











VIBRANT VIETNAM

05 Nights 06 Days

DAY 01: ARRIVES HANOI

Upon arrival at Hanoi, meet and greet by our representative. Transfer to hotel for check-in. Afternoon, proceed for sightseeing tour of Hanoi. Visit:

- The Temple of Literature Founded in the year 1070 by Emperor Le Thanh Tong, Temple of Literature was built as a university devoted to Confucius- a chinese philosopher. Later in 1076, it transformed into a prestigious academic school. Being the first national University of Vietnam, today the Temple of Literature honors the finest scholars of Vietnam.
- The Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum one of the imposing places to go in Hanoi. This monumental marble edifice takes you through the life history of the founding father of Vietnam. Ho Chi Minh fondly nicknamed as Uncle Ho, desired a simple cremation but contrary to his wishes, the Vietnamese people constructed this mausoleum out of admiration for him.
- One Pillar Pagoda Legend has it that the One Pillar Pagoda in Hanoi was built after a fatherless emperor dreamed of an enlightened Avalokiteshvara giving him a baby son, resting on a lotus. Thus, Emperor Ly Thai commissioned the One Pillar Pagoda to be created in resemblance of this lotus flower that also is considered as the enlightenment symbol in Buddhism.
- Hoan Kiem Lake. Smaller than the West Lake but right in the cultural and historic heart of Hanoi, lies the Hoan Kiem Lake. This lake is one of the relaxing Hanoi tourist places, and is popular for its glassy waters setting off the beautiful city lights. It is not just the oldest place of Hanoi city but has a legendary historical context. This lake was also known as Luc Thuy which translates to Green water
- Dong Xuan Market Located in the Old Quarter the Dong Xuan Market is a non-touristy market residing in a cavernous building, full of small aisles. You will spot hundreds of stalls here that sell loads of household items and goods. The area around the market is also bustling with stalls and shops that mostly appear at night. Here, you can to enjoy the flavor of a local Hanoian's life.

Later transfer back to hotel for overnight stay

DAY 02: HANOI - HALONG BAY

After breakfast, checkout and will be taken to Ha Long Bay, one of New Seven Natural Wonders. Upon arrival at the harbor, you will board a traditional boat – set sail through the limestone islands – have a nice seafood lunch – take a sampan ride to visit a traditional fishing village – return to the boat and attend a short cooking class – time to rest on the upper deck at sunset – enjoy a delicious dinner. The rest of the day is your leisure. Options to play cards, try your luck at fishing, watch movies or simply enjoy some drinks and chat with your friends at the bar on board.

DAY 03: HALONG BAY - HANOI

HANOI - HO CHI MIN CITY BY VIET JET 1320 / 1530 HRS

Up early – top deck – Tai Chi - light breakfast – disembark for an easy exploration of the cave close by – return to your boat - check out your cabins - enjoy a nice brunch while sailing back to land. The vehicle is waiting for your transfer to Hanoi airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh. On arrival, at Ho Chi Min City, meet and greet by our representative. Transfer to hotel for checkin. Overnight stay

DAY 04: HO CHI MIN CITY

After breakfast, proceed to visit Cu Chi Tunnels - the historically important Cu Chi Tunnels to learn about this incredible underground system of tunnels and even experience what it was like. Walk along with them and

see what daily life was like during the Viet Nam War. Taste tapioca with hot pandanus tea Vietnam soldiers ate during the war time. Visit <u>The War Remnant Museum</u>, <u>Reunification Hall</u>, <u>Notre Dame Cathedral</u> and the <u>Central post office</u>. Afterward, return to the hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure. Overnight stay

DAY 05: HO CHI MIN CITY

After early breakfast, proceed to see the beauty of Southern Vietnam on a **full-day excursion to Mekong Delta**. Enjoy an unforgettable 2-hour drive to the Mekong Delta along the provincial roads down in the Southern region of Vietnam. Pass rice paddies, pineapple plantations, orchards, and small hamlets. Upon arrival you will take a boat trip on Tien River, get over Tien River to the other side (Ben Tre land). Sight-seeing fish farms, and a floating fish market along the Dragon Island on the way. Through Xep canal in Ben Tre (land of coconuts) to see coconut collection set and how the locals make handicrafts from coconut trunk and shell. Enjoy seasonal fruits and listen to traditional music. Take the Moto Car (Xe Loi) on the village path and stop at Mr Nam Ngo orchard, taste honey with tea or wine. See bees breeding in wooden boxes under longan trees. Take a rowing boat along water palm creek. Boat to see local people make coconut candy, taste candy (Special products of Ben Tre province). Afterwards transfer back to Ho Chi Minh City

DAY 06: DEPARTS HO CHI MIN CITY

Breakfast at the hotel. Timely checkout and transfer to Saigon airport to catch your flight to home country.

** Tour Ends but Memory Remains**





