

Sustainable Vietnam from South to North - 14 Days

14 days · Tailor-made itinerary



Tour photograph · Hue

Your journey. Your pace. Your experiences.

Ho Chi Minh City - Cu Chi - Vinh Long - Can Tho - Hoi An - Hue - Hanoi - Ba Vi
- Halong Bay

From USD 2,777 per person

Indicative price · international arrival and departure flights excluded

A tour idea we can personalise together.

Your journey at a glance

Destinations: Vietnam



Connections are schematic. Flights depend on your travel arrangements.

Map data: Natural Earth.

What makes this journey special

- Discovering Cai Rang Floating Market
- A cooking class at the Noodle House in Hoi An
- Papermaking at the Zó Project in Hanoi
- Sunset at Hue's Tam Giang Lagoon

DAY 1**Arrival in Ho Chi Minh City**

Tour photograph · Ho Chi Minh City

Xin chào! Welcome to Vietnam. Your driver will meet you at the airport and take you to your hotel in a private vehicle. After checking in, take some time to rest after your journey.

If you feel like exploring, stroll through the lively streets and discover the city's historic character, distinctive architecture and wide variety of shops.

Enjoy your first day at your own pace before returning to your hotel for the night.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 2**Cu Chi Tunnels and a half-day city tour (B/L)**

Tour photograph · Cu Chi

Travel approximately two hours northwest of Ho Chi Minh City to the famous Cu Chi Tunnels.

After lunch at a local restaurant, return to the city to continue exploring.

Visit a hidden weapons store, then walk through little-known lanes.

Continue through a local market, meet a craftsperson who carves intricate souvenirs and take a break in a café.

The city programme also features a tucked-away restaurant reached by a vintage lift.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

Suggested start: 8:00 am

DAY 3**Cai Be, An Binh Island and Vinh Long to Can Tho (B/L)**

Tour photograph · Can Tho

Arrive at the pier and begin your boat trip with a visit to the floating market. Change to a rowing boat to explore smaller canals leading further into the countryside.

Continue to An Binh Island and follow the waterways to Ut Trinh Homestay for lunch.

Afterwards, walk through the orchards and enjoy a cup of tea while listening to traditional Vietnamese music.

Finish with a visit to a brick workshop. Your boat trip ends in Vinh Long, where you continue by road to Can Tho.

Overnight in Can Tho.

Suggested departure: 8:00 am · Excursion duration: approximately 8.5 hours

DAY 4**Cai Rang Floating Market and return to Ho Chi Minh City (B/L)**

Tour photograph · Can Tho

Rise early and board a local boat to explore the well-known Cai Rang Floating Market.

After visiting the market, enjoy the gentle journey back to your hotel and freshen up before returning to Ho Chi Minh City. Stop for lunch at a local restaurant along the way.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

Suggested departure: 6:00 am · Morning excursion: approximately 3 hours

Lunch: 11:30 am · Estimated arrival in Ho Chi Minh City: 4:00 pm

DAY 5**Fly to Da Nang and continue to Hoi An (B)**

Tour photograph · Hoi An

Your driver will collect you for the transfer to the airport and your flight to Da Nang, the gateway to Hoi An.

Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight in Hoi An.

DAY 6**Hoi An walking tour and a Noodle House cooking class (B/L)**

Tour photograph · Hoi An

After breakfast at your hotel, set off to explore Hoi An.

Walk through the lanes and discover historic merchants' houses, the Japanese Covered Bridge, the Chaozhou Assembly Hall and the colourful market.

Join a cooking class at Noodle House Hoi An, where you will learn to prepare traditional dishes from Central Vietnam.

After the class, enjoy the dishes you have made for lunch.

Overnight in Hoi An.

Suggested departure: 8:00 am · Duration: approximately 6 hours

DAY 7**Cycle through Cam Thanh and visit Thanh Dong Organic Farm (B/L)**

Tour photograph · Hoi An

Travel by electric vehicle to Vong Nhi village, where you will collect your bicycle for a ride of approximately 6 km through the countryside.

At Thanh Dong Organic Farm, walk through the vegetable fields and take part in farming activities.

After your time in the garden, take a basket boat to The Field Restaurant.

Join a short cooking class, then enjoy a traditional family-style lunch before returning to your hotel.

Overnight in Hoi An.

Suggested departure: 8:00 am or 3:00 pm

DAY 8**Hoi An to Hue, the Imperial Citadel and Thien Mu Pagoda (B/L)**

Tour photograph · Hue

Travel to Hue and enjoy lunch at a local restaurant on arrival. Take a short cyclo ride as part of your visit to the Imperial Citadel.

Continue to Thien Mu Pagoda, one of Hue's best-known religious landmarks. Established in 1601, the pagoda occupies a hill overlooking the Perfume River and is recognised by its seven-storey tower. Return to your hotel after the visit.

Overnight in Hue.

Suggested departure: 9:00 am

DAY 9**Cycle through Hue's countryside and visit Tam Giang Lagoon (B/D)**

Tour photograph · Hue

Cycle to Thuy Bieu village, known for its gently sweet thanh tra pomelo, a citrus fruit related to grapefruit.

Continue past family shrines, orchards and bamboo gardens to a small workshop making handmade agarwood necklaces.

Visit a silk-painting workshop next.

At 2:00 pm, set out for an afternoon excursion to Tam Giang Lagoon, planned to include sunset.

