

# 15 Day Luxury Vietnam Escape

## Asia Vacation Group – Authentic Asia!

Local knowledge, adventures of a lifetime.

Discover Asia 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 our team 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, we are proud to be the people who craft your itinerary, help you at each step, plus guide and operate your tour.

<b>Relaxed Itinerary</b>	<b>Small Group</b>	<b>Return Flights by Vietnam Airlines</b>
<b>Two night on Luxury Halong Bay Cruise</b>		

## Day by Day Itinerary

Hanoi, Halong Bay, Hue, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City, Mekong Delta

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **Return Flights by Vietnam Airlines**
- 2 nights at the luxury Halong Bay Cruise – Elite of the seas
- Incredible exploring Vietnam in style including the tranquil capital city of Hanoi, enjoy two nights on luxury Halong Bay cruise, the Hue old capital, Hoi An ancient town and dynamic city of Ho Chi Minh City.
- Experienced 13 night at the luxury hotels, Halong Bay Cruise and resorts in this incredible trip.
- Walk around the charming and ancient alleys of Hoi An Old Town and the old capital Hue
- Enjoy a lovely dinner on a Saigon River Cruise.
- Fully escorted by English speaking tour guide and driver.
- Enjoy the full services and friendly served by Vietnam Airlines crews on every single flight from home back to home.

## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Hanoi Arrival

Xin chao! You will depart from your home to Hanoi capital by Vietnam Airlines flight today. On arrival, you will be greeted and transferred to your hotel for check-in. Relax and overnight in Hanoi.

**Meals:** In-flight meals.

**Accommodation:** Grand Mercure Hanoi 5\* or similar.

### Day 2: Hanoi - Halong Bay -

After breakfast, you will leave from Hanoi to **Halong Bay**, “a spectacular seascape sculpted by nature” by UNESCO due to its breathtaking caves and limestone pillars sitting on the water. Upon arrival, you will board a ship to explore the stunning scenery with a myriad of mysterious caves of all shapes and sizes.

Enjoy lunch in the restaurant. In the afternoon, gather at reception area to participate in Kayaking activities at Ao Ech area, or use the swimming pool on the cruise. You will have a chance to take pictures with the cruise by drone at the Sundeck area.

Welcome sunset and enjoy afternoon tea at the swimming pool area.

**18h00:** Cooking demonstration at the swimming pool area.

**18h00 – 19h00:** Join the Happy Hour program and the sunset at the Sky Bar area.

**19h00:** Enjoy an 8-course fine dining menu at the restaurant.

Turndown Service : To ensure the service quality for your stay, we offer you Turndown Service during your dinner time. Please turn on the housekeeping switch (next to the electricity card slot) to use the service.

**20h30:** Join the fishing session at the aft of our cruise or relax at our swimming pool, mini-golf course, spa, etc.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner.

**Accommodation:** Elite of the Seas 5\*

**Attention:** For all valuable and important items (wallet, passport, jewelry, etc), please keep them carefully in the safe or entrust them to the reception on the 2nd floor.

### **Day 3: Halong Bay -**

Early wake up and enjoy the sunrise & join a golf class at the golf course

**6h15 – 6h35:** Morning exercise session: Tai Chi at the golf course

**6h45 – 7h30:** Enjoy breakfast in the restaurant.

**7h30 – 9h45:** Free time to relax on the cruise.

**9h45:** Enjoy the buffet in our restaurant.

**12h30 – 16h30:** Visit the Viet Hai floating village by electric car or bicycle. Then experience bathing and relaxing at the natural beach of the Ba Trai Dao area in Lan Ha Bay.

**16h30 – 18h00:** Return to the Elite of the Seas – and relax on the cruise.

**18h00 – 19h00:** Cooking demonstration at the swimming pool area. Join the Happy Hour program, and the sunset at the Sky Bar area.

**19h00:** Enjoy dinner

**20h30:** Join the fishing session at the aft of our cruise or relax at our swimming pool, mini-golf course, spa, etc.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner.

**Accommodation:** Elite of the Seas 5\*

### **Day 4: Halong Bay - Hanoi**

Awake early and join a Tai Chi session on the top deck or simply relax and enjoy the sunrise over the bay's towering islands. Enjoy a morning cup of coffee or tea before exploring nearby islands by rowboat. Return to the junk and admire the amazing rock formations of Halong Bay from the sundeck. Your driver will meet you at Halong jetty then we drive back to Hanoi.

