# [Platinum] Vietnam | Hanoi+ Halong Bay+ Hoi An Ancient Town+ Da Nang+ Son Tra Peninsula+ Ho Chi Minh+ My Tho Mekong River 9 Days 7 Nights Tour



Product information			
Tour No.	HANSGN9-2024		
Departure city	Hanoi		
Destination	Ho Chi Minh	Way location	Halong Bay、Hoi An Ancient Town、Da Nang、Son Tra Peninsula
Travel days	9 Day 7 Night	Transportation	Vehicle
Airport pick-up/drop-off	Airport pick-up Airport drop-off	Currency	USD

Product price			
Single occupancy: \$2099 / Person	Double occupancy: \$1599 / Person		
Exist mandatory fee: Estimated total cost 2139	Exist mandatory fee: Estimated total cost 3278		
Number of rooms: 1; The number of tourist: 1;	Number of rooms: 1; The number of tourist: 2;		
Basic price[The number of tourist]: 1 x 2099 = 2099	Basic price[The number of tourist]: 2 x 1599 = 3198		
Transportation Surcharge[The number of tourist]: 1 x 40 = 40	Transportation Surcharge[The number of tourist]: 2 x 40 = 80		
Triple occupancy: \$1599 / Person	Share occupancy: \$1899 / Person		
Exist mandatory fee: Estimated total cost 4917	Exist mandatory fee: Estimated total cost 1939		
Number of rooms: 1; The number of tourist: 3;	The number of tourist: 1;		
Basic price[The number of tourist]: 3 x 1599 = 4797	Basic price[The number of tourist]: 1 x 1899 = 1899		
Transportation Surcharge[The number of tourist]: 3 x 40 = 120	Transportation Surcharge[The number of tourist]: 1 x 40 = 40		

# **Departure date**

Sunday.

Minimum of 2 people to be operated.

## **Highlights**

- . An excellent tour guide will lead your group! Attractions tickets and tips are all included in one price, three meals are also included (except for the pick-up and drop-off days).
- . Stay in local five-star hotels for 7 nights.
- . Enjoy three meals included everyday of the trip.
- . Take a look at the capital city of Hanoi and explore all that it has to offer.
- . Have a panoramic view of Halong Bay on the viewing platform of Ti Top Island!
- . Explore the beauty of Hoi An Ancient Town!
- . Discover Ba Na Hills and so much fun in Fantasy Park!
- . Watch an ancient Water Puppet Show and a magnificent Hoi An Memories Show performance!
- . Enjoy an exclusive romantic night and cruise dinner: Take the Bonsai Dinner Cruise cruise ship to enjoy the beautiful scenery of the Saigon River and the riverside landmarks at night, enjoy the delicious dinner on board, a variety of Vietnamese food and so much more!
- . 1-2 bottles of mineral water will be given per person per day.

## Join / leave point

## **Boarding location**

Noi Bai International Airport (HAN)(Airport); Free airport pick-up time on the first day of your tour: 12:00, 15:00, 18:00 and 23:00. Please make sure to meet with our staff at the listed time slots with your claimed baggage. Please make sure to be at the meeting point on-time.

# **Drop-off location**

Tan Son Nhat International Airport (SGN)(Airport); For detailed information, please refer to the last day's itinerary.

## **Tour introduction**

Day 1

Home - Airplane - Ha Noi

All day

Enjoy a special flight that will take you to Ha Noi, Vietnam!

Overnight on the plane.

# Day 2 Ha Noi

All day

Today we will welcome you to Ha Noi, Vietnam! You will arrive at the Noi Bai International Airport (HAN), where our friendly staff will be waiting for you. We offer free pick-up services on the first day of your tour at the Noi Bai International Airport (HAN) at 12:00, 15:00, 18:00 and 23:00 (this will be the time that the tour guide leaves the airport after meeting with the guests).

Night

Hotel:河内公園酒店 Hotel du Parc Hanoi; Or 河内維斯塔大酒店 Grand Vista Hanoi; Or 同級;

# Day 3 Hanoi City Tour

All day

Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam, is the cradle of Vietnamese traditional culture. After breakfast, we will go to Ba Dinh Square, a famous political area in Vietnam, to visit Ho Chi Minh's Stilt House, Presidential Palace Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh Museum. We will also have a look at the One Pillar Pagoda shaped like a blooming lotus. Then, we will go to the West Lake Hanoi to enjoy a picturesque scenery view. You will also see the ancient Tran Quoc Pagoda and the Temple of Literature Hanoi dedicated to Confucius. During the tour, we will pass by another famous lake known as Hoan Kiem Lake. In the north of Hoan Kiem Lake is the oldest commercial district in Hanoi, 36 Streets of Hanoi Old Quarter. You will take a tricycle to visit the bustling lively streets and catch a glimpse of the prosperity of the Thang Long capital in past days. Finally, we will drive through the gothic style St. Joseph's Cathedral. After dinner, we have specially arranged a Water Puppet Show for you.

