

Discover Vietnam and Cambodia

15 Days/ 14 Nights

Phnom Penh- Siem Reap- Ho Chi Minh- Da Nang, Hoi An- Hue- Hanoi – Halong- Hanoi Itinerary

Day 1 Arrive in Phnom Penh (-/-/-)

Arrive in Phnom Penh, Cambodia's capital city and transfer to your hotel. Balance of the day is at leisure to rest, relax and acclimate to the new time zone

Overnight: Phnom Penh

Day 2 Phnom Penh City Tour – Siem Reap (B/L/D)

Morning visit to the Victory Monument, dedicated to the independence from the French; it now also serves as a memorial to Cambodia's war victims. Visit the Royal Palace, built by King Norodom on the site of the old town. Within these walls, visit the Silver Pagoda (Wat Preah Keo Morakot) with its floor of over 5000 shimmering silver tiles. Other national treasures housed here include solid gold and jeweled Buddha statues and a small 17th century Baccarat crystal Buddha, known as the "Emerald Buddha". Then, visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum on the site of a former high school used as the notorious Security Prison 21 (S-21) by the Khmer Rouge regime.

After, depart Phnom Penh and fly to Siem Reap, gateway to the Angkor temples.

Tonight, enjoy dinner with a traditional Apsara show

Overnight: Siem Reap

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3 Siem Reap (B/L/D)

Breakfast in the hotel.

Excursion to the Angkor Thom temple complex :

Visit to the Bayon temple. Inspection takes approximately 1 hour.

Visit the Baphuon temple, the Ramayana, the Elephant terrace, the Terrace of the Leper King, a visit to the Pre Cann Buddhist monastery, the Ta Prohm temple (For an additional fee - riding on elephants). In the evening - visit the temple of Angkor Wat.

Dinner in the "Bayon" restaurant with a presentation of national dances.

(For an additional fee - riding on elephants).

Overnight in Siem Reap

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4 Siem Reap (B/L/D)

Breakfast in the hotel.

Continuation of the inspection of the temples of Angkor: Banteay Kde, Sra Srang, Ta Prom, Takei.

Visit Banteay Kde, Ta Prohm Monastery, Ta Keo Temple. After lunch, check out the other Temples.

(At will for an additional fee you can climb over the Siem Reap in a balloon).

Overnight in Siem Reap.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5 Siem Reap – Phnom Kulen (B/L/D)

Breakfast in the hotel

Visit the most sacred place of Cambodia - the Kulen Mountain. It's the place where the first capital of Angkor Empire has been located. We'll visit the famous 1000 Lingas River, the pagoda of Reclining Buddha on the peak of the rock, and swim in the waterfalls of 4 and 25 meters high where Lara Croft has been diving from.

Sunset cruise tour at the Tonle Sap lake floating village on 15th and 16th

Meals: Breakfast

Day 6 Siem Reap – Ho Chi Minh city (B/-/-)

Breakfast. Transfer to the airport Prolet in Ho Chi Minh.

City tour: Notre Dame de Saigon Cathedral, Municipal Theater, Vinh Nghiem Pagodas, Thien Hau, Former Presidential Palace, Cholon - Saigon China Town.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 7 Ho Chi Minh city – My Tho – Ho Chi Minh city (B/L/-)

My Tho is located about seventy kilometres out of Ho Chi Minh City. It is an amiable market town that nestles on the north bank of the Mekong River's northernmost strand, the Tien Giang, or Upper River.

Ben Tre is a coastal province in the Mekong Delta of southern Vietnam, connected by a bridge to the busy market town of Mỹ Tho. Coming to Ben Tre, you will be immersed in a green land with coconut trees, rice fields, fruits gardens, rivers and canals.

Our car and Guide will pick you up at the meeting point and start Mekong delta tour to visit My Tho and Ben Tre. Along the way, we can enjoy the beautiful scene of green rice fields, see the peaceful Vam Co Dong river and the busy Long An town.

When we arrive at My Tho, we will take a **leisurely boat ride** along the river: view the stilt houses, fruit plantations and fishing villages along the river bank.

The boat will proceed to Tortoise islet – a beautiful natural spot, ideal for a short trek through some winding trails. We have lunch in the orchard garden.

Then, we continue to take a boat ride to An Khanh – a less touristy attraction in Ben Tre. Here, we will experience cruising on a hand-rowed sampan under the shadow of the water coconut trees along natural canals. And we also enjoy seasonal fruit and honey tea and listen to the sound of Southern Vietnamese folk music performed by locals.

