

Explore North & Central Vietnam

10 Days 9 Nights From $1,549 per person twin share

- → Availability until : 30 Sep 2027
- → Domestic Vietnam Airlines Flights Included.
- → Accommodation 3 ⭐ Hotels (4 - 5 ⭐ Hotel Options Available)

Overview

Hanoi, Sapa, Halong Bay, Ninh Binh, Hoa Lu, Trang An, Danang, Ba Na, Hoi An

Highlights Vietnam Discovery Journey - Natural Wonders & Scenic Beauty

- This 10-day Vietnam journey from the bustling capital of Hanoi through misty mountain villages, ancient capitals, dramatic seascapes, and coastal cities, ending in vibrant Da Nang – experiencing the full spectrum of Vietnam's natural and cultural treasures.
- 01 domestic flight with 4⭐ Vietnam Airlines from Hanoi to Da Nang.
- **Sapa Ethnic Villages**: Visit Cat Cat village and meet the Black H'mong, Red Zao, and Tay ethnic minorities in their traditional mountain homes
- **Fansipan Mountain**: Conquer the "Roof of Indochina" at 3,143m via one of the world's longest cable car systems (6,292m)
- **Ancient Capital of Hoa Lu**: Explore Vietnam's 10th-century capital and temples honoring historical kings
- **Trang An Grottoes**: UNESCO World Heritage site featuring pristine boat rides through spectacular cave networks and emerald waters
- **Bai Dinh Pagoda**: Marvel at Southeast Asia's largest pagoda complex with 500 stone Arhat statues and massive bronze bells
- **Mua Cave**: Trek up 500 steps for breathtaking panoramic views of Ninh Binh's rice valleys and limestone mountains
- **Halong Bay Cruise**: Overnight experience aboard a traditional junk boat, exploring limestone karsts, hidden caves (Sung Sot Cave), and tranquil bays
- **Sunrise Tai Chi** on Halong Bay followed by a cooking demonstration
- **Traditional sampan rides** through Luon Cave and fishing villages

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- **Ba Na Hills**: Experience French colonial architecture, Golden Bridge, and panoramic mountain views at this historic hill station
- **Fantasy Park** at Ba Na Hills with 100+ free entertainment attractions
- **Hoi An leisure time** to explore the charming ancient town at your own pace

Itinerary in Brief

Day 1: Arrival – Hanoi
Day 2: Hanoi – Sapa – Cat Cat Village (By Train)
Day 3: Sapa – Fansipan – Hanoi (By Train)
Day 4: Ninh Binh – Hoa Lu – Trang An – Mua Cave (By Bus)
Day 5: Hanoi – Explore Halong Bay / Lan Ha Bay (By Bus & Cruise)
Day 6: Halong Bay – Hanoi – fly to Danang – Hoi An (Domestic Flight)
Day 7: Hoi An Free At Leisure
Day 8: Hoi An – Danang (By Bus)
Day 9: Danang – Ba Na Hills (By Bus)
Day 10: Danang – Departure

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Itinerary

Day 1: Hanoi - Arrival (No Meal)

Upon arrival at Noi Bai airport, you are met and transferred to your hotel. Then you are free.

Overnight in Hanoi. Meal included: No Meal.

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Day 2: Hanoi - Sapa - Cat Cat Village (Breakfast)



Private tour:

After breakfast at the hotel, this morning transferred to Sapa by the new highway road which takes around 6 hours with a short break on the way.

Upon arrival enjoy Lunch at local restaurant (own expense)
In the afternoon, we took a light trek to the hill tribe villages of Cat Cat. Walking to the villages nestled in the valley below Sapa, you meet some of the local ethnic minority people on their way to and from Sapa. These minority people, including the Red Zao, Hmong and Tay people, walk to Sapa to trade at the markets. Tonight, you spend the night at the hotel in Sapa town.

Overnight in Sapa.
Meal included: Breakfast at hotel.
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SIC program:

6:00 – 6:30: Picking up from hotel in the old quarter or bus station, get on sleeping bus and depart to Sapa.
7:30 – 11:45: Following the Highway to Lao Cai city with the comfort break.
11:45 – 13:00: Bus on the mountain road approaching to Sapa Town. On the way you can see beautiful view, the valley with terraces field.
13:00-13:30: Arriving Sapa Town with colourful traditional costumes of H'mong, Dzao, Tay ethnic People.
– Welcome drink and itinerary briefing.
– Enjoying the lunch with local Vietnamese dishes, check-in procedures.

