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15 Days Vietnam Explorer

VISITING Saigon / CuChi / Cai Be / DaNang / HoiAn / Hue / Hanoi / HaLong

From **$2760***

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***TOUR PACKAGE BASED ON TWIN SHARE**

***Guaranteed departure based on minimum of 2 passengers**

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Itinerary

Experience the world Thailand

Escape to Vietnam! Choose from your favourite airlines, Departure from all major cities in Australia. Explore beautiful Vietnam within 15 days and built your unique experience in this beautiful Aisa country!

Day 1 Australia-Saigon

Fly from Australia to Vietnam - Welcome to Vietnam a country of beautiful landscapes and some of the friendliest people on earth. We are met at the airport by our friendly local guide and transferred to our hotel.

Day 2 Saigon – Cu Chi - Saigon (B)

After breakfast, visit the famous Cu Chi Tunnels, an incredible underground tunnel network constructed by Vietnamese resistance fighters or "Viet Cong" guerillas during the long struggle for independence. Return to Ho Chi Minh City for a city tour. Takes in the Notre Dame Cathedral, the city's old Post Office, the War Remnants Museum and the Ben Thanh Market. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

Day 3 Saigon – Cai Be – SGN (B, L)

Today we will explore the Mekong Delta. Arrive in Cai Be, board the motor-boat to visit Cai Be Floating Market. Visit to industrial villages such as paper rice making, coconut candy making and enjoy the coconut candy. Take a walk to visit the orchard and enjoy seasonal local fruits at Mr. Sau Ca.

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Day 4 Saigon – Free day at leisure(B)

A free day at leisure to enjoy more of this dynamic city at your own pace or Shopping Spree.

Day 5 Saigon – Da Nang – Hoi An (B)

We fly north to Danang where we transfer to the small, picturesque riverside town of Hoi An. The old town of Hoi An was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its well-preserved port and its buildings display a unique blend of local and foreign influence dating back to the 15th – 18th century.

Day 6 Hoi An (B)

Today we explore the old town of Hoi An by foot as cars are banned from the inner city to help preserve the rich culture of this heritage site. Our walking tour takes us through the cobbled streets to the bustling central market and the harbour area. We visit ancient homes and Family Chapels, a typical Chinese-style Pagoda, Sa Huynh Museum, the Japanese Covered Bridge Pagoda and handicraft workshops.

Day 7 Hoi An (B/L)

Today we join cooking class at Viettown restaurant. Activities:

- 9.00 am: Pick guests up at Viettown restaurant and take them to the market by Cyclo
- Buying materials for cooking
- Taking them to go to some stalls in the market and introducing them how to choose the good ingredients food for the cooking
- 10.00 am : Back to Viettown restaurant to take a walk
- 10.00 – 10.30 am : Take a rest and visit to Traditional Craft Village of Viettown.
- 10.35 am : Guests will learn and practise 3 dishes: Viettown Springroll, Braised Aubergine in clay pot and Stir-fried chicken with lemongrass and chili

Having lunch or dinner with meat for your cook and service with Steamed Rice.

Hopefully, your guests have some experience of Vietnamese Cuisine Characteristic at Viet town restaurant and that will be a memorable trip to them in Hoi An. Afternoon free and easy. Dinner by guest own. Overnight in Hoi An.

Day 8 Hoi An - Hue (B)

This morning we drive to Hue passing by Danang and Hai Van Pass and and will also pass the famous Truong Son Mountain which has spectacular views. Then take a cyclo ride to Imperial Citadel, continue by coach to Thien Mu Pagoda and enjoy boat trip on the Perfume River.

Day 9 Hue (B)

Today you have a day at leisure to simply relax or further explore this fascinating city on your own. Hue was once the former Imperial capital of the Nguyen Dynasty and is most famously know for its grand architecture and many monuments located around the city.

Day 10 Hue – Hanoi (B)

This afternoon we continue our journey north as we fly to Hanoi. Hanoi is the vibrant capital of Vietnam and celebrated its 1000th birthday as a city in 2010. Hanoi is located on the banks of the Red River and is well known for its grand buildings and busy bustling streets. There is a real excitement about this city. We are met at the airport and transferred to our hotel.

Day 11 Hanoi – Halong Bay (B,L,D)

Ha Long Bay has an area of around 1,553 km2, including 1,960 islets, most of which are limestone. The limestone in this bay has gone through 500 million years of formation in different conditions and environments. After breakfast, driving to Halong Bay. This scenic drive will pass through some of the rural landscapes before arriving in the afternoon to the World Heritage site of Halong Bay then cruise aboard a traditional Junk with facilities of the highest standard; double cabins with suite batherooms, a spacious dining room seving traditional Vietnamese cuisine, plus a loarge sun deck area. Seafood lunch is served on bard while cruising passes Islands. Dinner is served on the boat as the sun is setting. Overnight on board.

Day 12 Halong Bay – Hanoi (B)

Continue cruising through the magic and scenic waters of Halong Bay this morning before disembarking at midday and driving back to Hanoi.

Day 13 Hanoi (B, D)

Today we will enjoy a city tour of Hanoi. We will visit Ho Chi Minh City mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda, Uncle Ho's Stilt House and Museum, Temple of Literature, enjoy a walking tour of the old quarter and Hoa Kiem Lake. Farewell dinner in the evening with the group to share your experiences of this great trip.

