# [Travelzoo] 20 DAY HIGHLIGHTS OF VIETNAM, CAMBODIA & THAIL AND

### Asia Vacation Group - World Travel Expert!

Local knowledge, adventures of a lifetime.

Discover the world with our team of experts, and a carefully selected, value-packed exploration of the world'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.

Exclusive for Travelzoo members	Returned Flight Included	7 Day Change YourMind to receive full refund
Fully Escorted by English speaking guide		

### **Day by Day Itinerary**

Hanoi, Halong Bay, Da Nang, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City, Siem Reap, Bangkok, Phitsanulok, Chiang Mai, Sukhothai

# HIGHLIGHTS

### • Return international flight included

- Incredible sightseeing including discovering the vibrant capital Hanoi, the stunning views of the UNESCO-listed Halong Bay, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City, Siem Reap, Bangkok, Ayutthaya and Chiang Mai
- Comfortable group experience with no more than 20 persons
- Airport transfers included
- 18 nights in 4\* hotel accommodation
- Overnight cruise on a traditional Halong junk boat including all meals
- Dedicated transportation in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles
- Daily Breakfasts
- English-speaking local guides in Vietnam, Cambodia and Thailand
- In-depth sightseeing and all entry fees as per the itinerary.

# ITINERARY

### Day 1: Hanoi Arrival

Xin chao! Welcome to Hanoi – the Capital of Vietnam. Upon arrival to the airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel for check-in

Meals: On-flight meals

Accommodation: Chalcedony Hotel 4\* or similar

### Day 2: Hanoi - Halong Bay -

Today you will travel by coach through the rich farm land of the Red River Delta to arrive at Halong Bay. Designated a World Heritage site in 1994, Halong Bay's spectacular scatter of islands, dotted with wind- and wave-eroded grottoes, is a vision of ethereal beauty. Upon arrival, you will board you ship to visit the thousands of limestone islands filled with caves of all shapes and sizes. The sails of junks and sampans gliding along the clear and emerald waters of the bay form a magnificent scene that blends into the sky. You will also have the opportunity to visit some of the hidden grottoes beneath the towering cliffs.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Oriental Sails Cruise or similar

### Day 3: Halong Bay - Hanoi

Awake early and participate in Tai Chi on the top deck or simply relax and enjoy the sunrise over the bay's towering islands, a sight not to be missed! Enjoy a morning cup of coffee or tea, before setting out to explore nearby islands by rowboat. Return to the junk for breakfast then take advantage of the sundeck and admire the amazing rock formations of Halong Bay. Enjoy a light lunch before heading back to shore. Your driver will meet you at the Halong jetty then drive back to Hanoi in the afternoon.

Meals: Brunch

Accommodation: Chalcedony Hotel 4\* or similar

### Day 4: Hanoi City Tour - Da Nang

After breakfast, you will have a bustling day to visit a city tour of Hanoi and will explore attractions such as the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first university, Ho Chi Minh Complex (Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda) and Tran Quoc Pagoda, one of the oldest pagodas in Vietnam. Later on, you will be transferred to the airport for the short flight to Danang.

After breakfast, you will check out your hotel in the morning and get ready for a flight to Da Nang Airport.

On arrival, you will be greeted and transferred to your hotel for check-in and spend your free tim at leisure.

Meal: Breakfast.

Accommodation: Belle Maison Danang Hotel 4\* or similar

### Day 5: Da Nang - Hoi An

Today, you will have a walking tour around Hoi An and visit popular highlights including the Japanese Bridge, the Chinese Temple and Phung Hung Old House. In the afternoon, freely explore the town or join one of our exciting optional tours.

Meal: Breakfast.

Accommodation: Hoi An Garden Palace 4\* or similar

# Day 6: Hoi An

Today you are free at leisure to explore the city as you wish or buy an optional tour with us.

Meal: Breakfast.

Accommodation: Hoi An Garden Palace 4\* or similar

### Day 7: Hoi An - Da Nang - Ho Chi Minh City

Today, you will take a flight from Da Nang to Ho Chi Minh City – the bustling city of Vietnam and you will visit the famous attractions of Ho Chi Minh City such as Notre Dame Cathedral, Post Office (photo spot only), War Remnant Museum and dive into the colorful Ben Thanh market, one of Ho Chi Minh's liveliest areas.