The next place we will visit is a family business which epitomizes the idyllic rural lifestyle. Here, we will have the chance to taste the delicious coconut candy, observe the pastoral life as you wander through the fruit plantation and village.

We will meet the car and return to Ho Chi Minh City. On the way we will visit Vinh Trang pagoda – a national historical and cultural relic. It is the greatest pagoda of Tien Giang Province, surrounded by gardens of ornamental trees, ancient trees and bonsai, creating a peaceful atmosphere. The architecture of Vinh Trang Pagoda is a harmonious combination of Asian and European types of architecture.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh city.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 8 Ho Chi Minh – Danang – Hoi An (B/-/D)

Depart Ho Chi Minh on your flight to Da Nang, one of Vietnam's major ports, situated on the coast of the South China Sea. Travel south to the picturesque ancient town of Hoi An, where people still wear the "ao dais", Vietnam's traditional dress. The ancient town of Hoi An, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, was one of the most important trading ports in Southeast Asia in the 15th century. Its ancient past is superbly preserved in an enchanting collection of temples, pagodas, shop houses and magnificent private homes in the town's Old Quarter. Walking tour of this artistic jewel, with its century's old architecture includes the gorgeous Phuoc Kien Pagoda, the 400 year old bright-red Japanese Covered Bridge and the Ancient House. Afterwards, continue to dinner at a local restaurant

Overnight: Hoi An

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 9 Full day in Hoi An (B/L/-)

Half day Walk through the Old City, stopping at one of the city's many museums, or see artisans using age-old techniques to fashion a variety of crafts. Of special interest are the colorful and elaborate paper lanterns created by lantern artisans for which Hoi An is well-known.

Optional: Boat Trip on the Thu Bon River & Organic Village with Lunch

Or, join the optional boat trip on the Thu Bon River visiting the Organic Village, including lunch. The boat trip begins at a local pier in the Old Town. You'll cruise down streams and past many fishing areas before arriving in Kim Bong village, home of traditional woodworking and boat building. Return to the mainland and drive to the Traque Organic Village for lunch. Here, you'll meet local farmers and learn about the many vegetables and herbs organically grown to support the people of Hoi An. After a Vietnamese culinary lesson and tasting, return to Hoi An.

Overnight: Hoi An

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 10 Hoi An - Hue (B/-/D)

Travel 132 KL 1.30-2 hours to Hue, Hue Imperial City Tour

This morning, travel to Da Nang, with stunning views of bowl-shaped Da Nang Bay. Drive by the Marble Mountains, an area well-known for its sophisticated handmade marble products.

Journey over the towering mountains to Hue, home to a wealth of palaces, temples, libraries and museums. Take an afternoon tour of this former Imperial capital, modeled after the Forbidden City in Beijing. Enter the Ngo Mon Gate, principal entrance to the Imperial Enclosure and the central passageway reserved for use by the Emperor. Continue to the Thai Hoa Palace with its spacious hallways and ornamental roof, the Halls of the Mandarins, the Nine Dynastic Urns, and the ruins of the Forbidden Purple City, once home to the royal family.

Tonight, spend time at leisure to explore on your own or, or join the optional tour for a Cyclo Ride (Trishaw) in the city, ending with a multi-course feast at a special restaurant within the Citadel

Optional: Cyclo Ride with Dinner at the Citadel:

Royal cuisine at local restaurant, included: enjoy Hue traditional music, put on Royal clothes, and dinner

Overnight: Hue

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 11 Full day in Hue (B/L/-)

Full Day in Hue

Boat excursion on the gentle Perfume River, which explores the life along the banks of the ancient royal capital city. The river, with its shimmering blue color is dotted with a poetic landscape of boats, gardens, pagodas, towers and temples. The tour continues to the legendary Thien Mu Pagoda, on the north bank of the Perfume River, built in seven successive tiers. Then, a drive to the Tomb of Emperor Tu Duc, final resting place of Vietnam's longest reigning emperor and to Khai Dinh, the last monument of the Nguyen dynasty. Here, a vegetarian lunch will be prepared by Buddhist nuns of the Dong Thien Pagoda.