**Meals:** Brunch.

**Accommodation:** Grand Mercure Hanoi 5\* or similar.

### **Day 5: Hanoi - Hue**

This morning, you will take a half day Hanoi City Tour to **Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum** (photo spot only, a monumental edifice built to commemorate the Vietnamese Revolutionary leader), **One Pillar Pagoda** (one of Vietnam's two most iconic temples), **Temple of Literature** (known as the first university of Vietnam) and **Tran Quoc Pagoda** (one of the oldest pagodas in Vietnam).

Afterwards, get ready for a flight to Hue old capital. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to the hotel and spend your relax time in Hue.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Silk Path Grand Hue 5\* or similar

### **Day 6: Hue**

Today, you will spend your day to explore the Imperial Citadel and the tomb of Tu Duc, the longest-reigning Nguyen Dynasty emperor. Take a Cycle tour to see some of the other sites of Hue. Take a cruise up the placid Perfume River to visit the Tomb of Nguyen Dynasty Emperor Minh Mang and the traditional Thien Mu Pagoda on the banks of the river. Then enjoy the local life by visiting Dong Ba market. Late afternoon, you will be drive back to the hotel and relax at your hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Silk Path Grand Hue 5\* or similar

### **Day 7: Hue - Hoi An - Golden Bridge Tour**

Today, you will check out your hotel after breakfast and then head to visit **Golden Bridge** on Ba Na Mountain. You will travel by cable car up to the Marseille station. Get out and take a short walk to the Golden Bridge – a break point of the trip – to feel like walking among the clouds. Just newly opened to the public in early June 2018 the bridge which was built in the midst of the forest stands out in yellow. Noteworthy, this unique architecture with the

bridge image supported by grey hands, creates a beautiful scenery surprised. Time for taking photos and enjoying the easy breeze, breathtaking view and afterwards, we'll walk further to a romantic flower garden – **Le Jardin D'Amour**. The 9 gardens are 9 interesting stories in 9 unique architectural styles. These create a poetic and colourful space. Next, walk to visit **Linh Ung Pagoda** to admire its sophisticated architecture together with a 27m high Shakyamuni statue which brings us peaceful feeling as visiting this place. Finally, we will catch the cable car downhill and then transfer to Hoi An. Check in your hotel and overnight in Hoi An.

**Meals:** Breakfast.

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

#### **Day 8: Hoi An**

Today you are free at leisure to explore Hoi An, a World Heritage Site.

**Meals:** Breakfast.

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

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**Meals:** Breakfast.

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

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**Meals:** Breakfast.

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

#### **Day 11: Hoi An - Da Nang - Ho Chi Minh City**

Today, you will check out your resort and take a flight to the dynamic city of Ho Chi Minh City (formerly called Saigon). On arrival, check in your hotel and enjoy the night at your leisure.

**Meals:** Breakfast.

**Accommodation:** Rex Hotel Saigon Hotel 5\* or similar.

#### **Day 12: Ho Chi Minh City - Mekong River Cruise Tour**

Today you will travel to the **Mekong Delta River** to explore the unique lifestyle of inhabitants living along the Mekong Delta. Embark on a cruise visiting the regional coconut forest and a home of Vietnamese farmers, handicrafts and culture along the Mekong Delta. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant on **Turtle Island**. Visit fruit and bonsai gardens, a coconut candy workshop and a rice paper mill. Bike ride or travel by horse carriage along the village road and enjoy local delicacies and tropical fruits. You'll also visit **Vinh Trang pagoda**, one of the most beautiful ancient pagodas in Mekong Delta before heading back to Ho Chi Minh City this afternoon. This evening is at leisure.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch.

**Accommodation:** Rex Hotel Saigon Hotel 5\* or similar.

#### **Day 13: Ho Chi Minh City - Cu Chi Tunnels**

After breakfast, head to **Cu Chi Tunnels**, a byzantine maze of underground passages, chambers and booby traps used by both the Viet Minh and the Viet Cong during Vietnam-US war. The tunnel system had become legendary during the 1960s as a strategic military base and underground community life.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch.

**Accommodation:** Rex Hotel Saigon Hotel 5\* or similar.

#### **Day 14: Ho Chi Minh City Tour - Departure**

This morning, enjoy breakfast at the hotel and some free time. Check out your hotel and then hop on the city tour around Saigon with highlights such as **Notre Dame Cathedral**, **Post Office** (photo spot only), **War Remnant Museum** and soaking up the atmosphere at **Ben Thanh market**, one of Ho Chi Minh's liveliest areas. Later afternoon, we will drive you to the airport for flight back home.

