
VIETNAM
BETWEEN HISTORY AND CULTURE 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS
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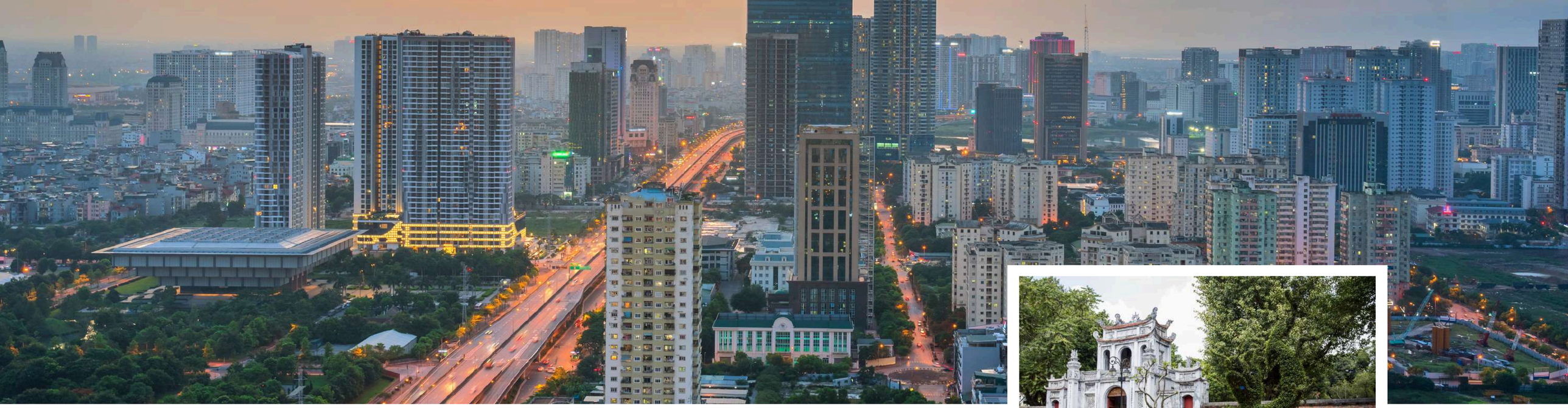
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DAY 01 : ARRIVAL IN HANOI

Upon arrival at Noi Bai Airport, after completing all customs and immigration procedures, proceed to the exit gate and look for your guide who will be waiting with a welcome sign bearing your name. Transfer to your hotel by private vehicle.

Welcome dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight stay.



DAY 02 : ESSENTIAL HANOI WITH TRAIN AND BICYCLE TOUR

The capital of Vietnam, Hanoi is a perfect blend of old and new, Asian and European, a dynamic unification of tradition and 21st-century progressive thought. Despite recent rapid development, the city has retained much of its traditional identity.

Visit **the complex dedicated to Ho Chi Minh**, founder of the nation and affectionately known by Vietnamese as “Uncle Ho.” Make a first stop at the historic Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, an imposing monument built as the final resting place of Uncle Ho. Continue walking through the beautiful botanical garden of the Presidential Palace to visit Uncle Ho’s humble house, built on stilts in the style of a rural Vietnamese home with a simple design in a peaceful setting, reflecting his simple, pure, and noble lifestyle. Visit the One Pillar Pagoda, built in 1049 of wood on a single stone pillar, designed to resemble a lotus flower, a symbol of purity.

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DAY 03 : HA NOI - HA LONG BAY - LAN HA BAY

Located south of **Ha Long Bay and east of Cat Ba Island**, Lan Ha Bay stretches over more than 7,000 hectares, with about 400 islets scattered throughout the area. Considered a seascape with majestic limestone mountains in many different shapes, each hiding a lively folk legend behind it, Lan Ha Bay has gradually gained popularity among travelers seeking an unspoiled and less crowded destination.

This morning, set off on a 2.5-hour journey to Tuan Chau port where you will prepare to embark on a relaxing cruise in the **magnificent Lan Ha Bay**, as beautiful as its famous neighbor Halong Bay, but still relatively undeveloped. Take some time to look around the boat or watch the magical scenery pass by, then enjoy a special lunch featuring fresh seafood. After lunch, the cruise fully enters Lan Ha Bay. The area is surrounded by an extraordinary limestone karst landscape. Choose a traditional rowboat to explore one of the bay's fascinating cave systems or relax on the boat. Then, return to the main boat to sail to the place where we will dock for the night. You will have time to enjoy a Vietnamese cooking demonstration, a great way to learn how to prepare delicious appetizers. Enjoy a special dinner in the restaurant before spending the evening at leisure. Overnight on board.

Note:

- The itinerary varies for each cruise and is subject to weather conditions.

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DAY 04 : LAN HA BAY - HANOI - FLIGHT TO HUE

Wake up early to watch the sunrise over the bay with a cup of tea or coffee in hand on the sundeck. Afterwards, there will be a gentle Tai Chi demonstration. Enjoy breakfast in the fresh air of Lan Ha Bay as the boat continues to sail around the bay, passing the most beautiful and peaceful areas. Relax on the sundeck or in the dining room while enjoying the bay's scenery as you approach the pier. A vehicle will be ready, waiting for your disembarkation at around 10:30 AM for transfer to the airport for your flight to Hue.

