

**Welcome to the**  
**Saigon- Pleiku Central Highland Battles - Hanoi Veteran Trips 15 days**  
**Tripcode: 1300**  
**Tour length: 15**

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## **DETAILED ITINERARY**

### **DAY 1: ARRIVAL SAIGON**

On arrival Tan Son Nhat International airport. You are transferred to the hotel in down town, check in to the hotel and free at leisure for your own exploration the city.

Dinner will be served at finest local restaurant and overnight in hotel in Hochiminh city (Former name: Saigon) (D)

### **DAY 2: SAIGON CITY TOUR 1DAY**

This morning, our car and guide will pick you up at hotel and start the full day sightseeing the city, included of Reunification Palace, the former palace of President Thieu and his predecessors.

Today this building is a museum and venue for official receptions. This guided tour to present you the history of entire the building from the living quarter of the president's family, the "War Room" from where the South Vietnamese forces were controlled, under-ground head quarter.

Our next stop will be the Post Office and the Saigon Notre Dame Cathedral, built between 1877 and 1883 and one of the city's major landmarks. Neo-Romanesque in form, Notre Dame is the major seat of the Catholic religion in modern Vietnam, drive to the War Remains Museum, where you will have a great chance to read and see pictures of Vietnam war that you may never seen before or taking pictures with old tanks, helicopter that displayed at outside the Museum. Relax and have lunch at finest local restaurant.

This afternoon, we will continue to visit the Jade Emperor Temple, one of the oldest Chinese temples in Saigon.

The last sight we will visit is Ben Thanh market, a great place for shopping before transfer back hotel.

Tour ends at 4.30PM, transfer back the hotel for fresh up before having dinner at finest local restaurant and overnight Saigon (B/L/D)

### **DAY 3: SAIGON- MY THO- CAN THO MEKONG DELTA**

Pick up at hotel in Saigon, next will heading for My Tho. a full day trip to water world of the Mekong Delta.

Take a boat trip along narrow waterways, you will enjoy a cruise on boats and viewing the daily activities of the local people along the Mekong River and taste fresh tropical fruits in the orchards, enjoy honey tea from bee hives with opera renovated or Local music shows.

Lunch will be served with special dish named Fried Elephant's Ear Fish. Cruise ends, continue our driving trip to Can Tho, check in hotel on arrival, free at leisure until dinner will be served at local restaurant.

Overnight in Can Tho.(B/L/D)

### **DAY 4: CAN THO- CAI RANG FLOATING MARKET- SAIGON**

Start our cruise trip early this morning ( best time is around 5.30 am) to visit the famous floating market Cai Rang, a great chance to see daily local life, all farming products are selling on boats.  
visit one of the local family and their orchard, taste tropical fruits, green tea.  
This floating market is just open very early in the morning and end around 8.00 am. the cruise trip ends, we will drive back the hotel for breakfast and fresh up.  
Next will drive back Saigon, Transfer back your hotel on arrival Saigon (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 5: SAIGON- TAY NINH**

This morning we are up early and heading north-west on Highway 13.  
Our first stop will be Phu Loi Airbase.  
Continuing on Highway 13 we arrive in Ben Cat. Just north of Ben Cat is Lai Khe and the southern end of Thunder Road.  
We continue north to An Loc, Quan Loi, and Loc Ninh (the northern end of Thunder Road).  
Returning south on Highway 13, we make our way through the Michelin Rubber Plantation and on to Dau Tieng before arriving in Tay Ninh.  
Overnight Tay Ninh (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 6: TAY NINH- SAIGON**

This morning we head north from Tay Ninh, passing by the Tay Ninh City Strip and on to Nui Ba Den (Black Virgin Mountain).  
We return to Tay Ninh and visit the Cao Dai Holy See (Temple). Leaving Tay Ninh we continue on to Trang Bang and into the Operation Cedar Falls area.  
We then visit the [Cu Chi Tunnels](#) Complex.  
We will pass close to the Iron Triangle and through Hobo Woods on our way back to Saigon.  
Overnight Saigon (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 7: SAIGON- NHA TRANG/ FLIGHT**

