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VIETNAM AT A GLANCE

Itinerary: Sai Gon - CanTho -Mekong - Hue - DMZ QuangTri - Hanoi - HalongBay
Trip length: (13 days / 12 nights)
Tentative travel date: **October 28th - November 9th, 2019**

DAY 1: October 28th, 2019 SAIGON - ARRIVAL. (--/--/D)

Arrive at Tan Son Nhat International Airport.
Our bus and guide pick up and transfer to hotel for check in.
Free or at leisure after long journey.
Dinner and overnight in Sai Gon.

DAY 2: October 29th, 2019 SAI GON - MEKONG DELTA - CAN THO (B/L/D)

Breakfast. Drive to My Tho. Take boat trip along Mekong River to visit Float Market of Cai Be and float fish market, fruit plantation on **An Binh Island**. You will also visit local workshops where you can see how to make rice paper, coconut candy and pop-rice, pop-corn...
Lunch at local restaurant and enjoy traditional music of Mekong Delta.
Then take a row boat on the chanel to experience the life of local people.
Continue driving southward to Can Tho City - the heart of Mekong Delta.
Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight in Can Tho.



DAY 3: October 30th, 2019 CAN THO - MISSION DAY - SAIGON. (B/L/D)

6:00 - early get up and transfer to **Ninh Kieu Wharf** where you will take a sampan cruising along the small and picturesque tributaries by rowing boat, we will see the **Cai Rang floating market** (the nicest one with heaps of rowing boats). Take in the beautiful scenery and the daily life in MekongRiver and you will roam through the village to visit a rice husking mill and a rice noodles making shop.
Back to hotel for breakfast and check out.
Then spend whole day for charity mission, delivering wheelchair for disable people.
Lunch at local restaurant.
Drive back to SaiGon in the late afternoon.
Dinner and overnight in SaiGon.

DAY 4: October 31st, 2019 SAI GON - CU CHI - TAY NINH. (B/L/D)

After breakfast at hotel, drive to Tay Ninh to visit **The Great Holy See Temple** (*the centre of Caodaism, a religion that blends Buddhism, Christianity and Confucianism*), built in 1926, considered one of the most striking structures in all of south-east Asia. Explore this fascinating site. Lunch at local restaurant.



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Afternoon, drive to Cu Chi Dist to visit **Cu Chi Tunnels**, an amazing 200km of complex of underground tunnels used during the war against the US Army of the Vietnamese fighters (known as "the VC or Viet Cong - Vietnamese communist fighters").

Back to HCMC for dinner. Followed by walking tour around Ben Thanh night market.
Overnight in Sai Gon.



DAY 5: November 1st, 2019 SAIGON - HUE. (B/--/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning: City tour with visit to **War Remnants Museum and Reunification Palace**.

Afternoon time, transfer to Tan Son Nhat airport for flight to Hue City - The former capital of Vietnam from 19th Century. Arrive Phu Bai Airport, our bus and guide pick up and transfer to hotel for check in.

Enjoy **Royal Dinner** - where you will be served like the King, the Queen and the Mandarins.

Overnight in Hue.

DAY 6: November 2nd, 2019 HUE - MISSION DAY. (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Whole day for charity mission, delivering wheelchair for disable people and visit local village.

Lunch and dinner at local restaurant.

Overnight in Hue.



DAY 7: November 3rd, 2019 HUE - DMZ QUANG TRI - DONG HA. (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning depart Hue for Quang Tri province. First stop is at **Our Lady of La Vang** - a catholic cathedral well known for its Marian apparition in 1798 and now is a pilgrimage site for the Vietnamese catholic. Second stop is **Quang Tri citadel** memorial site known for its 81-day fighting between North Vietnamese Army and South Vietnamese Army from June 28 to September 16 in blazing summer of 1972 before the Paris peace talk in Jan 1973. There are thousands of soldiers K.I.A still lying beneath the ground of the citadel's 4 sq km. This battle is compared to Battle of Pittsburg Landing in American Civil War.

Arrive Dong Ha City - the capital city of Quang Tri Province.

Have lunch and short rest before continue our trip.



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Afternoon, drive northern to visit **Hien Luong bridge** (aka DMZ bridge, Freedom bridge, Peace bridge or bridge of No Return) at historic 17th parallel. Here you will see frontline flagpole, border police memorial, 17th parallel museum and walk across the bridge to see the National Aspiration for Reunification on the southern bank of the Ben Hai river.



Followed by visit to **Vinh Moc tunnel** - an underground village housing civilians and soldiers during the hard time of American bombings. At Vinh Moc tunnel, you will have ample time to watch a documentary (if requested), take a look at the museum and then go underground to experience the village underneath with family rooms, maternity room, meeting room, air vent, exits to the sea, ...

Drive back to Hue city for dinner and accommodation.

Overnight in Hue.

DAY 8: November 4th, 2019 HUE - CITY TOUR. (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel. Morning take city tour with visit to **Thien Mu Pagoda** by boat through the Perfume River *with 400years old of history*. Followed by land to visit **Minh Mang** and **Tu Duc Royal Tomb**.

Lunch at local restaurant.

Afternoon visit to **The Forbidden City, Dong Ba Market**

Dinner and overnight in Hue.