## **Itinerary:**

Hotel → Ba Dinh Square: Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, Ho Chi Minh's Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda, Presidential Palace
Hanoi (120 mins, ticket for Ho Chi Minh's Stilt House included) → West Lake Hanoi & Tran Quoc Pagoda (30 mins) →
Temple of Literature Hanoi (30 mins, ticket included) → Hoan Kiem Lake (Pass-by) → Tricycle Tour of 36 Streets of
Hanoi Old Quarter (60 mins, activity fee included) → St. Joseph's Cathedral (car view) → Water Puppet Show (60 mins, ticket included)

#### Morning

## **Ba Dinh Square**

Ba Dinh Square, the largest square in Vietnam, holds significant historical values. Ever since 1945, when President Ho Chi minh proclaimed the Declaration of Independence of Vietnam, this landmark has witnessed all the ups and downs of the country. Situated on Hung Vuong Street, this square is the center of a large complex of historical and cultural sites (often known as Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum Complex) in Ba Dinh District. Ba Dinh Square is a 320-meter-long and

100-meter-wide area that can hold up to 200,000 people. It consists of 210 grass squares, interspersed with wide pathways. In the middle of the square is a 25-meter-tall flag pole, where the national flag raising ceremony is held every morning. The 4 sides of the square all face important Hanoi landmarks. To the north of the square is the Office of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam, to the south is the headquarters of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to the west is Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, and to the east is Ba Dinh Hall.

#### Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum

Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum is an important historical attraction of Hanoi, known for honoring the national hero: President Ho Chi Minh. The building is where visitors can express their admiration and gratitude towards the common father/uncle of Vietnamese who has led the country to independence and reunification. It is popularly known among Vietnamese as Uncles' Mausoleum, for the intimate and familiar atmosphere Ho Chi Minh always created when he was alive. Built over 2 years from 1973 to 1975, the Mausoleum is also a lively illustrator of national unity.

#### Ho Chi Minh's Stilt House

Ho Chi Minh's Stilt House is situated in the garden of the Presidential Palace on Ngoc Hoi Street, Ba Dinh District, Hanoi, near Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum. As a symbol of Hanoi, this was where the late president of Vietnam used to live and work. Here, you will have a glimpse into the great life of Ho Chi Minh and a part of the heroic history of Vietnam. Uncle Ho's Stilt House is as modest and simple as the president himself. It preserves a lot of memories from the time he lived and worked here, especially in his last 10 years.

#### **One Pillar Pagoda**

One Pillar Pagoda (officially known as Dien Huu Pagoda), is named after its extraordinary architecture: The whole construction is built on a single pillar, which is planted in the middle of a lotus pond. The attraction is located in Ba Dinh District, which is a walkable distance to the Ho Chi Minh Complex, which includes the Ba Dinh Square, Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, and Ho Chi Minh Museum. The One Pillar Pagoda is believed to exist since the Ly's dynasty, marking a notable development of Buddhism in Vietnam. This monument is not only a famous tourist attraction but also a religious stop for local pilgrims.

## **Presidential Palace Hanoi**

Presidential Palace is a three-storey building which surrounded by an orchard, carp pond and a 91-metre long boulevard of lush gardens. Designed by the French architect Auguste Henri Vildieu, it is of an architectural style called Beaux-Arts, which was quite prevailing back that time. This work of art is painted a bright yellow color, consisting of the massive iron gate, grand staircase and 30 rooms with different décor each. After President Ho Chi Minh passed away in 1969, this place became one of the historical monuments commemorating Uncle Ho and ranked by the State as a special monument. Until now, this place is still used as the workplace of the State President and important activities of the Party and State are still held solemnly here.

#### West Lake Hanoi

West Lake is the biggest freshwater lake of northwest center of Hanoi, Vietnam. With a shore length of 17 km, this is

the largest lake of the capital and a popular place for recreation with many surrounding gardens, hotels, and villas. The area surrounding West Lake is famous for the density of its historical relics, most of them pagodas exhibiting different Buddhist architectural styles. There are 62 relics, of which 22 are classified as national heritages and 7 municipal heritage sites.

## **Tran Quoc Pagoda**

With a history of 1,500 years, Tran Quoc Pagoda is the oldest pagoda in Hanoi. It was built in 541 in the Early Ly Dynasty, originally named Khai Quoc Pagoda. Famous for sacred sanctuary and stunning scenery, Tran Quoc Pagoda used to be a favorite place for sightseeing of many kings of Vietnam in special festivals such as Tet holiday and full moon days. Thanks to its useful location beside the dazzling West Lake and on an island which is linked by a bridge between the two most romantic lakes of Hanoi, which are Truc Bach Lake and West Lake, the pagoda attracts a lot of tourists each and every day.

# **Temple of Literature Hanoi**

The Temple of Literature Hanoi is a rare example of a well-preserved traditional Vietnamese architecture dedicated to the Confucius and honors Vietnam's finest scholars. The Temple is the first university complex in Vietnam. Not only is it a cultural and historical relic, but it is also where many students come to pray for luck in their upcoming exams and studies.

