

Luxury Vietnam beach & relaxation

16 days

(Hanoi – Halong – Danang – HoiAn – Saigon – Can Tho – Mekong Cruise– Phu Quoc)

Itinerary Overview

Day	Destination	Meals
Day 1	HANOI ARRIVAL	--
Day 2	HANOI CITY TOUR	B
Day 3	HANOI – HALONG BAY	B/D/L
Day 4	HALONG BAY CRUISE – HA NOI – DA NANG	B/L
Day 5	DA NANG – FREE DAY	B
Day 6	DA NANG – GOLDEN HAND BRIDGE – HOI AN	B/L
Day 7	HOIAN – COUNTRYSIDE CYCLING & COOKING	B/L
Day 8	HOI AN – FREE DAY	B
Day 9	HOI AN – SAI GON	B
Day 10	SAI GON – MEKONG CRUISE – CAN THO	B/L/D
Day 11	CAN THO – SAI GON – PHU QUOC	B
Day 12	PHU QUOC ISLAND – FREE DAY	B
Day 13	PHU QUOC BEACH RELAXATION	B
Day 14	PHU QUOC – SAI GON	B
Day 15	SAI GON - DEPARTURE	B

Note*: B: Breakfast / L: Lunch / D: Dinner

Travel Map



Detailed Itinerary

Day 1 HANOI ARRIVAL

Arrive in [Hanoi](#). Greeted by your driver at the airport. Transfer to your hotel in the city centre for check-in and at leisure in the rest of the day.

Meals: N/A

Accommodation: Hotel in Hanoi

Day 2 HANOI CITY TOUR

Free to relax in the morning.

13:30: Pick up at your hotel. We will spend a half day to visit the city. We start with visit to President Ho Chi Minh's mausoleum (Outside). We also visit the famous One Pillar Pagoda nearby. Leaving the President's complex, we continue to visit the Temple of Literature (Van Mieu). Although several Van Mieu can be found throughout Vietnam, the most prominent and famous is that situated in the city of Hanoi, and was functioned as Vietnam's first university.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Hanoi

Day 3 HA NOI – HA LONG BAY

08:00 – 08:25 : Pick up at your hotel near by the Old Quarter in Hanoi by shuttle bus

12:30 – 12:30 : Embark the cruise at Tuan Chau harbor. Enjoy welcome drink, cruise briefing & start cruising.

13:00 – 15:30 : A stunning lunch is served while cruising into the Halong Bay with thousands of extraordinary shaped limestone islands considered as the heaven on the earth

15:30 – 17:00 : Explore the area and be charmed by the outstanding masterpiece of the Mother Nature. Visit Mê Cung Cave – one of the most beautiful caves in Halong Bay. Climb up & see the panoramic view of the bay from above. Enjoy swimming in the crystal water of the peaceful Bay.

17:00 – 19:00 : Return to the cruise the Sunset party and admire the best moment of the day when the sun starts to set. Or enjoy the massage treatment in your comfortable cabin.

19:00 : Savor an amazing and dreamlike dinner in Fairy cave (or Drum cave) with extremely delicious food which is not only impressed by its incredible taste, but also by great fruit and vegetable carving performance. Socialize with new friends and crew members, enjoy squid fishing or leisurely relax on the top deck in the middle of the tranquil bay.

Note*: the itinerary and activities on board would vary depending on the boat you choose. Please see the choice of boat in Hotel Inclusions.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Night on board

Day 4 HA LONG BAY – HANOI – DA NANG

07.00: Coffee and tea will be served

08.00: Continue cruising

08h15: Visit splendid Sung Sot Cave

09h00: Check out and enjoy a fantastic cruise on the bay, passing Dinh Huong Island, fishing villages, Ga Choi Island, Dog Island and Sail Island.

09.30: Buffet brunch (breakfast/lunch) while cruising back through Halong Bay to the pier

11h30: Arrive at the pier. Time to say goodbye to the crew.

12.00: Return from Halong to Hanoi. Arrive Hanoi at about 17pm.

Airport transfer for late flight to Danang. Transfer to the hotel in Danang upon arrival.

