VIETNAM TOUR FUN

TAILOR-MADE TRAVEL. PERSONALLY PLANNED.

Vietnam and Thailand — Culture and Coast in 15 Days

15 days · Tailor-made itinerary



Tour photograph · Ho Chi Minh City

Your journey. Your pace. Your experiences.

Hanoi - Ninh Binh – day trip - Halong Bay - Hue - Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City - My Tho – day trip - Phuket - Bangkok

From USD 2,375 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. **Ninh Binh – day trip**
3. **Halong Bay**
4. **Hue**
5. **Hoi An**
6. **Ho Chi Minh City**
7. **My Tho – day trip**
8. **Phuket**
9. **Bangkok**

Itinerary Arrival & departure

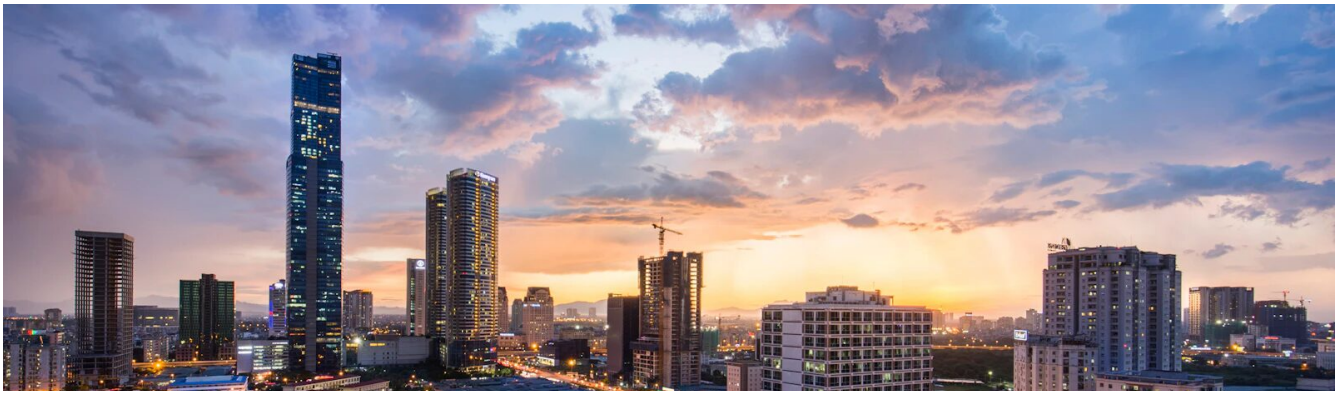
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What makes this journey special

- Hoa Lu and a bamboo boat trip through Tam Coc
- Overnight Halong Bay cruise
- Hai Van Pass and free time in Hoi An
- Cu Chi and the Mekong Delta
- Free beach days in Phuket
- Bangkok’s Grand Palace, Wat Pho and Marble Temple

DAY 1

Welcome to Vietnam: arrive in Hanoi



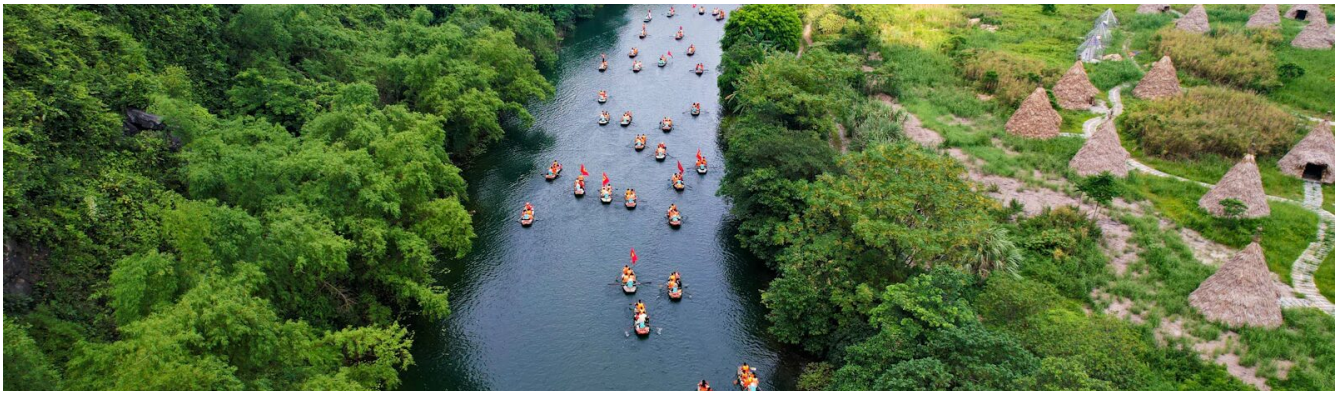
Tour photograph · Hanoi

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

Hoa Lu and Tam Coc — shared tour (B/L)



