

Welcome to the Indochina Heritages : Vietnam-Cambodia-Laos 11 days

Tripcode: 320

Tour length: 11

Links: <https://vietnampathfinder.com/tours/export/320>

Generated at 10/02/23 20.23:43

DETAILED ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVAL HANOI, VIETNAM

Pick you up on arrival and transfer to the hotel, check in and free time at leisure on your own of exploration the city. Overnight Hanoi

DAY 2: HANOI CITY 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.

Next will visit the Museum of National Fine Arts. It has received many high ranking delegations of different countries, the Museum has sent many traveling thematic exhibitions to other nations to introduce to international friends the typical culture, heroic history of Vietnam. At the same time, it has linked local people with painting, photograph, and sculpture collections of international artists. The Museum has created chances for local art lovers to enjoy and learn about different fine arts school and tendencies of the world.

Next will visit the Army Museum (large collection of weaponry at the front, the Military Museum displays Soviet and Chinese equipment alongside French- and US-made weapons captured during years of warfare. The centrepiece is a Soviet-built MiG-21 jet fighter, triumphant amid the wreckage of French aircraft downed at Dien Bien Phu, and a US F-111).

or other option (if not visit the Fine art museum) with the The Vietnam Museum of Ethnology in Hanoi offers an insight into the 54 different ethnic groups of Vietnam in an effort to preserve cultural heritage and promote socio-cultural diversity within the country. The museum has over 15,000 artefacts including photographs and other multi-media such as audiotapes. Its indoor exhibition space can be viewed via a virtual tour which includes the Viet, Muong, Tho, Chut, Tav, Thai, Ka Dai, H'Mong-Dao, Tang, San Dui, Ngai, Mon-Khmer, Nam-Dao, Cham, Hoa and Khmer ethnic groups. There are priceless antiques on display alongside everyday objects such as pipes, baskets and knives.

Your lunch will be served at finest local restaurants with special of Hanoi cuisine.

Pm will continue our visit to Hoa Lo or Hanoi Hilton, a former prison during the war years (1964-1972).

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 for one hour, the oldest record mentioning water puppetry is the inscription on a stone stele dating from 1121. The stele called Sùng Thi?n Diên Linh is located in ??i S?n Pagoda in Hà Nam Province (This is a must to see show when you are in Hanoi, recommended), transfer back hotel and Overnight Hanoi. (B/L)

DAY 3: HANOI - HALONG CRUISES/ SHUTTLE BUS

Pick up at your hotel around from 08.40 Am by our shuttle bus and depart for Halong Bay, some 170 km away from Hanoi and drive down to the biggest delta (the Red River delta), great opportunity for stopping along the way for taking pictures of local daily activities.

On Arrival, board the traditional sailing junk. Whilst cruising 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 sunset over the bay whilst enjoying a delicious dinner. Overnight on board junk (B/L/D)

DAY 4: HALONG BAY-HANOI-SAIGON/ FLIGHT

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 to Noi Bai airport for flying to Saigon. Pick up at Tan Son Nhat airport and transfer to your hotel. Overnight Saigon (B/L)

DAY 5: CU CHI TUNNELS & SAIGON CITY 1DAY

This morning, we pick you up at your hotel and depart for Cu Chi tunnels. By 1965, 250 km of tunnels criss-crossed Cu Chi and surrounding areas - just across the Saigon River was the notorious guerrilla power base known as the IRON TRIANGLE. The Cu Chi tunnels played a vital part in the American war in that they allowed the Viet Cong to control a large rural area only 30 to 40 km from Saigon. At its height, the tunnel system stretched from Saigon to the Cambodian border. The network, parts of which were several levels deep, included innumerable trap doors, specially constructed living areas, storage facilities, weapons factories, field hospitals, command centres and kitchens.

Today the remaining tunnels have become a major tourist attraction giving the visitor a unique experience and feel of what underground life in the American War must have been like. The tunnels have been widened for our benefit (otherwise we would not be able to enter them!) For those interested there's even the opportunity to fire off rounds from an AK47 or MK16 at the nearby rifle range.

