

Deluxe Vietnam and Thailand: Mountains to the Beach - 14 Days

14 days · Tailor-made itinerary



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Your journey. Your pace. Your experiences.

Hanoi - Halong Bay - Sapa - Ta Van - Ho Chi Minh City - My Tho - day trip -
Bangkok - Phuket

From USD 2,286 per person

Indicative price · international arrival and departure flights excluded

A tour idea we can personalise together.

Your journey at a glance

Destinations: Vietnam · Thailand



- 1 Hanoi
- 2 Halong Bay
- 3 Sapa
- 4 Ta Van
- 5 Ho Chi Minh City
- 6 My Tho - day trip
- 7 Bangkok
- 8 Phuket

— Itinerary - - - Arrival & departure

Connections are schematic. Flights depend on your travel arrangements.

Map data: Natural Earth.

What makes this journey special

- Overnight Halong Bay cruise
- Sapa walks and a Dzay-family homestay
- Bamboo forest in Hoang Lien National Park
- Sampan and bicycle outings in the Mekong Delta
- Bangkok's Grand Palace and temples
- Free days on Phuket

DAY 1**Welcome to Vietnam — arrival in Hanoi**

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Your journey begins on arrival in Hanoi. Your private driver will meet you at the airport with a sign bearing your name and take you to your accommodation in the city centre, close to the Old Quarter. Explore at your own pace or relax at your hotel after the flight.

Overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 2**Halong Bay — shared cruise and bus (B/L/D)**

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Check out in the morning and meet your cruise transfer team. Travel through the Red River Delta, passing green rice fields along the way.

Board at the pier and take in the limestone cliffs and caves. A seafood lunch is served, followed by time to enjoy the bay from the sundeck.

The boat stops in a quiet spot for kayaking or swimming, giving you a closer view of the limestone scenery. Return to the ship in the early evening for dinner, followed by time to join on-board activities or relax.

Overnight on board.

DAY 3**Sunrise on Halong Bay and return to Hanoi
(B/Brunch)**

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Rise early to watch the sunrise over the bay. Breakfast is served in the dining room, and a tai chi session on the sundeck offers a gentle start to the day.

Visit a limestone cave filled with stalagmites and stalactites, then return to the boat, check out and enjoy brunch as you sail back to the harbour. Transfer to your accommodation in Hanoi afterwards.

Overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 4**Hanoi to Sapa (B)**

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After an early breakfast, check out and travel with your private driver to Sapa, a journey of around six hours. On arrival, transfer to your accommodation. The rest of the day is free to explore this mountain town.

Overnight in Sapa.

DAY 5**Y Linh Ho, Lao Chai and Ta Van — group walk (B/L/D)**

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After breakfast, meet your guide at around 9:30 am for a walk of approximately 12 km. Visit the Hmong villages of Y Linh Ho and Lao Chai, enjoying rice terraces and mountain views along the way. Stop for lunch near the river in Lao Chai.

Continue walking to Ta Van, a Dzay village. Stay overnight with a local Dzay family and learn about their daily life and traditions.

Please bring only a small bag with clothes and essentials for the walk and homestay night. Your remaining luggage can be stored at your hotel's reception in Sapa. You will return there to collect it the next day before travelling back to Hanoi.

DAY 6**Ta Van, Giang Ta Chai, Su Pan and Sapa; return to Hanoi — group tour (B/L)**

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After breakfast, walk towards the Red Dao village of Giang Ta Chai. Your route passes through bamboo forest in Hoang Lien National Park, with a waterfall and a rattan bridge where you can rest and enjoy the surroundings. Stop for lunch in a scenic spot.

Continue to Su Pan, a small village beside the road. From there, return to Sapa by car and travel onwards to Hanoi by limousine bus.

Overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 7**Fly from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City (B)**

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Enjoy your remaining time in Hanoi before your private driver takes you to the airport for the flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Meet your driver at Tan Son Nhat Airport and transfer to your city-centre accommodation. The rest of the day is free.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 8**Mekong Delta — group tour (B/L)**

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After breakfast, meet your guide in the hotel lobby at around 7:15–7:30 am and travel to My Tho in the Mekong Delta.