This morning we fly to Cam Ranh Airport at Cam Ranh Bay. If possible, we will stop in Cam Ranh and visit the site of the 22nd Replacement Battalion, the 6th Convalescent Hospital, and the 14th Aerial Port.  
From here we make our way north to Nha Trang and visit client requested areas along the way.  
After lunch, we will have the rest of the afternoon free your own on beach swimming or visit local Dam Market.  
Dinner on our own tonight and Overnight Nha Trang (B/L)

#### **DAY 8: NHA TRANG BEACH CITY- FREE DAY**

Today is a free day in Nha Trang to explore on your own, relax by the pool or at the beach, or shop.  
Lunch and Dinner on our own and Overnight Nha Trang (B)

#### **DAY 9: NHA TRANG- QUY NHON/ BY ROAD**

After breakfast, we drive north to Qui Nhon.  
Along the way, we pass Tuy Hoa Airbase and visit several Cham ruins (the Cham people ruled what is today's Vietnam from the 3rd to the 15th Centuries), and other interesting sites en route.  
On arrival Quy Nhon, check in and Overnight Hotel in Quy Nhon (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 10: NHA TRANG- PLEIKU / BY ROAD**

This morning we head west on Highway 19 towards An Khe.  
We drive uphill through the An Khe Pass and over the An Khe Summit before arriving in An Khe where we will have lunch. As we leave town we cross over the An Khe Bridge.  
Continuing west we pass through the Mang Yang Pass where the French Mobile Group 100 was ambushed and annihilated on June 24, 1954.

We finally arrive in Pleiku of [The Central Highland Vietnam](#) where we will spend the evening. dinner and Overnight Pleiku (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 11: PLEIKU- HANOI/ FLIGHT**

This morning we travel north on Highway 14 to Kontum.

Once in Kontum we will visit the Ave Maria 100-year old Rosewood Church and the Vinh Son Montagnard Orphanage.

We return to Pleiku for our afternoon flight to Hanoi.

Meet up our local guide at Noi Bai international airport to transfer to city, check in hotel and Overnight Hanoi (B/L)

#### **DAY 12: HANOI CITY TOUR FULL DAY**

At 9.00 AM, pick you up the hotel, our city tour including visit Hochiminh President Complex (Hochiminh Mausoleum, the house on stilts, presidential palace, the One Pillar Pagoda).

Our next stop is the Temple of literature, which is built in 1070 and it is the first university of Vietnam. Before having lunch, we visit the Army museum where different kinds of US, Russian aircraft and tanks from Vietnam-US wars are on display (There is other option that to visit the Ho Chi Minh Trails museum, this special museum that some 20km out of Hanoi).

Your lunch will be served at one of the best local restaurants with special of Hanoi cuisine.

After lunch, continue our visit to Hoa Lo or [Hanoi Hilton](#), the home of many US pilots was captured during 1964-1972.

Next, you will enjoy one hour of Cycling trip for sightseeing Hanoi old quarters. Taking this mean of transportation is the best way to have a close look at the 36 streets in Hanoi.

At late afternoon, we will see the water puppet show and have dinner at finest local restaurant in town. Overnight Hanoi (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 13: HANOI- HALONG BAY**

This morning, we will check out the hotel and at 08.00 am will depart for [Halong Bay](#), some 165 km away from Hanoi.

Enjoy the journey through the rich farmlands of the Red River Delta and the scenery of rice fields, water buffalo and everyday Vietnamese village life.

Arrive in Halong and board the traditional sailing junk. Whilst cruise the exquisite waters sample the regions fresh seafood.

Visit the recently discovered Surprise Grotto with its great views, and on the next island see the yawning mouth of Bo Nau Cave.

Alternatively journey to Dau Go Cave and nearby see the famous stalagmites and stalactites of Thien Cung Cave.

Enjoy a swim in the emerald waters of Halong Bay at any spot that you wish to visit.

Watch the sun set over the bay whilst enjoying a delicious dinner. Overnight on board junk.(B/L/D)

#### **DAY 14: HALONG BAY-HANOI**

Wake up to fresh coffee and a wholesome breakfast before cruising back to Halong City.