Return to Hue

Overnight: Hue

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 12 Hue - Hanoi (B/-/D)

Arrival to Hanoi. Meeting at the airport with a guide. Dinner. City tour: Hanoi Opera House, Central Hanoi, Lake of the Returned Sword, Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, Pillar of One Pillar and Temple of Literature, familiarity with religions in Vietnam. Dinner.

Overnight in Hanoi.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 13 Hanoi - Halong (B/L/D)

Breakfast in the hotel .

After that, leaving Hanoi to Quang Ninh province, we approach Halong Bay, one of the seven natural sites of the world recognized by UNESCO.

Cruise on arrival in Halong and lunch when the ship sails around the islands.

In the afternoon, let's begin our journey to explore the charm of Ha Long Bay, where the film Kong: Skull Island was shot. The first point of the journey is the cave of Luon, and then the island of Soi Sim, where you can swim in cool water or climb to the top of the hill and enjoy the panoramic view of Halong Bay as a whole .

Later in the evening, return to the ship, relax and enjoy your dinner. Later, take part in additional activities in the store, such as squid fishing or just relax.

Overnight cruise.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 14 Halong - Hanoi (B/L/D)

06:15: Tai chi on the terrace.

07:15 am: Have breakfast with coffee, tea and bakeries on board.

08:00: Visit the Amazing Cave (Sung Sot Cave), discovered by the French in 1901. Open to tourists since 1936, it is now a must-see and a symbol of the value of the geology of Halong.

09:30: Check out time. Then relax on the terrace or in the restaurant to enjoy the scenery of the bay.

10h15: Enjoy a traditional Vietnamese lunch, heading to the pier.

12:00: Check the cruise. Our car will be waiting for you to pick you up and then return to Hanoi.

16:30: Arrival in Hanoi.

In the evening, attend a performance of the world-famous Water Puppet Show, accompanied by a traditional Vietnamese orchestra and Cheo (a form of opera). The show depicts a series of ancient Vietnamese folktales, acted out by puppets over a pool of water

Dinner and transfer to hotel.

Overnight in Hanoi.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 15 Hanoi - Departure (B/-/-)

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Meals: Breakfast

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

13 nights' shared Accommodation in twin/double room with daily breakfast at the below indicated room types (see hotel category list below) (check in and check out around noontime)

1 night in twn/double room with full board on cruise in Halong bay

All transfers and transportation with air-con vehicles (types of vehicles depending on the number of pax):

1-2pax: car of 4 seats

3-8pax: van of 16 seats

9-15pax: coach of 29 seats

Local RUSSIAN speaking guides

Phnom Penh: 1 guide

Siem Reap: 1 guide

Ho Chi Minh – Mekong Delta: 1 guide

Danang – Hue – Hoi An: 1 guide

Hanoi – Halong: 1 guide

All entrance fees as program

Meals (B/L/D) (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner) as indicated in the program (Local food):

B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner

2 bottles of mineral water per person per day on bus on days of transfer and sightseeing only

TOUR PRICE EXCLUDES:

Airfares (international and domestic)

Meals (other than mentioned in the program)

Drinks

Visas to Vietnam

Mineral water beyond that supplied

Tips

Early check in or late check out

Insurances

Optional excursions and activities

Additional transfer required due to any emergency situation

Items of a personal nature (Phone calls, laundry, beverages...)

Peak season surcharges if any

All not mentioned above

Package price based on double/twin room accommodation Hotel****:

For group of:

4-5 peoples price per person \$1357.00 (transportation by minivan)

6-9 peoples price per person \$1282.00 (transportation by minivan)

10-12 peoples price per person \$1182.00 (transportation by minivan)

Single Supplement \$474.00 per person

Package price based on double/twin room accommodation Hotel****:

For group of:

4-5 peoples price per person \$1535.00 (transportation by minivan)

6-9 peoples price per person \$1406.00 (transportation by minivan)

10-12 peoples price per person \$1360.00 (transportation by minivan)