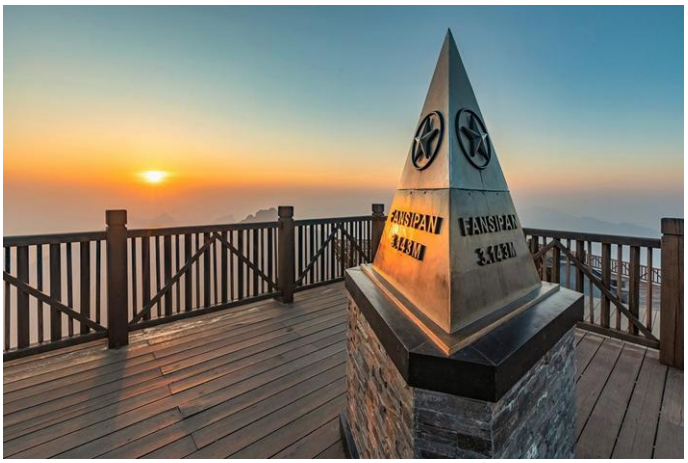
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14:30: A short walking to the Gate of Cat Cat village which is home of Black H'mong ethnic people and is located near the bottom of a deep valley at the foot of Fansipan Peak. Our local guide will show you the daily life activities of the locals, trekking down to the valley bottom to the waterfall where the French built a Hydraulic Power Station, short time for photo with bridge and the waterfall then you will be trekking up hill to get back to Sapa with very beautiful scenery in the late afternoon. Driver picks up back to Sapa.
17:00: Back to Sapa Town. Have dinner and overnight at hotel with night activities.

Meal included: Breakfast at hotel, Lunch & Dinner at a local restaurant.

Day 3: Sapa - Fansipan - Hanoi (Breakfast)



Private tour:

This morning, we will start with our Fansipan Mountain Trip:
Our tour guide will walk together with you to Sun Plaza Station (300m from Sapa Highland Resort & Spa) then get Mountain Train via Muong Hoa Valley to reach to the Fansipan Cable Car Station. From there, we will take a cable car to Fansipan Mountain and conquer the highest mountain in Indochina with the height of 3,143m above sea level. The cable car system is one of the longest in the world 6,292m. Enjoy the panorama view from top, take your time to explore the place, and visit pagoda, temple and coffee shop.
Next, we will take funicular train (one way) to the summit of Fansipan Mountain.
Note: Summit to cable car station, we will have to walk down as funicular train is for elderly or pregnant women
Return to Hanoi by road which takes you another 6 hours.

Overnight in Hanoi.

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Meal included: Breakfast at hotel.
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SIC program:

8:00: After breakfast in hotel, driver & tour guide take you to Cable Car Station and spend 20 minutes with cable car to enjoy the spectacular scenery.
9:00: Reach the altitute of 2800 meters, you have a good time to see the view and take photos, visit pagoda the spiritual destinations and trek up to 600 steps you will reach the peak of Fansipan – the Roof of Indochina. (Spend about 1,5 hours for hiking and taking photos).
11:30: Coming back to Cable Car Station and return to Sapa town.
12:00 – 13:00: Back to hotel, check out and have lunch, time at leisure on your own.
13:30: Meet all group members at May Hotel to get ready bus station for back Hanoi.
14:00: Get on bus to go back to Hanoi with two comfort breaks.
20:30 – 21:00: We say goodbye to you at bus stop. Trip ends.

Meal included: Breakfast at hotel, Lunch at local restaurant.

Day 4: Ninh Binh - Hoa Lu - Trang An - Mua Cave (Breakfast)



Private tour:

Guide and driver will pick you up at your hotel. Commence the trip by taking a boat trip discovering Trang An Grottoes, which have forested limestone mounts contrasting in emerald water, caves, lowland and rivers. We will visit a cave network with beautiful stalactites of all shapes and colours,

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After that, we keep moving to visit Mua Cave. Mua Cave has its meaning as “dancing cave” because this site was previously considered as the place where Tran king used to come to enjoy dancing & singing shows performed in this cave. Mua cave is constructed following the model of “miniature Great Wall” in China with nearly 500 steps up to mountains to conquer. It is a hard trek up with many of its uneven limestone steps (especially at the top point) but worth your conquering efforts for an impressive panoramic view of Tam Coc, Trang An, Ninh Binh city as well as a wonderful panoramic view of rice fields and limestone mountains when you reach the top point of Ngoa Long Mountain. Have a great time admiring the beautiful scenery.
After Mua cave take a short drive to Hoa Lu the ancient capital of Viet Nam in 10th century the place worship two famous Kings who have made great contributions to the country. Return to hotel in Hanoi.

