12 Day 5 Star Vietnam Small Group Vacation

Asia Vacation Group - Authentic Asia!

Local knowledge, adventures of a lifetime.

Discover <u>Asia</u> with our team of experts, and a carefully selected, value-packed exploration of Asia's most iconic destinations. Our tours offer must-visit sights, rich experiences and quality inclusions all at an unbeatable prices. Your bucket list dreams are ticked off on these all-encompassing vacations.

Travel with the confidence. Your trip has been carefully crafted by <u>our team</u> with you in mind and it's that same team that takes you on the journey. One amazing team to help and guide you, not only as your local travel expert but also as a friend with helpfulness and sincerity.

Specialists in Asia touring since 2015, <u>Asia Vacation Group</u> is proud to be the people who craft your itinerary, help you at each step, plus guide and operate your tour.

| Australian Company Owned | Small Group | Return Flights on Vietnam Airlines |
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| Luxury 5-star accomodation | | |

Day by Day Itinerary

Hanoi, Sapa, Halong Bay, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City

HIGHLIGHTS

- Return flights on Vietnam Airlines
- Incredible sightseeing including an overnight luxury cruise on Halong Bay as well as guided tours of Hanoi, Sapa, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City and the Mekong Delta
- Small group tour, maximum of 16 travelers
- 11 nights in the luxury 5-star accommodations
- Overnight on Halong Bay Luxury 5-star Cruise
- Domestic flights from Hanoi to Danang and Da Nang to Ho Chi Minh City
- Daily breakfasts, 03 lunches and 1 dinner
- The services of a professional, English-speaking guide in each city
- Dedicated, air-conditioned transportations

ITINERARY

Day 1: Hanoi Arrival

You will depart from your home to Vietnam!

Welcome to Hanoi – Vietnam's bustling colonial capital. Your driver and guide will meet you outside the baggage claim of Noi Bai Airport and take you to your hotel in the city centre. Check in at the 5-star hotel located in the heart of Hanoi.

Meals: In-flight meals **Accommodation**: Grand Mercure Hanoi 5* or similar

Day 2: Hanoi City tour

Today you have a full day to explore Vietnam's charming capital. With its wide tree-lined boulevards, French colonial architecture, peaceful lakes and ancient oriental pagodas, Hanoi is an eclectic mix that offers something for everyone. Your city tour will take you to Hanoi's key sites: the Ho Chi Minh Complex (Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum and stilt house), the Presidential Palace, the nearby One Pillar Pagoda; the Temple of Literature; West Lake including the sedate Tran Quoc Pagoda and one of the city's museums (a choice between the History Museum and the Ethnology Museum). Later in the afternoon, enjoy a traditional Water Puppet Performance – a unique Vietnamese art form hailing from Southeast Asia's wet-rice culture. **Meals**: Breakfast

Day 3: Hanoi - Halong Bay -

After breakfast at hotel, your driver will meet you at hotel to take you on a 4-hour drive passing the countryside of the Red River Delta to Halong Bay.

Welcome on Heritage Binh Chuan Cruise and set sail through Halong Bay while seafood lunch is served. Rest your eyes on the azure waters of this magical bay, where thousands of sculpted limestone islands rise from the waves like dragons' teeth, passing picturesque area around Frog Lagoon area and Lan Ha Bay. Enjoy sunset cocktails and Dinner served on cruise.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Heritage Cruise Binh Chuan Cat Ba Archipelago 5* or similar

Day 4: Halong Bay - Hanoi

Early wake up and welcome the energetic new day with Tai-chi Class on the deck and watch the sunrise at Ocean Sky Sundeck. A light breakfast is served at the Harmony of the Sea Restaurant. Visit the Dark & Bright cave by traditional rowing bamboo boats. Cruising to Bright Cave, you will see an angled passageway opening the cave at water level and a serene round lake surrounded by lush trees and precipitous stone cliffs. Return to the Capella cruise after the time of sightseeing. This is the time that you return to the cabin and recheck your personal belongings before checking out. Brunch served at Harmony of the Sea Restaurant after check-out while cruising towards the port. Back to Tuan Chau International Port by tender boat and get back to Hanoi.

Meals: Brunch

Accommodation: Grand Mercure Hanoi 5* or similar

Day 5: Hanoi - Sapa

This morning, you will drive from Hanoi to Sapa. On arrival in the afternoon, discover Lao Chai village, Muong Hoa Valley, Black H'mong village and take a soft-trekking further to Ta Van village.

Please noted that today requires comfortable walking shoes as the trek will take approximately 3 hours. **Meal**: Breakfast

Accommodation: Silk Path Grand Resort & Spa 5* or similar

Day 6: Sapa - Tribal Villages Excursions

After breakfast, continue exploring Sapa's local life on foot. The soft-trekking will last approximately 3 hours to Ta Phin Village. In the afternoon, free time at leisure as you wish.