**Meal**: Breakfast.

Accommodation: Athena Hotel Saigon 4\* or similar

# Day 8: Ho Chi Minh City

You are free day today or you buy an optional tour to Mekong Delta.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Athena Hotel Saigon 4\* or similar

# Day 9: Ho Chi Minh City - Cu Chi Tunnels

After breakfast, you 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

Accommodation: Athena Hotel Saigon 4\* or similar

## Day 10: Ho Chi Minh City - Siem Reap

Today you will take a flight to Siem Reap. Upon arrival to the airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel for check-in. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore this vibrant city.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Empress Angkor Resort 4\* or similar

### Day 11: Siem Reap - Angkor Temples

Spend a full day discovering the mystical Angkor temples. Your day starts with a visit to Angkor Wat, then we will visit the ancient Ta Prohm Monastery.

In the afternoon, visit Angkor Thom (the Great City) beginning by the south gate and the famous Bayon of the 12th and 13th centuries. Then, journey to the Elephant Terrace and the raised Leper King Terrace, built in the 12th century and which features many beautifully sculptured Apsaras.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Empress Angkor Resort 4\* or similar

### Day 12: Siem Reap

Today, you are free time at leisure to explore the mystery of Siem Reap or swimming at hotel.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Empress Angkor Resort 4\* or similar

## Day 13: Siem Reap - Bangkok

Today you will leave Siem Reap in the morning to go to Bangkok by bus.

Welcome to Bangkok, Thailand – On arrival, you will check in your hotel in Bangkok.

Meals: Breakfast.

Accommodation: Hotel Furama Silom 4\* or similar

### Day 14: Bangkok - Ayutthaya - Phitsanulok

Today, visit the former capital Ayutthaya, a historic city awarded UNESCO World Heritage status for the splendor of its archaeological ruins and temples. Contemplate the ruins of this once vast island city including Wat Yai Chaimongkhon, Wat Phanan Choeng and Wat Mahathat. Hop on a traditional long tail boat and observe the city's ruins from a different perspective. After lunch, check-in to your hotel in Phitsanulok.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

**Accommodation**: Imperial Hotel and Convention Centre 4\* or similar

### Day 15: Phitsanulok - Lampang - Chiang Mai

After breakfast, leave from hotel, made a quick break at Wat Mahathat in Phitsanulok and visit the magnificent Phra Buddha Chinnarat. Then head to Lampang by minivan or bus to visit Wat Phra That Lampang Luang. Climb the staircase to admire the bronze Buddha statue. Have lunch before travelling to Chiang Mai for check-in to your hotel. **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch.

Accommodation: Amora Hotel Chiang Mai 4\* or similar

### Day 16: Chiang Mai City Tour

After breakfast, you visit Wat Phra That Doi Suthep, one of northern Thailand's most sacred temples located at the top of a mountain. To reach the temple, you'll have to climb up a 309-step staircase (or simply use cable car – included). Later on, there's some fun shopping at San Kamphaeng Road, a 10km-long road selling lots of local goods such as pottery, silverware, lacquer ware, handmade paper, sculptures, jewellery, wood carvings and silk products. You can also watch the artisans at work. After lunch in a local restaurant, we return to your hotel and you may spend the remainder of the day at your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

Accommodation: Amora Hotel Chiang Mai 4\* or similar

# Day 17: Chiang Mai - Lamphun - Sukhothai

Depart Chiang Mai for Lamphun. On arrival, you'll visit the magnificent, one-thousand-year-old Wat Phra That Hariphunchai Temple to see the Buddha statues and impressive stupas, which include 46-metretall Lanna-style golden chedi and the 21-metre-tall Haripunchai-style chedi. We continue our trip to the south and visit Sukhothai Historical Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site which contains the ruins of the ancient capital of the Sukhothai Kingdom founded in the 13th century.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

Accommodation: Legendha Sukhothai Resort 4\* or similar

### Day 18: Sukhothai - Lopburi - Bangkok

Depart for Lopburi after breakfast for a visit to Phra Pang Sam Yot, the ruins of the ancient Khmer temple, and the adjacent Brahman shrine San Phra Kan, which is known as the 'Monkey Temple'. Have lunch in a local restaurant before continuing to Bangkok for check-in at your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Royal Princess Larn Luang Hotel 4\* or similar

### Day 19: Bangkok - Home

You are free today and get ready for your flight to home.