Take a sampan past Dragon, Unicorn, Phoenix and Tortoise islands. On Unicorn Island, walk along village paths and through orchards, visit a plantation, sample tropical fruit and listen to folk songs performed by local musicians.

Explore Thoi Son Canal in a hand-rowed sampan. Visit family workshops and a beekeeping farm, and sample honey tea and coconut sweets.

After a Vietnamese lunch, cycle through Tan Thach village and meet local residents. If you prefer not to cycle, relax in a hammock and enjoy the breeze. Transfer back to your accommodation afterwards.

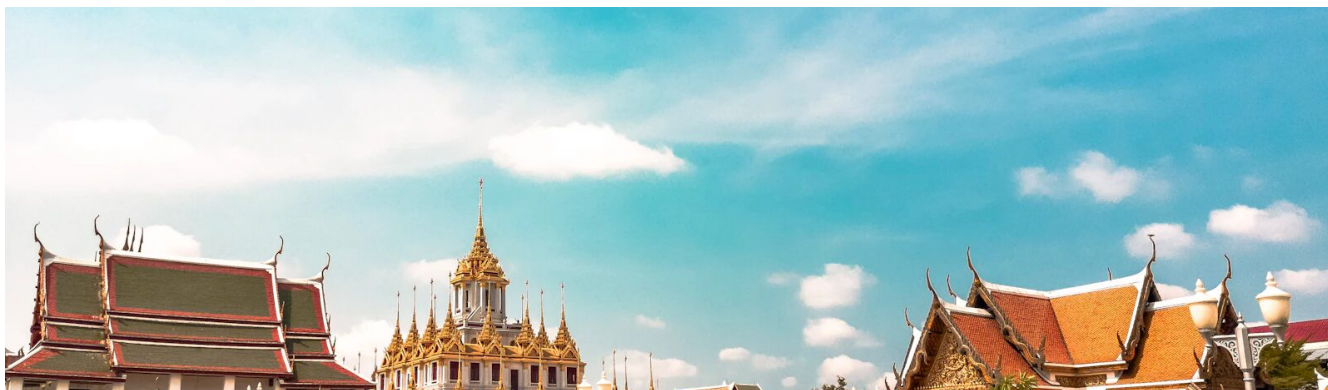
Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 9**Fly from Ho Chi Minh City to Bangkok (B)**

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Enjoy your remaining time in Ho Chi Minh City before your private driver takes you to the airport for the flight to Bangkok. On arrival, meet your driver and transfer to your accommodation in the heart of the city. The rest of the day is free.

Overnight in Bangkok.

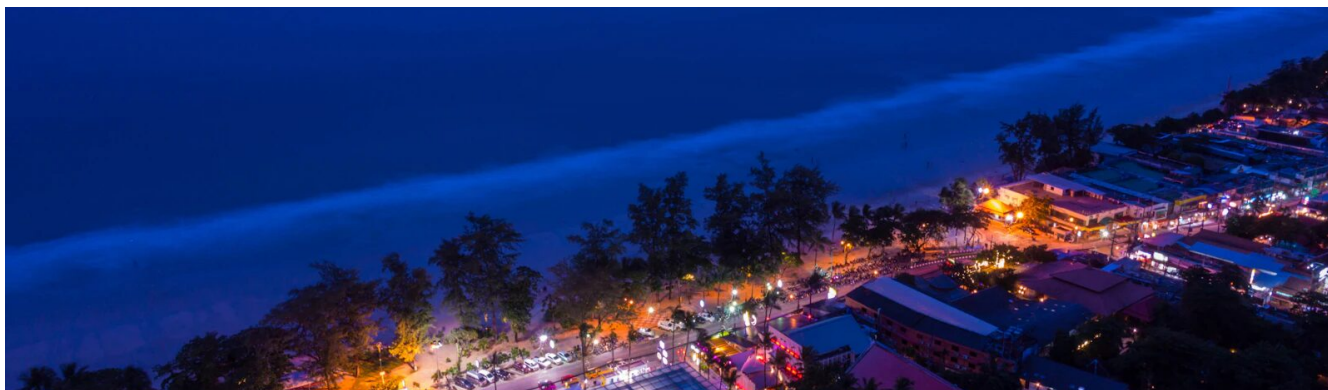
DAY 10**The Grand Palace and Bangkok's temples (B)**