Single Supplement \$644.00 per person

Phnom Penh

V Hotel ***, Superior room

<http://www.vhotelphnompenh.com/>

Ohana hotel ****, Deluxe

<http://www.ohanahotelpp.com/>

Siem Reap

New Riverside Hotel***, Superior room

<http://www.newriversidehotel.com/>

Tara Angkor hotel****, Superior

<http://www.taraangkorhotel.com/>

Ho Chi Minh City

Le Duy hotel***, Deluxe

<http://www.leduyhotel.com.vn>

Edenstar hotel****, Deluxe

<https://www.edenstarsaigonhotel.com/>

Hoi An

Kim An hotel***, Superior

<https://kimanhoianhotel.com/>

Hoi An Riverside****, Superior Garden view

<http://www.hoianriverresort.com/>

Hue

Emm hotel***, Superior

<http://emmhotels.com/en/hotels/emm-hotel-hue>

Moonlight hotel****, Superior

<http://www.moonlighthue.com/vi/>

Hanoi

La Dolce Vita***, Superior

<http://www.ladolcevita-hotel.com/vi/>

Flower garden hotel****, Superior

<http://www.flowergardenhotel.com.vn/en>

Cruises Halong Bay

Swan cruise, Deluxe

<http://swancruiseshalong.com/>

Flamingo cruise, Deluxe Ocean view

<http://luxuryflamingocruises.vn/>

FLYING IN

The Angkor International Airport (REP/VDSR) is less than 15 minutes from Siem Reap's town center. Most flights arriving at Angkor International Airport are Vietnam Airlines, which offers services from Phnom Penh, Cambodia, Bangkok, Thailand or Ho Chi Minh City. Transportation into the city by car or tuk tuk is easy to find and will cost you US\$4-7. Be aware that you will have to pay a \$20 visa fee upon entering the country and another \$25 exit fee when you leave. If you are coming from the United States, there is no need to change currency when you arrive; almost all business in Cambodia is conducted in U.S Dollars, including ATMs.

About Visa on Arrival and E-visa. *Presently, one can obtain a visa-on-arrival in Cambodia for US\$30. You can fill out the application forms handed out to you on the plane, or at the airport or border crossings. Provide one passport photograph and US\$30



Cambodia

City in Cambodia

Phnom Penh

Phnom Penh, Cambodia's busy capital, sits at the junction of the Mekong and Tonlé Sap rivers. It was a hub for both the Khmer Empire and French colonialists. On its walkable riverfront, lined with parks, restaurants and bars, are the ornate Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and the National Museum, displaying artifacts from around the country. At the city's heart is the massive, art deco Central Market.



Krong Siem Reap

Siem Reap, a resort town in northwestern Cambodia, is the gateway to the ruins of Angkor, the seat of the Khmer kingdom from the 9th–15th centuries. Angkor’s vast complex of intricate stone buildings includes preserved Angkor Wat, the main temple, which is pictured on Cambodia’s flag. Giant, mysterious faces are carved into the Bayon Temple at Angkor Thom.

Vietnam



City in Vietnam

Ho Chi Minh City

Ho Chi Minh City (commonly known as Saigon) is a city in southern Vietnam famous for the pivotal role it played in the Vietnam War. It’s also known for its French colonial landmarks, including Notre-Dame Cathedral, made entirely of materials imported from France, and the 19th-century Central Post Office. Food stalls line the city’s streets, especially around bustling Bến Thành Market.



Hội An

Hội An is a city on Vietnam’s central coast known for its well-preserved Ancient Town, cut through with canals. The former port city’s melting-pot history is reflected in its architecture, a mix of eras and styles

from wooden Chinese shophouses and temples to colorful French colonial buildings, ornate Vietnamese tube houses and the iconic Japanese Covered Bridge with its pagoda.



Huế

Huế is a city in central Vietnam that was the seat of Nguyen Dynasty emperors and the national capital from 1802 to 1945. A major attraction is its vast, 19th-century Đại Nội Citadel, surrounded by a moat and thick stone walls. It encompasses the Imperial City, with palaces and shrines; the Forbidden Purple City (Tử cấm thành), once the emperor's home; and a replica of the Royal Theater.



Ha Long Bay Bay in Vietnam

Hạ Long Bay, in northeast Vietnam, is known for its emerald waters and thousands of towering limestone islands topped by rainforests. Junk boat tours and sea kayak expeditions take visitors past islands named for their shapes, including Stone Dog and Teapot islets. The region is popular for scuba diving, rock climbing and hiking, particularly in mountainous Cát Bà National Park.



Hanoi

Capital of Vietnam

Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam, is known for its centuries-old architecture and a rich culture with Southeast Asian, Chinese and French influences. At its heart is the chaotic Old Quarter, where the narrow streets are roughly arranged by trade. There are many little temples, including Bach Ma, honoring a legendary horse, plus Đồng Xuân Market, selling household goods and street food.