

Vietnam Flavor - 10 Days

Brief Itinerary:

Day 1: Hanoi arrival

Day 2: Hanoi cooking class

Day 3: Hanoi – Halong bay

Day 4: Halong bay – Hanoi – fly to Danang – Hoian

Day 5: Hoian cooking class

Day 6: Hoian – Danang – fly to Nha Trang

Day 7: Nha Trang free time

Day 8: Nha Trang – fly to Saigon

Day 9: Saigon – Mekong delta excursion

Day 10: Saigon departure

Remark:

B = Breakfast, **L** = Lunch, **D** = Dinner

Tour includes:

- Accommodation based on twin/double sharing with daily breakfast (3* hotel category).
- Vietnam visa approval letter.
- Experienced English-speaking guides as indicated in the itinerary.
- Private transportation with AC.
- Flight tickets Hanoi - Danang, Danang - Nha Trang, Nha Trang - Saigon with Vietnam Airlines.
- All sightseeing tickets.

- Lunches and dinners as indicated in the itinerary.
- Taxes and services charges.

Tour excludes:

- International flight tickets and airport tax
- Visa stamping fee
- Early check in and late check out
- Drinks, gratuities and personal expenses
- Insurance

Detail itinerary:

Day 1: Hanoi arrival (D)

Warmly welcome at Noi Bai airport – Hanoi. Pick up and transfer to your hotel. After a short break, enjoy a walking tour to the Old quarter of Hanoi. Explore street food on vender, why you don't try to local brew "Bia Hoi" like Hanoian. In the evening, enjoy the Vietnamese dinner at the famous restaurant.

Day 2: Hanoi cooking class – city tour (B, L)

If cooking were painting, Vietnam would have one of the world's most colorful palettes. Start to discover the diversity of Vietnam flavor with cooking class in Hanoi. This morning, the tour guide will escort you to the class. Meet the chef for a market tour. In the market, the guide and chef will give you the chance to discover the traditional Vietnamese market and explain for you all different

kinds of food and vegetable which you may see or not see them before. Back to the kitchen and learn how to make a number of regional delicacies, which may include Banana Flower Salad and Spring Rolls. After a half-day morning session, you enjoy a delicious feast of the dishes you created, and get to take a copy of the recipes home with you.

In the afternoon, you will visit some highlights of Hanoi such as Temple of Literature – the first university in Vietnam, Vietnamese Women’s Museum that offers a broad insight to 54 ethnic groups through a lens of women’s topics. In the later afternoon, enjoy water puppet show.

Day 3: Hanoi – Halong bay (B, L, D)

Today you will go to Halong bay - the UNESCO World Heritage. The driver picks you up at 8 am. After about 3.5 driving hours, you will arrive in Halong bay. Board a traditional junk for an overnight cruise. Halong Bay is widely considered to be one of the natural wonders of the world. Thousands of towering pillars of sea and wind-carved limestone karst make the bay an unforgettable sight. After lunch, explore some of the huge limestone caves dotted around the bay and visit a floating fishing village. Then the captain will find a secluded spot where you can swim, soak up the sun on the top deck, or try your hand at kayaking. In the evening enjoy a seafood feast for dinner.

Day 4: Halong Bay – Hanoi – fly to Danang – Hoian (B)

Enjoy an early morning swim (during the summer), followed by breakfast as you cruise through more spectacular scenery. The cruise arrives at the harbor by

noon. The driver will pick you up and then transfer directly to Noi Bai airport for flight to Danang. Upon arrival, pick up and transfer to your hotel in Hoian. Check in hotel and free time.

Day 5: Hoian – cooking class and ancient town (B, L)

This morning, you will join in a cooking class at Red Bridge Cooking School. Visit Hoi An's colourful market, and experience the amazing sights, sounds and aromas of this busy market. You will have the opportunity to interact with the local sellers and learn about all the ingredients to be used in the cooking lesson later.

After that, board the Red Bridge boat for a leisurely cruise (25 minutes) along the Hoi An River to the Red Bridge Cooking School. On arrival, you explore the cooking school's herb and vegetable garden, before learning about some of Hoi An's and Vietnam's well-known dishes. The cooking lesson runs for about 2 hours – each dish is first demonstrated by the Red Bridge chef's, before you prepare the same dish yourself. Included in the class is a brief introduction to Vietnamese food carving (plate decoration). After the lesson, you can enjoy what you have cooked.

In the afternoon, enjoy a walking tour of the ancient town, including the 200 year-old Tan Ky house, Phuc Kien Pagoda, the Assembly Hall, the former merchants' houses, the 400 year-old Japanese Covered Bridge. Free time for shopping and tailor made suits.

Day 6: Hoian – Danang - fly to Nha Trang (B)

Today, you catch morning flight to Nha Trang for some beach holiday. Pick up and transfer to your resort. Enjoy your free time for sunbathing in Nha Trang beach – one of most beautiful beaches in Vietnam.

Day 7: Nha Trang relaxing (B)

There are many activities around the city and surrounding area for you to do and see today. Swimming in cool water or snorkel and dive among the coral reefs in crystal blue waters, hike nature trails...

You also have fun at Vinpearl Amusement park or experience some interesting places like the ancient Po Ngar Cham towers or the French built Nha Tho Nui Cathedral. Other sites of interest include the Long Son Pagoda and the National Oceanographic Museum of Vietnam ..

Also make time to take advantage of the massage and spa facilities in the resort, to enjoy the sea breeze through your room window or go for a swim at either the resort pool or the adjacent beach.

Day 8: Nha Trang – fly to Saigon (B, L)

Leave Nha Trang for Saigon by flight. Upon arrival, transfer to the downtown for brief city tour in Saigon including The Reunification Palace, Notre Dame Cathedral and Old Post Office, Remnant War Museum. In the afternoon, spend your time visiting the local markets (Ben Thanh market and Cho Lon) to discover the fruitful ingredients and fresh fruit in Saigon. Explore the street food here with special dish likes Saigon sandwich, kinds of noodle (Hu Tieu, Bun Thit Nuong...)

Day 9: Saigon – Vinh Long – Cai Be (B, L)

Today, you will discover Mekong delta and visit the colorful floating market – Cai Be. Leave bustling Saigon for the 3 hour drive to the delta town of Cai Be. On arrival, board your boat for cruise in the Delta’s waterways.

Start your journey by passing by Cai Be’s floating market, cruising among local barges with full of fruits and vegetables... The cruise will then bring you to some local home factories to discover traditional rice paste making, rice pop corn, coco candies...

After a delicious lunch at the local ancient house, you will have chance admire the scenery and the daily life of the local villagers by rowboat passing through small sampan. Stops on the way can be made upon request for particular visits or photos marking. The excursion will end at around 3.00 pm. You will return to Saigon in the later afternoon.

Day 10: Saigon departure (B)

Free at leisure until you are transferred to the airport for the departure flight.
Cảm ơn và chào tạm biệt.