Note*: the itinerary and activities on board would vary depending on the boat you choose. Please see the choice of boat in Hotel Inclusions.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Danang

Day 5 DA NANG – FREE DAY

Enjoy your free day to relax in Danang.

Note*: Danang is well-know with long beautiful My Khe beach, one of the world's best beaches with the undulating waves are an irresistible spot for you to stay and enjoy both sports or mere sun-bath.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Danang

Day 6 DA NANG – GOLDEN HAND BRIDGE – HOI AN

Free for relaxing and swimming till pickup at the hotel at 10am for Golden hand bridge. We advise a late start to beat the crowds that flock to the Golden Hand Bridge and Ba Na Hills. The adventure begins by taking the most modern Cable Car in Southeast Asia – and the world's longest – to the top of mountains. On arrival explore Le Jardin D'Amour (consisting of 9 gardens) and the Linh Ung Pagoda. Enjoy walking on the Golden Bridge which nestles in the forested hills supported by two giant concrete hands that materialize through the trees. The Golden Bridge is 148.6 m long, with 8 spans, the largest span being 21.2 m. The bridge sits 1414 m above sea level.

After lunch, discover and play games at the Fantasy Park – a perfect tourist attraction for an entire family as well as to explore King Peak. Return to the Cable Car Station and back to the Gateway then transfer to the hotel in Hoian. Arrive the hotel in late afternoon.

Meal: Breakfast/Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Hoian

Day 7 HOI AN COUNTRYSIDE CYCLING & COOKING

8:30 AM: Your guide will meet you at your hotel. We'll then take a gentle cycle on a short but beautiful ride through lush garden land, rice fields and small villages to a riverside organic garden. Upon arrival, we'll get embark a short basket ride along the village river. Basket boat is an unique mean of transportation in Hoi An to glide along its mangrove forest. After the ride, you'll be welcome by a passionate team of gardeners and join them with some daily organic gardening. Depending on the time of year, this may include tilling the land, fertilizing the garden with seaweed or picking ripe vegetables. Throughout the experience, learn more about their daily lives and the rich culture that exists in the Vietnamese countryside. As midday approaches, we'll join in to prepare our lunch using vegetables and herbs straight from the garden, then sit down and enjoy the tasty meal, wrapping up a memorable day in the countryside.

Cycling back to your hotel at about 3pm.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Hoian

Day 8 HOI AN FREE DAY

Enjoy your free day to explore Hoian ancient town or nearby [Cua Dai Beach](#).

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Hoian

Day 9 HOI AN – SAI GON – HALF DAY CITY TOUR

Free to explore [Hoian town](#) till airport transfer for the flight to Saigon.

Upon arrival, pickup for half day city tour. Our city tour will help you to see the best of Saigon. We visit the historic Reunification palace and [War Remnants Museum](#), followed by the architectural treats of French colonial Notre Dame Cathedral and the post Office.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Saigon

Day 10 SAI GON – MEKONG CRUISE – CAN THO

You board your comfortable wooden cruise vessel around noon. After a refreshing welcome drink we show you our on-board facilities and your cosy cabin. As lunch is served, the Mekong Eyes Cruise starts cruising. Sit back and watch the fantastic scenery and the daily life of the Mekong people.

In the afternoon you can disembark for a guided leisurely stroll through a village and the surrounding fruit orchards or rice fields. Meet the friendly locals and taste the local produce and fruits. Get back on board and enjoy a drink at the bar or relax on deck as the sun sets over the magnificent water landscape of the Mekong river. The Mekong Eyes Cruise will anchor for the night. The day ends with a delicious on-board dinner. You stay overnight on board your floating hotel in the Mekong Delta.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Night on board

Day 11 CAN THO – SAI GON – PHU QUOC ISLAND

Wake up well rested to the sound of the river and get ready for another exciting day of sightseeing in the Mekong Delta. At 6.30h the Mekong Eyes cruise vessel sets off for a sunrise cruise. Watch the locals go about their daily work drying exotic fruits and building ships on the wooden yards while enjoying an early breakfast.