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After breakfast, discover Bangkok's cultural heritage through colourful temples, grand palaces and important Buddha images. At Wat Traimit in Chinatown, see one of the largest solid-gold Buddha statues, weighing around 5.5 tonnes. Continue to Wat Pho and its celebrated Reclining Buddha, around 45 metres long. The complex was also an early centre for traditional Thai massage.

Continue to the Grand Palace, one of the country's most important royal landmarks. Explore halls used for different royal occasions, including coronation and funeral ceremonies, and the royal guesthouse. Visit the highly revered Emerald Buddha.

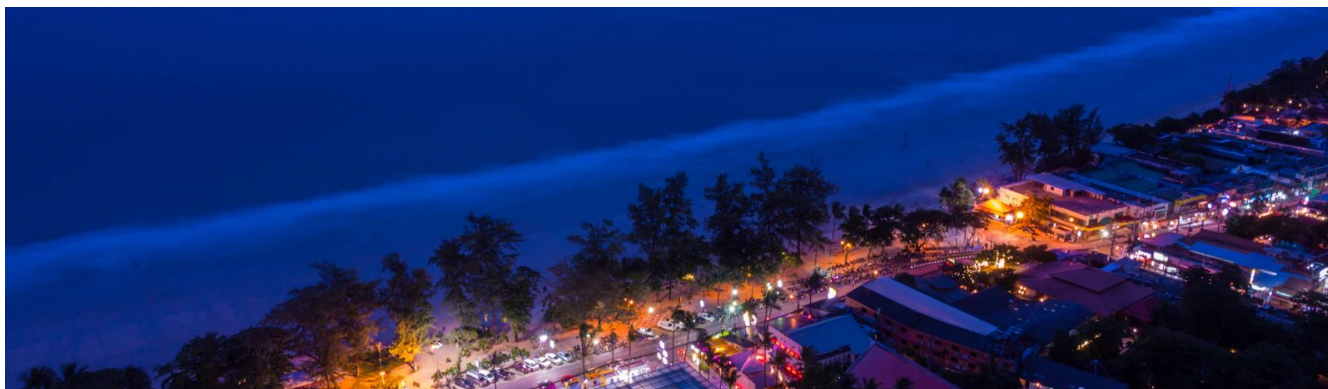
Overnight in Bangkok.

DAY 11**Fly from Bangkok to Phuket (B)**

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Enjoy your remaining time in Bangkok before your private driver takes you to the airport for the flight to Phuket. Meet your driver on arrival and transfer to your accommodation. The rest of the day is free to begin exploring the beaches and island surroundings.

Overnight on Phuket.

DAY 12**Phuket at leisure (B)**

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Discover Phuket at your own pace. The island offers sandy beaches, wooded hills, mountains, limestone cliffs, plains, lagoons and tropical greenery. Explore the coast, walk to a waterfall for a picnic or arrange your own boat trip to nearby islands.

Overnight on Phuket.

DAY 13**Phuket at leisure, with an optional Phi Phi speedboat tour (B)**

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Enjoy a free day, or book the optional shared speedboat excursion to Phi Phi, Maya Bay, Pileh Cove and Bamboo Island, listed at USD 75 per person.

Optional schedule: collection from your hotel lobby at 7:30 am. At 8:30 am, arrive at the marina for snacks, drinks and check-in, and collect your snorkelling equipment and life jacket.

