



Vietnam Cultural Tour

11 day tour to HCMC (Saigon), Da Nang, Hoi An, Hue, Ha Long Bay Cruise & Hanoi

Discover the historic cities, verdant agriculture, and glittering bays of Vietnam and be captivated by the warmth of the people you meet. Uncover the youthful excitement of Saigon, learn about the Cu Chi tunnels, shop at the living museum city of Hoi An; discover the UNESCO site in Hue; float across Ha Long Bay on boat and enjoy the unique pedicab ride in the old quarter in Hanoi.



Day 1 Australia ✈ HCMC (Saigon)

Fly from Australia to Ho Chi Minh City, formally called Saigon, the economic and commercial center of Vietnam. Overnight in HCMC.

Day 2 Ho Chi Minh City Meal: B/L

This morning, we head to Cu Chi, 70km north of Saigon, which is famous for its 200-kilometre-long tunnels and it was the base for the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. Return to Ho Chi Minh City; then the war theme continues with a visit to the War Remnant Museum and wandering around Cho Ben Thanh Markets.

Day 3 Ho Chi Minh City ✈ Hoi An Meal: B/L

Transfer to the airport for our flight to Da Nang. Upon arrival, we visit the Cham Sculpture Museum, which boasts the finest collection of Cham sandstone sculptures in the world and Marble Mountain. Continue to Hoi An, the most charming town in Vietnam. Here we stay 2 nights.

Day 4 Hoi An Meal: B/L

Today your guide will show you the ancient town. Hoi An, is so called a 'Living Museum City' because of its well-kept original historical buildings and ancient backstreets. Visit one of the three city's oldest homes, each built over 200 years ago and still occupied by descendants of the families that originally built them. We then tour to the Chinese Assembly Hall, followed by a one hour cruise along the river. Later on we visit to the unique Japanese Bridge; afterwards we take one hour cruise along Thu the Bon River. Lunch is served at a local restaurant by the river.

Day 5 Hoi An 🚗 Hue Meal: B/L

After breakfast, transfer to Hue (3 hours driving). Admire beautiful landscape along the road through the Hai Van Pass. Panoramic views of the clouds, the sea and the mountains around are unfolded at the scenic Lang Co lagoon. Upon arrival, discover the UNESCO World Heritage-listed wonder of the Citadel including

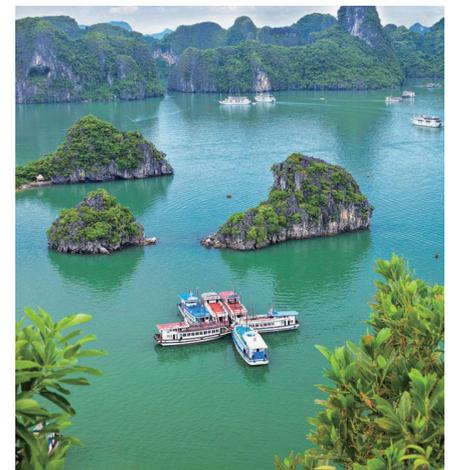
the Forbidden Purple City then make your way to the Hue Royal Antiques Museum to see a collection of ornaments, where preserves royal treasures has a history with many changes. Your guide will take you through the hallways, temples and tombs that were modelled after Beijing's Forbidden City. Afterwards transfer to Toa Kham boat station to embark boat for cruise along the poetic Perfume River (1 hour), admire the landscape and enjoy the sunset over the river.

