

VIETNAM EXPLORER

HEY TRUTRAVELLER! PARADISE IS AWAITING YOU...

We thought we would give you some finer details to get you even more excited for your upcoming trip. In this itinerary, you have an outline of the day-to-day activities you get to experience, as well as the accommodation type and what's included from us. We have planned almost everything but we have left you some free time to go off and explore yourself...or just relax if that's more your style. There are many recommendations in this itinerary so you don't leave feeling like you have missed anything!

FLIGHT INFORMATION



**TÂN SON NHẬT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
(SGN)**



**NỘI BÀI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN
HANOI (HAN)**

TRIP OVERVIEW

- DAY 1 HO CHI MINH** meeting the group
- DAY 2 HO CHI MINH** exploring the Cu Chi Tunnels
- DAY 3 HO CHI MINH** walking tour around the city
- DAY 4 HOI AN** lantern making and tailors
- DAY 5 HOI AN** exploring Hoi An
- DAY 6 HOI AN** basket boats and bike rides
- DAY 7 HUE** Hai Van Pass in open top jeeps
- DAY 8 HUE** cooking class
- DAY 9 HANOI** Ninh Binh
- DAY 10 HALONG BAY** exploring paradise



- DAY 11 HANOI** Halong Bay heaven
- DAY 12 HANOI** discover Hanoi
- DAY 13 HANOI** Home time :(



TRAVEL ITINERARY AND EXTRA INFORMATION -13 DAY TOUR-



DAY 1 - HO CHI MINH

WELCOME TO VIETNAM!!!

ALL DAY: First of all congratulations, you made it! Spend the day exploring the city and get to know your TruFam and your new friends for the next 13 days!

EVENING: Your Travel Ninja will arrange a time and place for everyone to meet up for the first welcome meeting and night out together. Keep a look out in the group chat for details.



AIRPORT PICKUP

TIP

make sure you get your head around the currency by using apps such as "Units Plus"



TWIN SHARE HOTEL

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

if you arrive early you can explore Ho Chi Minh very easily. Our hotel is the perfect location for walking to local cafes, restaurants and markets (we recommend Ben Thanh Market for great souvenirs.)

If you would like a view over the city the Bitexo Sky Deck is perfect!



DAY 2 HO CHI MINH

RISE AND SHINE ON YOUR FIRST FULL DAY WITH TRUTRAVELS...

MORNING: Today you will head to the Cu Chi Tunnels! These tunnels are a 250-mile network of underground trenches dug by the Vietnamese people and Viet Cong guerillas to protect themselves from the American forces. It's a fascinating experience and very eye-opening.

AFTERNOON: In the afternoon we will travel back to the city and explore some more! Then we will head for a group dinner and maybe a few bars too!

THINGS TO REMEMBER!

The Cu Chi Tunnels is very rural and therefore it's best to bring some insect repellent!

Also make sure you wear sensible shoes so you are comfortable walking around.

DON'T FORGET TO DRESS APPROPRIATELY AND BRING WATER AND SUNCREAM.



TWIN SHARE HOTEL

BREAKFAST



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📍 DAY 3 - HO CHI MINH

MORNING: After a chilled breakfast we will drive do a walking tour of the city. We will visit the War Remanants Museum where you will learn more about the war.

REST OF THE DAY: We will continue our tour of the city, visit some markets and try some local food, maybe even the notorious Durian if you are feeling brave! The rest of the afternoon is yours to play with. Then in the evening we will head to the airport to head to our next stop Hoi An.



BREAKFAST



**WALKING TOUR
AND MUSEUMS**

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

There is so much great food to try in Vietnam - don't miss out on Pho, Bahn Mi and Bun Cha



TWIN SHARE HOTEL



FLIGHT TO HOI AN



DAY 4 - HOI AN

WELCOME TO OUR SECOND STOP!

MORNING: Today we will wakeup in Hoi An and start exploring the lantern filled city! We will start the day with a lantern making class were your creativity will come alive! Famous for it's tailoring, Hoi An is a great place to get something bespoke made too and we will visit a tailors for some inspiration.

REST OF THE DAY: In the afternoon we can get a massage, go on a boat down the river or even light a lantern when the sunsets. It's all up to you!