Day 14 Hanoi – Saigon – Australia (B)

Our last morning in Hanoi is at leisure for some last minute shopping or even a well-deserved sleep in. In the early afternoon fly out Hanoi via Saigon to connect with Vietnam Airlines back home to Australia.

Day 15 Arrive Melbourne or Sydney - Home

Morning arrive back Melbourne or Sydney (for Adelaide or Brisbane passenger, after immigration clearance formality then proceed to domestic terminal for connecting flight to home city)

**********End of tour **********

Price includes:

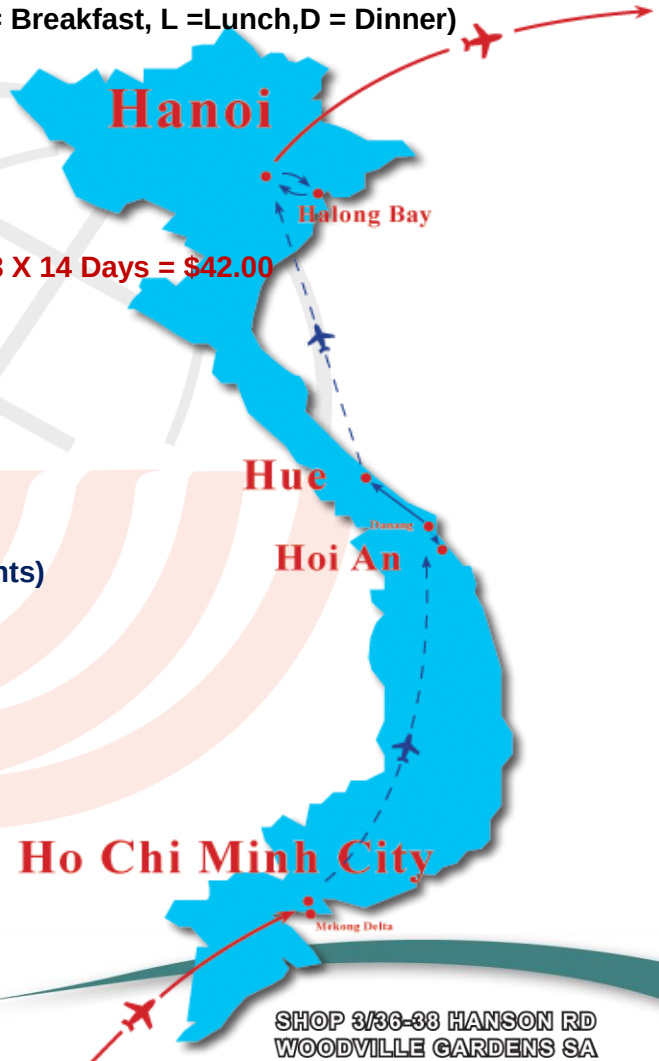
- ✓ **International return economy class airfares including airport taxes and fuel surcharges.**
- ✓ **2 domestic one way economy class airfares including taxes and fuel surcharge in Vietnam**
- ✓ **12 nights hotel accommodation (3-4 star) or similar on twin share basis.**
- ✓ **1 night on Bai Tho Junk or similar standard in Halong Bay**
- ✓ **Daily sightseeing, entrance fees, and some evening entertainments as per itinerary**
- ✓ **All road transportation by modern air-conditioned coach from airports / Hotels / sightseeing**
- ✓ **Meals as per itinerary, please refer to meal code (B = Breakfast, L =Lunch,D = Dinner)**
- ✓ **Professional English speaking tour guide**
- ✓ **Beautiful travel wallet and travel bag.**

Price excludes:

- **Tipping for tour guide and driver: USD3/pax/day = $3 X 14 Days = $42.00**
- **Personal expenses & Travel insurance**
- **Drinks during meals**
- **Vietnam tourist visa (A$85 p.p)**

Hotels used for this tour (3-4 star hotel):

- ✓ **HCMC: Kingston / Lavender hotel or similar (4 nights)**
- ✓ **Hoian: Hoian Trails resort or similar (3 nights)**
- ✓ **Hue: Camellia hotel or similar class (2 nights)**
- ✓ **Hanoi: Prestige hotel or similar (3 nights)**
- ✓ **Halong: Bai Tho Junk or similar (1 night)**



2012 & 2013 Departure Dates and Prices*

Tour Code	Tour start & Depart Australia (Sunday)	End & Depart Hanoi (Saturday)	Package prices including airfares and taxes Departing from : Melbourne / Sydney /Adelaide# /Brisbane#/Perth #			
			Vietnam Airlines	Malaysian Airlines	Singapore Airlines	Cathay Pacific
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- **Single Supplement : $680.00 / * Land only : $1850.00 / *Child (2-11 years old) reduction -$300**

Vietnam Airlines:

Package adult prices of Vietnam Airlines are for departing from Melbourne or Sydney only;
#Passengers departing from Adelaide / Brisbane add $220 for the connecting flights to Melbourne / Sydney
#Passengers departing from Perth add $330 for the connecting flights to Melbourne / Sydney

Cathay pacific / Malaysian Airlines / Singapore Airlines :

- Package prices of all above 3 airlines are available for departures from Adelaide/ Brisbane/ Melbourne/ Sydney and Perth.
- Some flights may require over-night stay from a particular airlines, the over-night cost will be at passenger's expenses. Please check with your travel consultant at the time of booking.

*Credit card payment: Please note that it is our company's policy that a surcharge of 3.00% on Visa/Master/ and 4% on Diners club and American Express will be added to the total of the tour price.