accommodation with daily breakfast; (AC room)

Tour Cost excludes:

- Airport taxes; Visas; travel insurance; tips; personal expenses, emergency transfers