

VIETNAM – NEED TO KNOW



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Etiquettes

- ✓ Do both hands to pass things
- ✓ Using your whole hands downwards
- ✓ Dress conservatively, even in warm weather
- ✓ Remove footwears on entering religious sites



- ✗ Don't touch anyone's head
- ✗ Don't refuse offer of tea
- ✗ Don't point by fingers, use hand
- ✗ Don't show public displays of affection



54 Ethnicities



86%

Kinh



4%

Others



45%

Indigenous folk religion



30%

Unaffiliated



16%

Buddhism



8%

Christianity



1%

Others

Religion



Jan - Feb

Tet Holiday



Jun

Dragon Boat Race



Sept

Mid-autumn Festival



Dec

Kiep Bac Temple Festival



Jan

33/22°C



Feb

33/22°C



Mar

35/26°C



Apr

35/26°C



May

35/26°C



Jun

35/26°C



July

33/25°C



Aug

33/25°C



Sept

33/25°C



Oct

33/25°C



Nov

33/25°C



Dec

33/25°C

VIETNAM OVERVIEW

I. Fast Track

- Capital: Ha Noi
- Language: Other than native Vietnamese, the most widely spoken foreign languages are English, French, Chinese and Russian
- Time: GMT+7
- Currency: Dong (\$1 equivalent to VND 21,000)
- International dialing code for Vietnam: +84
- Power: 220V, 50Hz
- International Airport: Ha Noi, Ho Chi Minh, Da Nang

II. Visa:

Most travelers coming to Vietnam are required to obtain a visa. Visas can be easily obtained in the traveler's country or on arrival. Check the website of Vietnam's embassy in your country to learn more.

III. Health (Insurance) & Safety:

Hospitals and clinics with English-speaking doctors are based in the two biggest cities: Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh. It is very difficult to see the doctor in rural or remote areas in Viet Nam.

Stock up with medication that you might need. Pharmacies can be found in every big city or small town, but pharmacists usually do not speak foreign languages. If you need to buy medicine, consider writing down the name of the medicine and check what you receive carefully before leaving. It is difficult to exchange or return medicine.

Vaccination requirements should be checked before traveling. Malaria and dengue fever can be an issue if travelling in some rural areas. Travelers should plan to wear long pants and sleeves and use insect repellent, particularly in the evenings. Emergency assistance can be contacted can be reached at 113 (Safety) or 115 (Health).

IV. Food & Drink:

It is said that food in Vietnam is not only a way of life, but also a form of sustenance. Breakfast is often light and simple, taking place from 7:00 - 8:00 AM, and lunch/dinner are the big meals of the day. Most restaurants are open late until approximately 10:00 PM, but you must book in advance. Fast food restaurants and cafeterias are open until midnight and there is no need to book in advance. Coffee and tea are popular drinks in Vietnam, and cafés are found on nearly every street corner. Other drinks (like whisky, cokes, wine) are always in stores and restaurants.

V. Accommodation:

You have many choices for accommodation. Most luxury hotels are concentrated in the big cities. Homestay service is preferable in mountainous and remote areas. You should book your accommodations in advance, especially in peak season. If not, you may find that the hotels available on arrival do not meet your needs, or the room rate is much higher. You should book with either directly with the hotel, or through a travel agency. Travel agencies will give many options that are adapted to your budget and preference.

VI. Transportation:

All means of transportation for your trip are available in Vietnam. Travel is simple by air (Vietnam Airlines, Jetstar Airlines) or by train (Reunification Express Train). Air travel is reasonably priced and tickets can be purchased easily from travel agencies or airline offices. Train travel can be slower than airlines, but is reasonably priced, and can be quite a leisurely way

to see the country. For the short distances between the destinations of the north, south or center, you can hire a car or private bus. Motorbikes are available for hire in most cities but you must possess an International Driver's Permit. Motorbiking is a leisurely and cost-effective way to travel the country.

POPULAR TOURING DESTINATIONS IN VIETNAM



Vietnam is blessed with a pleasant climate, stunning landscapes ranging from mountains to river basins, dense forests, vast tracts of emerald green rice fields, and an unbroken coastline stretching 3000 kilometers. Therefore, Vietnam is always a sheer inspiration for anyone who loves traveling.

