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# *Hanoi – Halong – Da Nang – Ho Chi Minh*

**9 Days / 8 Nights** 2N Hanoi · 1N Halong Bay · 3N Da Nang · 2N Ho Chi Minh

| PACKAGE CODE | DURATION | VALID | STARTING FROM |
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| **TR-W26-VN-07** | **9 Days / 8 Nights** | **1 Oct – 31 Dec 2026** | **USD 607 pp** |

## *Tour highlights*

- Hanoi's Ho Chi Minh Complex, One Pillar Pagoda and Old Quarter
- Hoa Lu, the ancient capital, and the Trang An boat ride in Ninh Binh
- A night on a Ha Long Bay cruise, with tai chi on deck at dawn
- Ha Long Bay's limestone islands, Surprising Cave and kayaking
- Hoi An Old Town and a basket-boat ride through the coconut palms

## *Day-wise itinerary*

DAY 01

### Arrive Hanoi – City Tour

**Private tour**

Welcome to Vietnam. Our guide meets you at Noi Bai Airport and takes you to your hotel (check-in from about 2 pm). In the afternoon, a guided visit to the Ho Chi Minh Complex: the Mausoleum (seen from outside, as it is closed on Mondays, Fridays and every afternoon), the Presidential Palace, Ho Chi Minh's stilt house and the One Pillar Pagoda. Then a walk through the Old Quarter's busy lanes, old shops and colonial buildings, before you are dropped back at the hotel.

**Overnight:** *Hanoi*



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DAY 02

## Hanoi – Ninh Binh (Hoa Lu, Cycling, Trang An) – Hanoi

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch · Group (SIC) tour**

Pick-up about 7:00, back about 18:30. A guide takes you about 120 km south to Ninh Binh. First stop is Hoa Lu, Vietnam's ancient capital, and the 17th-century temples of King Dinh and King Le. Then a 45-minute cycle through the village and a buffet lunch at a local restaurant. In the afternoon, a boat ride through Trang An, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2014, gliding through limestone caves such as Sang, Toi and Nau Ruou on a quiet green river; parts of Kong: Skull Island were filmed here. Back to your Hanoi hotel in the evening.

**Overnight:** *Hanoi*



DAY 03

## Hanoi – Ha Long Bay (Overnight Cruise)

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

After breakfast and check-out, the cruise's shuttle bus takes you to Ha Long Bay. Board the boat and set off over a lunch of local dishes, out among some 2,000 limestone islands and islets: a UNESCO World Heritage Site whose name means 'descending dragon'. In the afternoon, a guided walk through a cave of stalactites and stalagmites, then time on a small island to swim or climb to a viewpoint over the bay. Back on board, watch the sunset, join a Vietnamese cooking class and have dinner on deck; squid fishing is optional later. An English-speaking guide stays on board. Note: the exact route depends on the cruise you choose.

**Overnight:** *Cruise, Ha Long Bay*



DAY 04

## Ha Long Bay – Hanoi – Evening Flight to Da Nang

**Meals: Breakfast, Brunch**

Start with tai chi on the sundeck at dawn, with tea and coffee as the boat moves on through the islets. Later, kayak or take a bamboo boat into a hidden lagoon if you like. Check out of your cabin around 9:00 and have brunch as the boat heads back to shore, then disembark around 11:00 and take the shuttle bus back to Hanoi. A driver (no guide) then takes you to the airport for your flight to Da Nang (air fare not included). Our guide meets you at Da Nang airport and takes you to your hotel.

**Overnight:** *Da Nang*



DAY 05

## Da Nang – Basket Boats, Hoi An & Lantern Boat Ride

**Meals: Breakfast, Dinner · Group (SIC) tour**

Morning free. Pick-up about 12:00, back about 19:30. Start at Cam Thanh coconut village, where locals show you how to row a round bamboo basket boat and fish the traditional way among the palms. Then Hoi An Old Town: the Phuc Kien Assembly Hall with its dragons and ornate roofs, a 200-year-old merchant's house (Phung Hung or Tan Ky), a traditional arts show and the 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge, with time for the craft shops and quiet lanes. Dinner of a local speciality, then at 18:00 a boat on the Hoai River to float a paper lantern, and the lantern-lit night market before you head back.

