



9 Days Best of Vietnam

9 Days 8 Nights From \$1,180 per person (min 04 clients)

- Availability : 12 Dec 2026
- Domestic Vietnam Airlines Flights Included.
- Accommodation 4 ★ Hotels.

Highlights

- Visit all must-see destinations of Vietnam: Hanoi, Halong Bay, Hue, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City, Mekong Delta.
- Savor some of the country's most iconic specialties: "bun cha", "banh mi", "cao lau", "egg coffee".
- Enjoy an overnight cruise on the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Halong Bay.
- Step back in time at the Imperial Citadel of Hue and Hoi An Ancient Town.
- Take a ride on the unique round bamboo basket boat and try your hands on making Hoi An's iconic silk lantern.
- Follow writer's Graham Greene's footsteps through the colonial quarter of Saigon.

Itinerary in Brief

Day 1 : Hanoi – Arrival

Day 2 : Hanoi – Ha Long Bay

Day 3 : Ha Long Bay – Hanoi

Day 4 : Hanoi half day city tour – Flight to Danang – Hoi An

Day 5 : Hoi An

Day 6 : Hoi An – Leisure time

Day 7 : Hoi An – Danang – Flight to Ho Chi Minh City

Day 8 : Explore the Coconut Land in Mekong Delta

Day 9 : Ho Chi Minh City – Departure

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Itinerary

Day 1: Hanoi - Arrival (No Meal)

Welcome to Hanoi, Vietnam, one of Asia's most enchanting cities with full of culture and history. Meet your driver at Noi Bai International Airport, then transfer to your hotel.

Overnight: in Hanoi.

Meal Included: No Meal.

Accommodation: 4★ La Casa hotel or similar.

Day 2: Hanoi - Ha Long Bay (Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

On this day, meet driver and start your journey with a visit to the coast of Halong Bay. Embark on a beautifully crafted wooden junk for an overnight cruise in the legendary seascape. Once on board, you will be served a delicious seafood-based lunch, while the limestone rocks set the decor.

In the afternoon, reach a less traveled area and devote yourselves to relaxation, sunbathing, and a visit to a cave before ending the day on the sundeck while the sun sets. Enjoy an aperitif or attend a cooking demonstration before dinner.

Overnight in a comfortable private cabin with attached bathroom.

Note: Cruise itinerary and schedule are subject to change due to weather, tide levels and operating conditions. Swimming or kayaking excursions may be canceled due to poor weather.

Overnight: in Ha Long Bay.

Meal Included: Breakfast at hotel, Lunch, Dinner on Cruise.

Accommodation: 4★ Bhaya Classic Board or similar.

Day 3: Ha Long Bay - Hanoi (Breakfast / Brunch)

One of the most special experiences for travelers in Vietnam is watching the sunrise over Ha Long Bay. Rise early to watch this spectacular and peaceful scene.

After breakfast, we continue to cruise through the bay to visit Sung Sot, a beautiful cave but also an archaeological site. Enjoy a brunch on board before we arrive at the wharf in the late morning and return to the dock, where you will be met and transfer back to Hanoi center with driver. Check-in and enjoy leisure time.

Overnight: in Hanoi.

Meal Included: Breakfast at hotel, Brunch on Board.

Accommodation: 4★ La Casa hotel or similar.

Day 4: Hanoi half day city tour flight to Da Nang - transfer to Hoi An (Breakfast)

After breakfast, you will pass by Ba Dinh Square, the political heart of modern Vietnam, where President Ho Chi Minh read the Declaration of Independence establishing the Democratic Republic of Vietnam on September 2nd, 1945. After visiting The Temple of Literature, the first university of Vietnam where students still come to burn incense until now, you will take a cyclo ride around the bustling Old Quarter which has been a commercial center since King Ly Thai To build his palace there in the 11th century.

Finish the morning by savoring two of the most iconic Vietnamese culinary symbols: light lunch with “bun cha” and the unique drink of “egg coffee”.

Proceed to airport for a short flight to Da Nang, upon arriving meet local tour guide and transfer to Hoi An. Check-in and enjoy leisure time.

Note: Just cross Ba Dinh Square, no visit to Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum nor stilt house.

Overnight: in Hoi An.

Meal Included: Breakfast at hotel.

Accommodation: 4★ Hoi An Rosemary Boutique Hotel & Spa or similar.

Day 5: Hoi An (Breakfast / Lunch)

Set off on a day tour of Cam Thanh rural life. You'll first cycle through picturesque villages where life moves at a slower pace to the village pier where we change to bamboo basket boats – a unique way of locals to have a closer look at the ecosystem of mangrove forests and daily work of the village fisherman. Head out to the home of a craftsman where you will get a brief introduction to the history, shape, and color of the lanterns, as well as the stages of making them.