Return back to Saigon for lunch, next will be visiting the Reunification Palace, war Museum, China Town and Notre Dame Cathedral. At early this afternoon, tour will be finished at your hotel at 5.00 PM. Overnight Saigon(B/L)

DAY 6: SAIGON-MEKONG DELTA CRUISE 1DAY

Heading out of the town for one day trip to the Mekong Delta, Vietnam's largest rice bowl.

On arrival in My Tho we embark on a boat navigating around the intricate small canals in the delta region, which is a great way to observe the local lifestyle close-up. The most interesting excursion will pass the lush green vegetation before arriving at the most beautiful Unicorn Island. Here we have opportunities to visit some fascinating local industries, stroll around an orchard and taste many seasonal fruits.

Continue our trip to see fascinating local industries in Ben Tre Province. After feasting on a huge lunch we return to Saigon with stop over at the beautiful Vinh Trang Pagoda. Tour ends, will transfer back Saigon for Overnight (B/L)

DAY 7: SAIGON-SIEMREAP/ FLIGHT

Free time at leisure until our car and driver come to pick up and transfer back Tan Son Nhat International airport for flight to Siemreap city of Cambodia.

Upon arrival at Siem Reap airport, meets and transfers to hotel for check in. (Lunch not included).

Visit to the unique interior brick sculptures of Prasat Kravan, Srah Srang ("The Royal Baths" was once used for ritual bathing), Banteay Kdei (surrounded by 4 concentric walls), Ta Prohm, one of the area's most beautiful temples. Ta Prohm has been relatively untouched since it was discovered and retains much of its mystery. Neak Pean, a fountain built in the middle of a pool (representing the paradisiacal Himalayan mountain-lake) and Preah Khan temple, Built by the King Jayavarman VII. Preah Khan is like Ta Prohm, a place of towered enclosures and shoulder hugging corridors. Unlike Ta Prohm, however, the temple of Preah Khan is in a reasonable state of preservation and ongoing restoration efforts should maintain and even improve this situation.

Dinner not included and night at hotel.(B)

DAY 8: SIEMREAP - ANGKOR WAT TOURS

Breakfast at hotel

Visit the antique capital of Angkor Thom (12 century): the South Gate with its huge statues depicting the churning of the ocean

of milk, the Bayon Temple, unique for its 54 towers decorated with over 200 smiling faces of Avolokitesvara, the Phimeanakas, the Royal Enclosure, the Elephants Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King. (Lunch not included).

Visit to the most famous of all the temples on the plain of Angkor: Angkor Wat. The temple complex covers 81 hectares and is comparable in size to the Imperial Palace in Beijing. Its distinctive five towers are emblazoned on the Cambodian flag and the 12th century masterpiece is considered by art historians to be the prime example of classical Khmer art and architecture. Enjoy wonderful sunset from the top of Pre Rup Temple.

Dinner not included and night at hotel (B).

DAY 9: SIEMREAP - LUANGPRABANG/ FLIGHT

Breakfast at hotel

In the morning, we will enjoy a boat ride on the Tonle Sap lake at KAMPONG PHLUK VILLAGE. This is the largest permanent fresh-water lake in South East Asia and flows into Tonle Sap River, joining the Mekong in Phnom Penh. We will see a fishermen's "floating village" with floating schools, floating police station, etc. It is same as a big village floating on the lake, and the "village" move from place to place following water levels and currents.

Lunch not included.

Transfer to Siem Reap airport for flight to Luangprabang of Laos.

On arrival at Luang Prabang International Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Overnight in Luang Prabang.(B)

DAY 10: LUANGPRABANG - PAK OU CAVE

After breakfast, visit Vat Xieng Thong, regarded as the most beautiful temple in Luang Prabang with low sweeping roofs.