#### **Hoan Kiem Lake**

Hoan Kiem lake, also known as "Sword Lake," is a freshwater lake in the center of Hanoi. The legend about the name of the lake is known by all the Vietnamese people. The lake is not only special in her history but also some characteristics that you might not find anywhere else in Vietnam. The water of the lake has different colors depending on the reflection of the sky, it could be green, dark or light. Hoan Kiem Lake Hanoi is also the home of tortoises. If you are lucky, you will have a chance to see these giant animals rising out of the water, taking a sunbath. There are so many activities happening around Hoan Kiem lake which make it crowded and busy all day, especially during the weekends. Let's rock it like the locals, and find out what to see and where to visit around Hoan Kiem Lake!

Afternoon Lunch

**Lunch included** 

Seafood Meal

Afternoon

# 36 Streets of Hanoi Old Quarter

The 36 streets of the Old Quarter were named after the 36 trades or craft that were set up in this area north of the lake. Located in Hanoi Old Quarter, this neighborhood is a culturally significant destination in the center of Vietnam's

capital city. The phrase "Hanoi 36 pho phuong" is engraved in the hearts and minds of most Vietnamese people and many tourists worldwide for its traditional architecture and diverse cultural experience. These streets are unique in their own ways but most share one special similarity. They originated from the ancient Hanoi 36 streets. Those streets were named after the products and services they provided, following the word "Hang." Throughout the years, some of them retain their original names while some have been changed.

## St. Joseph Cathedral

St Joseph's Cathedral, or "The Big Church" familiarly called by locals, is one of the first structures constructed by the French colonists during their expansion in Indochina and still intact in Hanoi after two wars. In spite of fierce fights destroying almost parts of Hanoi, St Joseph's Cathedral is still standing in good condition. Today, it has become a historical attraction in Hanoi which remains the image of the beauty of the old Hanoi and makes an impression on travelers by its ancient beauty inside the bustling capital.

Night Dinner

**Dinner included** 

Palace Restaurant Cuisine

Night

## **Water Puppet Show**

Water puppetry is a special folk art created by the people living in the Red River Delta in Northern Vietnam. This art form dates back to the 11th century. Puppets are made of wood but said to be waterproof and durable. During the show, the puppets are controlled via a bamboo rod and strings hidden under the water surface by puppeteers standing behind the stage. The performance of the puppets on stage usually comes along with "Cheo" singing – a traditional folk music of the Northern people. Indispensably, the show also involves several instruments, such as drums, monochord, cymbals, flutes, horns, gongs, etc. The puppet shows are usually about the daily life of rural people.

Night

Hotel: Hotel du Parc Hanoi; Or Grand Vista Hanoi; Or similar;

Day 4

Hanoi - Vehicle - Halong Bay - Vehicle - Hanoi

All day

After breakfast, we will drive to the pier to take a boat and head over to visit the world natural heritage called Halong Bay. There are more than 1,000 stone forests and islands scattered in the scenic area. The cruise ship will take you to

travel among the mountains on the sea, and you can have a panoramic view of the beautiful scenery displayed! Following, the ship will take you to the Sung Sot Cave, or Suprise Cave. In this big cave, you will see breathtaking stalactite wonders. Following, follow us to have a visit to Ti Top Island. It will be a wonderful experience to have a panoramic view of Halong Bay from the viewing platform! We have prepared a seafood feast for your lunch. All kinds of freshly caught shrimps and crabs will definitely be worth the visit! On the return trip in the afternoon, you may enjoy the beauty of Halong Bay quietly on the deck.

## Itinerary:

Hanoi → Halong Bay Wonders Tour: Soi Sim Island, Sung Sot Cave, Ti Top Island (6 hours, ticket for Halong Bay included) → Hanoi

All day

## **Halong Bay**

Halong Bay is located in the Northeast of Vietnam, 165 km from Hanoi capital, in the territory of Quang Ninh province. This is an island area with an area of 1,553km² including 1,969 islands, of which 90% are limestone islands. Halong Bay includes Lan Ha Bay, Bai Tu Long Bay, and many other nearby bays. For many, the seascape of Ha Long Bay is synonymous with Vietnam. Cruises sail emerald, green waters among thousands of rugged islands and islets, stopping at spectacular caves through which visitors can wander, viewing impressive, centuries-old formations. Ha Long Bay's mystical beauty has made it a bucket list attraction within the country!

## Soi Sim Island

Soi Sim Island is a small soil island in the southwest of Halong Bay. It's about 12 kilometers far from Bai Chay tourist wharf and about 700 meters from Ti Top Island. Explaining for the name "Soi Sim", the locals said that in the past, the major plant on the island was Rhodomyrtus tomentosa (called "sim" in Vietnamese). Therefore, the island was named after that plant, "Soi Sim". Soi Sim Island has an area of 8.7 ha. On the island, there are two 200-meter hills covered by a green primeval forest. This primeval forest is home to many species of flora, especially endemic plants. This is the result of thousands of years isolated from the mainland. Coming to Soi Sim Island, you will be impressed by peaceful ambiance and natural beauty of green primeval forest and blue sea. There are two charming beaches on the island with white sand and clear seawater. Moreover, from the top of the hills on Soi Sim Island, tourists will have great views to the spectacular scenery of Halong bay.

