

Culture, Cuisine, and Coastlines

Vietnam



9 days in Hanoi, Ha Long Bay, Danang & Phu Quoc

Destinations Covered	No of Nights
Hanoi	2 Nights
Ha Long Bay	1 Night
Danang	3 Night
Phu Quoc	2 Nights

DAY 1: LANDING IN HANOI – EARLY CHECK IN – CITY TOUR

Welcome to the eclectic city of Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam. You are met at the airport by your private transfer and taken to your accommodations located within the center of the city. The variance of the city is felt within its streets. The sound of bustling motorbikes brings a sense of the modern world to the traditional neighbourhoods where the whirl of bicycles and jovial conversation in small restaurants are also heard.

Upon arrival, get an early check-in.

Breakfast is served from **6:30-9:30** in the hotel restaurant.

12:30 Our guide and driver will see you in the hotel lobby. You take a short drive to the outskirts of Hanoi to visit the fascinating Museum of Ethnology.

14:00 Enjoy lunch in an Indian Vegetarian Restaurant.

15:00 you will continue exploring many ancient architectures, delectable cuisine, and picturesque natural landscapes: The first attraction is Ba Dinh Square, where Uncle Ho read the Declaration of Independence, declaring the birth of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. To learn more about Vietnam's history, you will visit some of the architecture in this area, such as Uncle Ho's stilt house, and the one-pillar pagoda. Move to the West Lake, visit Tran Quoc – the oldest pagoda in Hanoi. Hanoi train street: Nestled in Hanoi's Old Quarter, this narrow alley attracts travellers hoping to snap a picture on the active train track, and even catch a train whizz by! This alley is a residential area—many locals have converted their houses into quaint little cafes where you can sip on traditional egg coffee while waiting for the train to pass by—which happens a handful of times throughout the day. Be careful though, as the street can get busy.

17:00 Embark on a fun cyclo to end up the full-day tour. The riding is a chance to explore 36 streets in Hanoi's Old Quarter. While sitting swaying on a Cyclo, you can enjoy the cool air, admire the Old French-style villas, observe people's activities, listen to the sounds of vehicles... all create a unique experience in the journey to discover Vietnam.

18:00 Back to the hotel for a short break.

20:00 Our guide will see you in the hotel lobby and go out for dinner.

DAY 2: HANOI – NINH BINH: HOA LU – TAM COC

8:30 Meet your guide and driver, ready to depart for Ninh Binh, which has the best Karst scenery in Southeast Asia.

10:00 After 2 hours, you will arrive at Hoa Lu – Vietnam's ancient capital. You will start your journey by visiting King Dinh's and King Le's temples.

11:30 you visit the famous Tam Coc, the main attraction in the area, where the river flows through three caves, with deep gorges between them. You can take a scenic boat ride along the peaceful Ngo Dong River, passing by rice paddies and limestone karst formations.

13:30 Enjoy lunch in a local Indian Restaurant.

14:30 Ashore, you continue your exciting journey with a relaxing bike ride. The small and flat road is suitable for both seniors and children. A 30-minute bike ride is an opportunity for you to take a closer look at the rice fields, the scene of farmers working with their buffalo in the fields, and the peaceful scenery of the Northern countryside. Stop in front of Bich Dong Pagoda's gate for a group photo.

15:30 It is time to say goodbye to Ninh Binh. You are on the way to transfer back to Hanoi.

18:00 Check in at the hotel and spend the remainder of the day relaxing.

20:00 It is time for dinner.

DAY 3: DRIVE TO HALONG – KAYAK, SUNSET PARTY & OVERNIGHT ONBOARD

8:30 Saying goodbye to Hanoi, you drive through the rich farmlands of the Red River Delta to the legendary Halong Bay. It takes you 3 hours, including a 20-minute stop.

11:30-12:00 Check in at Ambassador's Lounge (1st Floor, Terminal – Halong International Cruise Port, Bai Chay Ward, Halong City).

12:00 – 12:30 Passengers are transferred to Ambassador Cruise and a short welcoming briefing will be held at the Piano Lounge or at the restaurant, whilst you are sipping our special welcome drink.

12:45 – 14:00 Savour a buffet lunch whilst enjoying the majestic views of the World Natural Wonder, Halong Bay limestone islets.

14:30 – 15:30 Your first excursion is a visit to Luon Cave – one of the most unique caves in Halong Bay featuring the self-contained lake inside a closed arch-shaped mountain, where you can experience sitting on a bamboo boat rowed by a local or Kayaking.

16:00 – 17:00 Visit Titov Island – a splendid destination encompassing a crescent moon-shaped beach, where you can immerse yourself in the turquoise water and climb to the top of the Island beholding the breathtaking 360o view of the bay.

15:45 – 16:30 For guests who are not participating in any excursions, we will serve home-made cakes at the Piano Lounge. Guests can also stay onboard and opt for an afternoon of pampering at Atelier de Beauté Spa* or immersing yourself in the outdoor Jacuzzi pool.

17:30 – 18:30 At sundown, Ambassador Cruise will anchor overnight. This is the perfect time for you to enjoy cooking class or Happy Hour* and Canapes at the Piano Lounge or on the Sundeck (depends on weather conditions) and live music at the Piano Lounge before dinner and guaranteed to whet the appetite.