Northern Vietnam Touring Destinations (Section I)

If you are planning your trip around Northern Vietnam and Hanoi, the capital city is among the most popular touring destinations in Vietnam, and should not be missed. This city is decidedly proud of its pagodas and dynastic temples, beautiful lakes and elegant boulevards dating back to the colonial period. Leaving bustling Hanoi behind, most visitors strike out to Northeast Vietnam, where premier natural attractions are located and travelers opt for a scenic Halong Bay Cruise with thousands of whimsically sculpted islands anchored in its aquamarine waters, and the spectacular mountainous Cat Ba Island.

To the north and west of Hanoi, visitors are also attracted by mountainous provinces that are home to a patchwork of ethnic minorities and the country's most dramatic mountain landscapes such as Fansipan Mountain – the roof of Southeast Asia, the valley of Mai Chau, Ba Be National Park, and valleys around Cao Bang and Dien Bien Phu.

Central Vietnam Tourist Destinations (Section II)

From Hanoi, you can head to Central Vietnam to explore a number of touring destinations that should not be missed. First of all, Hue is an aristocratic city on the banks of the languid Perfume River. It is where the Nguyen emperors established their capital in the 19th century, and is home to a variety of highly cultured temples, palaces and Imperial mausoleums slumbering among pine-surrounded hills.

From Hue, a corkscrew ride over Hai Van Pass will bring you to Da Nang, the city of nice beaches, extraordinarily beautiful mountains and friendly people.

Leaving Da Nang, the next destination a visitor can hardly ignore is Hoi An, which features narrow streets of wooden-fronted shop houses with weathered roofs. Besides Hoi An, the My Son Sanctuary is the greatest of the Cham temple sites, and lies in a steamy, forest-filled valley. In the central highlands, you will approach Da Lat, the land of cool, fresh breezes through hillsides, as well as the modest towns of Buon Ma Thuot, Pleiku and Kontum, and the delightful beach and sand dunes of Mui Ne.

Southern Vietnam Touring Destinations (Section III)

For most of visitors, the energetic and exciting Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) is the among the most popular destinations in Vietnam. It allures visitors with its break-neck pace of life and unlikely sights and sounds. The Mekong Delta, where one of the world's truly mighty rivers finally offloads into the South China Sea, is also included in many [Vietnam tour packages](#), and has plenty of attractions. Travelers often spend a day or more messing about on the water and visiting a floating market, which is easily arranged at Cai Be and Can Tho.

PACKAGE TOURS

Section I: The North:

I.1.Hanoi- Afternoon Tour (13h00 – 17h00)

Tour code GEF-HAN01



Pick up at hotel. The tour starts with a visit to the **Temple of Literature** – the first university of Vietnam and one that is dedicated to Confucianism. Then visit the **Ethnology museum**, which manifests the life of 54 officially recognized ethnic groups in Vietnam (*closed on Mondays*). Afterward, **take a cyclo tour** around the Old Quarter to see the bustling daily life of Hanoians, and visit the **Hoan Kiem Lake and Ngoc Son temple**. End the tour by **enjoying a cup of tea or coffee at a boutique coffee shop**.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
69	55	38	36	33	32

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Cyclo ride
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- Tea or coffee at the street

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Lunch
- Others not mentioned in “Inclusions”

I.2. Hanoi city tour (Full day: 7-8h)

Tour code GEF-HAN02



Begin your day by visiting the **Ho Chi Minh complex**, including the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum (*closed on Mondays, Fridays and during September and October for annual maintenance*), his house-on-stilts, the One-Pillar pagoda and then continue to visit the **Temple of Literature** – the first university of Vietnam and one that is dedicated to Confucianism. After **lunch at a local restaurant**, continue to visit the **Ethnology museum** which manifests the life of 54 officially recognized ethnic groups in Vietnam (*closed on Mondays*). Afterward, **take a cyclo** tour around the Old Quarter to see the bustling daily life of Hanoians, and visit the **Hoan Kiem Lake and Ngoc Son temple**.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
87	71	51	48	45	43

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Lunch
- Others not mentioned in “Inclusions”

I.3. One day tour to Duong Lam (duration: 6-7h)