Overnight in Hanoi.
Meal included: Breakfast at hotel.
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SIC program:

07:30 – 08:00 – Our guide will meet you at your hotel/stay and start 110km modern Bus-journey through verdant landscape of countryside. Short brake en route.
10:00 – Arrive Glimmering Bai Dinh pagoda complexes, the largest pagoda, not only in Vietnam but also in Southeast of Asia. Scenically set on the foot hill of Dinh Mountain surrounded by amazing views of the exquisite river valley below and dotted and the limestone karsts dotted around which will take your breath away.
This pagoda complexes stunningly boast a array of the most massive and magnificent architecture of Vietnamese tradition refined ever built that it take a full day to explore all. So, you will visit some of the highlights that owned the national:500 stone statues of “La Han” (Arhats),2 huge bronze bells, one weighs 27 tons, other weighs 36 tonnes. Visit The Quan Yin statue with thousands of arms and eyes, Visit Gautama Buddha statue.
12:00 – Enjoy the lunch at our restaurant with the great local cuisines.
13:30 – Leave for the Trang An Grottoes, an out-standing natural beauty of majestic limestone massif at 20 square kilometer rise dramatically out from rice paddy fields. Deep into the linked chains of towering mountain are pristine places of mystical valleys, numerous freshwater ponds, and jungle.
Embark on a traditional sampan gently roweddown the exquisite river through numerous caves: Lam Cave, Vang Cave, Dai Cave, Thanh Truot Cave,…and Cao Sơn Temple, Suoi Tien Temple, Vu Lam Temple…
15:30 – Visit Mua Cave and start an amazing trek up to the top of Ngoa long mountain for watching the spectacular rice valley with sprecious view of the nature.
16:30 – Return to our bus and then come back to Ha noi
18:30 – Drop you off at your hotel/stay. Trip ends.

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Meal included: Breakfast at hotel, Lunch at local restaurant.

Day 5: Hanoi - Explore Halong Bay / Lan Ha Bay (Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)



Private tour: use private car & guide for transfer
SIC transfer: use sharing bus from cruise

Today we headed to Halong Bay!

Around 08:00 AM you will be picked from the hotel to Halong.

Breakfast at hotel, pick-up at and start the scenic drive to Halong Bay. Enjoy the landscape of the countryside and a short break on the way. Embark on the cruise followed by a short cruise briefing. Savor a delectable lunch as you cruise among the limestone islands. Take a small sampan among the hidden bays around the Luon Cave. Cruise to Ti Top Island, go swimming or relaxing at the beach or climb up to the top of the island for a panorama view of Halong Bay. Enjoy the sunset with dinner. After dinner, fish for squid or just laze around.

Overnight on cruise in Halong Bay.

Meal included: Breakfast at hotel. Lunch & Dinner on cruise.

Note: detail itinerary of cruise will be mentioned detail when the tour is confirmed
The program is subject to change basing on weather condition or administrator management.

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Day 6: Halong Bay - Hanoi - Danang - Hoi An (Breakfast / Brunch)



Private tour: Use private car & guide for transfer
SIC transfer: use sharing bus from cruise

Start your day with Tai Chi class and breakfast at sunrise. Explore the amazing Sung Sot Cave – the nicest cave in Halong Bay. Continue your cruise exploring Ba Hang fishing village, Dog Islet and more. While heading back to the harbour, watch the cooking demonstration before enjoying a brunch.

Check out cruise, transfer back to Hanoi.

Private airport transfer
Upon arrival, our tour guide will pick up & take a transfer airport for your flight to Danang.
Upon arrival, you are picked up & transfer to your hotel in Hoi An.

Overnight in Hoi An.
Meal included: Breakfast at hotel. Brunch on cruise.

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Day 7: Hoi An - Free at Leisure (Breakfast)



Free at leisure the rest of the day.

Overnight in Hoi An.
Meal included: Breakfast at hotel.

Day 8: Hoi An - Danang (Breakfast)



Today you will be transfer to airport for your stay in Danang.

Check in hotel in Danang, free at leisure the rest of the day.

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Overnight in Danang.
Meal included: Breakfast at hotel.

Day 9: Danang - Ba Na Hills (Breakfast)



Private tour:

This morning, you will then explore Ba Na Hill. Located at 1,480m above sea level, its temperate climate, biodiversity of lowland evergreen forest, and spectacular views over the South China Sea & the Lao mountain range makes Ba Na a popular retreat place.
On arrival, a 20-minute cable-cart-ride brings us past the vast forest tree line and offers spectacular views of the lush jungle and Fairy waterfall along the way. Time to experience the pristine ecological system of Ba Na.

Enjoy the fresh mountain air, visit Linh Ung Pagoda with its 27m height Buddha Statue. Alternatively, you can conquer the Peak of Chua Mountain and have a spectacular view of Da Nang, the ocean, and visit some interesting sites like the Rainbow Waterfall, Suspension Bridge, Golden Valley and the ruined Opera House.

Lunch at local restaurant at Ba Na hill

You might be interest in spending time in Fantasy Park
(http://www.fantasy.tgpvn.com/games/).