**Meals:** Breakfast.

**Accommodation:** On Plane

#### **Day 15: Home**

Arrive home today and we hope you enjoy your trip with Asia Vacation Group.

## INCLUSIONS

- Return flights by Vietnam Airlines
- Experienced 13 night at the luxury 5-star hotels and Halong Bay cruise in the itinerary
- Daily American Breakfast buffets
- All local boat rentals and cycling as mentioned in the program.
- All entrance fees and sightseeing as mentioned in the program.
- Water bottles during tours.
- Transportation by air-conditioning vehicles.
- Fully escorted by English-speaking tour guides.

## EXCLUSIONS

- Meals and drinks are not mentioned in the program
- Visa fees in Vietnam
- Tipping for driver and tour guide & personal expenses
- Highly recommended Travel insurance
- 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

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
<b>Sunday</b> 30 Jun 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 14 Jul 2024	AU\$5,249	School Holiday	<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 14 Jul 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 28 Jul 2024	AU\$4,999		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 04 Aug 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 18 Aug 2024	AU\$4,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 25 Aug 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 08 Sep 2024	AU\$4,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 08 Sep 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 22 Sep 2024	AU\$4,799	School Holiday	<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 22 Sep 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 06 Oct 2024	AU\$5,249		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 06 Oct 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 20 Oct 2024	AU\$4,899		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 20 Oct 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 03 Nov 2024	AU\$4,899		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 10 Nov 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 24 Nov 2024	AU\$4,599		<a href="#">Book</a>

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<b>Sunday</b> 24 Nov 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 08 Dec 2024	AU\$4,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 22 Dec 2024	<b>Sunday</b> 05 Jan 2025	AU\$5,899	Christmas in Vietnam	<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 05 Jan 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 19 Jan 2025	AU\$5,299		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 23 Feb 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 09 Mar 2025	AU\$4,899		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 09 Mar 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 23 Mar 2025	AU\$4,749		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 23 Mar 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 06 Apr 2025	AU\$4,899		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 06 Apr 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 20 Apr 2025	AU\$5,249		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 20 Apr 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 04 May 2025	AU\$5,249		<a href="#">Sold Out</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 11 May 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 25 May 2025	AU\$4,699		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 25 May 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 08 Jun 2025	AU\$4,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 22 Jun 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 06 Jul 2025	AU\$4,999		<a href="#">Book</a>
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<b>Sunday</b> 28 Sep 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 12 Oct 2025	AU\$5,299		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 12 Oct 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 26 Oct 2025	AU\$4,799		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 26 Oct 2025	<b>Sunday</b> 09 Nov 2025	AU\$4,799		<a href="#">Book</a>
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## OPTIONAL TOURS



**Half-Day Guided Tour  
Australian Beef with Wine  
Tasting & Rickshaw in  
AU\$120**



**My Son Sanctuary and  
Thanh Ha Village Tour  
AU\$93**



**Dinner on Saigon River  
Cruise  
AU\$135**

## FINE PRINT

### FLIGHT INFORMATION

In this packages, we will use Vietnam Airlines for the whole trip from Australia depart from Sydney/Melbourne/Perth and surcharge \$400 depart from Brisbane, Adelaide or another city. (23kg for checked baggage per passenger and 7kg hand luggage per passenger, 01-piece check-in baggage).

- Some flights will require a minimum of 1 transit.
- All tickets will include 20 kilos checked baggage per person, along with 7 kilos of hand luggage.
- Despite the airlines baggage allowance, we recommend travelling with 20 kilos per person due to restrictions with internal flights (where applicable), as well as coach and train transportation. Also, you will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters is not included. If travelling over this amount, you will be liable for any excess baggage fees enforced by the airline, payable direct.
- 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

#### Physical Requirements

A reasonable level of fitness is required but it's more about spending time on your feet rather than covering large distances. You'll be getting on and off coaches and boats, walking around the sights and climbing some steps.

#### 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 **\$1,250** 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 12 month old or above and share a room with parents at all times. Children is up 5 years old 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**

AU\$240 per room, per night based on double/twin room share

**Post Tour Accommodation**

AU\$ 240 per room, per night 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.

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