## **Sung Sot Cave (Surprise Cave)**

Located on Bo Hon Island, which is known as in the center of the UNESCO-declared World Heritage area, Sung Sot Cave is one of the widest and most striking ones with the area of around 10,000 square meters and the length of more than 200 meters. The widest area inside the cave is about 80 meters. Sung Sot Cave is firstly explored by a group of French tourists. Being surprised by the magnificent beauty of the cave, these French tourists named the cave as "Grotte des surprises" – the cave of surprise. From that time, Sung Sot Cave is known as Surprising Cave or Amazing Cave.

## Ti Top Island

Covering a total area of 3.7 hectares, Ti Top Island is one of the smallest islands making up Halong Bay - a natural wonder in Quang Ninh Province. The island's current name was named after the Russian cosmonaut Gherman Titov on his visit to Halong Bay in 1962 by Uncle Ho. The mesmerizing view and its prime location contribute to the highlights of Ti Top Beach, which allures a large number of tourists each year. Coming here, you can know the entire history of the island in detail through the memorial stone in front of the island.

Afternoon Lunch

Lunch included

Seafood meal

Night Dinner

**Dinner included** 

Palace Restaurant Cuisine

Night

Hotel: Hotel du Parc Hanoi: Or Grand Vista Hanoi: Or similar:

# Day 5

Hanoi - Airplane - Da Nang - Vehicle - Hoi An

All day

After breakfast, you will take a flight to Da Nang. As the largest city of the Central region, Danang is the symbol of urban hustle and bustle. It is also the largest economic and cultural center of the region. Surrounded by the sapphire blue water and undulating mountains, the city is quite livable and amazing to see. After arriving in Da Nang, you will take a Vietnamese special basket boat to visit Cam Kim Island. Here, you will have the chance to roam the water coconut mangroves and experience the fun of fishing crabs by yourself! Then, we will go to Hoi An Ancient Town. Take a visit to Tan Ky Old House and Japanese Bridge full of national fusion characteristics, as well as Fujian Assembly Hall and Cantonese Assembly Hall, where overseas Chinese used to gather. You can also DIY a Hoi An traditional lantern under the guidance of a professional lantern master! In the evening, we will go to Hoi An Impression Theme Park to watch the largest real-life performance in Vietnam at the Hoi An Memories Show. Travel through time in the dreamlike light and shadow to feel the past, present and future of Hoi An Ancient Town.

## **Itinerary:**

Hotel → Take a flight from Noi Bai International Airport (HAN) to Da Nang International Airport (DAD) (air ticket fee is included, there is no tour guide on the plane) → Cam Kim Island: basket boat + crab fishing experience (120 mins,

activity fee included) → World Cultural Heritage Hoi An Ancient Town: Tan Ky Old House, Japanese Bridge Hoi An,

Fujian Assembly Hall, Cantonese Assembly Hall Hoi An + lantern DIY experience (90 mins, Hoi An Ancient Town ticket

+ lantern DIY experience fee included) → Hoi An Memories Show (60 mins, ticket included) → Hotel

## Morning

## **Cam Kim Island**

Cam Kim Island is situated on the south side of the Thu Bon river. It will take about 15 minutes to get to the island from the city center. Furthermore, Hoi An has a total of four suburban communes and Cam Kim Island Hoi An is one of them. Cam Kim Island is known as one of the must-visit destinations for tourists when traveling to Hoi An Ancient Town. Especially, if you are under depression due to the hustle and bustle of life, this island will be the most effective remedy for you. This small oasis is surrounded by green trees and beautiful nature like an ink-wash painting.

#### **Hoi An Ancient Town**

Hoi An Ancient Town is located in Viet Nam's central Quang Nam Province, on the north bank near the mouth of the Thu Bon River. Hoi An Ancient Town is an exceptionally well-preserved example of a South-East Asian trading port dating from the 15th to the 19th century. The town reflects a fusion of indigenous and foreign cultures (principally Chinese and Japanese with later European influences) that combined to produce this unique survival. The town comprises a well-preserved complex of 1,107 timber frame buildings, with brick or wooden walls. They are arranged side-by-side in tight, unbroken rows along narrow pedestrian streets. There is also the fine wooden Japanese bridge, with a pagoda on it, dating from the 18th century.

# **Tan Ky Old House**

Tan Ky old house is an ancient work of more than 200 years old. With its unique architecture that combines the features of Vietnam, Japan and China, it is the highlight of Hoi An ancient town. Although this construction was built more than two centuries ago, it can still keep the original beauty of ancient Hoi An. Besides, the old house of Tan Ky is also a special place retaining a variety of priceless antiquity.