Tour code GEF-HAN03



08h-08h30: Our tour guide and driver will pick you up at your hotel in Hanoi, then drive toward Duong Lam village. Start the tour with a visit of Mong Phu temple in Mong Phu hamlet - the only hamlet where the original village entrance gate remains intact, dedicated to national heroes. Then bike around the village to discover the daily life of the locals doing farm work in the field. You will stop to visit two ancient houses: the biggest ancient house was built 200 years ago, and the most ancient house dates to 400 years ago. Then visit the Mia Pagoda, built in the 15th century. After lunch at a local's house, you will visit Ngo Quyen temple and Phung Hung temple, dedicated to national heroes Ngo Quyen and Phung Hung.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
86	68	45	41	38	35

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- Bicycle

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Lunch
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

I.4. Excursion to Trang An and Hoa Lu (Full day)

Tour code GEF-HAN04



07h30-08h00: Leaving Hanoi to Trang An Grottoes, southwest of the ancient capital Hoa Lu inside Trang An Eco Tourism Complex. This area is known for its limestone ranges, valleys, caves and rivers. Trang An Grottoes also hosts Vuc Vong Temple and the Khong residence. Embark on a small, hand rowed sampan, and begin your journey along green waterways. Continue to Hoa Lu, the birthplace of the Vietnamese nation. In the 10th century, it was here that the first capital was established. Today only the foundations remain of the original palace, but visitors can still see two temples, Dinh Tien Hoang Temple and Le Dai Hanh Temple, dedicated to the rulers of the first two dynasties of the nation. Return back to Hanoi at 15h30 or 16h00. Transfer directly to your hotel.

Lunch at the local restaurant.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
94	75	53	49	45	43

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks
- Normal boat in Trang An

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

I.5. Hanoi - Excursion to Halong bay by road, full day cruise tour

Tour code GEF-HAN05



Depart from Hanoi in the morning for Halong Bay, Viet Nam's famous natural wonder. On arrival at around noon, board a traditional wooden junk and begin cruising through the beautiful seascape of Halong Bay. Enjoy lunch while passing strange rock formations including Stone Dog, Incense Burner (Dinh Huong) and Fighting Cock (Ga Choi). Visit one of the caves in the centre of the islands, such as Thien Cung (Heavenly Residence Grotto). Cruise back to Halong Pier and disembark at approximately 16h00 to return back to Hanoi by road.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
160	126	97	86	76	70

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch on board excluding drinks
- Halong boat

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

I.6. Hanoi –Halong Bay 2 days 1night

Tour code GEF-HAN06



Day 1: Hanoi – Ha Long on junk (B/L/D)

In the morning, after having breakfast, depart to Halong Bay. Arrive around lunchtime and embark on a luxury wooden junk for an enchanting 2 day and 1 night Halong Bay cruise. Sail by huge intricate honeycomb rocks, hidden caves and enchanting lagoons. Lose yourself in the stunning landscape and spy interesting shapes in the rocks. The ever-changing light, fog and clouds reflect off the waters of the bay, creating a magical and mercurial atmosphere.

Enjoy an excellent lunch and dinner onboard the boat, including delicious, fresh local seafood. In the evening, anchor and spend the night on the bay. Swim in the crystal waters or go kayaking around the extraordinary limestone towers. Overnight on boat.

Day 2: Ha Long – Ha Noi (B/L/-)

Early birds can attend a Tai Chi demonstration on the sundeck at the break of dawn. Start the day by enjoying some Paradise delights with a colourful buffet breakfast. Continue exploring Halong Bay, sailing across its 2000 islets and visiting some of its major highlights. In the afternoon, drive back to Hanoi.

For the rest of the day, you can enjoy a water puppet theatre. Overnight in Hanoi.