The craftsman will show you how to decorate and instruct you in making your own Hoi An lantern. Continue to Tra Que Village where you will learn about vegetable farming and witness farming activities.

Light lunch with Hoi An's specialties, “banh mi” and “cao lau”.

In this afternoon, take a leisurely walking tour in the Old Town of Hoi An to visit spots that create Hoi An's reputation from Chinese Assembly Hall to the typical hundred-year-old ancient house and the authentic local market.

Note: No farming activities in Tra Que, just visit & briefing.

Overnight: in Hoi An.

Meal Included: Breakfast at hotel, Light lunch with Hoi An's specialties.

Accommodation: 4★ Hoi An Rosemary Boutique Hotel & Spa or similar.

Day 6: Hoi An - Leisure Time (Breakfast)

Enjoy full day at leisure.

Overnight: in Hoi An.

Meal Included: Breakfast at hotel.

Accommodation: 4★ Hoi An Rosemary Boutique Hotel & Spa or similar.

Optional Tour

Ba Na hills – Golden Bridge Day trip (no lunch)

Tour price: AUD \$130 per person (min 04 person)

In the morning, transfer for a little over one hour to the Ba Na Hills area, where your cable car transfer will be waiting to take you up to an altitude of 1,487 meters above sea level. This is the second longest cable car in the world, with a difference of 1,292 meters between the two stations. On your visit to Ba Na Hills, you will have the chance to explore an ecological park, a theme park, a pagoda, and a mock French village. Accompanied by a tour guide, you can walk the Golden Bridge, the pedestrian walkway offering tourists uninterrupted views of the majestic landscape below. Next, let's have some free time to explore the park further before enjoying lunch at one of the many easily accessible restaurants that offer à la carte menus (at your own expense). After lunch, spend more time relaxing at your leisure before making your way back to the cable car to return down the mountain. You will then meet up with your driver for the transfer back to your hotel.

Hue Day trip (with lunch)

Tour price: AUD \$160 per person (min 04 person)

Leave hotel around 07.00 and head to the North, stop over the Hai Van pass to enjoy the stunning view of Lang co beach. Our first stop in Hue is the Tu Duc Tomb, one of the most beautiful and well-preserved royal mausoleums of the Nguyen Dynasty. Surrounded by peaceful pine trees and lotus ponds, the complex reflects the poetic and refined lifestyle of Emperor Tu Duc. Afternoon will proceed with visiting the Imperial Citadel, the best-preserved remnant of the vast citadel and royal quarters that once stood here. Here, you can witness the

ravages of time and war on what was once the carefully designed capital of the Nguyễn Dynasty. After exploring the citadel, we will visit the Thien Mu pagoda that is located right on the Perfume riverbank. Afterward, return to hotel in Hoian (around 3-hour drive)

Day 7: Hoi An - Da Dang flight to Ho Chi Minh City (Breakfast)

Meet driver and transfer to Danang airport for morning flight to Ho Chi Minh City.

Upon arriving, meet your local guide and take a digestive walk around the colonial buildings of District 1. Start at the Reunification Palace, built on the site of the former Norodom Palace, Reunification Palace was the home and workplace of the President of South Vietnam during the Vietnam War. It witnessed the end of the Vietnam War during the Fall of Saigon on April 30, 1975, when a North Vietnamese Army tank crashed through its gates.

Today, this building is a museum and sometimes a venue for official receptions. Then, continue the walking tour following writer Graham Greene's footsteps. The Saigon Post Office, which was constructed in classic French colonial style between 1866 and 1891 is still a functioning post office today. The interior is well worth a visit, with huge ceilings, a giant portrait of Uncle Ho, and many beautiful details.

The entrance is flanked by statues symbolizing the contributions of the post office's staff in wartime and present day, which were erected in 1998 on the city's 300th anniversary. Thereafter, you will proceed with passing the French colonial era buildings such as City Hall, Hotel Continental Saigon, Municipal Theatre before enjoying a drink at unique stop: an old apartment building converted to hipster cafes and boutiques.

Overnight: in Ho Chi Minh City.

Meal Included: Breakfast at hotel.

Accommodation: 4★ Happy Life Grand Hotel & Sky bar or similar.

Day 8: Explore the Coconut Land in Mekong Delta (Breakfast / Lunch)

Head south of Ho Chi Minh City to Ben Tre in the Mekong Delta, a region famous for its coconut production. Upon arrival, embark on a boat trip winding through mangrove forests. We will stop at brick and coconut processing workshops to see how locals make bricks by hand and learn how various products are made from coconuts. Sample sweets and fruits and enjoy traditional local music.

Continue by boat, then step ashore for a short walk to a local farmer's house where sleeping mats are made-straw mats woven using a hand loom. You can even try your hand at weaving before hopping on a tuk-tuk for a ride along village roads through local hamlets, rice fields, and coconut groves. The morning ends

with a delicious lunch at a local restaurant, featuring Mekong Delta specialties. Enjoy a short transfer by rowing boat through a shady palm-lined canal, then return by boat to the pier and head back to Ho Chi Minh City.