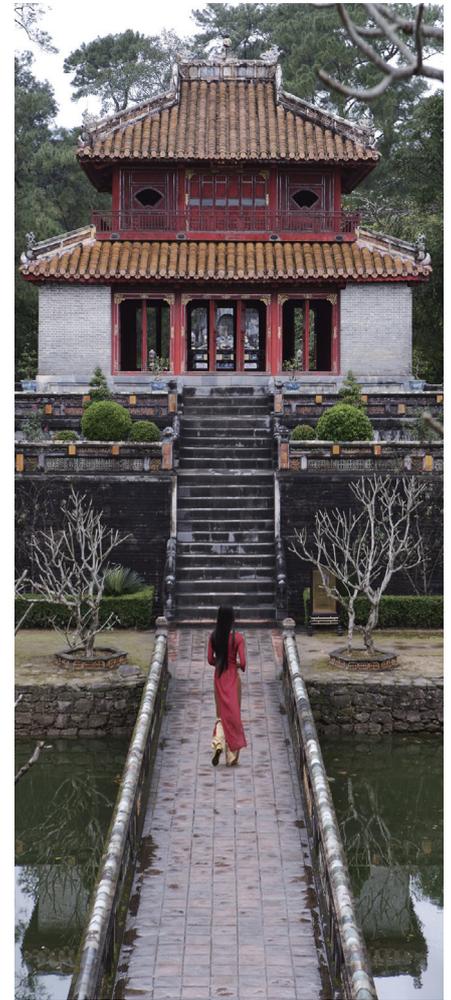
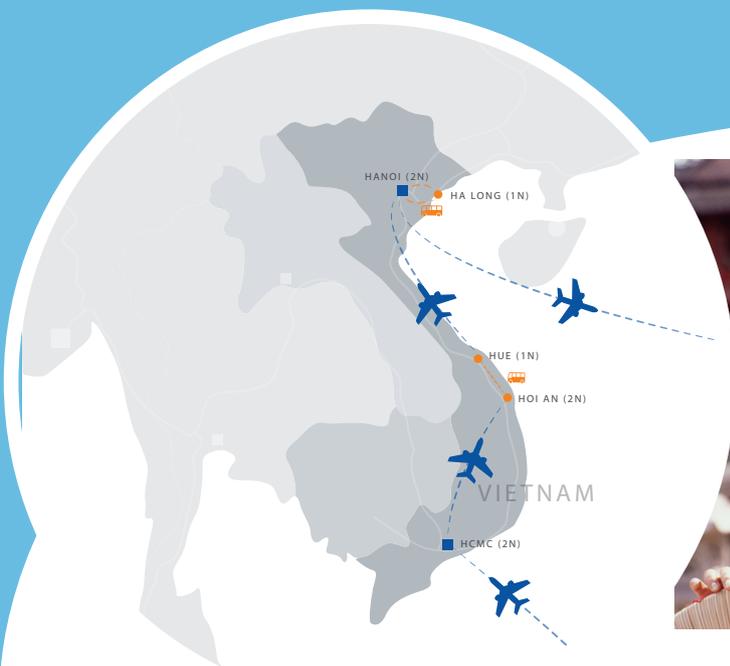
Day 6 Hue ✈ Hanoi Meal: B/L/D

After breakfast, visit "Khai Dinh King's Tomb" – a blend of Western and Eastern architecture and "Minh Mang King's Tomb" – among the finest royal tombs in Hue with 40 constructions of palaces, temples, pavilions, lake and others. After lunch, transfer to Hue Airport for your flight to Hanoi, Vietnam's capital city which boasts tree-lined streets and centuries-old temples. Transfer to your hotel.

Day 7 Ha Long Bay Cruise Meal: B/L/D

This morning we depart from Ha Noi and travel by road with cruise shuttle bus through the Red River Delta to the beautiful Ha Long Bay. The scenic drive will pass through rural landscapes before arriving





at this World Heritage site, recognised by UNESCO in 1994. Upon arrival board the deluxe Junk Boat where you will enjoy a welcome drink and freshly caught seafood lunch whilst sailing out of the bay passing amazing shaped mountains. You will also visit some magical grottoes and relax in the best scenic beauty Vietnam has to offer. You could also do Kayaking or local boat rowing (own expense), attend a morning Tai chi class & Cooking demonstration, Squid Fishing, or a movie show. Overnight is on the cruise.

Day 8 Ha Long Bay 🚢 Hanoi Meal: B
This morning continues our visit to some of the caves or a pearl farm in Ha Long Bay. After brunch served on board, you are transferred back to Hanoi. You stay 2 nights in Hanoi.