## Japanese Bridge Hoi An

Japanese Bridge Hoi An is an iconic symbol of Hoi An Ancient Town. Being built by the Japanese since the 17th century, until now, the Bridge has been attracting thousands of visitors from all over the world thanks to its unique beauty and special architecture. It has the honor of being printed in Vietnam's 20,000 VND banknote. Coming to Hoi An old town, it would be a waste if you don't stop at least once by the Japanese Covered Bridge.

# **Fujian Assembly Hall**

Fujian Assembly Hall is an unmissable historical and cultural relic in Hoi An. Covered an astonishing 2000 square meters of land, the hall is one of five prestigious and most visited assembly halls in the town. The site not only represents the elaborate ancient architecture of the Old Town, but also has great spiritual significance to the local community.

## **Cantonese Assembly Hall Hoi An**

The Cantonese Assembly Hall Hoi An was erected in the late 18th century by overseas Chinese from Guangdong Guangzhou region. At that time, Hoi An was one of the major trading ports in Vietnam, Hoi An City has become one of the first centers for Chinese people to do business and settle down. Since then, a variety of assembly halls were established for gathering and trading purposes. This hall has an interesting constructing process, because each part of this building was initially made in China, then transferred by boat and assembled completely in Hoi An.

Afternoon Lunch

**Lunch included** 

Cam Kim Island Seafood Hot Pot (one crab per person)

Afternoon

#### **Hoi An Memories Show**

The Hoi An Impression Theme Park is one part museum and one part an amusement park, blurring the lines between education and performance art. The entertainment extravaganza that is the Hoi An Memories Show is its headliner. The Show features more than 500 actors and dancers performing 400 years of history on a 25,000 square meters outdoor stage. Throughout the show, there are various presentations of major historical moments, the real magic in its delicate representations of ordinary daily life.

**Hoi An Memories Show** 

Night Dinner

Dinner included

Hoi An Cuisine at LE BA TRUYEN Restaurant

Night

Hotel: Bellerive Hoi An Hotel and Spa; Or Silk Sense Hoi An River Resort; Or similar;

Day 6 Hoi An - Vehicle - Ba Na Hills - Vehicle - Hoi An

All day

Today we go to the famous resort of Ba Na Hills. Here, we will take the longest and highest non-stop cable car in the world to the top of the mountain to enjoy the wonderful scenery of Da Nang. After climbing to the top, we will take a

small train first. Following, we will head to the large indoor entertainment park known as Fantasy Park, and travel in Jules Verne's "Journey to the Center of the Earth" and "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea".

Itinerary:

Hoi An → Ba Na Hills → Ba Na Hills Tour: Ba Na Hills Cable Car, Da Nang Golden Bridge, Fantasy Park (6 hours, including lunch time, cable car round-trip fee + Ba Na Hills ticket + buffet included) → Hoi An

Morning

**Ba Na Hills** 

Ba Na Hills was formerly a popular vacation spot of the French, completed with villas and a resort. It was developed into the popular theme park it is today. The only way up to Ba Na Hills is via cable cars, and it's won more than one Guinness World Record. You'll be rewarded with a picturesque ride boasting incredible, 360-degree views. On a clear day, you can see as far as Danang and the sea. Catch your breath away from the crowds at the Linh Ung Pagoda. At 1,500 meters above sea level, it offers fantastic views. It also boasts one of the biggest Buddha statues in the land, which sits serenely on a five-meter-wide circular base and is 27 meters tall.

**Danang Golden Bridge** 

Danang Golden Bridge perches on a prime location inside the Ba Na Hills. At the height of 1400m above sea level, the bridge is a masterpiece with golden-hue gilded railing frames and a winding shape (stretching 150m in length). Its unique design is lifted by two giant hands and the golden yellow hue of this pedestrian bridge make it both photo perfect and a great place for sightseeing.

**Fantasy Park** 

Let's explore Fantasy Park in Ba Na Hills! Fantasy Park is located on a mountain peak in Ba Na Hills Mountain Resort, known as "the way to fairyland" or "paradise on earth". As a perfect tourist attraction for an entire family, Fantasy Park was commenced and inspired by two iconic novels "Journey to the Center of the Earth" and "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea" by French writer Jules Verne. The amusement park reserves countless funs and surprises, which of course involve well-tailored games to keep little kids occupied and delighted all day long.

Afternoon Lunch

Lunch included

Ba Na Hills Buffet

Night Dinner

**Dinner included** 

SOHO buffet

Night

Hotel: Le Méridien Saigon; Or Pullman Saigon Centre; Or similar;

Day 7

Hoi An - Airplane - Da Nang - Airplane - Ho Chi Minh

All day

This morning we will take a city tour in Da Nang. Let's take a walk on My Khe Beach and feel the romantic atmosphere of this seaside city! Then follow us and take a visit to the Da Nang Dragon Bridge, where you will see the statues of APEC member countries in the APEC Park. After that, we will take a quick visit to the Da Nang Cathedral with pink walls. In the afternoon, we will fly to Ho Chi Minh, the largest city in Vietnam.

