



Best of Vietnam & Cambodia



OverViews

The tour is designed for those who would like to discover the real exoticism; try new foods and dishes that you cannot imagine; feel new experiences and sensations. This itinerary is a harmonious blend of unique historical legacies in Hue, old and modern comparison in Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh, picturesque landscape in Mekong Delta, Furthermore it is designed to feature the very best of Cambodia in one comprehensive journey.

Duration: 17 days

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Highlights

- Explore the **Mekong Delta** culture & together with the farmer's family and their kids, jump into a small mud pond and learn how to **catch fish by hands**.
- Visit of Hoi An, the considerable commercial town for both Chinese and Japanese merchants back in the 17th-18th century
- Observe the unique way of trading at floating market where barges loaded with fruits and vegetables gather for the early morning trade
- Spend the night on an iconic junk-style boat that cruise between the limestone peaks of **Halong Bay** while feasting on sumptuous meals on board.

Full Itinerary

Day 1. Saigon arrival (no Meal)

Welcome at the airport and transfer to check-in hotel and free. O/n in Saigon.

Day 2. Cu Chi tunnel & Saigon city tour (B; L)

Breakfast at hotel then morning trip Visit to Cu Chi's amazing tunnel system built by Communist guerillas during the Vietnam War. Upon arrival, watch a documentary film. Learn more about the handmade weapon and traps. Discover an underground city. Taste streamed tapioca and hot tea. Visit rice paper workshop. Try shooting AK47, M16, M60, M30. Back to Saigon for lunch. Continue to visit Afternoon taking ½ day city tour to discover the highlights of Ho Chi Minh City. Start with a visit to the Reunification Palace, the former political office of the President of South Vietnam. Learn about the power struggle between Vietnam's North and South regions and see a collection of antiques, relics, and replicas from the Vietnam War. Continue to the picturesque French Quarter and view ancient buildings influenced by French architectural design. While you're there, marvel at the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral, built in the 18th century, as well as the Old Central Post Office. Then walk up to the majestic City Hall building, situated in the heart of Ho Chi Minh City, before continuing to the lively Binh Tay Market. You have time to stroll around and wonder at the selection of local products available before returning to hotel. O/n in Saigon.

Day 3. Saigon – My Tho – Ben Tre – Can Tho (L)

Breakfast at hotel then departure to My Tho and cruise boat on the Mekong River with visits to a fishing village, where we pass the 4 islands (Dragon, Unicorn, Tortoise and Phoenix). Cross the Mekong River to walk through a small canal, called Vam Xep where we can observe the daily life of the inhabitants of the province of Ben Tre, visit the An Quoi tourist area for a bee farm and craft workshop, We enjoy a cup of tea with honey and see how coconut wood work. Lunch and horse-drawn carriage to visit the orchards, where we will enjoy the tropical fruit in season and listen to traditional music by the townspeople. Later, we climb to a sampan and sail through the canals to return to the ship, we continue by boat to Ben Tre. Then transfer to Can Tho. Arrival Can Tho in early evening. Free and O/n in Can Tho city.

Day 4. Can Tho - Cai Rang Floating market -Saigon- Fly to Hue (B , L)

This morning, very early, a boat-ride visit to the extraordinary river market of Cai Rang. Famous as one of the largest on the complex of water-ways that comprise the Mekong Delta, this market provides exotic fruits and vegetables for a vast market. The boat tour will be capped off with a visit to My Khanh Village, a genuine, working Delta village that is typical of the region, walk a bit on a quiet country road. Lunch then back to Saigon airport for flight to Hue. Pick up and transfer to hotel. O/n in Hue .

Day 5. Hue city tour (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel. Today we will enjoy the city tour of Hue, the former imperial capital of Vietnam. Start by doing a **boat trip** on the romantically named Perfume River visits Hue's best-known religious sites, **Thien Mu Pagoda**. Then continue to discover **Imperial Citadel** from where the Nguyen sDynasty ruled between 1802 and 1945 including Flag Tower, Noon Gate, Nine Dynastic Urns, Nine Holy Cannons, Thai Hoa Palace, and Forbidden Purple City. Lunch at local restaurant. The afternoon continues with a visit to the elaborate tombs of emperors **Tu Duc & Khai Dinh**. This guided tour gives you a deep understanding about King's philosophy of geomancy and how this affected royal life. Back to hotel at around 5h pm. O/n in Hue

Day 6. Hue – My Son – Hoi An (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel then it will be time to begin our transfer southward to Hoi An (about 3.5 hours). There is fabulous sightseeing en route and we may make stops at: **Lang Co Beach, Hai Van Pass, Cham Museum**, and maybe the Marble Mountains Lunch on the way. Then drive to **My Son**, a World Heritage, 50 km southwest of Hoi An. Located in a lush valley, My Son was a capital and religious center of Cham people, now remaining with red brick towers and sanctuaries. My Son, considered to be in the same league as some of Southeast Asia's greatest archaeological sites, including Angkor in Cambodia, Bagan in Myanmar, Ayutthaya in Thailand and Borobudur in Indonesia. These towers and sanctuaries was built from the 7 to 13 centuries. Return to Hoi An Town in evening to check in hotel and O/n in Hoi An

Day 7. Hoi An – Cu Lao Cham island group tour (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel and at 8.30: Transfer bus from hotel to **Cua Dai quay**

- 9.00 – 9.25: Relax in fresh cool wind & enjoy the beautiful landscape on the speed boat to Cham Island
- 9.25 – 10.10: Visit **Bai Lang**, including **Au Thuyen, Tay Tang** pagoda and **Bai Lang** fishing village
- 10.10-11.10: Transfer to **Bai Xep** for snorkeling
- 11.10-14.00: Go to **Bai Chong** to relax, swim, sunbath and enjoy a special lunch with fresh seafood
- 14.00: Return to the mainland back to town.