Meal: Breakfast

Accommodation: Silk Path Grand Resort & Spa 5* or similar

Day 7: Sapa - Drive to Hanoi - Flight to Danang - Hoi An

This morning, you will leave Sapa back to Hanoi for flight to Danang. On arrival in Danang airport, our driver picks up to transfer to the resort. Overnight at resort. **Meal**: Breakfast **Accommodation**: Bliss Hoi An Beach Resort & Wellness 5* or similar

Day 8: Hoi An Walking Tour

Explore Hoi An on foot, visiting an old merchant's home, Hoi An Market, a local Chinese temple and the Japanese Covered Bridge. The bridge was first constructed here in the 1590s by the Japanese community to link them with the Chinese quarters. Over the centuries the ornamentation has remained relatively faithful to the original Japanese design. The French flattened out the roadway for cars, but the original arched shape was restored in 1986.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Bliss Hoi An Beach Resort & Wellness 5* or similar

Day 9: Hoi An

Today, you are free or you can buy optional tours we suggest below: **Meal**: Breakfast

Accommodation: Bliss Hoi An Beach Resort & Wellness 5* or similar

Day 10: Hoi An - Danang - Flight to Ho Chi Minh City

After breakfast, you will have your free time before transferred to the airport for the flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Upon arrival, enjoy an orientation tour through Ho Chi Minh City's bustling streets en route to the hotel. Have lunch at your own and visit the War Remnants Museum, learn about Vietnam's recent history at Reunification Palace, visit the nearby neo-Romanesque Notre Dame Cathedral and the City's Centre Post Office before passing by the ornate Opera Theatre and the City Hall. Finally, end up at the Ben Thanh Market, where vendors display a vast array of goods and handicrafts, appealing to every taste.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Rex Hotel Saigon 5* or similar

Day 11: Ho Chi Minh City - Mekong Delta Day Trip

After breakfast, you leave your hotel for Mekong delta. Embark on a cruise to Ben Tre River and visit brickwork, coconut processing workshop, a local village making sleep mattresses. Continue taking a motor cart (xe lôi) or cycling through the green rice fields and vegetable plains. Lunch is served at the restaurant riverside. In the afternoon, sail through water palm creek by rowboat and get back to Hung Vuong Pier for departing to Saigon. **Meals**: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Rex Hotel Saigon 5* or similar

Day 12: Ho Chi Minh City - Home

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight back home or your next destination and we hope you enjoy your trip with Asia Vacation Group.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: On Plane

INCLUSIONS

• Return flights from Australia by Vietnam Airlines

- 02 domestic flights from Hanoi to Danang and Danang to Ho Chi Minh City.
- Bottled water per person per day
- Airport transfers included on the first and last day of tour
- 11 nights in the luxury 5-star accommodations.
- Dedicated transportation in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles
- Daily Breakfast Buffet, 2 lunches, 1 dinner
- Fully escorted by English-speaking local guides
- In-depth sightseeing and all entry fees as per the itinerary

EXCLUSIONS

- Vietnam Visa
- Meals and drinks are not mentioned in theprogramm
- Tipping for driver and tour guide
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance highly recommend when you travel.
- Trip delay or interruption by airline schedule change
- Extra cost or missing tour caused by flight delay or cancel
- Any service not clearly mentioned in the program

DEPARTURE DATES: PRICE IS QUOTED IN AU\$ PER PERSON

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OPTIONAL TOURS



Golden Bridge Tour AU\$183



Hanoi Street Food (Dinner included) AU\$85



Dinner on Saigon River Cruise AU\$135

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FLIGHT INFORMATION

FLIGHTS, UPGRADES & EXTENSIONS

This package includes return flights from Sydney/Melbourne by Vietnam Airlines and surcharge **\$400** from Adelaide, Brisbane, Tasmania or other city if requested when selecting your departure city.

In this packages, we will use some different airlines such as: Vietnam Airlines (23kg for checked baggage per passenger and 7kg hand luggage per passenger, 01-piece check-in baggage).

- Once ticketed, flights are non-refundable. Any changes will be subject to the airline rules and change fees.
- Full names as per passport (including all middle names) are required.
- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control.
- Any airline "extras" such as pre-allocated seating is at your own arrangement (additional charges apply)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Tipping

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. Tipping is AU\$10/person per day. Tipping is collected by agent before travelling or the day of your arrival.

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences however any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

Single supplement is \$1,199 per person in addition to the twin share price.

Paired Solo Traveler

Not available.

Triple Share

Upon your request except for cruises

Group Size From 2 – 16 persons

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is recommended to protect yourself against the unexpected. In addition to the support that a policy may provide, you may be asked to present a copy of your travel insurance documentation while traveling.

We have partnered with NibTravel Insurance to offer our customers competitive rates for their travel insurance. You can book Comprehensive or Essentials cover for your domestic, international or multi-trip journeys simply with us.

Visa & Passport information

It is the traveler's responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of six months from the intended date of return and must have more than 2 blank pages.

A visa is required for travel to Vietnam. The visa is easiest to complete with Asia Vacation Group and just need to pay \$160 for single entry (30-day-stay-limited)

Children

Children must be 5 years old or above and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation, including e-tickets and hotel details, will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Tour Length

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent in flight and is subject to change depending on the flight schedule, please refer to the day by day itinerary for the time spent on land.

HOW TO EXTEND YOUR STAY

You can enhance your holiday by arriving or departing before or after the tour. On this tour you can choose from the following options:

Pre Tour Accommodation

• \$280 per room, per night including one-way airport transfer based on double/twin room share

Post Tour Accommodation

• \$250 per room, per night including one-way airport transfer based on double/twin room share Please select the number of extra nights required in the 'Additional Nights Accommodation' field when making your purchase. The additional cost for these arrangements will be added to your final payment invoice and are subject to availability. ASIA VACATION GROUP

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