Day 9 Hanoi Meal: B/L
This morning's sightseeing tour features both cultural and historical highlights, comprising of the Ho Chi Minh's Former Residence, One Pillar Pagoda, Temple of Literature, Ethnology Museum, Hoan Kiem Lake with Ngoc Son Temple and the old quarters with a downtown pedicab ride (1 hour).

Day 10 Hanoi ✈ Australia Meal: B
This morning is at leisure followed by a transfer to the airport for your overnight flight to Australia.

Day 11 Australia
Arrive in Australia this morning.

Vietnam Cultural Dates & Prices

Tour code	Start HCMC Wednesday	End Hanoi Friday	Full package with international airfare departing from Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane# / Adelaide# / Perth#		
			Vietnam Air	Cathay Pacific	Singapore Air
VC190206	06-Feb-19	15-Feb-19	\$2,850	\$3,050	\$3,150
VC190227	27-Feb-19	08-Mar-19	\$2,850	\$3,050	\$3,150
VC190313	13-Mar-19	22-Mar-19	\$2,850	\$3,050	\$3,150
VC190327	27-Mar-19	05-Apr-19	\$2,850	\$3,050	\$3,150
VC190410	10-Apr-19	19-Apr-19	\$2,850	\$3,050	\$3,150
VC190424	24-Apr-19	3-May-19	\$2,850	\$3,050	\$3,150
VC190515	15-May-19	24-May-19	\$2,590	\$2,790	\$2,890
VC190529	29-May-19	7-Jun-19	\$2,590	\$2,790	\$2,890
VC190619	19-Jun-19	28-Jun-19	\$2,590	\$2,790	\$2,890
VC190710	10-Jul-19	19-Jul-19	\$2,850	\$3,050	\$3,150
VC190814	14-Aug-19	23-Aug-19	\$2,590	\$2,790	\$2,890
VC190911	11-Sep-19	20-Sep-19	\$2,780	\$2,980	\$3,080
VC191002	02-Oct-19	11-Oct-19	\$2,850	\$3,050	\$3,150
VC191023	23-Oct-19	1-Nov-19	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
VC191106	06-Nov-19	15-Nov-19	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
VC191120	20-Nov-19	29-Nov-19	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
VC191204	04-Dec-19	13-Dec-19	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
VC200122	22-Jan-20	31-Jan-20	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
VC200212	12-Feb-20	21-Feb-20	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
VC200226	26-Feb-20	6-Mar-20	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
VC200311	11-Mar-20	20-Mar-20	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
VC200325	25-Mar-20	3-Apr-20	\$2,980	\$3,180	\$3,280
Land only: \$2250			Single supplement: \$720		

* This tour is a guaranteed departure based on a minimum of 2 people. Full package prices above include airport taxes and fuel surcharges.
* Please refer to Page 14 for Tour Inclusions and Extending Your Holiday details.
* Triple share on Ha Long cruise not available, a single cabin with surcharge of \$180 can be arranged.
* Land only price: Tour starts from Arrival transfer in HCMC (Saigon) to Departure transfer in Hanoi , including domestic Saigon - Da Nang; Hue - Hanoi air tickets & taxes but excluding any international air tickets.
* Vietnam arrival single entry visa fee included.
* Package prices of Vietnam Airlines are for departures from Sydney or Melbourne only. Those depart from Adelaide, Brisbane, Canberra or Hobart will fly Virgin to connect Vietnam Airlines with surcharge of \$150 pp.
Package prices of Singapore Airlines and Cathay Pacific are for departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth. Any cost including hotel or meals incurred due to the connecting flight in Hong Kong or Singapore will be at your own expenses.
Stopover in Singapore permitted if flying with Singapore Airlines; One stopover in Hong Kong permitted if flying with Cathay Pacific. Extra airport taxes apply. Land arrangement in Singapore or Hong Kong can be arranged at additional cost.
Hotels used for this tour: 4* Saigon Liberty Central Hotel; 4* Hoi An Silk Luxury Hotel; 4* Hue Eldora Hotel; 4* Ha Long Bay Aclass Stellar Cruise; 4* Hanoi Mercure La Gare Hotel or similar.
Pre / Post Stay Hotel: \$155 (HCMC) / \$140 (Hanoi) - per room per night with breakfast.