**Itinerary:** 

Hoi An  $\rightarrow$  My Khe Beach (30 mins)  $\rightarrow$  Danang Dragon Bridge (30 mins)  $\rightarrow$  APEC Park (30 mins)  $\rightarrow$  Da Nang Cathedral (30 mins)  $\rightarrow$  Take a flight from Da Nang International Airport (DAD) to Tan Son Nhat International Airport (SGN) (air ticket included, with tour guide's accompany)  $\rightarrow$  Ho Chi Minh

Morning

My Khe Beach

My Khe Beach (or Bai bien My Khe) is the municipal beach of Da Nang, a part of the Gold Coast stretching until famous An Bang and Cua Dai beaches in Hoi An. It owns a lengthy strip of fine sand fringed by clear, unpolluted and rock-free water. My Khe Beach is the top 6 sexiest beaches on the planet by Forbes in 2005. In addition, this little paradise on the earth is also in the list of Vietnam's 10 most beautiful beaches, Asia's 25 best beaches by TripAdvisor or Asia's 10 best beaches by an Australian magazine.

## **Danang Dragon Bridge**

Dragon Bridge is the world's largest dragon-shaped steel bridge. As its name implies, Dragon Bridge illustrates the image of a dragon flying towards the sea with the architecture inspired by Ly dynasty. This inventive design reflects Vietnamese customs and beliefs, as well as highlights Da Nang's growth and development. Due to its unique design, the bridge has become an iconic image of the city that visitor should not miss while in Danang. This gorgeous one-of-a-kind metal dragon also "breathes" fire and water weekly. The deliberate integration of lighting technology, with more than 2,500 LED lights, exquisitely shows the dragon's body and its vivid fire-breathing head.

## **APEC Park**

APEC Sculpture Park – an extension of the 2017-built APEC Park– is a new architecture check-in spot and public

destination for the tourism hub with a display of several sculptures from APEC member economies. The park features a large steel arch in the shape of a flying kite.

## **Da Nang Cathedral**

Da Nang Cathedral, or Da Nang Pink Church is a famous tourist attraction in the Central Vietnam city. To the locals, Da Nang Cathedral is better known as "Rooster Church." The name refers to the massive bell tower. Da Nang Cathedral is notable for its distinctive pink color and classic Gothic architecture. You will have extremely cool backgrounds to take a lot of fascinating pictures along any corner of the church!

Afternoon Lunch

**Lunch included** 

Enjoy a Vietnamese special roast suckling pig meal at PHIEU restaurant in Da Nang

Night Dinner

Dinner included

Saigon AI HUE Chinese Restaurant

Night

Hotel: Le Méridien Saigon; Or Pullman Saigon Centre; Or similar;

Day 8

Ho Chi Minh - Vehicle - My Tho Mekong River - Vehicle - Ho Chi Minh

All day

After breakfast, we will head to My Tho. My Tho is the entrance town of the Mekong Delta. It is famous for its rich fruits such as longan, pineapple, mango, jackfruit, custard apple, and coconut. The most exciting part of traveling to Mei Tho is the water sightseeing on the Mekong River. Take a wooden boat equipped with a small motor and set off for the island! The motorboat will take you to an island. After that, we will go to the fruitful orchard and enjoy a fruit feast. In the afternoon, we will return to Ho Chi Minh and take a city tour. The buildings here are mainly French-style. We will visit People's Committee Building, Independence Palace, Notre Dame Cathedral of Saigon and Saigon Central Post Office to learn about the past day of Ho Chi Minh City. When night falls, follow us and take a cruise along the Saigon River. You will be able to have dinner while listening to music and appreciate the nighttime view on the river.

**Itinerary:** 

Hotel → My Tho → Mekong River Tour (4 hours, activity fee included) → Ho Chi Minh City Tour: Independence Palace,
People's Committee Building, Notre Dame Cathedral of Saigon, Saigon Central Post Office (150 mins, Independence

Palace ticket included) → Vietnamese Drip Coffee (one cup for one guest, activity fee included) → Dinner Cruise On Saigon River (90 mins, activity fee included) → Hotel

Morning

## **Mekong River**

The Mekong River flows through China, Thailand, Laos, and Cambodia, then splits into 9 branches flowing through Vietnam. The colorful collection of towns sprinkled along the banks of the Mekong River are blessed with dazzling blue skies, brimming with exotic fruits, and dotted with markets, temples, and colonial-era mansions. It's where you'll have your most memorable meals in Vietnam. And of course, it's where you'll meet the warmest Vietnamese around, as well as ethnic minorities who have made their homes on the water.

Afternoon Lunch

Lunch included

My Tho Island Style Meal

Afternoon

## **Independence Palace**

The Independence Palace, also known as the Reunification Palace, was built on the site of the former Norodom Palace. The Iandmark in Ho Chi Minh City was built on a 12-hectare plot of land and includes a large mansion of 80-meter width. This place has a glamorous design, hundreds of rooms equipped with luxurious furnishings and decorations, and an enormous and gorgeous exterior space. The Independence Palace symbolizes Vietnam's victory, peace, and territorial integrity. It was designated as a historical monument for having witnessed significant changes in Saigon's history and keeping the essence of Eastern culture.

