

12 Days | Charm of Vietnam & Cambodia Tour + Flights from Melbourne

Hanoi - Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City - Siem Reap

From **\$3,999** ✈ pp twin share



Includes roundtrip international flights!

Overnight cruise in beautiful Halong Bay

Comfortable accommodation (with option to upgrade)

Daily breakfast & much more!

Description



See and taste the best of what Vietnam and Cambodia have to offer on this fantastic 12 day itinerary. Exploring North and South Vietnam, as well as beautiful Siem Reap in Cambodia, you will have the opportunity to truly experience the true vibe of South-East Asia.

In between eating all the Banh Mi your stomach can handle, you'll cruise around the iconic Halong Bay, roam around the French-styled streets of Hoi An, have a chance to go underground into the Cu Chi Tunnels, and explore the beauty and history of Cambodia, with her many temples and friendly locals.

Plus, upgrade to 5 Star Accommodation at checkout and experience everything with an added touch of luxury! Don't miss out - get in touch with us today.

Itinerary

Day 1

Melbourne ✈ Hanoi

Upon arrival at Noi Bai International airport, you will be greeted by our representative and be transferred to hotel for check in. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Accommodation: Hanoi

Day 2

Hanoi

Explore the charming city of Hanoi, often referred to as the 'Paris of the East', with its yellow ochre colonial buildings, tree-lined boulevards, and scenic lakes. Visit the historic Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum (closed every Monday, Friday & all afternoons), an imposing monument of marble and granite built to house the preserved body of beloved revolutionary leader Ho Chi Minh, affectionately known to the Vietnamese as "Uncle Ho". Tour the One Pillar Pagoda, a Buddhist temple built in 1049 of wood in the shape of a lotus blossom and set on a single stone pillar, considered by many to be one of Vietnam's most iconic pagodas. Visit Ho Chi Minh's House nearby, a simple wooden house in a tranquil setting where Ho Chi Minh lived and worked. Some of his belongings are on display and visitors can walk up the steps to see his bedroom. In the afternoon, you will visit Hoan Kiem lake with Ngọc Son temple and take a cycle trip around before enjoying the water puppet show in the front of Hoan Kiem lake. The remainder of the day is free at leisure for your own exploration in Hanoi.

Optional Activity: Hanoi Evening Street Food Tour

Your English-speaking local guide will give you an insight into the intricacies and traditions of Vietnamese food culture including details on ingredients and historical backgrounds of popular northern dishes. We eat as we go, sampling tasty Hanoian street food from a street cart.

Walking through the maze of bustling streets that make up Hanoi's Old Quarter, we tempt our tastebuds with the famed Hanoi dish Bun Cha Ta, Nen Ran, Pho, at a local eatery. Watch in awe as the skilled chefs demonstrate for you how this tasty dish is put together. Continuing into the atmospheric heart of the Old Quarter, we wander past street stalls and quiet residential lanes where you can observe local life that has changed little since Hanoi was founded over 1000 years ago.

Now, it's time for dessert as we venture down a small alley to join in the local tradition of feasting on fresh fruit served in a cup and smothered with crushed iced and condensed milk – this specialty is one not to be missed!

Your local guide will then take you to one of Hanoi's best kept secrets, a hidden café inside the old quarter. This hard-to-find café is one of the few lefts in the city that still serves egg coffee, a scrumptious local delicacy that we will sample whilst admiring the hustle and bustle of the city centre below. Or, if coffee is not your style, a cold beer awaits!

At the end of our Hanoi Street food tour, you are free to continue exploring the area or your guide will assist you with directions or a taxi back to your hotel.

Accommodation: Hanoi

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3

Hanoi Halong Bay

Today you'll travel by bus to Hong Gai where you'll board the Halong Bay cruise boat. Once you've checked in and received your room key, enjoy lunch while sailing around the limestone islands Halong Bay. You will stop at Sung Sot Cave - one of the most beautiful caves in Halong Bay before carrying on to Titov island where you can go swimming, relax at the beach, or climb to the top of the island for a panoramic view of Halong Bay.

When you return to the boat, stop and watch the sunset before enjoying a delicious Vietnamese dinner on the boat.

