Itinerary

8 Day Taste of Vietnam Small Group Tour

***IMPORTANT NOTE: Any extra nights, optional tours or other amendments, will not be visible on this itinerary.**

DAY 1: Arrive Hanoi, Vietnam

Upon arrival you will be greeted at the airport by our tour representative and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free at leisure.
MEALS: Nil

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Hanoi Esplendour

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): La Mejor Hotel & Skybar

DAY 2: Hanoi Free Day

Take the opportunity to discover Hanoi at your own pace or opt for our optional Hanoi City Tour to make the most of your day.
MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Hanoi Esplendour

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): La Mejor Hotel & Skybar

OPTIONAL: ***Hanoi City Tour***

Embark on a full-day exploration of Hanoi, beginning with a convenient hotel pick-up at 8:00 AM. Delve into the rich history of Vietnam with a visit to the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, discovering the architectural and historical significance of Uncle Ho's final resting place. Adjacent lies Ho Chi Minh's house on stilts and the iconic One Pillar Pagoda, a symbol deeply ingrained in Hanoi's cultural fabric since its establishment by King Ly Thai To in 1049. Traverse to the serene Tran Quoc Pagoda at West Lake, one of Vietnam's oldest pagodas, before immersing yourself in the artistry of Bat Trang pottery village (available on Mon, Wed & Fri), with a sumptuous lunch awaiting at a local eatery. In the afternoon, delve into Vietnam's diverse heritage with visits to the Ethnology Museum (open on Sun, Tue, Thu & Sat), the venerable Literature Temple, and Quoc Tu Giam, the country's inaugural university established in 1070. Stroll by the tranquil Hoan Kiem Lake, beholding the serenity of its waters and the allure of Ngoc Son temple. Conclude your journey through Hanoi's historic Old Quarter, offering opportunities for shopping and further exploration, before the tour winds down around 3:30-4:00 PM. Rest overnight in Hanoi, relishing the included amenities such as transportation, an English-speaking guide, lunch, entrance fees, and refreshments.

DAY 3: Halong Bay Overnight Cruise

Pickup at 8:00am to journey through lush Vietnamese countryside to stunning Halong Bay, scattered with hundreds of limestone islets as far as the eye can see. Once on board our traditional junk boat, we tuck in to a delicious seafood lunch while we cruise the emerald waters. In the afternoon we will stop for some water based activities such as swimming, kayaking or taking a rowing boat into smaller islets looking for the local cheeky monkeys that live on the rocks. In the evening you can try your hand at some squid fishing, star gazing or making new friends over some nice cold beers. Spend the night onboard in your comfortable cabin and enjoy the peacefulness of the Bay.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Bhaya Classic Cruise

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Amanda Pearl Halong

DAY 4: Halong Bay ~ Hanoi

This morning we continue to sail through the majestic landscape of Halong Bay stopping for a walk around the 'Amazing Cave' full of stalagmites and stalactites. Then we enjoy another buffet lunch on board as we sail back to the harbour. Drive back to Hanoi, arriving at around 5pm. Have the evening free at your leisure in Hanoi. We suggest you visit the Old Town and markets, enjoy some street food and soak up the exciting culture of the Vietnamese capital city.
MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Hanoi Esplendour

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): La Mejor Hotel & Skybar

DAY 5: Hanoi ~ Hoi An

Enjoy a time in Hanoi to explore more nooks and crannies of this amazing city before transferring to the airport for a flight to Da Nang. Upon arrival you will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel in Hoi An. The remainder of the day is free at your own leisure.
MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Serene Nature Boutique Resort

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Le Pavillion Gallery Hoi An

DAY 6: Hoi An Free Day

Indulge in a full day of relaxation in the picturesque surroundings of Hoi An, or opt for one of our optional tours to explore either the enchanting My Son Holy Land or the iconic Ba Na Hill Golden Bridge.
Dive into the vibrant shopping scene of Hoi An, where you can acquire exquisite tailor-made clothing, or unwind with a locally crafted fresh beer by the river, taking in the tranquil rhythm of life as it flows by.

MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Serene Nature Boutique Resort

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Le Pavillion Gallery Hoi An

OPTIONAL: *My Son Holy Land*

Embark on an enriching journey to the ancient marvels of My Son Holy Land, a full-day excursion beginning with a prompt departure at 8:00 AM. Traverse 40 kilometers to reach this UNESCO World Heritage Site, a testament to the cultural significance of Southeast Asia akin to Bagan in Myanmar and Angkor in Cambodia. Delve into the historical tapestry of My Son, once the spiritual nexus of the Cham people spanning from the 7th to 13th centuries, as you explore its revered archaeological remnants accompanied by an insightful guide. Following the tour, indulge in a satisfying buffet lunch before returning to Hoi An, where the evening awaits you for leisurely pursuits. Revel in included conveniences such as transportation, an English-speaking guide, lunch at a local eatery, entrance fees, and refreshing amenities throughout the excursion.

OPTIONAL: *Ba Na Hills Golden Hand Bridge*

Embark on a full-day adventure to Bana Hill and the iconic Golden Bridge, commencing with a prompt hotel pick-up at 8:00 AM. Begin your ascent to Bana Hill by cable car, marveling at the vast expanse of the forest below, immersing yourself in the pristine ecological wonders of Ba Na Mountain. Explore the historical Le Jardin and remnants of old wineries, echoes of French colonial villas, before ascending further to Gare Debay via the second cable car station. Delight in the exhilarating thrills of the Fantasy Park, the third largest indoor amusement park globally, with select complimentary games as per Ba Na policy, followed by a delectable buffet lunch at a local restaurant. Conquer the summit of Chua Mountain at a breathtaking altitude of 1,487m, relishing panoramic vistas of Da Nang from atop Ba Na Hills before beholding the architectural marvel of the Golden Bridge. Conclude your adventure with a return cable car journey and transfer to Hoi An, cherishing included amenities such as transportation, an English-speaking guide, lunch, cable car tickets, entrance fees, and refreshing refreshments throughout the day.

DAY 7: Hoi An ~ Ho Chi Minh City

Spend your last morning in Hoi An before transferring to the airport for your short flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Upon arrival you will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. Spend the rest of the day at leisure.
MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Queen Ann Saigon

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): The Odys Boutique

DAY 8: Ho Chi Minh City Free Day ~ End of Service ~ Optional Phu Quoc Extension

Today you will be transferred to Ho Chi Minh International airport. We hope you enjoyed your trip with MyHoliday2Vietnam!
MEALS: Breakfast