## **People's Committee Building**

The People's Committee Building is one of the 17 landmarks which are over 100 years old in Ho Chi Minh city. The iconic outlook of this building is inspired by French Renaissance Revival architecture, which emphasizes leisure and elegance. The interior of this building is heavenly magnificent with sophisticated pieces of furniture and harmonious paintings, which take up the majority of the vault. However, it is sad that since the building is not open to the public, not many people have the opportunity to immerse themselves in the heavenly atmosphere of the building.

# **Notre Dame Cathedral of Saigon**

Saigon Notre Dame Cathedral is one of the topmost famous French-style churches in Vietnam. The cathedral is designed in Roman style mixed with Gothic art with a capacity of up to 1200 people. Notre Dame Cathedral includes a large central nave, 93m-long cross-shaped plan, a semicircular harem, and 5 small chapels. The construction materials

of Notre Dame Cathedral were mostly transported from France such as bricks, tiles, iron and steel, stained glass.

**Saigon Central Post Office** 

Saigon Central Post Office, built around 1886 – 1891, is both one of the oldest and yet most iconic buildings in the city. Like other architectural works built during the French colonial period in Vietnam, the post office has a stunning facade that feature the spectacular characteristics of French architecture with yellow walls, arched doors and windows, and decorative reliefs. Despite having been in operation for more than 100 years, Saigon Central Post Office's enduring beauty has not faded over time. This is a perfect place for the people who want to enjoy the beautiful design, mail a postcard, write a letter by hand or simply recall the memory of a bygone era.

Night

## **Dinner Cruise On Saigon River**

Surrender to the tastes and sounds of authentic Vietnam on board the Saigon's River Cruise. Great food, history, art and music are combined for a truly immersive experience. You can appreciate the beauty of Saigon River with the vibrant Ho Chi Minh City in the background.

Night Dinner

Dinner included

Dinner at Saigon River Cruise Restaurant

Night

Hotel: Le Méridien Saigon; Or Pullman Saigon Centre; Or similar;

Day 9

Ho Chi Minh - Airplane - Home

All day

Today will be the end of our unforgettable and pleasant journey! You can book a suitable flight to leave Tan Son Nhat International Airport (SGN) according to your needs. Our staff only provides one drop-off service from the hotel at 7:30 in the morning. If a guest has an earlier flight and needs to leave the hotel before 7:30 to the airport, please transfer to the hotel by yourself.

#### **Cost Description**

## **Cost includes**

- 1. Hotels described in the itinerary, or equivalent hotels.
- 2. Professional Chinese tour guide and service fee.
- 3. Tour bus service, with the specific vehicle type determined by the size of the group.
- 4. Meals during the itinerary (only breakfast is included on the drop-off day).
- 5. Tickets for scenic spots and activities included in the itinerary: Ho Chi Minh's Stilt House, Temple of Literature Hanoi, Halong Bay, Hoi An Ancient Town, Ba Na Hills (including round-trip cable car ticket and buffet), Independence Palace; Tricycle Tour of 36 Streets of Hanoi Old Quarter, Water Puppet Show, Cam Kim Island: basket boat + crab fishing experience, lantern DIY experience, Vietnamese Afternoon Tea, Hoi An Memories, My Tho Mekong River Tour, Bonsai Dinner Cruise on Saigon River.
- 6. Air tickets for two inland flights: Hanoi to Da Nang, Da Nang to Ho Chi Minh.
- 7. 1-2 bottles of mineral water per person per day.

## **Cost excludes**

- 1. Taxes, visa fees and passport processing fees.
- 2. Person fees such as laundry, haircut, telephone, fax, pay TV, drinks, tips and any expenses in the hotel.
- 3. Any personal expenses that are not listed in Fee Included.