	Price per person in USD/Choose 1 in 2 options						
	2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+	Single Supplement
La Vela Cruise/ Deluxe cabin	284	246	197	189	182	178	147 USD
Bhaya Classic/ Deluxe cabin	328	289	242	234	227	223	191 USD

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Halong cruise: Twin /double sharing cabin

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

Section II: The Center - Da Nang- Hoi An

II.1. Da Nang City tour full day

Tour code GEF-DAD01



Our car and driver will pick you up to join in this full day tour. First we go to Marble Mountain. You can discover stunning caves and enjoy the beautiful view from the top of the mountain. Marble Mountain is also home to Non Nuoc Stone Carving Village, which is a unique craft village to the south of the city. Situated at the foot of the Marble Mountains, this craft village has a proud history covering more than 200 years. Leaving Marble Mountain, we will head north to visit the Son Tra Peninsula. Staying at this elevated position, we'll pay a visit to Linh Ung – Bai But pagoda, which is considered one of the biggest pagodas in Da Nang city, both in scale and architecture. It beautifully combines both modern and traditional style. The beautiful landscape creates a unique impression that you cannot find in any other place. It can be seen from every place in the city and looks like a mushroom, of which the cap is Son Tra Mountain and the stalk is a beautiful sandy beach that affords an ideal area for bathing, swimming, playing sports and fishing. Return to the hotel in late afternoon.

Price per person in USD	2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20pers up
	68	59	37	35	31	30

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

II.2. Danang- Ba Na Hills full day tour

Tour code GEF-DAD02



Pick up at hotel in Da Nang. Transfer to Ba Na Hills (35km) and take a cable car to Ba Na Hills station. Stop at By Night station to visit Vong Nguyet hills, Linh Ung pagoda, and the Old Villas of the French colonial period. Continue moving up by cable car to the Nui Chua Mountain – the top of the Ba Na range, visiting Nginh Phong Peak, Le Nim Villas, and the Orchid Garden. Experience the hill climbing train (the first and only funicular in Vietnam) and visit an old French cellar (Debay Ancient Wine Cellar), Le Jardin D’amour flower garden and Linh Ung Pagoda. Have lunch at a nearby restaurant. In the afternoon, explore Fantasy Park – the third biggest indoor games zone in Vietnam (2 hours). Return to Da Nang city along via Red Beach Bay. Stop at Central Specialties Super Market for Shopping. End the tour at your hotel.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
116	101	77	76	71	70

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees (inc. cable car round trip ticket)
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in “Inclusions”

II.3. Hoi An ancient town full day tour

Tour code GEF-DAD03



Breakfast at hotel. Our car and guide will pick you up and take you to Hoi An ancient town. The history of Hoi An started long ago. From the 16th to 18th centuries, the site was a thriving international commercial port for Chinese, Dutch, French, Japanese, Portuguese and Arab traders. These people came primarily to trade in high-grade silk, which is still produced in the area, as well as ceramics. Today, Hoi An is a quaint riverside town, popular with tourists for its eclectic architecture, tailor shops, and numerous cafes. Some of the buildings in the narrow streets have remained unchanged for more than a century. It is said that your trip to Vietnam can't be completed without a visit to Hoi An. Highlights of Hoi An include walking through the narrow winding streets of the Ancient Quarter and visiting all the town highlights and symbols, such as an Ky house, the Japanese Bridge, Phuc Kien Hall, Sa Huynh Museum, and the local market.

After lunch, take a boat to Thanh Ha pottery village - one of the villages contributing significantly to the economic development of trade and tourism of Hoi An. Going through the Thu Bon river, you have the occasion to visit beautiful villages and see daily life here. In the evening, you are free to enjoy Hoi An's beauty with colorful lanterns. Return to Da Nang at night.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
76	65	49	45	42	41

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks
- Boat to Thu Bon river

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

II.4. Tra Que village half-day tour

Tour code GEF-DAD04



Breakfast at hotel. Our car and driver will pick you up and take you to Tra Que village. Tra Que - a little charming village - lies on the edge of Hoi An, It is named after a sweetly scented vegetable. These vegetables not only make the Pho Hoi 's meals more sweet and with a different flavor, but are also part of Hoi An specialties such as Cao Lau and Quang Noodles. If you come to the village, you can also enjoy a cooking class conducted by a host with local "Tam Huu" spring roll which is primarily made from Tra Que vegetables, or pancakes with meat (Banh xeo). Experience a half day living and working with the local people at the Tra Que vegetable village, where you will have a chance to discover the daily life of the local farmers.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
87	75	57	54	50	49

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

II.5. My Son Sanctuary – Da Nang City Tour

Tour code GEF-DAD05



Visit the ruins at My Son Holy Land of the ancient Cham civilization, which 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.

Drive back to Da Nang for lunch.

