

**Welcome to the**  
**Vietnam Group Tours: Hanoi-Halong Bay (3days Cruises)- HCM city ( Saigon ) 9 days**  
**Tripcode: 358**  
**Tour length: 9**

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## **DETAILED ITINERARY**

### **DAY 1: ARRIVAL HANOI**

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

### **DAY 2: HANOI-HALONG BAY CRUISES (ABOARD)**

This morning, we will check out the hotel and 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.

Arrival Halong bay at around 12 – 12.30

Check in the Tuan Chau marina. Welcome aboard the cruise. Refresh with our welcome drink. Meet the captain, crew in the cruise briefing.

Check into your cabin. Time to refresh and unwind

Set sail as lunch is served

Join us for a typical local lunch in the dining room or at the outdoor dining area.

Afternoon:

Arrive at Surprising Cave (Hang S?ng S?t), explore the cave and find out how the cave was named a Surprising.

Heading to Titop island area. Drop anchor in the calm water surrounded by beautiful islets. Visit Titop island for swimming and snorkeling or do the short trek to the top of island to have the overview of Halong bay from here

Heading back toward the sleeping area

Early evening:

Summit on the sundeck watching the sunset, enjoy Sunset party. It's ideal time to make acquaintance with new friends, sharing your traveling experience or simply watching the sunset

An authentic Vietnamese menu is served

After dinner, reward yourself with a large selection of cocktails at our bar, or take for you one of our onboard activities: book reading, games, movies, and squid fishing.

Overnight on board junk.(B/L/D)

### **DAY 3: CRUISE HALONG- OVERNIGHT ON BOAT**

At 06:30 Am

For the early risers join us for a Tai Chi session on the sun deck. Tai chi helps focus the mind and condition the body and there is no better environment to practice this than amongst the limestone peaks and islands.

Local breakfast served

Transfer to smaller boat to exploring Maze Cave, you will have change to visit one of the most beautiful cave in Halong bay and step up to the top of the mountain to get the amazing view of World Heritage.

Mingling yourself in the stunning views of the Bay and it's dramatic limestone islets as we sail through the calm emerald waters heading to C?a V?n floating Village.

Arrive C?a V?n Floating Village: Our guide will brief you information and the highlights about this fascinating floating village and its local community

Take your option either exploring the village yourself on kayak or comfortably capture the daily life of the fishermen on bamboo boat rowed by the locals.

At 12:00 noon Lunch is served on board

Afternoon : - Cruising to Visit the Pearl Farm, you will have chance to witness the whole process to make a valuable pearl from first step of growing to harvesting pearl in Halong Bay

Return to your cruise, take time to refresh and relax Early evening

Summit on the sundeck watching the sunset, It's ideal time to make acquaintance with new friends, sharing your traveling experience or simply watching the sunset

An authentic Vietnamese menu is served

After dinner, reward yourself with a tasteful cocktail, or take for you one of our onboard activities: book reading, games, movies, squid fishing(B/L/D)

#### **DAY 4: HALONG BAY-HANOI**

06:30 For the early risers join us for a Tai Chi session on the sundeck. Tai chi helps focus the mind and condition the body, joining Tai Chi session to full charge your energy for the day.

07:00 – 08:00 Local breakfast is served

08:00: - Mingling yourself in the stunning views of the Bay and it's dramatic limestone islets as we sail through the calm emerald waters heading to Luon Cave (Hang Lu?n)

Take your option either exploring the cave yourself on kayak or comfortably on bamboo boat rowed by the locals.

09:00 Check out the cabins, at your leisure while our cruise taking you pass by other beautiful highlights in the bay.

10:00 You will join with our short class of Cooking demonstration, how to make spring rolls before an early lunch is served.

12:00 Return to the shore and disembark from the cruise as our crew say farewell.

Transfer to minibus or private and return to Hanoi. Transfer back to Hanoi by road. Check in the hotel on arrival and 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 top local restaurant in town. Overnight Hanoi (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 5: HANOI CITY- DANANG/ FLIGHT**

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).

Visiting this site, you will understand more about the life of President Ho, a great leader, Hero of national liberation and a great man of world culture.

Our next stop is the Temple of literature, which is built in 1070 and it is the first university of Vietnam.

Next will transfer to Noi Bai airport for flying to Danang. some 2hours away from Hanoi. meet our local guide on arrival and transfer to Hoian town. free time for dinner. Overnight Hoian (B)

#### **DAY 6: HOIAN- MY SON HOLYLAND**

Have breakfast at hotel and next will pick up and start our half day sightseeing tour to the holy land of Cham people in Vietnam some 60km away from Hoi an town, the My Son.

My Son is the former capital of the ancient Cham civilization that ruled Central Vietnam from the second to the thirteenth century. Their religion was primarily derived from Indian Hinduism. My Son is considered to be one of the best-preserved Cham structures in Vietnam. The complex is comprised of seventy Hindu-like towers and temples dating from the second century.