BREAKFAST



LANTERN MAKING CLASS, TAILORS



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DAY 5 -

HOI AN

GOOD MORNING, RISE AND SHINE.

MORNING: Today is your day to take control and do what you would like to do! You can snooze in the morning or get up early and explore some more! There are free bikes at the hotel to use. You can also head to the Insta famous Golden Hand Bridge, ask your guide for an idea on how much it will cost!

EVENING: In the evening, we will meet back up for dinner on a local beach!



TWIN SHARE 3* HOTEL



BREAKFAST



DAY 6 -

HOI AN

MORNING: Today is a jam packed final day in Hoi An! We will start with a bike ride through the countryside.

REST OF THE DAY: We will arrive at Coconut Woods and have fun in the basket boats. These are incredible and so much fun, it's not a relaxing ride but it'll certainly be a core memory!

In the evening we will spend our final night in Hoi An with a great night out!

THINGS TO REMEMBER

If you have one it might be worth bringing a small waterproof for the basket boats! It's a wet one!



TWIN SHARE HOTEL



BREAKFAST



BASKET BOATS AND BIKE RIDE



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DAY 7 - HUE

MORNING: Today is going to be epic, we will be travelling to the next location in open top jeeps. We will be passing some stunning sights and we might even stop for a swim on the way!

AFTERNOON: We will arrive late afternoon and after a few hours of chilling we will go out and explore Hue's nightlife. Get ready to try some rice wine!



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BREAKFAST



DAY 8 - HUE

DURING THE DAY: Today is full of food! What could be better! It'll be a slow start to the day and then we will head along the perfume river to our cooking class! We will learn how to make some traditional foods and get to eat it all too.

EVENING: Then in the evening we will get the overnight train to our next destination



BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

If you love history, after the cooking class make sure to head to the Imperial City. You'll be able to see the ancient ruins of one of the last kings of Vietnam.



DAY 9 - NINH BINH

BRING YOUR CAMERA..

MORNING: Ninh Binh is regarded as the Halong Bay on land and it's stunning! This morning we will jump on some boats and paddle around this paradise. Then we will go to the Tam Coc valley!

AFTERNOON: We will then head to the epic Hang Mua Viewpoint where we will climb 500 steps to an epic view point! Then we will head back for dinner and experience an epic sunset – fingers crossed!



BREAKFAST

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Grab some bikes from the homestay and explore the local area.

Head to the Bana tree hostel to meet other backpackers and try some local food looking over the river!





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DAY 10 - HALONG BAY

MORNING: Today we are off to the iconic Halong Bay! We will leave early in the morning to get to the boat and make the most of the day. From kayaking to just chilling on the top of the deck - it's up to you to decide how you want to enjoy Halong Bay.

AFTERNOON: After a day surrounded by natural beauty we will spend the night under the stars and enjoy a few beers of course!



LIVE ONBOARD BOAT!



BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER

DAY 11 - HALONG BAY/ HANOI

DURING THE DAY: Wake up and take in your surroundings, we will have a breakfast surrounded by the natural beauty of Halong Bay. We will then have some final swims and kayaking fun before heading back to dryland.

AFTERNOON: Then, once we get back to Hanoi, we will have the afternoon to explore before meeting up for a group dinner and some drinks.



BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER

DAY 12 - HANOI

FINAL FULL DAY OF TOUR!

DURING THE DAY: Today we will start by making and tasting some famous egg coffee!

AFTERNOON: The afternoon is yours to spend how you would like. We have a few suggestions! There's so much to do in the city of Hanoi. Then in the evening we will meet for our final group dinner and a final epic night out! How has the tour gone so fast!!

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Go for a drink or some food at the Insta famous Note Cafe

Head to the epic train street - ask your tour guide for the best way to visit it.

Hanoi prison is great to learn some more about the war.

Central Vietnam Backpackers Hostel is a great place to meet other travellers and do a pub crawl.



BREAKFAST

DAY 13 - HANOI

DURING THE DAY: It's a day for sore heads and emotional goodbyes as we're at the end of the tour. You're now a lifelong member of the TruFam and by now, you'll know how big a deal that is. If you are off on some more adventures have a great time and a safe trip! See you soon!



BREAKFAST