Take a traditional riverboat for a 2-hour cruise up the Mekong River to Pak Ou, at the confluence of the Nam Ou and Mekong Rivers, to visit the sacred caves of Tham Ting and Tham Phoum, home to hundreds of Buddha statues.

On the way, visit Vat Longkhoun temple, famous for its 18th century frescoes, and then Ban Xang Hai village where sticky rice wine is distilled. Return to Luang Prabang and continue by road to Ban Xang Khong weaving village where traditional mulberry leaf paper is also produced.

Overnight in Luang Prabang.(B)

DAY 11: LUANGPRABANG DEPARTURE

After breakfast, visit the National Museum (formerly the Royal Palace) with its collection of personal artifacts of the Lao Royal Family.

Continue to nearby Vat Mai Temple, which was the residence of a Buddhist patriarch until 1975, before climbing Phousi Hill for an outstanding view over the former Royal capital and the Mekong River.

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight.(B)

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	----	----	1,667 \$	1,688 \$	----
4 Paxs	----	----	1,269 \$	1,362 \$	----
6 Paxs	----	----	1,118 \$	1,223 \$	----
8 Paxs	----	----	1,044 \$	1,233 \$	----

Single Supplement	0 \$	0 \$	583 \$	591 \$	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	----	----	1,718 \$	1,799 \$	----
4 Paxs	----	----	1,320 \$	1,481 \$	----
6 Paxs	----	----	1,170 \$	1,335 \$	----
8 Paxs	----	----	1,096 \$	1,352 \$	----
Single Supplement	0.0 \$	0.0 \$	601.4 \$	629.6 \$	0.0 \$

HOTELS OR SIMILAR STANDARD

Hotel names	Category	Room type	Link website	Location
Alagon Western Hotel (Hoang Hai Long 2)	3	deluxe window	www.alagonhotels.com	SAI GON
ANGKOR HOLIDAY HOTEL	3	Standard (For Tour)	www.angkorholidayhotel.com	Siemreap (Cambodia)
New Daraphet Villa Hotel	3	Standard (For Tour)	http://www.mylahome.com/index.php/hotel_and_villas/overview/daraphet	Luang Prabang (Laos)
Adamas Hanoi Hotel (Former name Demantoid)	3	Lake view	www.adamashanoi.com	HANOI
City River Hotel	3	Superior Room	http://www.cityriverhotel.com	Siemreap (Cambodia)

Ancient Luang Prabang hotel	3	Superior Room	http://www.ancientluangprabang.com	Luang Prabang (Laos)
Silk Path Luxury Hanoi (Hang bong)	4	Deluxe Room	www.silkpathhotel.com	HANOI
Silverland Yen Hotel	4	Premier Deluxe	www.silverlandhotels.com/silverland-yen-hotel.html	SAI GON

INCLUSION

Tours and transfers as mentioned by private air-conditioned Vehicle

Shuttle bus : Hanoi-Halong city-Hanoi (2ways)

Local English speaking guide in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos (Halong bay cruises, guide on boat)

Private deluxe Cabins on boat in Halong bay (all meals on boat cruise 2days included, no drinks) -

3star with Carina Boat and 4 star with Bhaya Luxury Boat Halong

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:

+Hanoi- Saigon = 140\$/one way (included airport tax)

+ Vientiane-Luangprabang= 120USD/ one way (included airport tax)

International Flights :

+ Siemreap -Luanprabang: 298 USD/ 1way/ Eco class (direct flights:2, 4,6,7) (included airport tax)
(Airport tax will be updated by day)

Visa for Cambodia 45 USD (Free for ASEAN)

Visa For Laos 45 USD (Free for ASEAN)

Visa Approval for Vietnam 25 USD/ Person (Free for ASEAN)

Travel insurance

Personal expenses

Tips and gratuities

Early check-in/Late check-out

Other not mentioned in the tour itinerary

NOTE

+ Hotel Check in time at 02.00 pm and check out at 12.00 am

+ Private transfer : Hanoi-Halong city-Hanoi (Upon request and surcharge)