Accommodation: Halong Bay Cruise - Twin Cabin

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 4

Hanoi Danang Hoi An

Why not start the morning with Tai Chi on the sundeck? After lunch, you'll arrive in Hanoi for your flight to Hoi An.

Accommodation: Hoi An

Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 5

Hoi An

Today you are free for your own exploration in Hoian.

Optional SIC tour to Ba Na Hill

Depart: 7:30-8:00 from Hoi An

End: 17:30 – 18:00 at Hoi An

07:30 am – 08:00 am: Our Minivan and a tour guide pick you up at hotel lobby. Reach Ba Na Hills via Cable Car.

Spend your time on the most modern Cable Car in Southeast Asia, then take The Climbing Train to visit the top of the mountain& further explore Le Jardin D'Amour (consists of 9 gardens), Debay Wine Cellar (old wineries) & Ling Ung Pagoda.

Continue the 2 nd Cable Car to visit the French Village (enjoy Street Music, watch Art's statue), Campanile, Nine Floor Goddess Shrine, Tombstone Temple, Linh Phong Monastery, Linh Chua Linh Tu Temple & Tru Vu Tea Shop.

Watch Carnival Performance Show, Square Du Dome... Challenge the most popular adventure ride - Slide of Tube Car (free ride),

Lunch at Restaurant (Buffet)

Join in Fantasy Park with Walking in Fairy Forest, discover Dinosaur Park, play 5D wild west, enjoy 4D death race ride, watch 3D mega 360-degree, ride on Journey into the underground, enter Jurassic Park, challenge Free fall Tower, and participate in adventure in Horror House and over 90 free games.

15:00: return the Cable Car for leaving Ba Na Hills.

Highlight: Unique and unique design, unprecedented in Vietnam, the Golden Bridge is built at a height of more than 1400 meters above sea level. With total length of about 150 meters, with 8 spans, the largest is 21.2 meters. The bridge is made of 3 meters wide, 5 cm thick wood; along the aisles are planted a lot of flowers Queen Green, above the railing is made of stainless-steel gilt.

16:45 – 18:00: Our Minivan brings you back to your hotel. Tour ends.

Included: Sharing bus car with A/C, cable cars, entrance fee in the Fantasy Park, Alpine Coaster, Le Jardin D'amour, Debay Wine Cellar fee, Lunch with buffet, a bottle of mineral water, English speaking tour guide.

Meals included: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hoi An

Day 6

Hoi An - Danang ✈ Ho Chi Minh City

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Danang Airport and board a flight to Ho Chi Minh City. You'll be picked up and taken to your hotel, the rest of the day is free at leisure.

Accommodation: Ho Chi Minh

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7

Ho Chi Minh City 🚗 Mekong Fay Tour 🚗 Ho Chi Minh City

After breakfast, we head to the city of My Tho. On the way, we will visit Vinh Trang pagoda, the biggest pagoda in the Mekong delta. Upon arrival in My Tho, we will take a boat trip along the Mekong River, where you can see fish cages and floating houses on the river. The boat takes you to a small canal, where you can totally escape from the busy town. The boat cruise in the coconut trees canal takes you to a coconut island in Ben Tre. We disembark and have a walk around the village. Stop at a local family home to enjoy tropical fruit, taste the honey tea, honey wine and listen to Vietnamese traditional music, performed by the villagers. Stop by the village coconut candy shop, learn how to make candy, and see some handicraft made of coconut trees. Take a walk through the village and admire the fruits, flowers, trees, local houses, children, and people. Then, we enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. After that, we go for a walk around the area and transfer back Saigon.

Accommodation: Ho Chi Minh

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8

Ho Chi Minh City

Enjoy today at your leisure.

Accommodation: Ho Chi Minh

Meals included: Breakfast

Optional activity: Cu Chi Tunnels Day Tour including lunch

Day 9

Ho Chi Minh City - Siem Reap

After breakfast enjoy the morning at leisure, later transfer to the airport to take you flight to Siem Reap. On arrival, you are met and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure.