Meals: Breakfast.

Accommodation: On Plane

### Day 20: Home

Arrive home today and we hope you enjoy our amazed holiday with Asia Vacation Group.

# INCLUSIONS

# • Return international flights

- 03 internal flights: Hanoi Da Nang, Da Nang Ho Chi Minh City, Ho Chi Minh City Siem Reap
- 18 nights at 4\* hotel accommodations at the central location.
- Daily breakfasts, and meals in the itinerary
- All entrance fees and sightseeing as mentioned in the program.
- Water bottles during tours.
- Transportation by air-conditioning vehicles.
- Fully escorted by professional English-speaking tour guides in each city

# **EXCLUSIONS**

- Meals and drinks are not mentioned in the program
- Visa fee in Vietnam, Cambodia and Thailand (if any)
- Tipping for driver and tour guide (AUD10/per person/day) and Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (we strongly recommend you hold a valid travel insurance policy for all domestic and overseas 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

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
<b>Thursday</b> 23 May 2024	Tuesday 11 Jun 2024	AU\$4,199		Book
Thursday 13 Jun 2024	Tuesday 02 Jul 2024	AU\$4,849		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 27 Jun 2024	Tuesday 16 Jul 2024	AU\$4,849		Book
Thursday 11 Jul 2024	Tuesday 30 Jul 2024	AU\$4,849		Book

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
<b>Thursday</b> 25 Jul 2024	Tuesday 13 Aug 2024	AU\$4,799		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 08 Aug 2024	Tuesday 27 Aug 2024	AU\$4,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 15 Aug 2024	Tuesday 03 Sep 2024	AU\$4,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 22 Aug 2024	Tuesday 10 Sep 2024	AU\$4,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 29 Aug 2024	Tuesday 17 Sep 2024	AU\$4,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 05 Sep 2024	Tuesday 24 Sep 2024	AU\$4,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 12 Sep 2024	Tuesday 01 Oct 2024	AU\$4,799		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 19 Sep 2024	Tuesday 08 Oct 2024	AU\$4,849		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 26 Sep 2024	Tuesday 15 Oct 2024	AU\$4,849		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 10 Oct 2024	Tuesday 29 Oct 2024	AU\$4,799		Book
Thursday 17 Oct 2024	Tuesday 05 Nov 2024	AU\$4,599		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 24 Oct 2024	Tuesday 12 Nov 2024	AU\$4,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 07 Nov 2024	Tuesday 26 Nov 2024	AU\$4,499		Book
Thursday 21 Nov 2024	Tuesday 10 Dec 2024	AU\$4,599		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 05 Dec 2024	Tuesday 24 Dec 2024	AU\$5,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 19 Dec 2024	<b>Tuesday</b> 07 Jan 2025	AU\$6,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 09 Jan 2025	Tuesday 28 Jan 2025	AU\$4,999		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 13 Feb 2025	<b>Tuesday</b> 04 Mar 2025	AU\$4,899		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 27 Feb 2025	Tuesday 18 Mar 2025	AU\$4,399		Book

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
<b>Thursday</b> 13 Mar 2025	Tuesday 01 Apr 2025	AU\$4,699		Book
Thursday 27 Mar 2025	Tuesday 15 Apr 2025	AU\$4,699		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 17 Apr 2025	<b>Tuesday</b> 06 May 2025	AU\$4,800		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 01 May 2025	Tuesday 20 May 2025	AU\$4,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 15 May 2025	Tuesday 03 Jun 2025	AU\$4,199		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 29 May 2025	Tuesday 17 Jun 2025	AU\$4,199		Book
Thursday 12 Jun 2025	Tuesday 01 Jul 2025	AU\$4,799		Book
<b>Thursday</b> 26 Jun 2025	Tuesday 15 Jul 2025	AU\$4,849		Book
Thursday 10 Jul 2025	Tuesday 29 Jul 2025	AU\$4,849		Book
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Thursday 21 Aug 2025	<b>Tuesday</b> 09 Sep 2025	AU\$4,199		Book
Thursday 11 Sep 2025	Tuesday 30 Sep 2025	AU\$4,499		Book
Thursday 25 Sep 2025	Tuesday 14 Oct 2025	AU\$4,849		Book
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# **OPTIONAL TOURS**

# **FINE PRINT**

### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

### **FLIGHTS, UPGRADES & EXTENSIONS**

This package includes international flights from Sydney/Melbourne and surcharge from Adelaide, Brisbane, Perth or other city if requested when selecting your departure city.