DAY 9: November 5th, 2019 HUE - HANOI. (B/--/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

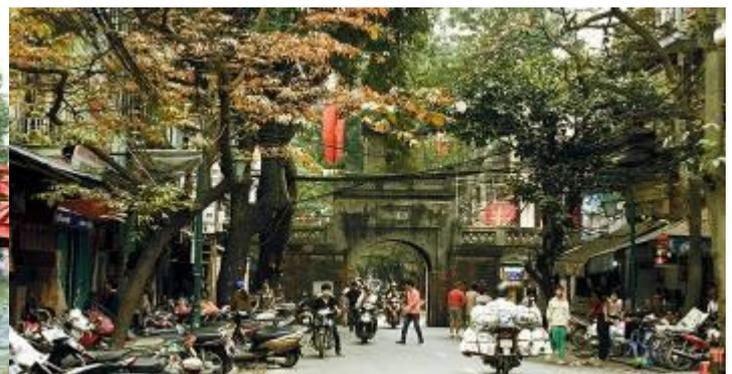
Free for shopping or at leisure until transfer to Phu Bai Airport for flight to Hanoi

Arrive at Noi Bai International Airport. Experience the country's vibrant color on the drive into the capital city of Hanoi. Check in hotel.

Afternoon:

- City tour with visit to **Temple of Literature** - *built in the 11th century as Vietnam's first university*, **Hoan Kiem Lake with Ngoc Son Temple**, **Lacquerware Workshop**.
- Take two hrs cyclo tour around **the Old Quarter of Hanoi**
- Street food tour around the Old Quarter

Dinner and overnight in Hanoi.





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DAY 10: November 6th, 2019 HA NOI - MISSION DAY. (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Whole day for charity mission, delivering wheelchair for disable people.

Lunch and dinner at local restaurant.

Overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 11: November 7th, 2019 HANOI - HA LONG BAY (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Free for a cup of coffee in the Old Quarter of Hanoi or at leisure.

10h00 Pick up and then take the highway to HaLong

11h30: Arrive at Bai Chay wharf - Meet the captain, crews and join us for a welcome drink, cruise briefing, safety instructions and check-in cabins.

12h00: Lunch with fresh seafood is served while cruising towards Vung Vieng floating village, passing through extraordinary shaped-islands of Bai Tu Long bay.

15h00: Drop anchor at Vung Vieng area, go kayaking or get on bamboo boat to visit local houses, fish farm, Floating School and have a chat with friendly fish men.

17h00: Back on board, enjoy sunset and continue cruising to Sung Sot cave area for anchoring.

19h00: Join in cooking class to learn some about Vietnamese cuisine before dinner is served.

21h00: Have a romantic evening on boat; go fishing...

Overnight on boat.



DAY 12: November 8th, 2019 HALONG BAY - HANOI (B/L/D)

06h30: Enjoy the bay's morning landscape with a cup of tea or coffee.

07h30: Breakfast is served.

08h30: Explore the mystery of Surprising cave (Sung Sot cave), one of the most beautiful caves in Halong Bay.

09h30: Back on boat, continue cruising, enjoy the stunning views of the Bay and relax.

11h00: Lunch is served on boat while cruising back through Halong bay to the pier.

12h00: Check-out your cabin.

12h30: Arrive in Bai Chay wharf.

Bus pick up and drive back to Hanoi with stop to visit **Bat Trang Pottery Village**. *You can see how artisans can make such beautiful pottery and ceramic products with hands on experience.* Upon arrival Hanoi, transfer to hotel for check in.

DAY 13: November 9th, 2019 HANOI - DEPARTURE. (B/--/--)

Breakfast at hotel.

Visit **HoLo Prison Museum** - later known to American prisoners of war as the "Hanoi Hilton", was a prison used by the French colonists in Vietnam for political prisoners and later by North Vietnam for prisoners of war during the Vietnam War.



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Then free for own activities until transfer to Noi Bai Airport for flight back home.
Home sweet home!

Tour price (USD/person)

Price	Group size				Single surcharge
	20-24 pax	25-30 pax	31-35 pax	36-42 pax	
5star hotel	2495	2461	2431	2413	1381

The above prices is subjected to domestic flights:

- Sai Gon - Hue: 85~105usd/person/way
- Hue - Hanoi: 85~110usd/person/way

Tour price included:

- 11 nights hotel at 5star in TWN/DBL shared room with daily buffet breakfast;
- 01 night on cruise on Ha Long Bay;
- Meals as mentioned, noted as B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner; -- = no meal (*to include one meal at Koto Restaurant - a not-for-profit restaurant providing career training and guidance to disadvantaged children and teens*)
- Private A/C land transportation with 01 bottle of mineral water/pax/day;
- Entrance fees and sightseeing as specified;
- Boat cruise in Halong Bay;
- Boat cruise to visit Mekong River;
- Royal Dinner in Hue;
- Local English speaking tourguides.

Tour excluded:

- Personal expenses (single room, beverages, laundry, phone calls, overweight luggages fee, souvenirs etc.);
- Tourist insurance of all types; tips at 3-5USD/person/day for local guides and drivers;
- Domestic & International air tickets and other cost that is not mentioned.

Hotels and Resorts on tour:

DESTINATION	HOTEL
	5star hotel
SaiGon	Nikko SaiGon 5* Sheraton 5* New World 5*
CanTho	Vinpearl Can Tho 5* Victoria CanTho 5*
Hue	Imperial 5* Ana Mandara Hue 5*
HaLong Cruise	Azalea 5* Orchid 5* Paradise 5*
HaNoi	Melia 5* Hilton Opera 5*