Accommodation: Siem Reap

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10

Siem Reap Day Tour

After breakfast, enjoy a full day excursion to discover Angkor Thom and Temples. Firstly, you will visit the wonderful Angkor Thom (the Great City) including the Southern Gate, famous Bayon temple (12th century in the centre of city remains one the most enigmatic temples of the Angkor group composed of 54 gothic towers decorated with 216 smiling faces of Avalokitesvara. Baphuon temple is lying just to the north of Bayon a pyramidal representation of mythical Mount Meru. Terrace of Elephants used as a giant reviewing stand for public ceremonies and served as a base for the king's grand audience hall ; Terrace of the Leper King a platform 7m high, with statue. Visit to Ta Prohm. One of the area's most beautiful temples, Ta Prohm has been left relatively untouched since it was discovered and retains much of its mystery. Its appeal lies in the fact that, unlike the other monuments of Angkor, it was abandoned and swallowed by the jungle, looking very much the way most of the Angkor temples appeared when European explorers first stumbled upon them.

Afternoon, it is time to visit the wonderful Angkor Wat Temples – one of the seven greatest architectural wonders of the world, as a temple and mausoleum for King Suryavarman II at the peak of the Khmer empire in the first half of 12th. Angkor Wat is probably the best-preserved of the Angkorean temples, with a central tower surrounded by four smaller towers. The central monument represents the mythical Mount Meru, the holy mountain at the centre of the universe, which was home to the Hindu God Vishnu. The whole complex covers 81 hectares, a rectangular wall measuring 1025 meters by 800 meters borders the inner edge of the moat, and temple's greatest sculptural treasure is its 2 km-long bas-reliefs around the walls. In the late afternoon, visit to the Phnom Bakheng temple, is the first temple in Angkor region built by the Yacovarman I King in the first of 9th century, located on a slope gently hill where thousands of tourists are grouping on the hilltop to catch a memorable time of life when viewing the marvellous sunset, the distant Angkor Wat in the jungle.

Accommodation: Siem Reap

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 11

Siem Reap

Enjoy today at your leisure in Siem Reap.

Accommodation: Siem Reap

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 12

✈ Melbourne

After breakfast, enjoy some time at leisure until your transfer to airport for your return flight back home.

We hope you have brought home fond memories of Vietnam and Cambodia!

Meals included: Breakfast and inflight meals

Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- Return Economy Class Airfare from Melbourne - *Brisbane, *Adelaide or *Perth (*surcharge applies)
- International and domestic flights with Vietnam Airlines (subject to availability)
- 10 nights 4 Star hotel accommodation on twin share basis
- 1 night (2 day) Halong Bay cruise (shared twin accommodation)
- Meals as indicated in itinerary:
 - Daily breakfast in the hotel
 - 1 Brunch, 1 Lunch, and 1 Dinner on Halong Bay cruise
- All transfers and transportation with comfortable air-conditioned vehicles
- Local English-speaking tour guides
- All entrance fees as per itinerary
- 2 bottles of mineral water per person/per day

Flight Information

Flights based on Economy Airfares

Upgrades available at check-out as follows:

- Airfare upgrade to Premium Economy Class surcharge
- Airfare upgrade to Business Class surcharge for the whole itinerary

(Flight with Vietnam Airlines the new Dreamliner 787)

Exclusions

- Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
- Water other than the amount listed in inclusions
- Tipping
- Optional excursions and activities
- Personal expenses (phone calls, laundry, etc.)
- Travel Insurance (strongly recommended)
- Visa(s)/Visa fee

Visas: Australian passport holders need to apply for a visa to visit Vietnam. The visa-free stay period is counted from THE DATE OF ENTRY. Please apply E-Visa to Vietnam at least 15 days before the date of entry. For the Vietnam visa, it can be easily obtained online via this link: <https://evisa.xuatnhapcanh.gov.vn>

It takes 3-5 working days for the visa to be issued. The VISA STATUS can be checked at : <https://evisa.xuatnhapcanh.gov.vn/web/guest/tra-cuu-thi-thuc> after entering the registration code, email, and date of birth.

Once the visa is issued, the PDF file can be downloaded and printed. It is advisable to have 2 printed copies to enter/exit Vietnam.

Child Policy: No child discounts apply. A full priced voucher must be purchased for all children



travelling. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Single Supplement: Traveling solo - Pricing available at checkout

Accommodation: Upgrade to 5 Star hotels available at checkout.

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