Tour photograph · Ninh Binh

Your hotel pick-up is between 7:15 and 7:45 am, depending on its location in Hanoi’s Old Quarter. Travel to Ninh Binh, with a 15–20-minute break at around 9:15 am.

At 10:15 am, visit Hoa Lu, Vietnam’s capital from 968 to 1010. Learn about the Dinh, Le and Ly dynasties, then cycle through the village for a closer look at its sights and everyday life.

Have lunch at a local restaurant at noon. At 1:30 pm, take a bamboo boat through Tam Coc for around 1.5 hours. Rice fields, river scenery and limestone caves have earned this landscape the nickname ‘Halong Bay on land’.

Begin the return journey at 3 pm, arriving at your Hanoi hotel between 5:30 and 6 pm.

Overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 3

Hanoi to Halong Bay: shuttle transfer and shared overnight cruise (B/L/D)



Tour photograph · Halong Bay

Discover UNESCO-listed Halong Bay, with limestone scenery, time to relax and the activities included in your cruise programme.

After breakfast, check out and meet the cruise team in your hotel lobby for the journey to Halong Bay. Arrive at the pier around midday and take a transfer boat to your cruise ship. After a welcome and check-in, lunch is served as you sail between the islands.

Depending on the cruise route, afternoon activities may include swimming, kayaking or cave visits, or you can relax on board. Towards evening, the boat anchors in a scenic spot, with time to enjoy the sunset before dinner.

Overnight on board.

Please note: poor weather may lead to a route change or cancellation if boats cannot leave port. Your travel consultant will arrange an alternative.

Meals: breakfast, lunch and dinner.

DAY 4

Halong Bay to Hanoi, then fly to Hue (B/L)



Tour photograph · Hue

Wake to sunrise over Halong Bay. Breakfast is served as the boat makes its way back towards the harbour. Enjoy an early lunch before disembarking.

Travel to Hanoi Airport for your flight to Hue. Your driver meets you on arrival and takes you to your hotel. After check-in, the rest of the day is yours.

Overnight in Hue.

DAY 5

Hue to Hoi An via the Hai Van Pass — driver only (B)



Tour photograph · Hoi An

After breakfast, travel by private vehicle from Hue to Hoi An. The scenic route crosses the Hai Van Pass, with views of the mountains and sea. Check in to your hotel and spend some time exploring your new surroundings.

Overnight in Hoi An.

DAY 6

Free day in Hoi An; optional Ba Na Hills and Golden Bridge (B)



Tour photograph · Hoi An

Explore Hoi An at your own pace, or book the optional full-day trip to Ba Na Hills and the Golden Bridge. The programme lists this at USD 75 per person.

Optional excursion: your guide and minivan collect you from the hotel lobby between 7:30 and 8 am. Ride the cable car to Ba Na Hills, visiting Dream Stream Station and enjoying views over the coastal city of Da Nang.

After the first cable-car ride, visit the striking Golden Bridge. Continue to the nine gardens of Le Jardin d’Amour and Linh Ung Pagoda.

A second cable car takes you to the French Village. Explore its street music, performers, Campanile, Nine-Storey Goddess Shrine, Tombstone Temple, carnival show and Du Dôme Square. A buffet lunch is served at the restaurant.

Take the Lava Train from the Sun Kingdom to attractions including Helios Waterfall, Time Gate and the Moon Kingdom. Fantasy Park offers Fairy Forest, Dinosaur Park, 5D Wild West, 4D Death Race, 3D Mega 360°, an underground journey, Jurassic Park, Freefall Tower and Horror House. The optional programme includes more than 90 games.

Take the cable car down at 3 pm. The minivan returns you to your hotel between 4:45 and 5:45 pm.

Overnight in Hoi An.

