

Impressions of Vietnam 10 days



In 10 memorable days, see the best of vibrant Vietnam. Explore Hanoi's enchanting Old Quarter and the Imperial city of Hue. Experience life in the fast lane in Saigon and take time out in Hoi An. Spend a night aboard a Junk in breathtaking Halong Bay, cruise the scenic Mekong Delta and more on this exciting Southeast Asian adventure!

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Hanoi / Ends in: Saigon
- Departs: Any day of the year
- No local payment required
- Breakfast:9, Lunch: 6, Dinner: 3
- Hotel Rating: 3 star. 4 & 5 star options are also available
- Tour Guide: Yes - for all scheduled sightseeing

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - [click here](#)
- To book this trip - [click here](#)
- To enquire about this trip - [click here](#)

TOUR MAP:



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Day 1: Hanoi

Welcome to Hanoi! Upon arrival at Hanoi Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The afternoon can be spent exploring the wide, tree-lined streets of Hanoi, resplendent with French colonial architecture and the scenic Hoan Kiem Lake. This evening enjoy dinner before attending a traditional Vietnamese water puppet performance. Overnight - [Hanoi](#)

Day 2: Hanoi City Tour

This morning visit Ba Dinh Square where silent sentries guard the marble and granite mausoleum where Ho Chi Minh lies in state. After visit Ho Chi Minh humble house of stilts and the famous One Pillar Pagoda and Temple of Literature.

A short drive into the countryside leads us to Van Giang village, where we'll attend a cooking demonstration hosted by a local family. After a delicious lunch we return to Hanoi and embark on a cyclo (rickshaw) tour of the winding alleys that make up the atmospheric Ancient Quarter, otherwise known as the 36 Streets of Hanoi. Overnight - [Hanoi](#)



Day 3: Cruising on Halong Bay

Hanoi - Halong Bay. Early this morning journey north to Halong Bay (approx 4 hours drive), stopping for refreshments en route. UNESCO Listed Halong Bay is undoubtedly one of Vietnam's most spectacular regions. Thousands of karst limestone and jungle covered peaks and isles, rise dramatically out of the emerald waters of the bay. Spend the day cruising around the islands onboard a traditional Junk boat. Stopping to explore caves and coves and to swim in the emerald waters. You can also take a row boat to visit the floating fishing village of Vung Vieng - where you'll gain a fascinating insight into the daily life of the local people. Enjoy a scrumptious buffet lunch and set dinner whilst onboard. Overnight - [Halong Bay Junk](#)



Day 4: Halong Bay to Hue

Halong Bay - Hue. Enjoy fresh air and the gentle breeze of the bay this morning as you relax onboard the Junk. There will be more opportunities to swim and explore hidden caves before returning to port. Transfer back to Hanoi airport for your flight to Hue in central Vietnam. Upon arrival in Hue, you are met and transferred to your hotel. Overnight - [Hue](#)

Day 5: Hue & the Perfume River

Enjoy a full day tour of Hue including a boat trip on Perfume River (Huong River) to Thien Mu Pagoda and Minh Mang tomb. Thien Mu Pagoda is an octagonal tower of seven tiers that rises majestically over the Perfume River. Minh Mang tomb is perhaps the most majestic of all Hue's tombs. This tomb is well known for its harmonious blend of architecture and natural landscape. After lunch you'll tour the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden City, built by the Emperors of the Nguyen Dynasty. Enjoy some retail therapy at the ever lively Dong Ba Market before returning to your hotel. Free evening. Overnight - [Hue](#)



Day 6: Ancient Hoi An

Hue - Hoi An. This morning visits are offered to Emperor Tu Duc and Khai Dinh's tombs before journey by road to Hoi An via spectacular Cloudy Pass. A stop is made in Danang to visit the Cham Museum, once centre of the ancient Cham civilization.

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UNESCO Listed Hoi An is a former merchant trading post, famed for its beautifully preserved Chinese, Japanese and European architecture. Picturesque Hoi An has managed to retain its traditional character and charm, with its cobbled streets, markets and row upon row of tailors shops. This afternoon, enjoy a walking tour around the cobbled streets of this ancient town, which was once one of the busiest trading ports in Asia. Overnight - [Hoi An](#)

Day 7:

This morning offers an excursion to My Son, the holiest and evocative of Vietnam's Cham sites. Here at the ancient Kingdom of Champa you'll see the burial tombs of the Cham royals and national heroes. We enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before returning to Hoi An town for a free time. Overnight - [Hoi An](#)