Depart by speedboat at 9 am for Bamboo Island, arriving around 10 am. Enjoy its white sand and turquoise water, with time to swim, snorkel, sunbathe or walk along the shore.

At 12:30 pm, have lunch in a beachfront restaurant on Phi Phi Don, followed by free time on the beach. At around 2 pm, relax and swim in the emerald waters of Pileh Lagoon, then visit Maya Bay, with its fine sand, limestone cliffs and trees.

At 3:30 pm, continue to Monkey Beach and view Viking Cave from outside. Begin the return to Phuket at around 4:15 pm, arriving at the pier at approximately 5:15 pm for your hotel transfer.

Please note: the optional programme may change according to weather and tides.

Overnight on Phuket.

DAY 14**Departure from Phuket (B)**

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Enjoy breakfast on the final day of your Vietnam and Thailand journey. After checking out, you may have time to visit local markets and shop for souvenirs. Later, your private driver will take you to the airport for your flight home.

Your journey comes to an end.

Included services

- Domestic flight from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City with 20 kg of baggage per person.
- Flight from Ho Chi Minh City to Bangkok with 20 kg of baggage per person.
- Domestic flight from Bangkok to Phuket with 20 kg of baggage per person.
- Child airfares follow the airline's conditions at booking. Please contact us for a quote if travelling with more than one child.
- Experienced English-speaking guide. German-, French-, Spanish- or Dutch-speaking guides are available on request for a supplement.
- Meals as listed in the itinerary: B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner.
- Private door-to-door collection and drop-off.
- Return private transfers between Hanoi and Sapa as described.
- Return air-conditioned limousine-bus transfers between Hanoi and Halong Bay.
- Private vehicles for excursions. Activities marked as group experiences in the daily itinerary are shared.
- All sightseeing and admission tickets listed in the itinerary.
- Tissues and drinking water in the vehicle.
- Service charges and government taxes.
- 24/7 assistance through our hotline.

Your personal proposal will set out the included services. Any changes and availability will be confirmed before you book.

Additional costs

- International arrival and departure flights, and departure taxes. The expressly listed flight from Ho Chi Minh City to Bangkok is included.
- Drinks, personal expenses and tips.
- Early check-in and late check-out unless expressly included.
- Compulsory gala dinners on 24 and 31 December, at Tet and at Thai New Year, where applicable. The programme lists 21 January and 13 April for the latter festivals; dates must be confirmed when booking.
- Holiday surcharges at Christmas, New Year, Tet in Vietnam and Thai New Year, where applicable.
- Airport-transfer surcharges between midnight and 5 am.
- Entry visa fees: the programme lists Vietnam at USD 25 per person. Please confirm current requirements and fees before travelling.
- Services not expressly included, including the optional Phi Phi excursion.

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Carefully selected accommodation

Suggested hotels by destination and category. Your personal proposal will confirm room types and availability.

Hanoi

4 stars**Tirant Hotel or similar****5 stars****Apricot Hotel & Spa or similar**

Sapa

4 stars**Amazing Hotel Sapa or similar****5 stars****Silk Path Grand Resort & Spa or similar**

Halong Bay

4 stars**Aquamarine Cruise or similar****5 stars****Doris Cruise or similar**

Ho Chi Minh City

4 stars**Alagon Saigon Hotel & Spa or similar****5 stars****The Myst Dong Khoi or similar**

Bangkok

4 stars**JC Kevin Sathorn Bangkok Hotel or similar****5 stars****The Sukosol Bangkok or similar**

Phuket

4 stars**The Old Phuket Resort or similar****5 stars****Chanalai Romantica Resort or similar**

This programme offers four-star and five-star trip categories; individual hotel ratings may differ. The itinerary includes one night with a Dzay family in Ta Van. Check-in is from 2 pm and check-out is by noon, unless your itinerary specifies otherwise. Final accommodation is confirmed when you book.

These hotels are suggestions, not reservations. If unavailable, a comparable alternative will be offered. Columns show the trip categories; some lodges, homestays and cruises may be the same across categories.

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