



ESSENTIAL HIGHLIGHTS 10 DAYS 9 NIGHTS

Routing: Ha Noi – Ha Long Bay – Hue – Hoi An – Nha Trang – Ho Chi Minh City – Mekong Delta

Tour Style: Nature, Culture & History Tour

Tour Start: in Ha Noi / **Tour End:** in Ho Chi Minh City

Trip duration: 10 Days 9 Nights

No. of guests: 2 pax

Tour Summary

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10	HO CHI MINH DEPARTURE (B)

Trip Details

DAY 1 : HA NOI CAPITAL (D)

Arrive in HaNoi. Pick up and transfer to the hotel. Welcome dinner featured specialties.
Night in Hanoi.

DAY 2: HANOI CITY TOUR (B,L)

AM: Pick up at your hotel. Then visit the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum to explore the architectural and historical aspects of Uncle Ho’s final resting place. Just next door is Ho Chi Minh’s house on stilts and lying to one side of the Mausoleum is the One Pillar Pagoda which was founded by King Ly Thai To in 1049 - the structure has become an important symbol for the people of Hanoi. We then continue on to the Quan Thanh Temple (Taoist - dating from the Ly Dynasty) and the Buddhist Tran Quoc Pagoda on the West Lake (One of the oldest pagodas in Vietnam). Lunch at a local restaurant.
PM: After lunch, we’ll proceed to visit the Literature Temple and Quoc Tu Giam - Vietnam’s first university, constructed in 1070 - it’s gardens and well-preserved architecture will offer a relaxing glimpse into Vietnam’s past. We will take you past Hoan Kiem Lake to see the peaceful waters and the beauty of Ngoc Son Temple. For the last part of the tour, we’ll journey through Hanoi’s Old Quarter, where you’ll have a chance for shopping and exploration.
Night in Hanoi.

Notes: Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum & Museum close on Monday and Friday mornings.

DAY 3: HA NOI - HA LONG BAY (B,L,D)

08h00 – 08h30 Pick-up at hotel and start the scenic, 3 and ½ hour drive to Halong Bay.
12h30 – 13h00 Embark on V'Spirit Classic Cruise followed by a short cruise briefing.
13h30 – 14h30 Savor a delectable lunch as V'Spirit Classic cruises among the limestone islands.
14h30 – 15h30 Explore the amazing Sung Sot Cave - the most beautiful cave in Halong Bay.
15h30 – 16h30 Kayak among the hidden areas of the bay, around the Drum Cave area.
16h30 – 17h30 Return to the main boat and continue cruising to the quiet area while enjoy beautiful seascape on the way.
17h30 – 19h00 Enjoy Sunset Party on sundeck and admire the best moments of the day when the sun starts to set.
19h00 Dinner is served. Socialize with other guests, take part in board games, fish for squid, or just laze around.
Overnight on board.

DAY 4: HA LONG BAY - HA NOI - HUE CITY (B,L)

06h30 – 07h30 Start your day with Tai Chi exercises or a photo hunt.
07h30 – 08h30 Have breakfast on board and enjoy the peaceful morning of Halong Bay.
08h30 – 09h30 Cruising to Titov island. Go swimming and relaxing at the beach of Titov or climb up to the top of the island for a panorama view of Halong Bay.
09h30 Return to the boat. Freshen up and check out of your cabin.
09h30 – 10h30 Continue your cruise exploring the Bay, passing Ba Hang fishing village, Dog Islet, and more.
10h30 – 11h30 While heading back to the harbor, watch the fruit carving demonstration and participate in the Cooking Class before enjoying a traditional Vietnamese lunch.
10h30 – 11h30 Disembark V'Spirit Classic.
12h30 – 13h00 Transfer back to Hanoi airport for flight to Hue. Pick up at Hue airport and transfer to the hotel.
Night in Hue.

DAY 5: HUE CITY - LANG CO BEACH - HAI VAN PASS - HOI AN ANCIENT TOWN (B,L)

08h00: Pick you up from the hotel in Hue, then transfer to the pier for a motor dragon boat ride along Perfume river. The first impression is that it is green and peaceful on both sides of the river. First stop at Thien Mu pagoda, the magnificent architecture was found in the 17th century. Transfer back to Hue city to visit the Imperial Citadel, Flag Tower, Noon Gate, Nine Dynasty Urns, Nine Holy Cannons, Thai Hoa Palace. Enjoy lunch at a restaurant for special dishes in Hue. This afternoon you will continue to visit the mausoleums of Nguyen's Kings like Tu Duc tomb. Then leave for Hoi An, Spend time in LangCo beach enroute, taking photographs from HaiVan Pass (The pass of Sea and Cloud).
Night in Hoi An.