Upon arrival at Hue airport, transfer to your hotel by private vehicle. Dinner and overnight stay.



DAY 05 : HUE - FULL DAY TOUR TO DMZ

Continue your visit to the **Vinh Moc tunnels** where you can learn how a village was built underground to avoid bombings during the war. The complex consists of wells, kitchens, and rooms for each family. Stop at the Old **Citadel of Quang Tri**. Located along the Thach Han River, the citadel was the administrative seat of the Nguyen dynasty and also the site of a bloody battle during the Easter Offensive in 1972. After lunch served at a local restaurant, return to the center of Hue. Dinner and overnight stay.

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DAY 06 : HUE - HOI AN

After exploring the My Son complex, return to the center of Hoi An.

If time permits, visit a local home and learn how to make rice paper using traditional methods. The host will be happy to show you one of the rice paper production processes, which you'll then have the chance to taste.

Meals included. Overnight stay



DAY 07 : HOI AN - ANCIENT TOWN OF HOI AN AND LANTERN WORKSHOP - FLIGHT TO HO CHI MINH

Known as a thriving trading port between the 15th and 19th centuries, the riverside town of Hoi An still preserves many remnants of its glorious past, as seen in its vibrant market and abundance of souvenir and tailor shops.

What makes Hoi An truly remarkable is that its old quarter has been beautifully preserved. The streets are still lined with ancient tiled-roof houses, shaded pagodas, and colorful communal halls that contribute to its status as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

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DAY 08 : EXPERIENCE RURAL LIFE IN THE MEKONG DELTA WITH THE APRICOT CRUISE (FULL DAY)

The Mekong Delta, known as “Vietnam’s rice bowl,” is a very fertile plain with its myriad waterways, lush green rice fields, tropical fruit orchards, and fish farms. Rural life here remains in many ways similar to how it was lived in the distant past. Geographically characterized as the gateway to the Delta, Ben Tre is an ideal gem for travelers seeking a taste of riverine agrarian life. **This morning, depart on a 2-hour journey from the center of Ho Chi Minh City to Ben Tre province**. Admire the lush surroundings of rice paddies and fruit farms along the highway as you leave behind the energetic city.

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Junior Suite

Accommodation

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AN ECO-FRIENDLY
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Mai House Saigon
5 Star Hotel in Ho Chi Minh



Mai House Saigon
Premium Room



Little Oasis - A Little Luxury Hotel & Spa
5 Star Hotel in Hoi An



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ROH Balcony

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Private Transfers with Style

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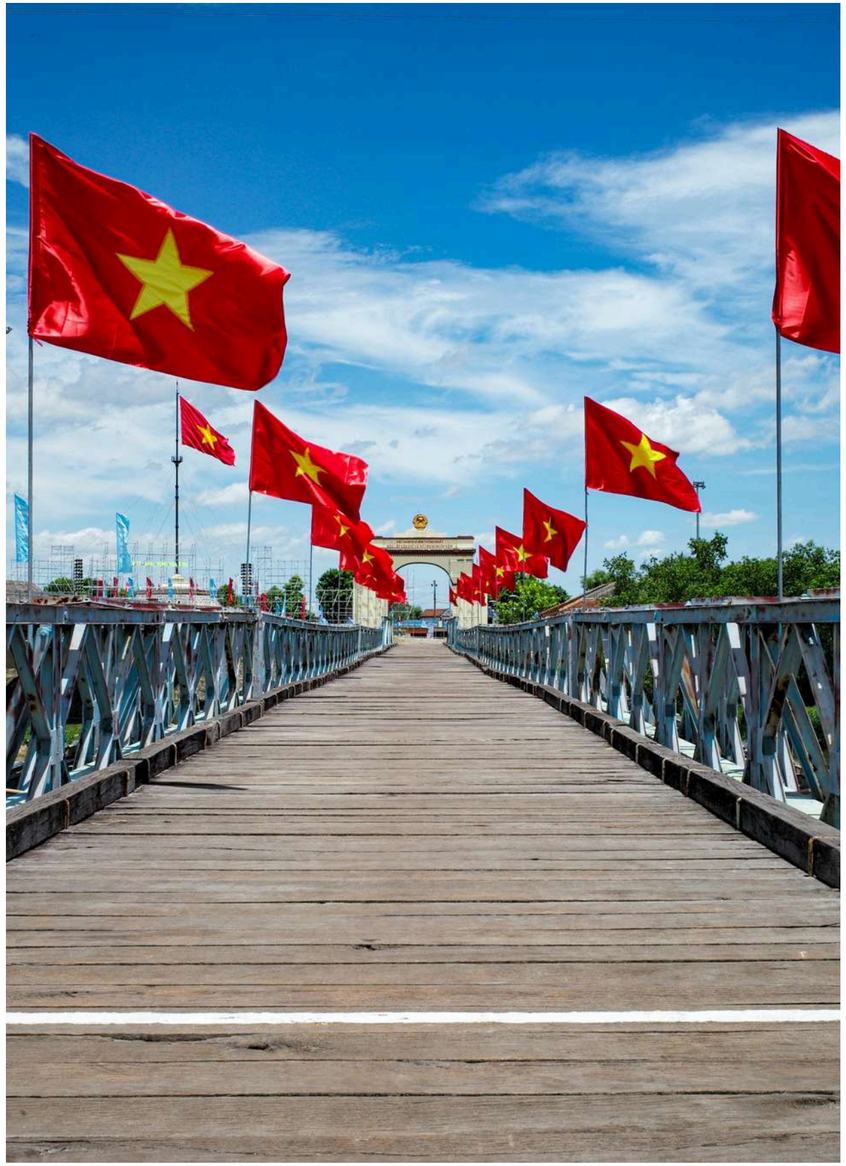


