

VIETNAM

Grand Discovery

From the
Hidden Cafes
of Hanoi to
Halong Bay
Cruises and
the Spirit of
Saigon



HANOI

DAY 01 | HANOI ARRIVAL

Welcome to the Capital: Meet your private driver at the airport for a transfer to your boutique hotel in the heart of Hanoi.

Ease into the Journey: Spend the afternoon at your leisure, resting from your travels or exploring the vibrant local neighborhood.

Overnight: Hanoi | **Meals:** Independent

DAY 02 | HANOI CULTURAL IMMERSION

Imperial & Modern History: Explore the 11th-century Temple of Literature and visit the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum complex (outside visit) to view his former stilt-house residence.

Curated Choice: Choose between a visit to the bustling Dong Xuan Market or the moving history of the Hoa Lo Prison Museum (the "Hanoi Hilton").

Local Connection & Flavor: Join a local family in their home to discuss daily traditions and conclude your tour with a signature cup of rich Hanoi Egg Coffee.

Overnight: Hanoi | **Meals:** Breakfast



HANOI • HOI AN

DAY 03 | HALONG BAY NATURAL WONDERS

UNESCO World Heritage: Journey to the Gulf of Tonkin to explore Halong Bay's 1,600 untouched limestone islands and emerald waters.

Traditional Junk Cruise: Board a classic vessel for a 4-hour navigation past towering karsts, including a guided exploration of a hidden natural cave.

Al Fresco Dining: Savor a fresh seafood lunch served on board while surrounded by the bay's dramatic panoramic scenery.

Overnight: Hanoi | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 04 | DANANG & HOI AN TRADITIONS

Art of the Cham: Fly to Danang to tour the Cham Museum, home to the world's largest collection of ancient Cham cultural relics.

Merchant Heritage: Walk the UNESCO-protected streets of Hoi An to visit traditional merchant homes, the Japanese Covered Bridge, and the Phuc Kien Assembly Hall.

Creative Workshop: Join local artists for a private lantern-making class to learn the techniques of this centuries-old regional craft.

Overnight: Hoi An | **Meals:** Breakfast



HO CHI MINH CITY

DAY 05 | SCENIC PASSES & IMPERIAL HUE

The Hai Van Pass: Depart for Hue via one of the world's most famous coastal drives, winding between mountain peaks and ocean vistas.

The Perfume River: Take a private boat ride to the riverside Thien Mu Pagoda before exploring the courtyards and temples of the massive Imperial Citadel.

Poetic Architecture: Visit Emperor Tu Duc's Mausoleum (noting ongoing renovations in select sections) to view the stele pavilion and peaceful pine-forest grounds.

Overnight: Hue | **Meals:** Breakfast



DAY 06 | SAIGON'S COLONIAL HERITAGE

The Southern Capital: Fly to Ho Chi Minh City and begin your tour at the Reunification Palace, a site of deep historical significance from the end of the Vietnam War.

Landmark Walk: Admire the French colonial facades of the Opera House, Hotel de Ville, and the Notre Dame Cathedral (outside visit only due to ongoing restoration).

Architectural Gems: Visit the Gustave Eiffel-designed Central Post Office and the art-deco Catinat Building, now a chic cultural and shopping hub.

Overnight: Ho Chi Minh City | **Meals:** Breakfast

HO CHI MINH CITY

DAY 07 | THE MEKONG DELTA

The Four Sacred Islands: Journey to My Tho and board a private boat to explore the lush landscapes of Long, Lan, Qui, and Phung Islands.

Delta Ingenuity: Navigate the palm-lined Xep Canal to visit a local home crafted from coconut wood and observe traditional fruit harvesting.

Southern Serenade: Experience a live performance of Đờn Ca Tài Tử (traditional folk music), an intangible cultural heritage of the Mekong region.

Overnight: Ho Chi Minh City | **Meals:** Breakfast



DAY 08 | DEPARTURE

Leisure Morning: Enjoy a final stroll through the boutiques of Ho Chi Minh City before your scheduled departure.

Private Farewell: Your driver will meet you at your hotel for a comfortable transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

Overnight: N/A | **Meals:** Breakfast



Vietnam Grand Discovery

Experience the essential highlights of Vietnam with a 7-night journey for 2 through the country's most iconic landscapes and historic cities. This immersive tour spans from the northern capital of Hanoi and the emerald waters of Halong Bay to the imperial heritage of Central Vietnam and the bustling energy of Saigon. Your journey includes private airport transfers, 2 domestic flights, and daily guided excursions designed to offer a deep connection to the local culture, including a private Mekong Delta cruise and a traditional lantern-making workshop.