DAY 7

Fly from Hoi An to Ho Chi Minh City (B)



Tour photograph · Ho Chi Minh City

You are collected from your hotel lobby and taken to Da Nang Airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Meet your driver on arrival and transfer to your hotel. After check-in, enjoy some free time.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 8

Cu Chi Tunnels — shared morning tour (B)



Tour photograph · Cu Chi

An experienced English-speaking guide accompanies you to the Cu Chi Tunnels outside Ho Chi Minh City, around 1.5 hours away. Explore the history of an extensive underground network that included meeting rooms, kitchens and supply areas and, at its height, stretched towards Cambodia.

The tunnels were difficult to spot from above, and some sections could withstand the weight of tanks passing overhead. Life underground was harsh: alongside the fighting, people faced shortages of food and oxygen, venomous insects and cramped conditions. The visit offers an insight into their endurance during the war.

Afterwards, taste cassava, a staple food for the guerrilla fighters. An optional visit to a nearby shooting range offers the chance to try an AK-47, the weapon listed in the programme as an MK16, or a machine gun, subject to the range’s rules.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 9

Mekong Delta — shared excursion (B/L)



Tour photograph · Mekong Delta

The Mekong Delta supplies Vietnam with rice and fruit and is often called the country’s rice bowl. Mangrove-lined waterways, workshops and orchards offer a glimpse of rural life in southern Vietnam.

After breakfast, meet your driver between 7:30 and 8 am; the exact time will be confirmed the day before. Travel by shuttle bus to My Tho, visit Vinh Trang Pagoda, dating from the late 19th century, then take a sampan ride among the river islands.

On one of the islands, walk through the countryside and orchards, taste tropical fruit and listen to traditional folk music. Continue along Thoi Son Canal to another village, where you visit a coconut-sweet workshop and a bee farm. Enjoy honey tea, sweets and the peaceful surroundings.

After lunch in a local restaurant and a short break, cycle through Tan Thanh village. If you prefer not to cycle, relax in a hammock or take a walk. Return to Ho Chi Minh City, arriving at around 5:30 pm.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

Meals: breakfast and lunch.

DAY 10

Fly from Ho Chi Minh City to Phuket (B)



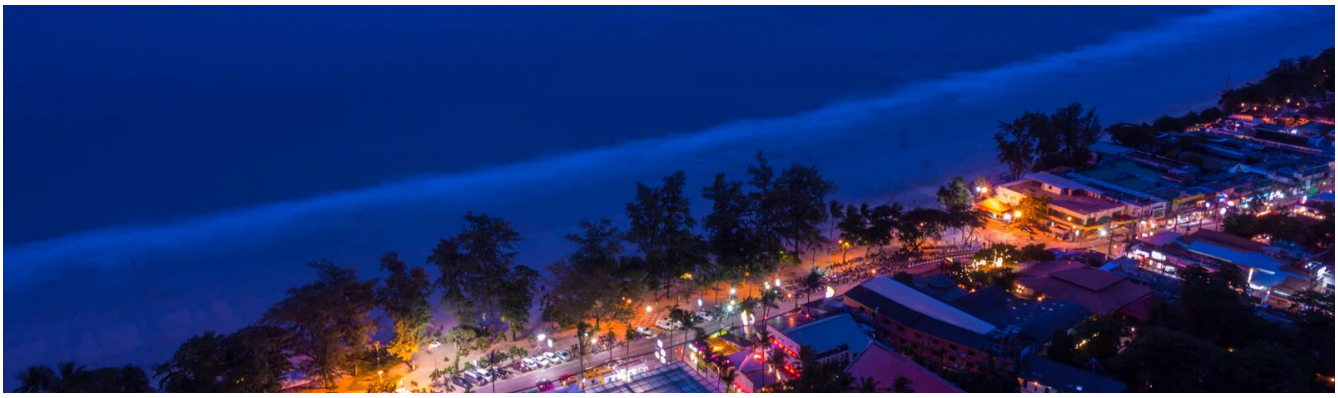
Tour photograph · Phuket

Enjoy your remaining time in Ho Chi Minh City before your private driver takes you to the airport for your flight to Phuket. A driver meets you on arrival and takes you to your accommodation. The rest of the day is free.

Overnight on Phuket.