### **Interstate Surcharge**

### Surcharge of \$400 for departures from Adelaide & Brisbane and \$300 for departures from Perth

In this packages, we will use some different airlines such as: Vietnam Airlines, Vietjet Air or similar airlines (20kg 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 (maximum 2).
- 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, Airline change fees and an Asia Vacation Group change fee of \$250 per person.
- Full names as per passport (including all middle names) are required. Any error in the names submitted will be subject to an Asia Vacation Group name change fee of \$150 plus any applicable fees charged by the airline, or the ticket may be non-refundable with the purchase of a new ticket required.
- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control. It is important that you, as the customer, stay up-to-date with the latest airline schedule information prior to your departure. If a schedule change results in extended transits or an earlier/later departure from your destination, any additional accommodation or alternative arrangements will be at the traveler's expense.
- Any airline 'extras' such as pre-allocated seating is at your own arrangement (additional charges apply)
- After booking, the price payable may be subject to change as a result of factors beyond the control of Asia Vacation Group. Asia Vacation Group reserves the right to increase the price payable and this will be reflected on the customer's invoice. Increases may be in relation to, but not limited to, currency fluctuations, airline taxes, airfare increases and fuel surcharges.
- Internal airfares (where applicable and included in the itinerary) will be using a local carrier and may include low-cost carriers without meals or entertainment. Checked baggage will still be included for each passenger. Any additional baggage required is payable at time of check-in.
- If you are travelling with another party on a separate booking, we cannot guarantee that the same flights will be booked for all parties, as this strictly depends on availability.
- You will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters are not included. If travelling over the recommended amount, you will be liable for any excess baggage fees enforced by the airline, payable directly.
- In the event of that you no-show on your scheduled flight, please be aware the airline will require you to pay a no show fee, Airline reissue fee plus any additional airfare and taxes. Asia Vacation Group will also charge a \$250 admin fee to assist re accommodating you on the next available flight. Please note that depending on the airline's policy, purchasing a new ticket may be required.

# Flight requests, amendments or preferences

We understand customers may wish to request changes to their included airfares. If you wish to fly with a certain airline, land at a certain time or change your flight in other ways we will gladly provide you with a personalized quote tailored to your specific requirements.

We would be more than happy to provide you with a quote for the following requests:

- Airline Preferences You may wish to fly with a particular airline
- Cabin Preferences These include upgrading to premium economy or business class
- Extensions (start and end cities must remain the same) You may request to extend your stay pre or post tour.
- Meal Requests You may request a specific meal for dietary requirements.
- Seat Requests If you would like to request particular seating. However please note, not all airlines allow the selection of pre-purchased seat arrangements.

### 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. Please be advised that tipping for tour guides, drivers and bellmen are required and will be collected by your travel consultant 7 days before you depart. A gratuity of 10AUD per person/day can make a big difference to locals employed in the tourism industry as they have done an impeccable job to serve you through your holiday.

### 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 \$1,080 per person in addition to the twin share price.

### **Paired Solo Traveler**

Not available.

### **Group size:**

6-20 persons

### **Triple Share**

Upon your request except for cruises

### **Travel Insurance**

Travel insurance is required to protect yourself against the unexpected.

We have partnered with Nib Travel Insurance to offer you competitive rates for your travel insurance. You can book comprehensive or budget cover simply to arrange your policy.

### **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 and Cambodia. The visa is easiest to complete with Asia Vacation Group and just need to pay \$160 for single entry for Vietnam and \$130 for single entry for Cambodia.

### **Tour Documentation**

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

### Children

Children must be 2 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are the same price as adults.

# **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**

\$135 per room, per night

# **Post Tour Accommodation**

\$135 per room, per night

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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