En route the junk weaves through strange-shaped rock formations that invite comparisons from fighting cocks to dragons and even General de Gaulle's nose!

After another wonderful fresh seafood lunch on board disembark at the dock at Halong City.

Transfer back to Hanoi by road and will be back Hanoi at early this afternoon, on arrival check in hotel and free on your own at leisure.

Overnight Hanoi(B/L)

#### **DAY 15: HANOI DEPARTURE**

Have breakfast at hotel and free time at leisure till transfer back Noi Bai airport for flight departure, tour ends at airport.(B) Chao Tam Biet!

**TOUR PRICES IN LOW SEASON/(PER/PERSON)  
( LOW SEASON FROM 1 MAY- 1 SEPT)**

Hotel rates/group	1 Star	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star
2 Paxs	----	----	----	2,932 \$	----
4 Paxs	----	----	----	2,200 \$	----
6 Paxs	----	----	----	1,825 \$	----
8 Paxs	----	----	----	1,690 \$	----
10 Paxs	----	----	----	1,660 \$	----
12 Paxs	----	----	----	1,586 \$	----
Single Supplement	0 \$	0 \$	0 \$	1,026 \$	0 \$

**TOUR PRICES IN HIGH SEASON/(PER/PERSON)  
(HIGH SEASON FROM 2 SEPT- 31 APRIL)**

Hotel rates/group	1 Star	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star
2 Paxs	----	----	----	3,020 \$	----
4 Paxs	----	----	----	2,288 \$	----
6 Paxs	----	----	----	1,913 \$	----
8 Paxs	----	----	----	1,778 \$	----
10 Paxs	----	----	----	1,748 \$	----
12 Paxs	----	----	----	1,674 \$	----
Single Supplement	0.0 \$	0.0 \$	0.0 \$	1,057.1 \$	0.0 \$

**HOTELS OR SIMILAR STANDARD**

Hotel names	Category	Room type	Link website	Location
NOVOTEL NhaTrang Hotel	4	Deluxe Room	<a href="http://www.novotel.com">http://www.novotel.com</a>	NHA TRANG
MERCURE LA GARE Hotel	4	superior twin	<a href="http://www.mercure.com">www.mercure.com</a>	HANOI

Victoria CAN THO RESORT	4	Superior Room	<a href="http://www.victoriahotels-asia.com">http://www.victoriahotels-asia.com</a>	CAN THO
Nhat quy hotel (Former name: Song Lam)	3	V.I.P Suite	<a href="http://vietnampathfinders.com/hotel/837/Song-Lam-Hotel.html">http://vietnampathfinders.com/hotel/837/Song-Lam-Hotel.html</a>	TAY NINH
HAGL Pleiku Hotel	4	Deluxe Mountain View	<a href="http://www.haglhotelepleiku.vn">www.haglhotelepleiku.vn</a>	Pleiku
Royal Hotel & Healthcare Resort Quy Nhon	4	Deluxe Ocean View Room	<a href="http://www.royalquynhon.com">www.royalquynhon.com</a>	QUY NHON
LIBERTY CENTRAL SAIGON CITYPONT hotel	4	Premier Room	<a href="http://www.libertycentralhotel.com/">http://www.libertycentralhotel.com/</a>	SAI GON

## INCLUSION

Private transportation and transfer

Local English speaking guides

Private cabin on boat in Halong bay (all meals on boat, no drinks included)

Accommodation based on twin share basis with daily breakfast (Single supplement will be surcharged)

Meals as mentioned in the itinerary (**B= Breakfast, L= Lunch, D= Dinner**)

Relevant permits and fees

## EXCLUSION

Domestic Flights:

**+ Saigon- Nha Trang = 120 USD/ticket**

**+ Pleiku-Hanoi = 120 USD/ticket**

Visa Approval for Vietnam 25 USD/ Person

Travel insurance

Personal expenses

Tips and gratuities= 5\$ / pax/ day

Early check-in/Late check-out

Other not mentioned in the tour itinerary

## NOTE

+ Check in hotel at 02.00 Pm and Check out at 12.00 noon