After breakfast, we will board a sampan boat to [Cai Rang floating market](#), the region's busiest and most lively markets. Marvel at the sheer abundance of exotic fruits, vegetables and skilfully handcrafted regional products. We will pull up to the boats for talking and bargaining with the merchants. We will also visit some of the local candy and cake making factories or boat through the green water landscape to see local houses, verdant orchards and ship-building yards.

We will then drive back to Saigon. Drive straight to the airport for the flight to Phu Quoc Island. Transfer to the hotel in Phu Quoc Island upon arrival.

Note*: The floating markets in the Mekong Delta are no tourist markets but wholesale markets where produce of the Mekong Delta like fruits and vegetables are traded. For this reason the number of boats on the market fluctuates depending on harvesting seasons and market demand. Furthermore, modern wholesale markets are becoming more popular in Vietnam. This can result in decreasing numbers of boats being present on the markets.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Phu Quoc island

Day 12 & 13 PHU QUOC ISLAND - FREE

Enjoy your free day to relax and explore Phu Quoc island

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Phu Quoc island

Day 14 PHU QUOC – SAI GON

Free till airport transfer for the flight to Saigon. Transfer to the hotel upon arrival.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Saigon

Day 15 SAI GON - DEPARTURE

Free time to explore Saigon till airport transfer for departure flight. Trip ends!

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: n/a

Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions:

- Overnights in selected hotels or similar
- Halong bay 2 day Cruise package – Join tour
- Private Local English speaking guides (station guide – on days with tours)
- Excursions as mentioned in the itinerary
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Entrance fees for sightseeing mentioned in the itinerary
- Tours and transfers as mentioned by air-conditioned vehicles
- Private station pickups/transfers.
- Internal flights (Hanoi – Danang, [Hue](#) – Saigon)
- 1 day train for Danang – Hue

Exclusions:

- Early checkin/late checkout at hotels
- Meals and services other than those noted in the itinerary
- Visas fees
- Laundry, telephone calls, and personal expenditures
- Gratuities for guides, drivers, porters, boat crew, and personal, non-itinerary services (US\$5/person/day is suggested for the guide/driver for the day with tours)

Payment and Terms

Payment

- To guarantee your land tour booking, a deposit 20% must be paid in advance. The balance must be settled 30 days prior to departure
- We accept payments in cash, by credit card or by bank transfer and Western Union. Any charges to settle the payment must be paid by the Clients. We will recognize the amount receive only.

Cancellations

Cancellations for all or any part of the trip will not be effective until received in writing. Should you have to cancel, the following terms will apply:

- 65 days or more before departure: 15% of total tour cost
- Between 64 and 35 days before departure: 25% of total tour cost
- Between 34 and 15 days before departure: 50% of total tour cost
- Between 14 and 7 days before departure: 80% of total tour cost
- 6 days or less before departure / No Show: 100% of total tour cost

Note: We strongly recommend for your protection that you purchase a trip cancellation insurance.

Important Information

Emergency Contact

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call the travel consultant whom you deal with and then our hot line contacts. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please send us a detailed message and contact information by email to the agent and to info@indochinatreks.com, we may check and return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

Our all travel consultants use WhatApps. Please ensure that you have the contact number. It's best to buy a local sim-card upon arrival. Most hotels offer free wifi. So it's very easy to contact in urgent case.

Emergency contact numbers

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Internal Flights

For all internal flights, we would use Vietnamairlines, Vietjesair, Jestar, Cambodia Angkorair or Laos Airlines. Most domestic flights in Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar, airlines would use small 70 seat ATR72 for short distances. Most airlines in Vietnam use the Airbus A321. 20kg for checkin luggage and 7kg for hand-bag is included in the price.

International flights before/after the tour must be booked by yourself before travelling date.

Accommodation

We would use different hotel categories and you can select any basing on your budget. So your travel companions would not stay at your hotel. A Hotel Voucher will be provided once your tour is confirmed with all hotel details.

Packing List

Conservative Dress

- Modest clothing that covers knees and shoulders (Long pants, long skirts, shirts that cover shoulders)
- Shawl or scarf (for temple visits)

Note*: Please pack clothing for the season in which you will be travelling. From Dec-Feb weather can be cold, so please pack warm clothing. From May-Nov it is the wet season, so please bring waterproof clothing.