O/n in Hoi An

Day 8. Hoi An free (B)

Breakfast at hotel then enjoy free day at leisure on beach or your own shopping time.

O/n in Hoi An .

Day 9. Hoi An – Da Nang fly to Hanoi (B)

Breakfast at hotel then take the morning flight to Hanoi. Upon arrival Hanoi, pick up and transfer to hotel for check in. Free till 14h30 to join the Cooking class. O/n in Hanoi

Day 10. Hanoi – Halong Bay (L,D)

Breakfast at hotel and got pick up to take a journey east for about 3.5hours to Vietnam's greatest natural wonder, Halong Bay. Arrival at around 12:00 we'll board a nice junk and set sails. From the comfort of our very own 100-foot private sampan, we'll spend the day exploring this incredible setting and discovering the many islands and inlets found in the bay made famous in the film Indochine. You can challenge yourself with kayaking and swimming. Vietnamese seafood lunch and dinner included. O/n on Cruise.

Day 11. Halong Bay – Hanoi (B,L)

Wake up to fresh coffee and a wholesome breakfast before cruising back to Halong City. En route the junk weaves through strange-shaped rock formations that invite comparisons from fighting cocks to dragons and even further...! After brunch on board disembark and return to Hanoi. O/n in Hanoi

Day 12. Hanoi City Tour (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel today we enjoy a full Hanoi day tour to historical sites such as: Ho Chi Minh Complex: (Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum, the Presidential Palace, House-on-Stilts, Ho Chi Minh Museum. Temple of Literature. Lunch then visit Museum of Ethnology, Ngoc Son Temple and Hoan Kiem Lake. 1hour on Cyclo through the Old Quarter. Joining water puppet show O/n in Hanoi

Day 13. Hoa Lu - Trang An – Hanoi (B, L)

Taking two hours driving to Ninh Binh, visit Hoa Lu Temples and continue to Trang An for sampan trip in the area so-called "Ha Long Bay in land". Late lunch and back to Hanoi. O/n in Hanoi.

Day 14. Hanoi – Siemreap(B)

Breakfast at hotel then Free until transfer to airport. Pick up and transfer to hotel in Siem Reap. O/n in Siem Reap.

Day 15. Angkor Thom – Angkor Wat(B, L)

Breakfast at hotel then take whole day to Explore **Angkor Thom (Bayon, Baphoun, Phimeanakas, the Royal Palace, the Elephant Terraces and the Leper King Terrace)**. lunch at local restaurant. Then visit to **Angkor Wat and Phnom Bakheng**. O/n in Siem Reap

Day 16. BanteaySrei& Grand Circuit (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel and today we visit **BanteaySrei, BanteaySamre and BanteyKdei, the Lake of SrahSrang**, Lunch at local restaurant then continue to **Ta Prohm Temple, Ta Keo, Chau Say Tevada and Thommanon** temples. O/n in Siem Reap

Day 17. Siemreap - Departure(B)

Breakfast at hotel and whole morning is free till got pick up and transfer to airport for departure flight. End of services.

Inclusions

- Air-conditioned transportation by private vehicle
- Accommodation based on twin share
- Sight-seeing & Entrance fees
- English speaking guide/ Meals as specified
- Domestic flight tickets Sai Gon – Hue, Danang – Hanoi
- *Note B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner*

Exclusions

- Any international air tickets and Hanoi- Siem Reap
- Visa arrangement

- Travel Insurance
- Drinks and Personal expenses

Price with accommodation

Group Size	Hotel 3*	Hotel 4*	Hotel 5*
2	\$1550	\$1735	\$2571
3-7	\$1406	\$1596	\$2422
8	\$1150	\$1338	\$2171
Single supplement	\$401	\$586	\$1393

All prices are quoted per Person in US Dollars

Price with accommodation

Location	Hotel 3*	Hotel 4*	Hotel 5*
Hanoi	Super Hotel Hanoi Old Quarter	Thang Long Opera	Apricot Hotel
Halong	OrientalSails Cruiser	Calypso Cruiser	Starlight Cruise
Hue	Romance Hue	Eldora Hotel	Indochine Palace
Hoi An	Atlas Hoi An	Hoi An Silk Marina Resort & Spa	Palm Garden Resort
Sai Gon	Asian Ruby Select	Edenstar	The Myst Dong Khoi
Can Th?	West Hotel	Muong Thanh Luxury	Victoria Can Tho Resort
Siem Reap	The Clay D'angkor Resort	Empress Angkor Hotel	Angkor Palace Resort

Price with accommodation

Group Size	Price
2	\$949
3-7	\$805
>=8	\$549

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