## **Know Before You Book**

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- 1. Customer under 18 years old MUST be accompanied by at least one adult. A guardian traveling with children must provide proof of custody or notarized parental authorization for travel. An adult accompanying a child who is neither a parent nor guard- ian of the child should have written permission from a parent or guardian to accompany the child across the border, including the name and contact information of the parent or guardian. In consideration of the guest safety, pregnant women are only allowed to join the tour if pregnant for 24 weeks or less by the end of the trip.
- 2. Please be sure to provide accurate and complete information upon booking. This includes name, gender, valid documents (passport, visa etc.), valid contact information (preferably a mobile phone), accurate flight information, tour location, etc., This helps to avoid any errors upon the reservation because errors affect travel. Any losses due to inaccurate or invalid information will be at your own cost and the company will not be held responsible.
- 3. Hotels have different room types, such as a King/Queen size beds or two double size twin beds. The maximum number of people who can legally stay in a room is 2 to 4 people. In addition, each hotel has a different method of charging the deposit, which requires the cooperation of the guests according to regulations. Please be noticed that most of the deposit collection and refund is handled by credit card. ALL AMERICA TRAVEL guarantee the number of rooms for guests but does not guarantee the specific room type and location. Hotel check-in time is usually after 15:00.
- 4. This tour does not accept any City Pass or your own tickets for any of the attractions. Tour attraction admission charges and meal expenses are subject to change at any time without notification. Any purchased ticket cannot be refunded for lower prices.
- 5. ALL AMERICA TRAVEL have the right to make appropriate adjustments to the itinerary under the conditions of facilitating the operation for the tour group. This, however, will not reduce the items that should be included in the itinerary.
- 6. During the actual trip, the tour guide or driver has the right to appropriately adjust the tour sequence, stay time or assembly time of scenic spots according to the weather, traffic, and other conditions to ensure the smooth progress of the trip.
- 7. If the scenic spots are temporarily closed or closed on a particular holiday, etc., the tour guide will adjust the appearance according to the actual situation or replace the location with another scenic spot to ensure the richness of the itinerary. The opening hours and capacity limits of certain attractions and national parks will be subject to change from time to time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. When the operating hours and capacity restrictions have an impact on the itinerary, it shall be regarded as force majeure. Thank you for your understanding.
- 8. Children under the age of 8 require a booster seat in order to participate in the tour group. ALL AMERICA TRAVEL provide the rental service for \$10.00/person/day. Please make a request when booking the itinerary so that we may have the booster seat ready in advance. Please understand that the violations and fines are borne by the guests themselves. There is no need for a booster seat for bus travel on the day of travel, and the fee can be refunded to the guest.
- 9. Normal health conditions are required to participate and enjoy our full itineraries. Contact us for specific policies or information regarding passengers with disabilities and the handicapped who do need to provide advance notification to make a reservation. ALL AMERICA TRAVEL do not guarantee a wheelchair lift-equipped bus and/or seating availability to disabled passengers without prior notification and approval.
- 10. Guests are required to bring their own relevant documents and materials required for entry or cross-border travel. Whether they can enter or leave the country is subject to the decision of the customs of each country. The inability to

enter the country is a force majeure factor, and the paid tour fee will not be refunded.

- 11. We may alter these terms and conditions from time to time and post the new version on our agents' website. It is your responsibility to check the [Terms & Conditions] on their website regularly and prior to making a reservation. Unless specifically stated otherwise herein or required by law, ALL AMERICA TRAVEL shall not be liable for any consequential, compensatory, indirect, incidental or punitive damages arising out of or in connection with the performance of its obligations under these terms and conditions.
- 12. Due to the oil price soar and the cost of vehicle greatly increased, starting April 1, 2022, please be advised that all bus tours will be subject to an additional transportation surcharge of \$5 per person per day, which will be paid together with the tour fees when you place the order.

## **Know Before You Go**

- 1. The maximal waiting time for any late passengers is 10 minutes beyond the meeting time announced by the Tour Guide. While ALL AMERICA TRAVEL makes every effort to provide on-time service, it does not guarantee to arrive at or depart from any point as a specific time, which may be affected by any number of factors including weather, traffic, strikes, government shutdowns, war or terrorist attacks, or mechanical prob- lems. ALL AMERICA TRAVEL is not liable for any inconvenience or expense caused as a result of such a delay, not liable for the expense of connecting air or train or bus service missed as a result of a delay and not liable for any other travel expense caused as a result of a delay.
- 2. ALL AMERICA TRAVEL eserve the right, when operating conditions require, transferring passengers from one vehicle to another en route.
- 3. The following documents are recommended to make your check-in process smooth: A valid photo ID is required to board the bus; We recommend you bring a copy of the email confirmation to board the bus.
- 4. This product is a group activity. If you choose to leave the group, please inform in advance, and obtain the consent of the tour guide. You need to sign the departure agreement form and the unfinished part will be regarded as your own abandonment. The group fee will not be refunded.
- 5. Gift items in the itinerary that cannot be given away due to force majeure factors such as traffic and weather conditions or personal reasons may be subject to change. Please understand that the fees will not be refunded.
- 6. Smoking is prohibited aboard the bus in accordance with the law and prohibited in most hotel rooms. Customers are responsible for any penalty charged by the hotel in a non-smoking room at least \$250 per night.
- 7. Pets and animals are not allowed on the vehicle.
- 8. Luggage is subject to inspection when crossing international borders. You will be asked to declare any items subject to duty upon crossing the border. ALL AMERICA TRAVEL are not responsible for any luggage crossing international borders. Passengers must claim all luggage at the border crossing point before proceeding. No luggage is allowed across the border unless claimed by a passenger. ALL AMERICA TRAVEL will not provide free transportation to a passenger denied entry across an international border.
- 9. Only for products with airport pick-up service: only one pick-up service within the free pick-up time range is provided for each order. If it is impossible to arrange due to weather and flight delay, etc., please pay for your own transportation costs.