DAY 11

Free day in Phuket; optional Phi Phi speedboat trip (B)



Tour photograph · Phuket

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 12

Phuket at your own pace (B)



Tour photograph · Phuket

Phuket, on the Andaman coast, offers beaches, nightlife and resorts alongside rainforest and limestone scenery. Spend today exploring the island your way or simply relaxing.

For independent exploring, you might choose a day of sunbathing, swimming or snorkelling, or a cool drink by the beach. Visit the aquarium at Cape Panwa to learn about marine life, or try jungle ziplining at Hanuman World. In the evening, enjoy seafood, browse a night market or have a drink on lively Bangla Road.

Overnight on Phuket.

DAY 13

Fly from Phuket to Bangkok (B)



Tour photograph · Bangkok

Make the most of your remaining time in Phuket before your private airport transfer and flight to Bangkok. On arrival, meet your driver and transfer to your accommodation. The rest of the day is yours.

Overnight in Bangkok.

DAY 14

Bangkok’s temples — private tour (B)



Tour photograph · Bangkok

Meet your guide at the hotel and visit the Grand Palace and Wat Phra Kaew, the Temple of the Emerald Buddha. Photography may be restricted inside the buildings. After exploring the chedis and palace architecture, continue to the Reclining Buddha at Wat Pho, one of Bangkok’s oldest and largest temple complexes, with a history spanning more than 200 years.

Continue to Wat Benchamabophit, the Marble Temple, which combines Italian marble with traditional Thai architecture.

Overnight in Bangkok.

DAY 15

Depart from Bangkok (B)



Tour photograph · Bangkok

Enjoy breakfast on your final day. After check-out, you may have time to visit local markets for souvenirs before your transfer to the airport and flight home.

Your journey comes to an end.

Included services

Accommodation

- Accommodation type and room or cabin depend on the selected travel package.

Flights

- Flights from Hanoi to Hue, Da Nang to Ho Chi Minh City, Ho Chi Minh City to Phuket and Phuket to Bangkok, each with 7 kg of hand baggage and 20 kg of checked 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.

Guide

- Experienced English-speaking guide. German-, French-, Spanish- or Dutch-speaking guides are available on request for a supplement.

Meals

- Meals as listed in the daily itinerary. B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner.

Transport

- Private door-to-door collection and drop-off.
- Return air-conditioned bus transfers between Hanoi and Halong Bay.
- Air-conditioned buses or private vehicles for excursions.

Other included

- All sightseeing and admission tickets listed in the itinerary.
- Tissues and drinking water in the vehicle.
- Service charges and government taxes.

Final inclusions and availability will be confirmed in your personal proposal.

Excluded Services

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- International arrival and departure flights, and departure taxes.
- Drinks, personal expenses and tips.
- Travel insurance.
- Early check-in and late check-out unless expressly included.
- Airport visa-on-arrival fees.
- Airport-transfer surcharges between midnight and 5 am.
- Other services and activities not expressly included, including optional excursions.
- Compulsory gala dinners on 24 and 31 December.
- Any applicable holiday surcharges.

The items above are excluded from the tour price unless specifically stated in your personal proposal.

Carefully selected accommodation

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

Hanoi

3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
San Premium Hotel or similar	Le Jardin Haute Couture or similar	Apricot Hotel or similar

Halong Bay

3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
Le Journey Premium Cruise or similar	Milalux Cruise or similar	Doris Cruise or similar

Hue

3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
Cherish Hue Hotel or similar	Eldora Hotel or similar	Silk Path Grand Hue Hotel & Spa or similar

Hoi An

3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
Hoi An Riverside Villas & Apartments or similar	The Saga Hoi An or similar	Palm Garden Hoi An or similar

Ho Chi Minh City

3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
Queen Ann Hotel or similar	Alagon Saigon Hotel & Spa or similar	The Myst Dong Khoi or similar

Phuket

3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
Kata Sea Breeze Resort or similar	Karon Sea Sands Resort or similar	Avista Hideaway Phuket Patong – MGallery or similar

Bangkok

3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
True Siam Rangnam or similar	JC Kevin Sathorn Bangkok Hotel or similar	The Sukosol Bangkok or similar

Check-in is from 2 pm and check-out is by noon, unless early check-in or late check-out is expressly included in your itinerary. Final hotels are 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.

Turn your idea into your journey.

Discuss your route, pace, accommodation and activities with our local travel team. We will help you shape a trip around your interests, with personal advice in English.



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