Documents

- All tickets (required)
- Passport (required) (With photocopies)
- Required visas
- Hotel & Tour Vouchers
- Meeting sign (with your names and flight details that we will use for transfers)

Train Travel

Train travel in Vietnam is very basic and train cleanliness is often not a priority for train staff. Sleeper trains normally have 4 seats per compartment, which convert into sleeping bunks (two upper and two lower). A sheet, pillow and blanket are provided, although many people prefer to bring their own sleeping sheet. At times, passengers of different genders may be required to share a sleeper train berth and/or share a compartment with people not travelling in your group. For short distance - 3 hours (as Hue to Danang or vv), you will do the trip on soft/hard seat carriage.

Simple food is available on the train but many people like to stock up on freshly baked bread, cheese and fruit prior to departure. Water should also be bought before the journey.

Train journeys in Vietnam are an experience and allow you to get a real taste of Vietnam.

Airport transfers

All airport transfers are included in the tour price. You should provide us your arrival/departure flight details and we will arrange things basing on the information. A meeting sign with your name and all flight details will be sent to you. Please be ready at the lobby at pointed time for pickup.

Driver/guide should always be present at the airport before your arrival time. If you could not find the driver, please contact your travel consultant who you deal with. For any reason that airport transfer could not be arranged, please take the taxi to the hotel. We will refund the money then.

Travel insurance

Travel insurance is not included in our tour price. When travelling with us, you are suggested to buy insurance that covers all medical coverage, cancellation, personal liability, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects.

Trip Specific Safety

We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit

boxes which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage.

Be aware that petty theft can be an issue in some towns and cities especially late at night. A common tactic is opportunists on motorbikes that drive by and snatch bags. Please always leave valuables and passports etc in your hotel in safety boxes if available and only carry with you enough cash to spend for the day. Bags should always be carried over the neck and not left to sit on your shoulder.

Warming

Please do not buy gems unless you know what you are doing. Even if genuine you should not expect to be able to sell them at home. If you fall victim to a gem scam, we are unable to assist you.

Visas and Entry Requirements

Please note that visas for Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos are the responsibility of the individual traveller. The visa requirements for your trip vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. For the most up to date information please check your Governments Foreign Ministry website or with you travel agent as rules do change.

CAMBODIA - Visas can be obtained at the Cambodian border or Siem Reap Airport for approx. \$35 USD very easily. Please have **at least** 2 passport photos with you as well.

VIETNAM - As of March 2017, a select 80 nationalities are now eligible to enter Vietnam with an E-Visa. Please contact your Foreign Ministry or Vietnamese consulate to see if your nationality is eligible. Please note that you should **ONLY** apply for a Vietnam E-Visa if you are entering Vietnam by international airport - either Noi Bai International Airport (Hanoi) or Tan Son Nhat International Airport (Ho Chi Minh City).

If you are entering Vietnam by land border, please apply for a regular visa for Vietnam. Many of the land borders we travel through do not accept the Vietnam E-Visa. Please view this link to apply E-Visa: <https://evisa.xuatnhapcanh.gov.vn/web/guest/trang-chu-ttdt>

LAOS - Visas are issued upon arrival in Laos. You will need two passport size photographs and approx \$35. Tourists are generally admitted to Laos for 15 days with a visa on arrival or for 30 days with a visa issued at a Lao embassy. Please bring visa photos with you.

Please be aware that you will require four clean pages (minimum) in your passport and at least six months validity.

Tipping

It is customary in Asia to tip service providers such as waiters, at approximately 10%, depending on the service. Tipping is expected - though not compulsory - and shows an expression of satisfaction with the people who have assisted you on your tour. Although it may not be customary to you, it is of considerable significance to the people who will take care of you during your travels. There are several times during the trip where there is opportunity to tip the local guides or drivers we use. Recommendations for tipping drivers and local guides would range from \$3-\$5 USD per person per day depending on the quality and length of the service.

Electricity

Indochina Countries use 220V, and a mixture of flat 2-pin, round 2-pin or 3 pin plugs. It is recommended to bring a universal plug adapter.