Afterward, transfer to your hotel in Danang for your stay.

Overnight in Danang.
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SIC program:

7:40 – 8:00: Car and tour guide will pick you at your hotel (in Da Nang / Hoi An)
– After picking all visitors, bus will depart for Sun World Ba Na hills.
9:30 Arrive at Ba Na, you will rest and take photos when our guide gets the cable car ticket
– You will spend 20 minutes to move by cable car line
– After finishing the cable car line, you could follow the guide to visit Golden Bridge – the famous attraction in Vietnam, Le Jardin Garden, old wine cellar
– You will use the next cable car line to come to French villages. At here, you could take photos with the Gothic-style castles at Du Dôme Square and join in the lively street festivals
12:00 Have buffet lunch
– Play more than 100 free games at Fantasy Park and superfast slide
15:00 You will gather and follow the guide to move down the cable car line
16:30 – 17:00 Car drops you at your hotel.

Tour include Transportation pick up and drop off hotel in Da Nang / Return cable car / Buffet lunch in Ba Na / English speaking guide.

Meal included: Breakfast at hotel.

Day 10: Danang - Departure (Breakfast)

Depending on your departure time there is some free time to relax or further explore Danang on your own before a transfer to Danang airport you're your departure flight. Trip ends at the airport.

Meal included: Breakfast at hotel.

Tour Prices & Hotels

Private Tours For The Whole Itinerary:

Group size (Min.2 person)	Standard Class (3*)	Superior Class (4*)	Deluxe Class (5*)
Price per person	**$ 2,049**	**$ 2,249**	**$ 2,749**

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Single supplement	**$ 600**	**$ 850**	**$ 1,300**

Seat In Coach Tours 2 Days 1 Night Sapa, Ninh Binh, Halong Shuttle Bus, Ba Na Hills.
Seat-In-Coach, we often call it “SIC” for short. It means that you will share the seats in a coach with other tourists.

Group size (Min.2 person)	Standard Class (3*)	Superior Class (4*)	Deluxe Class (5*)
Price per person	**$ 1,549**	**$ 1,749**	**$ 2,249**
Single supplement	**$ 600**	**$ 850**	**$ 1,300**

List of Hotels (or Similar)
Standard Class (3*)

City	Hotel	Room Type
Hanoi	**Chalcedony**	**Deluxe City View**
Halong Bay	**Garden Bay Cruise**	**Deluxe**
Sapa - Private	**Hotel De Sapa**	**Deluxe**
Sapa - SIC	**May / Luxury hotel**	**Standard**
Danang	**Hadana Boutique Danang**	**Deluxe**
Hoi An	**Latana Riverside**	**Deluxe**

Superior Class (4*)

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City	Hotel	Room Type
Hanoi	The Q Hotel	Deluxe
Halong Bay	Calypso Cruise	Deluxe
Sapa - Private	Amazing Sapa	Superior
Sapa - SIC	Sapa Charm	Standard
Danang	Belle Maison Parosand	Senior Deluxe
Hoi An	Hadana Boutique Resort	Deluxe

Deluxe Class (5*)

City	Hotel	Room Type
Hanoi	Pan Pacific	Deluxe
Halong Bay	La Regina Grand	Deluxe
Sapa - Private	Silk Path grand Sapa Resort	Classic Garden
Sapa - SIC	BB Hotel	Superior
Danang	Ser de Mel	Deluxe Ocean View
Hoi An	Little Oasis	ROH

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Tour Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- 01 Domestic Vietnam Airlines airfare: Hanoi – Danang.
- 08 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)
- 2 days 1 night on shared Cruise (shared cabin on shared boat)
- Meals (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner) as indicated in itinerary.
    - Daily breakfast at the hotel.
    - Breakfast, lunch, dinner & brunch on cruise
- 02 bottles of mineral water per person per day on bus on days of transfer and sightseeing only
- Local English speaking guides:
    - Hanoi - Ninh Binh - Sapa - Halong: 01 guide
    - Hoi An - Danang: 01 guide
- All transfers and transportation with air-con vehicles (types of vehicles depending on the number of pax)
    - 1 – 2 pax: 07 car seats
    - 3 – 7 pax: van of 16 seats
    - 8 – 12 pax: coach of 25 – 29 seats
    - 13 – 15 pax: coach of 30 – 35 seats

Exclusion

- International airfares to/from Australia: contact VNH team for best quote. 01 Domestic airfares: included in overall cost at lowest add-on price, or offered complimentary.
- 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.
- Visa to Vietnam (Clients can CLICK HERE to apply E-visa online or contact VN Holidays team to help with service fee.)
- 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.

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- 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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- VN Holidays is not responsible for any loss or theft, injury or damage caused thereby to the tourists, including those occurring outside of the normal touring programmers.
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