In the afternoon, explore the highlights of Da Nang city, including the Cham Museum, which houses the largest collection of Cham Pa arts in the world; Linh Ung Pagoda, where exists the highest Goddess of Mercy Statue of Vietnam, and the Marble Mountain and handicraft village at its foot.

Return to your hotel in the late afternoon and enjoy a free evening.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
93	79	50	48	46	44

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

II.6. Cam Thanh - Bay Mau coconut Village Half Day

Tour code GEF-DAD06



Your guide will pick you up at your hotel to go to Cam Thanh fishing village

09:30: Meet local fishermen and experience the daily life of their family and let them welcome you with water, coconut fruit and fruit juice.

10:00: Get on a bamboo basket-boat in the Cam Thanh village and have a brief introduction of its history.

11:00: Join local fishermen on the river and enjoy a hands-on experience of round-net and cast-net fishing. Learn to paddle the unique Vietnamese bamboo basket-boat and join in a basket-boat race. Explore and go fishing and catch crab and coconut mussels, and make tools from coconut leaves. Then you will return to the fisherman's house to enjoy lunch.

13:00: Return to your hotel.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
81	70	49	45	41	39

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

II.7. Hue day trip

Tour code GEF-DAD07



Hue is best known as the ancient capital of Vietnam, and a must-see destination if you visit this beautiful country.

Begin your day by a car transfer northward over the 500m-high Hai Van pass. Enjoy a comfort stop at the scenic Lang Co Beach before continuing on to Hue – a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Upon arrival, pay a visit to the tomb of Emperor Khai Dinh to admire the unusual combination of architecture that blends a traditional Chinese past with a modern Western future. Follow it with a visit to Thuy Xuan incense village, one of the last villages preserving the traditional profession of incense making, one aspect of the elegant beauty of the old Capital.

After lunch at a local restaurant, your exploration continues by boarding a local traditional boat cruising along the peaceful Perfume River, taking in the endless surrounding greenery. Disembark to visit Thien Mu pagoda, the symbol of Hue city, then stop at the Noon gate of the Imperial Citadel for a leisurely walking tour of the inner area of the citadel, where the Nguyen Dynasty ruled between 1802 and 1945. Sights include the Flag Tower, Noon Gate, Nine Dynastic Urns, Nine Holy Cannons, Thai Hoa Palace, and Forbidden Purple City. Later, you will be transferred back to the hotel in Da Nang where you will spend the rest of the day at your leisure.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
125	104	81	75	69	67

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Local boat
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in “Inclusions”

III. The south: Ho Chi Minh

III.1. Ho Chi Minh city tour full day

Tour code GEF-SGN01



Pick up at the airport. Check into your hotel before joining in a full day tour. Today you will explore this bustling city, including: Dong Khoi Street, formerly Rue Catinat, the main shopping street and heart of old colonial Saigon. Pass by the old Opera House (view from the outside), having a quick visit to the Notre Dame Cathedral and the Central Post Office. Afterwards, visit the Reunification Palace, formerly the Independence Palace of the South Vietnamese President, and continue to visit the War Remnants Museum. Next, visit the Emperor of Jade Pagoda, one of the most interesting pagodas in Saigon and explore Cholon (Chinatown) and its lacquerware workshop.

End the tour at the central Ben Thanh Market, where you can do shopping. Return back to the hotel in the afternoon.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
75	59	39	36	33	31

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

III.2. Saigon to Cu Chi tunnels by road - Tour code GEF-SGN02

Excursion to visit the amazing underground network tunnels in Cu Chi. This incredible system, covering almost 250km in length, was shelter to over 16,000 Vietcong troops during the wars. The network included communication routes, storage facilities, hospitals and living quarters for Vietnamese fighters throughout the American war. If interested, you can even descend into the tunnels to learn more about the harsh conditions faced by Vietcong guerrillas who lived here. After the visit to Cu Chi, return to Ho Chi Minh and spend the afternoon at your leisure.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
79	63	43	40	36	35

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- 1 lunch excluding drinks

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"



III.3. Mekong Delta (Cai Be - Vinh Long) in 1 day

Tour code GEF-SGN03



After breakfast at your hotel, drive to Cai Be.