19:00 Savour a delicious dinner with Chef's special menu at the restaurant. (Dress code: formal/semi formal/smart casual) After dinner, indulge in drinks and enjoy live music from Midnight Buzz Band at the Piano Lounge from

20:30 – 22:30 (except Tuesday), squid fishing, a spa treatment at Atelier de Beauté Spa, or movies at your cabin.

DAY 4: SUNRISE & CAVE - RETURN TO HANOI – FLY TO DA NANG

7:00 Start your day with a Tai Chi session on the sundeck or at the Piano Lounge (depends on weather conditions).
7:00 – 7:30 Enjoy light breakfast with coffee, tea, and freshly baked pastries at the Piano Lounge.
7:30 – 8:20 Explore Sung Sot Cave – the largest and most magnificent cave in the bay featuring marvellous and mysterious thousand-year-old stalactites in a variety of unique forms.
8:30 – 9:30 Full breakfast is served at the restaurant.
9:30 – 9:45 Bill settlement and check-out at the reception at the first deck.
10:15 – 10:30: Disembark at the Halong International Cruise Port. You will join a D-Car to come back to Hanoi.
14:00 Arrive in Hanoi. You will have a little time for lunch. We highly recommend the MAAZI Old Quarter (#57 Duong Thanh Street) and you can easily walk there.
16:30 You will see our private driver in the hotel lobby. He will send you to Noi Bai Airport. In the late afternoon, you will take a flight to Da Nang.
18:40 Flight departs from Hanoi.
20:10 Upon arrival, you are welcomed by our local guide and driver. They will send you to your hotel in Da Nang.

DAY 5: VISIT BA NA HILLS & GOLDEN BRIDGE

9:00 Private car and guide will pick you up at the hotel lobby. Departing Ba Na Hills Tour, this is a destination not to be missed when travelling to Da Nang. The tour guide will issue tickets for the cable car. Then you travel 20 minutes by single-wire cable car system, which won 4-world records. Step out of the cabin you will come to the hottest tourist destination of 2018 – Golden Bridge, famous for its unique and impressive architecture. Next, you will visit Le Jardin D'Amour flower garden, Debay ancient wine cellar, Linh Ung Pagoda with a 27m high statue of Shakyamuni Buddha and experience Mountain Climbing Train Line 1 & 2.
12:30 Enjoy lunch in a buffet restaurant (no Indian food for lunch)
13:30 After lunch, you have free time strolling around the French Village with Gothic castles and breathing in the chilly afternoon air like in Europe. Have fun in Fantasy Park with more than 100 free games or visit the first wax museum in Vietnam with 49 statues of famous people such as Messi, Bruce Lee (Cost at the wax museum is self-sufficient).
15:30 You queue down the cable car. Arrive at the foot of the mountain, you will meet your driver and transfer back to your hotel.
17:00 Arrive at your hotel. Take your time to relax.
20:00 Enjoy lunch in a local Indian Restaurant

DAY 6 - DA NANG – MARBLE MOUNTAIN – CAM THANH – HOI AN

Have breakfast at the hotel.

9:00 the tour guide and driver will pick you up from the city tour. Visit Linh Ung Pagoda, Marble Mountains. Enjoy lunch in an Indian Restaurant before driving to Hoi An.
14:00 We will visit Bay Mau Palm Garden to experience the basket boat ride which is very unique and interesting. Visit Hoi An Ancient Town, the former international trading port to Vietnam from the 16th century. We will explore some famous attractions in the old town of Hoi An such as the Japanese covered bridge; Fujian assembly hall, Tan Ky Old House, Hoi An central market.
18:00 Free time to stroll around the Old Quarter, visit the night market and enjoy lantern street. Dinner is your own account.
21:30 Return to Da Nang to check in at the hotel.

DAY 7 - HOI AN – DA NANG – FLY TO PHU QUOC

9:00 Our driver will see you in the hotel lobby and send you to Da Nang international Airport. Today, you will take a flight to Phu Quoc.

17:00 Upon arrival, you will be welcomed by our private driver. You will be transferred to the hotel where you will spend the last 2 nights in Vietnam.

DAY 8 - PHU QUOC – VINH SAFARI – VINWONDERS – GRAND WORD

Today, after breakfast our private driver will pick up from the hotel and take you to Vin Safari – Vinpearl Wonders and Grand World. He will just drop you in at the gate of each park. At the gate, you will buy tickets and explore the parks. It takes you a full day.

DAY 9 - PHU QUOC – DEPART FOR HOME

12:00 Our driver will see you in the hotel lobby & send you to Phu Quoc International Airport. Today, you will take a flight back home. End of 9 wonderful days in Vietnam.

THE ABOVE PACKAGE TOUR COST INCLUDES:-

1. 8 nights accommodation
2. Daily breakfast
3. All tours and transfers on PVT basis
4. Professional English Speaking Guide
5. Airport Transfers
6. Excursions as per the program
7. Vietnam Visa

THE ABOVE PACKAGE COST DOES NOT INCLUDE:-

1. Any Airfare
2. Any Kind of Personal Expenses or Optional Tours / Extra Meals Ordered
3. Anything not specifically mentioned under the head "Prices included".
4. The Services of Vehicle is not included on leisure days and; after finishing the sightseeing tour as per the Itinerary
5. Guide fee, Camera fee and; any monument Entrances
6. Medical and; Travel insurance
7. Any changes you may choose to make during your tour
8. Additional costs due to flight cancellation, road blocks etc

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