Overnight: in Ho Chi Minh City.

Meal Included: Breakfast at hotel, Lunch at a local restaurant.

Accommodation: 4★ Happy Life Grand Hotel & Sky bar or similar.

Day 9: Ho Chi Minh City - Departure (Breakfast)

Morning at leisure until your transfer with driver to airport for your international flight.

End of our services.

Meal Included: Breakfast at hotel.

Optional Tour

Visit Cuchi Tunnel for half day (no lunch)

Tour price: AUD \$80 per person (min 04 person)

The guide will meet you at your hotel. Hop on the van and depart Saigon, making your first stop en route to visit a handicraft workshop. Spend some time there, taking a tour of the workshop, before heading to the Ben Dinh section of the Cu Chi Tunnels. After watching an introductory video, you will have the chance to view various mantraps, the remains of an American tank, and numerous bomb craters. Then, spend the next hour exploring the maze of tunnels and discovering how the Viet Cong survived in this underground network before returning to your hotel in Ho Chi Minh City.

Tour Prices & Hotels

Group Size	Superior Class (4*)
Price per person (min 4 clients)	\$1,180
Price per person (min 2 clients)	\$1,450
Single Supplement	\$500

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Departure Dates:

Arrival Date	Departure Date
17 Jul 2026	25 Jul 2026
14 Aug 2026	22 Aug 2026
11 Sep 2026	19 Sep 2026
09 Oct 2026	17 Oct 2026
06 Nov 2026	14 Nov 2026
04 Dec 2026	12 Dec 2026

List of Hotels (or Similar)

Superior Class (4*)

City	Hotel	Room Type
Hanoi	Lacasa Hotel	Deluxe
	OR T Boutique Hotel	Deluxe
Ha Long Bay	Bhaya Cruise	Deluxe
	OR La Regina Classic	Deluxe
Hoi An	Hoi An Rosemary Boutique Hotel & Spa	Rosemary Deluxe
Ho Chi Minh City	Happy Life Grand Hotel & Sky bar	Lessini Premier

Tour Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- Domestic Vietnam Airlines airfares (Hanoi - Da Nang, Da Nang - Ho Chi Minh City)
- Complimentary Mobifone eSIM: 8GB 5G Data (24 Hour) + 10 Min Local Call Upon Arrival in Vietnam.
- 8 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)
- Cruise with 1 night on board during the cruise in Ha Long Bay (double/twin cabin on shared boat) (only in-house English-speaking staff of the boat during the cruise)
- All transfers and transportation with air-con vehicles (types of vehicles depending on the number of pax)
 - 10 – 12 pax: coach of 25-29 seats
 - 13 – 15 pax: coach of 35 seats
 - 16 – 30 pax: coach of 45 seats
- Local ENGLISH speaking guides
 - Hanoi - Ha Long Bay: 01 guide.
 - Da Nang - Hoi An: 01 guide
 - Ho Chi Minh City: 01 guide
- Meals (B/L/D) (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner) as indicated in the program (Vietnamese Local food):
 - Daily breakfast at the hotel.
 - 01 brunch, 01 dinner on board.
 - 03 lunch at local restaurant.
- Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary
- Private boat for sightseeing as mentioned in the program.
- 02 bottles of mineral water per person per day on bus – on days of transfer and sightseeing only.

Exclusion

- International airfares to/ from Australia (quoted separately, if requested).
- Book a multi-city ticket with VN Holidays, your connections are protected.
- Need domestic Australia/ New Zealand connecting flights to join Vietnam Tours? Let us handle in “one booking” with special ADD ON fares and convenience.
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- Travel insurance (contact VN Holidays team to help with service fee.)
- Immigration Fast Track Service (contact VN Holidays team to help with service fee.)
- Optional tours.
- Surcharges for other language guides.
- Surcharges for Lunar New Year (TET) holiday.

- Personal expenditure, such as drinks, souvenirs, laundry, camera fees, communications, postage, gratuities etc.
- Meals and services other than mentioned in the program.
- Drinks with meals.
- Compulsory gala dinners during festive seasons and peak season surcharges which will be advised at the time of booking.
- Early check-in and late check-out at hotels, if not mentioned in the program.

Other Information

Changes

- The itinerary can be changed due to weather, tide levels, and operating conditions.
- Programmers, prices, services and conditions are based on those valid at the time of proposal submission and are subject to change thereafter without advance notice until all services have been paid in full.

Special requests

- Your special requests (diet, vegetarian,...) should be sent before your departure date.

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- Additional expenses incurred due to delay, accident, natural disaster, political actions and unrest shall be borne by the tourists.