The program will start with a visit to the Cai Be floating market, cruising among local barges full of fruits and vegetables. Then, an optional stop can be made at local workshops where you can see how to make rice paper, coconut candy, pop-rice and pop-corn.

The rowing boat will take you deeper into the countryside on smaller canals to enjoy a peaceful time. It is so interesting to see traditional houses made of wood and palm tree leaves, and see some activities of the local farmers with an opportunity to make contacts with them and see how they catch fish.

Lunch will be served at Ut Trinh home. After lunch, we can walk around and enjoy some kinds of fruits when listening to traditional music

If time permits, one more thing to do in this trip is biking! It will be so amazing to bike on village paths to see the local farms, houses, real life and the ancestral ways to pick up fruits in the Mekong Delta.

The cruise will end at Vinh Long city, where our driver will pick you up at Vinh Long pier and transfer back to Ho Chi Minh.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
123	102	57	50	43	39

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- Boat of Mekong Travel, fruits (on boat, at orchard), bikes, rowing boat, pop-rice, coco-candy, tea, sight-seeing fees
- Lunch at a local restaurant

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Dinner
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

III.4. My Tho - Ben Tre in 1 day

Tour code GEF-SGN04



After breakfast, we travel out of Ho Chi Minh city and spend a full day floating through waterways on an exploration of the lush Mekong Delta region. We will cruise along the An Hoa River, visit a charcoal workshop, a coconut-processing workshop, and a brickwork workshop. Afterward, enjoy a horse-cart ride through rice fields. Have lunch at a local restaurant of your own choosing. Then, take the rowing boat along a palm-lined creek and boat back to the pier. Transfer back Ho Chi Minh City, where you will have the rest of the day at leisure.

Price per person in USD					
2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+
105	84	48	42	36	34

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- Boat, horse cart, fruit, honey tea, and traditional music

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses
- Accommodation
- Lunch and dinner
- Others not mentioned in "Inclusions"

III.5. Ho Chi Minh –Cai Be Vinh Long –Can Tho 2 days 1 night

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Day 1: Ho Chi Minh –Cai Be –Vinh Long –Can Tho (B/L/D)

After breakfast, we travel out of Ho Chi Minh city and spend a full day floating through waterways on an exploration of the lush Mekong Delta region.

The program will start with a visit to the Cai Be floating market cruising among local barges full of fruits and vegetables. Then, an optional stop can be made at local workshops where you can see how to make rice paper, coconut candy, pop-rice and pop-corn.

A rowing boat will take you deeper into the countryside on smaller canals and to enjoy a peaceful time. It is so interesting to see traditional houses made of wood and palm tree leaves, and see some activities of the local farmers with an opportunity to make contact with them and see how they catch fish.

Lunch will be served at Ut Trinh home - you pay directly to the host. After lunch, we can walk around and then we will enjoy some fruits while listening to the traditional music.

One more thing to do in this trip is biking! It will be so amazing to bike on village paths to see the local farms, houses, real life and the ancestral ways of picking fruits in the Mekong Delta.

The cruise will end at Vinh Long city, where our driver will pick you up at Vinh Long pier and then transfer you to Can Tho city. Arrive in Can Tho in late afternoon and check in at the hotel.

Lunch and Dinner take place in local restaurants.

Day 2: Can Tho- Ho Chi Minh (B/L)



Take an early breakfast at the hotel.

7:00am: departure by motorized boat to visit Cai Rang floating market. Enjoy Mekong fruits at the Cai Rang floating market. Then Visit Binh Thuy ancient house. After having lunch, you come back to Ho Chi Minh city.

	Price per person in USD						
	2 pers	3 - 7pers	8-10 pers	11- 15pers	16-20pers	20+	Single Supplement
4star hotel: Iris/ Nesta	235	196	132	119	109	103	25 USD
5star Muong thanh Luxury	240	202	137	127	117	111	30 USD

Inclusions:

- Transfers by private vehicle with driver
- English speaking guide
- 1 bottled mineral water/sightseeing day/person
- Boat, horse cart, fruit, honey tea, and traditional music in Cai Be
- Boat in Cai Rang floating market
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Accommodation: Twin/double sharing

Exclusions:

- VAT and Insurance
- Tip for guide, driver and local suppliers and other personal expenses