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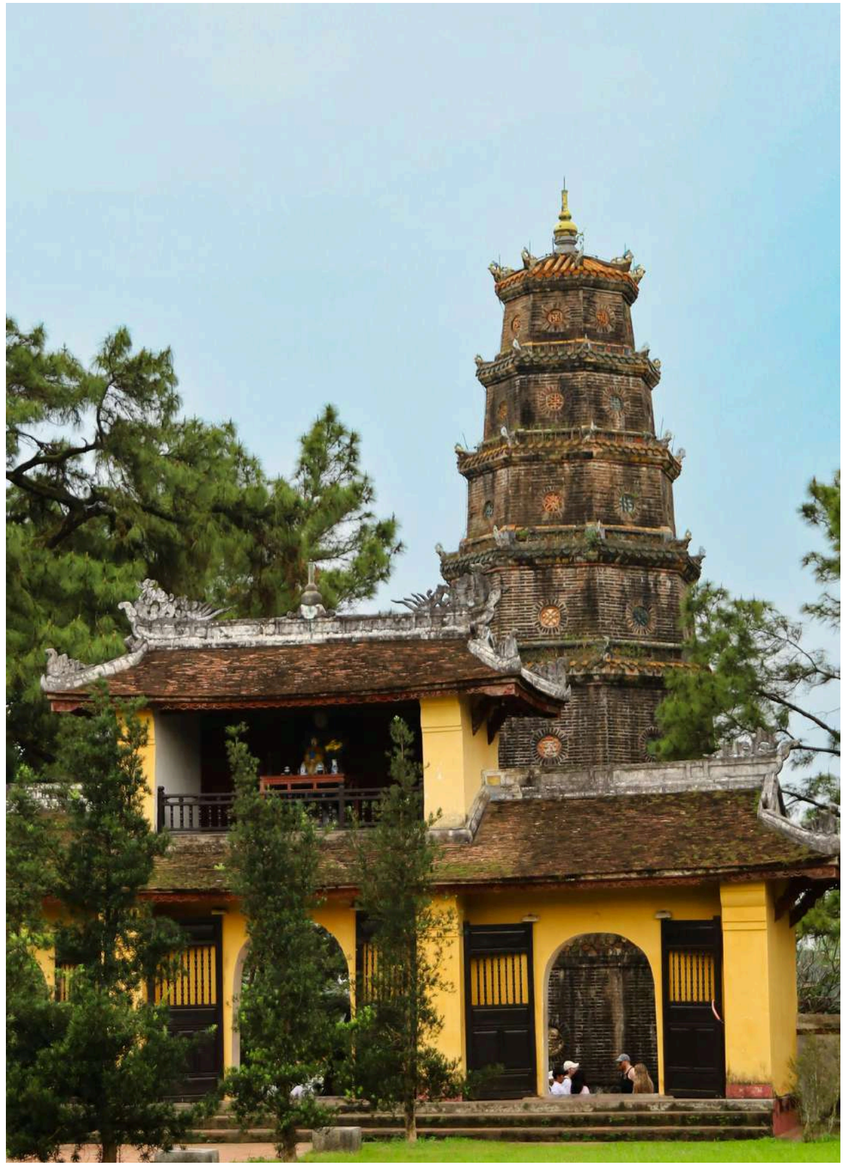
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INCLUDES :

- Accommodation with daily breakfast
- Transfer services in a private air-conditioned vehicle
- Entrance tickets; administrative fees, where applicable
- Shared boat trip in Halong Bay
- Private boat trip in the Mekong Delta
- Meals listed in the program are set menus in local restaurants based on a fixed Vietnamese menu (Full board)
- Italian-speaking guide accompanies the group
- Bottled water on the bus during transfers
- Government tax
- One free single room for the tour escort is applied for groups of 18 paying guests, based only on ground services (excluding tour/service supplements, airfare, and visa fees)

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DOES NOT INCLUDE :

- Airfare
- Vietnam handling fee, visa stamp fee
- Optional services/excursions
- Meals not clearly mentioned
- Beverages during meals and minibar in hotel rooms
- Insurance, tips for guides and drivers
- Surcharge for holidays, mandatory gala dinner at Christmas or New Year's Eve (if applicable)
- Personal expenses such as bar, telephone, and laundry
- Tips

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End of services