Finish with a visit to a local restaurant.

Overnight in Hue.

DAY 10**Fly to Hanoi, make paper with Zó Project and explore the Old Quarter (B)**

Tour photograph · Hanoi

Transfer to Phu Bai Airport for your flight to Hanoi. Your guide will meet you on arrival and take you to the Zó Project centre.

Zó Project works to preserve and develop traditional Vietnamese papermaking through a social-enterprise approach.

The workshop introduces the materials and production process, with an opportunity to create and decorate your own paper.

Continue to the Old Quarter and explore this historic neighbourhood by electric vehicle.

Overnight in Hanoi.

Suggested start for the afternoon programme: 2:00 pm · Duration: approximately 3 hours

DAY 11**A day in the life of Hanoi (B/L)**

Tour photograph · Hanoi

Your guide will introduce you to the “standing newspaper” and explain its historical significance. Take in the city's bustle from a local café, then visit Gioi Market for a glimpse of this busy trading neighbourhood. Walk beside the railway, where the houses stand close to the tracks, towards Phung Hung Street. After a stop at Long Bien Bridge, explore a river island with fruit gardens. Return by train alongside local passengers, then continue to your hotel.

Overnight in Hanoi.

Suggested start: 8:00 am · Duration: approximately 5 hours

Please note: This programme is not available during the Tet holiday.

DAY 12**A rural day in Ba Vi (B/L)**

Tour photograph · Ba Vi

West of Hanoi, the mountainous Ba Vi region offers natural scenery and welcoming local hosts. After breakfast, travel to Ba Vi National Park and Ri village. Meet Mr Duoc, a tea farmer and war veteran, and hear stories from his past. Help pick tea on his plantation and learn about traditional tea production. Continue to Moc village for a cooking class and enjoy the lunch you have prepared. Explore the village, ride through rice fields and relax with an herbal foot bath before returning to your hotel.

Overnight in Hanoi.

Suggested departure: 8:00 am

DAY 13**Hanoi to Halong Bay (B/L/D)**

Tour photograph · Halong Bay

After breakfast, travel to Halong Bay, one of Vietnam's best-known natural landscapes. The drive takes around three hours, with a short break along the way. Arrive at the pier in Halong City and board your vessel. Enjoy lunch while cruising through the bay. Depending on the route, afternoon activities may include sightseeing, kayaking or relaxing on board. In the evening, the boat anchors among the limestone formations and dinner is served. Afterwards, you can visit the bar or try karaoke at your own expense.

Overnight on board.

DAY 14**Halong Bay to Hanoi and departure (B/Br)**

Tour photograph · Hanoi

Wake to sunrise over Halong Bay. Breakfast, or brunch on some vessels, is served as the boat makes its way back to the harbour.

After disembarking, transfer to Hanoi Airport for your onward flight.

Your journey ends here.

Included services

- Private tour following the itinerary described.
- Pick-up service and transfers as described in the itinerary.
- Domestic flights according to the itinerary: Ho Chi Minh City – Da Nang; Hue – Hanoi.
- Accommodation and room or cabin category according to your selected proposal.
- Meals as specified in the itinerary (F = breakfast, M = lunch, A = dinner).
- Guiding for the guided sightseeing specified in the itinerary; German-speaking guides available on request.
- Boat trips and activities as specified in the itinerary.
- Admission tickets for the sightseeing included in the itinerary.
- Drinking water during transport.
- Service charges and VAT.
- 24/7 assistance hotline.
- No additional charge for confirmed services after the service confirmation.

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 any applicable airport departure taxes.
- Early check-in and late check-out unless expressly agreed.
- Travel insurance.
- Drinks, personal expenses and tips.
- Visas and any applicable visa fees.
- Holiday surcharges, where applicable.
- Mandatory gala events on 24 or 31 December, where applicable.
- Bank charges associated with payment.
- Meals and optional activities not listed as included in the itinerary.
- Any taxi or airport-transfer surcharges between midnight and 05:00.
- Other services not listed in the confirmed travel proposal.

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Carefully selected accommodation

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

Ho-Chi-Minh

3 stars**Acnos Grand Hotel**

Junior

4 stars**The Odys Premium**

Odys Premium

5 stars**The Myst Dong Khoi**

Verdant Calm Room

Can Tho

3 stars**Can Tho Ecolodge**

Junior Deluxe

4 stars**Can Tho Ecolodge**

Deluxe

5 stars**Legacy Mekong**

Garden Room

Hoi An

3 stars**Hoi An Coco River Resort & Spa**

Deluxe Garden view

4 stars**Little Hoi An**

Little Deluxe

5 stars**La Siesta Hoi An Resorts & Spa**

Premium Suite Terrace

Hue

3 stars**White Lotus Hotel**

Deluxe river View

4 stars**Silk Path Grand Hue Hotel**

Pre Classic

5 stars**aNhill Boutique**

Deluxe Suite

Hanoi

3 stars**MK Premier Boutique Hotel**

Deluxe city view

4 stars**Anatole Hotel**

Grand Deluxe

5 stars**The Orientel Jade Hotel**Diamond Church View

Halong

3 stars**Milalux Cruises**

Junior with Balcony

4 stars**Peony Cruise**

Deluxe Balcony

5 stars**Capella Cruise**Oasis Suite

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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