Day 8: Sizzling Saigon

Hoi An - Saigon. Fly to Saigon today and transfer to your hotel. Ho Chi Minh City, though still referred to as Saigon to all but city officials is Vietnam's most lively, modern and cosmopolitan city. This afternoon enjoy an orientation tour of the city, visiting Notre Dame, an impressive neo-Romanesque Cathedral, the Central Post Office Building, Dong Khoi Street, formerly the center of haute couture and China Town. This evening consider sampling some of Saigon's acclaimed gourmet restaurants and bars. Overnight - [Saigon](#)



Day 9: The Mekong Delta

Saigon - Mekong Delta - Saigon. Explore the beautiful Mekong Delta today! Early this morning drive to Cai Be and board a traditional Sampan boat at around 10:00am. First stop on your scenic Mekong Delta cruise, is the colourful floating market of Cai Be, where traders in barges full of fruits and vegetables sell their goods.

Continue cruising along the scenic Mekong canals to Dong Hoa Hiep Island located between Vinh Long and Cai Be. After lunch on the island we witness the rural lifestyle and daily activities of the delta inhabitants. Visits are also made to a few local home factories where we can see how rice paste, coconut candies and other regional specialties are made. A short drive leads us to the regional hub of Can Tho. Overnight - [Can Tho](#)



Day 10: Saigon

This morning we cruise along the narrow canals and waterways in a small boat and after visit the Cai Rang-Phong Dien floating market with its hordes of small vendor boats. After time for lunch we return to Saigon and transfer onward to the airport in time for your international flight.

It is possible to extend your stay here, in Saigon. Should you wish to do so, consider independently exploring the Reunification Palace, War Remnants Museum or taking a day trip to Chu Chi Tunnels.

WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

Trip Highlights

- Cruising on the Mekong Delta - one of the world's greatest river regions. Cai Be Floating Market, Dong Hoa Hiep Island

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and Mekong Delta rural life

- Hanoi - the 'Paris of the Orient' and capital of Vietnam; Ho Chi Minh's house of stilts, One Pillar Pagoda, Temple of Literature and the Ancient Quarter
- Halong Bay and Bai Tu Long Bay - UNESCO Listed region with thousands of beautiful limestone peaks and islets
- Hue - the Perfume River, Imperial City and ancient walled Citadel, Royal Tombs
- Danang - Cham Museum
- Hoi An - UNESCO Listed former merchant trading post, famed for its beautifully preserved architecture
- My Son - tombs from the Kingdom of Champa
- Saigon - Cosmopolitan and commercial hub of Vietnam; Notre Dame Cathedral, Post Office Building, Dong Khoi Street and China Town

What's Included

- 8 nights standard hotels. Superior (4 star) and deluxe (5 star) properties are also available.
- 1 night aboard a Halong Bay Junk boat
- 9 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 3 dinner
- 2 domestic economy flights: Hanoi to Hue and Da Nang to Saigon
- Airport arrival and departure transfer
- All transfers and transportation in private air conditioned vehicles
- Services of an English speaking guide for all scheduled sightseeing
- Guided tour of Hanoi, Hue, Hoi An and Saigon
- Halong Bay and Bai Tu Long Bay overnight Junk boat cruise
- Water Puppets Performance in Hanoi
- Hue - boat trip on the Perfume River
- Sampan cruise on the Mekong Delta, including stops at Cai Be Floating Market and Dong Hoa Hiep Island

What's Not Included

- International flights and visa. Vietnam visa letter included - stamping fee required upon arrival
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture

BOLT-ONS:

Make the most of your time away! Listed below are the optional activities that are available on this trip. Please note that you will need to book these prior to travel as we cannot always guarantee availability of these activities once you are on holiday.

Bangkok City Stay - 3 days - USD \$749

Take a break in the bustling metropolis of Bangkok, a steamy and cosmopolitan city of contrasts that guarantees to be a feast for all the senses. From gleaming skyscrapers, exquisite golden palaces and ornate temples, to eclectic markets, picturesque canals and

bustling streets filled with hawkers and horn honking tuk tuks.

PRICES AND DATES: from USD \$2,939

Prices shown are 'per person', based on a travelling party of at least 2 adults. The single supplement price needs to be added to the twin/double price if single rooms are required. If travelling solo, an additional '1-person' supplement will apply. Prices are indicative and will vary depending on your chosen hotels, room availability as well as time of travel. Please bear this in mind if comparing prices as we always aim to deliver exceptional value. Please note that discounts will apply if there are more 4 or more people in your travelling party, since fixed costs like transportation and guiding are shared across the group.

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
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