DAY 6: HOI AN CITY (B,L)

In the morning, We will arrange a boat trip on the Thu Bon River to visit handicraft villages (Thanh Ha pottery village, Kim Bong carpentry village). Continue to visit Lantern village . Here you will have a brief introduction into the history, shape, and color of the lanterns, as well as the many stages of making them. You can make your own lantern and keep it as a souvenir.

Lunch. Continue half day to explore Hoi An town: the Japanese Covered Bridge-the symbol of Hoian. Step back in time to discover the Chinese street with stunning Phuc Kien Hall and Phung Hung old house typical of Hoi An original architecture. We then visit Hoi An vibrant market and ancient port to explore the rhythm of local daily life and savor the true color, flavor and taste of the oriental. Finally, we visited Phuc Thanh Pagoda – the oldest pagoda in Hoi An built in

1454 with Chinese bronze.
Night in HoiAn.

DAY 7: HOI AN – NHA TRANG (B,L)

Transfer from Hoi An to DaNang airport for flight to NhaTrang, the guide will welcome you and escort you to the hotel. The rest of the day is open for free sea bathing at NhaTrang beach.
Night in Nha Trang.

DAY 8: NHA TRANG – HO CHI MINH CITY (B,L)

Start from your hotel to Cau Da port. Full day boat trip to visit Mun Island, Mot island, fishing village. Lunch on a boat. Sea-bathing on the blue water beach. You can also enjoy diving or snorkeling at the islands (on your account). Then transfer back to the port where your car is waiting to take you to NhaTrang airport for flight to HoChiMinh city. Pick up at TanSonNhat airport then transfer to your hotel.
Night in Ho Chi Minh City.

Optional: We introduce one-of-a-kind traditional performances which are found nowhere else than in Ho Chi Minh City. *À Ố Show*, phonetically understood as the *Ahhh! Ohhh!* Show has its meaning derived from the words ‘village’ and ‘city’ in Vietnamese. The show is a mix of bamboo cirque, acrobatic acts, contemporary dance and theatrical visual art. Mesmerizing live music, which echoes Southern work songs, scenic lighting design, and unique bamboo creatures make this performance a must-see during anyone’s visit to Ho Chi Minh City.
If you're interested in the show, please contact our travel consultants to book.

DAY 9: HO CHI MINH CITY – MEKONG DELTA (B,L)

08h00: Pick up at your hotel, depart by road for the Mekong Delta and its gateway city of My Tho, located 72 km south west of the city. Board a riverboat for an excursion across the Mekong through islands covered with lush flora and small rural communities. Cruise to Thoi Son Island where you will have the opportunity to visit a local house and taste some of the fruits that are grown locally in the orchards. Parkway in orchards, tasting tropical fruits. Lunch is at a local restaurant where you will have the chance to sample a local specialty: ‘elephant ear’ fish. Back to harbor .
Night in Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 10: HO CHI MINH DEPARTURE (B)

Free time until transfer from the hotel to the airport for your flight out of Vietnam.

LIST OF HOTELS USE

City	Hotel / Train / Boat		
	3 Stars Hotel	4 Stars Hotel	5 Stars
HA NOI	HANOI BABYLON GRAND HOTEL & SPA	THE Q HOTEL	PERIDOT GRAND HOTEL
HA LONG BAY	SYRENA CRUISE	SENA CRUISE	LE THEATER CRUISE
HUE	ROSALEEN BOUTIQUE HOTEL	ELDORA HOTEL	SENNA HOTEL



HOI AN	HOI AN GOLDEN HOLIDAY HOTEL & SPA	HOI AN RIVER BEACH RESORT & RESIDENCE	BLISS HOI AN BEACH RESORT & WELLNESS
NHA TRANG	DECEMBER HOTEL	NOVOTEL NHA TRANG HOTEL	SHERATON NHA TRANG HOTEL & SPA
SAI GON	BLUE DIAMOND HOTEL	EDEN STAR SAIGON	MAJESTIC SAIGON

INCLUSIVE

- 9 nights accommodation in a twin sharing room.
- Daily breakfast at the hotel.
- Half board meal as indicated (L = lunch) at the local restaurant. Vietnamese food. Boat trip in Halong bay, Hue and Nha Trang
- Domestic and airport tax for flights from Hanoi - Hue, Danang to Nha Trang, Nha Trang to Saigon by Vietnam Airlines (VN).
- Transfer and tour by private air conditioning car with Professional English or French Speaking
- Entrance fees and permits during guided excursions

EXCLUSIVE

- All insurance & International airport tax.
- Other tours & meals than mentioned in the program.
- Expenditure of a personal nature, such as drinks, souvenirs, laundry and gratuity etc.