**Overnight:** *Da Nang*



DAY 06

## Da Nang – Ba Na Hills & the Golden Bridge

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch · Group (SIC) tour**

Pick-up about 7:30, back about 17:30. Drive to Ba Na Hills and ride one of the world's longest non-stop cable cars (about 11.6 km) up the mountain. At the top: Le Jardin d'Amour gardens, the Golden Bridge held up by giant stone hands, and Linh Ung Pagoda. After lunch at a local restaurant, the French Village and Fantasy Park's rides and games, then the cable car down. Note: the alpine coaster (about USD 3), wax museum (USD 5), Debay wine cellar (USD 5) and coin games at Fantasy Park are not in the ticket.

**Overnight:** *Da Nang*



DAY 07

## Da Nang – Morning Flight to Ho Chi Minh City – City Tour

**Private tour**

After breakfast and check-out, the morning is free until a driver (no guide) takes you to the airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City (air fare not included). You are met on arrival and taken to your hotel. In the afternoon, a guided tour of the city: Independence (Reunification) Palace, built on the site of the old Norodom Palace; the French colonial Notre-Dame Cathedral (seen from outside while it is restored) and Central Post Office; and the War Remnants Museum, on the Indochina wars. End at Ben Thanh Market for crafts, souvenirs and street food.

**Overnight:** *Ho Chi Minh*



DAY 08

## Ho Chi Minh City – Mekong Delta (My Tho & Ben Tre)

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch · Group (SIC) tour**

Pick-up about 7:30, back about 17:30. Drive to My Tho on the Mekong and visit Vinh Trang Pagoda, from the late 19th century. A boat takes you past the Dragon, Unicorn, Phoenix and Tortoise islands; on Unicorn Island, walk the lanes through fruit orchards, taste tropical fruit and hear traditional folk songs. Then a hand-rowed sampan through the palm-lined Thoi Son canal, a honey farm with honey tea, and a coconut-candy workshop. After lunch at a local restaurant, cycle through Tan Thach village or rest in a hammock. Back to Ho Chi Minh City in the late afternoon.

**Overnight:** *Ho Chi Minh*



DAY 09

## Ho Chi Minh City – Cu Chi Tunnels – Evening Departure

**Meals: Breakfast · Group (SIC) tour**

After breakfast and check-out. Pick-up about 7:30, back about 14:30. About 1.5 hours by road to the Cu Chi Tunnels. A short film explains how they were dug and how people lived underground; then you explore the tunnels themselves, with their kitchens, sleeping quarters, workshops, field hospitals and hidden trapdoors. Tea and cassava, the guerrillas' staple, to finish. A shooting range is there if you want it, at your own cost. Then a driver (no guide) takes you to the airport for your flight home.



## *Hotels by category*

| City | 3-Star | 4-Star | 5-Star |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Hanoi** *2 nights* | First Eden Hotel / ROH — Superior & Deluxe or similar | Thang Long Opera Hotel — Superior or similar | Grand Vista Hotel — Deluxe or similar |
| **Halong Bay** *1 night* | Le Journey Premium Cruise — Deluxe Cabin or similar | Hera Classic Boutique Cruise — Deluxe Cabin or similar | La Regina Royal Cruise — Noble Suite or similar |
| **Da Nang** *3 nights* | Fivitel King Hotel — Superior (inside view) or similar | Santa Luxury Hotel — City View or similar | Rosamia Danang Hotel — Deluxe City View or similar |
| **Ho Chi Minh** *2 nights* | Prague Hotel — Superior with window (double bed only) or similar | Sky Gem Hotel Sora — Superior (internal view) or similar | Hotel Equatorial Ho Chi Minh — Deluxe or similar |

*Hotels are listed in order of preference, or similar, subject to availability. Ha Long Bay nights are on board the cruise (shared boat).*