This site is a Must-See for those people who are interested in architecture and ancient civilizations and is now one of five UNESCO World Heritage sites in Vietnam.

Tour ends and transfer Back Hoian for free time of shopping and sightseeing the ancient town. Overnight Hoian (B)

#### **DAY 7: HOIAN- DANANG- SAIGON / FLIGHT**

After breakfast, Free at leisure and next will be transfered to the airport for flying to Saigon,

Meet our local guide and car at Tan Son Nhat airport and transfer to hotel in downtown. if there is time permits, we will start

Saigon city tour 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.

Return back to your hotel and free time for dinner. Overnight in Saigon (B/L)

**DAY 8: CU CHI TUNNELS - MEKONG DELTA CRUISE 1DAY**

Pick you up at your Hotel at 7.30 am and depart for Cu chi, we will drive through a typical Southern Vietnamese countryside to cu chi district, upon arrival in Cu chi.

We experience ourselves the underground village built by Cu Chi guerrilla fighters, remain of a real bloody battle field which is simply a network of tunnels built during the long years of wars. 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.

Continue onto the Hau Nghia, Duc Hoa route to take a shortcut to highway1 to My Tho in the Mekong delta, driving past paddy fields and tributaries. Have lunch with Mekong delta specialties at Ngoc Gia Trang restaurant. After lunch. Board our private motorized boat for a river cruise on the upper part of Mekong River for a taste of agriculture life on the mighty Mekong River. Disembark the boat strolling around the colorful my tho wholesale fruit market to enjoy the bustle local daily life.

Continue your ride upstream stopping en route at a boat building family factory and end at Thoi Son5 Island, walk through the lush orchards with tropical fruits, have an opportunity to taste diverse types of Mekong delta fruit while enjoying traditional music.

Shuttle back to the pier, drive back to Saigon and transfer to the Hotel. Overnight in Saigon. (B/L)

**DAY 9: SAIGON DEPARTURE**

Free time at leisure for your own of sightseeing and shopping until our vehicle and driver come to pick up and transfer back Tan Son Nhat International airport for flight onwards, tour ends. (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
6 Paxs	----	----	886 \$	1,056 \$	----
8 Paxs	----	----	809 \$	960 \$	----
10 Paxs	----	----	765 \$	917 \$	----

Single Supplement	0 \$	0 \$	310 \$	370 \$	0 \$
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**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
6 Paxs	----	----	912 \$	1,107 \$	----
8 Paxs	----	----	835 \$	1,011 \$	----
10 Paxs	----	----	791 \$	968 \$	----
Single Supplement	0.0 \$	0.0 \$	319.4 \$	387.4 \$	0.0 \$

**HOTELS OR SIMILAR STANDARD**

Hotel names	Category	Room type	Link website	Location
Alagon Western Hotel (Hoang Hai Long 2)	3	Junior Room	<a href="http://www.alagonhotels.com">www.alagonhotels.com</a>	SAI GON
Hoi An Beach Resort	4	Deluxe Garden View	<a href="http://www.hoianbeachresort.com.vn">www.hoianbeachresort.com.vn</a>	HOIAN
Acacia Heritage Hoian (Formed Van Loi Hotel)	4	Deluxe Room	<a href="http://www.acaciaheritagehotel.com">www.acaciaheritagehotel.com</a>	HOIAN
Adamas Hanoi Hotel (Former name Demantoid)	3	Executive	<a href="http://www.adamashanoi.com">www.adamashanoi.com</a>	HANOI
Silk Path Luxury Hanoi (Hang bong)	4	Deluxe Room	<a href="http://www.silkpathhotel.com">www.silkpathhotel.com</a>	HANOI
Silverland Yen Hotel	4	Deluxe City View	<a href="http://www.silverlandhotels.com/silverland-yen-hotel.html">www.silverlandhotels.com/silverland-yen-hotel.html</a>	SAI GON

## **INCLUSION**

- All private transportation and transfers
- A stationed English speaking guides
- All accommodation based on twin share basis with daily breakfast
- Meals throughout as mentioned in itinerary details (no drinks) - **(B- Breakfast /L= Lunch /D= Dinner)**
- **Private room on boat in Halong bay cruises of 3days 2nights ( twin share cabin)**
- Private Boat in Mekong delta
- Cycle Tour in Old Quarter (One Hour)
- Water Puppet Show
- Relevant permits and fees.

## **EXCLUSION**

- Vietnam Visa
- Domestic flight from Hanoi to Danang = 100 - 120 USD/ one way (Eco class)
- Domestic flight from Danang to Saigon = 100 - 120 USD/ one way (Eco class)
- Domestic flight from Saigon-Hanoi = 100 - 140 USD/ one way (Eco class)
- Travel insurance,
- Tips to drivers, guides, Restaurants, and other service providers
- Expenses of personal nature
- Early check in and late check out at Hotel at all places

## **NOTE**

- + Check in time at all hotels in Vietnam and Indochina is 02.00 Pm and Check out time at 12.00 Am