## *Inclusions & exclusions*

**Included**

- ✓ Hotel stay on twin / double sharing in your chosen category (check-in ~14:00, check-out ~12:00)
- ✓ One night on board a shared Ha Long Bay cruise where mentioned, with meals on board
- ✓ Meals as mentioned in the itinerary (B = breakfast, Br = brunch, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- ✓ Sightseeing and tours as per the itinerary — private or group (SIC) as marked
- ✓ Private airport transfers in A/C vehicles; shared coach for group (SIC) tours
- ✓ English-speaking guides as per the itinerary
- ✓ Boat trips and entrance fees for the sightseeing mentioned
- ✓ Two bottles of water per person per full tour day, one per half day or transfer

**Not included**

- ✗ International and domestic air tickets and airport taxes
- ✗ Vietnam e-visa (single entry) / Cambodia visa
- ✗ Meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- ✗ Early check-in, late check-out and room upgrades
- ✗ Compulsory tips on private tours: USD 3 per person per full day, USD 1.5 per half day or transfer
- ✗ Tips on group (SIC) tours, personal expenses — laundry, drinks, phone calls
- ✗ Travel insurance
- ✗ GST 5% and TCS as per Government of India rules
- ✗ Anything not listed under inclusions

## *Package cost*

Price per adult on twin sharing, by group size (number of adults travelling together):

| Category | Solo traveller | 2–3 adults | 4–5 adults | 6 adults | 8 adults | Single supplement |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **3-Star** | USD 916 | USD 607 | USD 586 | USD 570 | USD 562 | USD 236 |
| **4-Star** | USD 1,035 | USD 666 | USD 645 | USD 629 | USD 621 | USD 301 |
| **5-Star** | USD 1,352 | USD 823 | USD 802 | USD 786 | USD 778 | USD 461 |

*Rates in US Dollars per person on twin sharing, by number of adults travelling together. Single supplement is for one guest in a room on his own. GST 5% and TCS extra as per Government of India rules. Payable in INR at the prevailing exchange rate.*

## *Good to know*

- Rates are per person in US dollars and don't apply on black-out dates (Christmas, New Year and local holidays). Ask us for prices on those dates.
- Prices depend on the number of adults travelling together; the solo price already includes the single supplement.
- Flights between cities are not included. We quote them separately at the best fare we can find.
- Group (SIC) tours are shared with other travellers, with a different guide in each city.
- Some hotels ask for a refundable security deposit at check-in.
- Indian passport holders need a Vietnam e-visa, and a Cambodia visa for Siem Reap or Phnom Penh. Your passport must be valid for six months beyond your return date.
- If a hotel is full, we offer a similar one in the same category.

## *Payment terms*

| When | Amount payable |
|---|---|
| **At the time of booking** | 50% of the package cost, to confirm the booking |
| **At least 30 days before travel** | Balance 50% of the package cost |

- Flights and trains are paid in full at the time of ticketing.
- Payments by bank transfer (NEFT / RTGS / IMPS), UPI or cheque in favour of TripRoutes. Card payments may carry a convenience fee.
- GST 5% is charged on the package cost as per government rules.

## *Cancellation policy*

Cancellation charges per person, counted from the date of departure:

| Days before departure | Cancellation charge |
|---|---|
| **45 days or more** | 10% of the package cost |
| **44 – 30 days** | 25% of the package cost |
| **29 – 15 days** | 50% of the package cost |
| **14 – 7 days** | 75% of the package cost |
| **Less than 7 days / no-show** | 100% of the package cost |

## *Important terms*

- Cancellations must be sent in writing by email or WhatsApp; the date we receive it is the cancellation date.
- Air and train tickets are refunded as per the airline / railway rules, plus our service charge.
- Insurance premiums and non-refundable hotel bookings (festival dates, special events) are not refundable.
- Refunds are processed within 15 working days of receiving supplier refunds.
- There is no refund for services not used during the holiday.
- Hotels may ask for a refundable security deposit at check-in, paid directly to the hotel.
- Prices are subject to availability at the time of booking.
- TripRoutes is not liable for changes caused by weather, strikes, roadblocks, flight delays or government orders; extra costs arising are payable by the guest.

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