







Traditional Junk, Halong Bay

13 Day

Best of Vietnam

Day 1: Tuesday, 18 August 2020 Depart Home

Today we transfer via coach from the South Burnett area to Brisbane airport for your flight to Hanoi.

Day 2: Wednesday, 19 August 2020 Arrival Hanoi (D)

Xin Chao and welcome to Hanoi! You will be met and transferred from the airport to your hotel. This evening, meet your Tour Director for a welcome briefing.

Two Night Stay: Silk Path Hotel.

Day 3: Thursday, 20 August 2020 Hanoi (FB.L)

Today, you will enjoy a full-day city tour of Hanoi. The tour includes the main sights of the city including an outside view of the Ho Chi Minh mausoleum, the historic father of modern Vietnam. Continue to One Pillar Pagoda and the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first university. You're Invited: Enjoy lunch at KOTO Restaurant, a unique

restaurant that trains disadvantaged street children. After lunch, visit Hanoi's Old Quarter also known as the '36 streets'. Take a walking tour through charming Hang Be Market and around Hoan Kiem Lake, including a stop at Ngoc Son temple. This evening, enjoy a traditional Water Puppet performance.

Day 4: Friday, 21 August 2020

Hanoi – Halong Bay (FB,L,D)

Travel to Halong Bay and board your luxurious traditional style junk. Cruise through the bays and islets enjoying the stunning scenery of this magnificent region. **Discover More:** Scenic flight over Halong Bay (must be prebooked, additional expense).

Two Night Stay: Bhaya Classic Junk.

Day 5: Saturday, 22 August 2020 Halong Bay (FB,L,D)

Join a day trip boat tour with a private crew and cruise to the bay's most untouched

areas. Enjoy swimming on quiet beaches, visiting water tunnels and fishing villages or kayaking. After a full day of exploration, return to your traditional junk boat.

Day 6: Sunday, 23 August 2020

Halong Bay – Hanoi – Hoi An (FB,L) Enjoy breakfast in the middle of the bay while cruising through the magnificent rock formations back towards port. Bid farewell to the traditional style junk boat on Halong

to the traditional style junk boat on Halong Bay and transfer to Hanoi airport, with a stop en-route for a light lunch at a local restaurant. At the airport in Hanoi, board your flight to Danang (Hoi An). Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel in the historic port town of Hoi An and relax for the rest of the evening. **Three**

Night Stay: Hoi An Historic Hotel.

Day 7: Monday, 24 August 2020 Hoi An (FB,D)

You're Invited: Visit Reaching Out, an organisation that assists people with disabilities to learn skills and gain meaningful employment.

In the afternoon, enjoy a half day tour of Hoi An and see old merchant's houses, the Japanese Covered Bridge and the Assembly Hall of the Chinese Congregation.

Day 8: Tuesday, 25 August 2020 Hoi An (FB)

Enjoy a day at leisure to explore Hoi An and its surroundings. **Discover More:** Vietnamese cooking class or visit to My Son Sanctuary (additional expense).

Day 9: Wednesday, 26 August 2020 Hoi An – Hue (FB,D)

Leave Hoi An for Hue, the former imperial



Meridian Gate to the Imperial City, Hue





capital of Vietnam. You will drive through Danang before crossing the Pass of Ocean Clouds and dropping down to the wonderfully photogenic fishing village of Lang Co. In Hue, you will visit the Imperial Citadel where the Nguyen Dynasty ruled between 1802 and 1945. You're Invited: Take a cyclo (bicycle style rickshaw) from Dai Noi "Old City" to Tinh Tam Lake and join a boat trip to Thien Mu Pagoda. This evening, experience a traditional costume play Royal Dinner. Overnight Stay: Indochine Palace Hotel.

Day 10: Thursday, 27 August 2020 Hue - Ho Chi Minh City (FB.D)

Transfer to Hue airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City, formerly known as Saigon. Enjoy an orientation tour, starting with a visit to the city's most iconic building; Reunification Palace. Stroll through the colonial quarter, walking past scenes of everyday life on the way. Admire the beautiful architecture of the Opera House, City Hall and the old Saigon Post Office.

Two Night Stay: Grand Hotel.

Day 11: Friday, 28 August 2020 Ho Chi Minh City (FB)

Depart Ho Chi Minh City, and watch the city skyline fade into the distance as the road winds through rice paddies, villages and other scenes typical to southern Vietnam. Spend a couple of hours walking around Cu Chi's rugged grounds with a local guide. Hear how the residents constructed an intricate, underground network of tunnels during the French and American Wars. Hear incredible tales about the unusual

foods the residents ate to survive. Once above ground, see other ingenious items used by the residents to defend themselves such as bamboo traps and camouflaged pits. Your afternoon is at leisure. Discover More: Evening Street Food Tour of Saigon (additional expense).

Day 12: Saturday, 29 August 2020

Ho Chi Minh City Farewell (FB)

Today, transfer to the airport for your onward or homebound flight.

Day 13: Sunday, 30 August 2020 Arrive Home

Upon arrival into Brisbane Airport, you will be transferred by coach back to the South Burnett area.



Traditional cyclos, Hanoi

INCLUDED IN YOUR PRICE

- · All tipping and gratuities included
- Return airport transfers
- · Port taxes and charges
- · All on-tour flights
- · Deluxe hotels with all service charges, taxes and porterage included
- 2 nights onboard of the Bhaya Classic Junk (or similar) in Halong Bay
- 2 internal flights: Hanoi Danang & Hue – Ho Chi Minh City
- · Full day city tour of Hanoi
- Water Puppet Performance
- Halong Bay Cruise with various tours
- · Guided Tour of Hoi An
- Private boat tour to local beaches and activities on Halong Bay
- Hue included visit of the Imperial Citadel
- Orientation Tour of Ho Chi Minh City
- · Cu Chi Tunnel tour

DINING HIGHLIGHTS

• 20 superb meals including: 10 Full Breakfasts (FB), 4 Lunches (L) & 6 Dinners (D)

YOU'RE INVITED

- · Lunch at KOTO Restaurant
- · Visit Reaching Out
- Cyclo ride through the Dai Noi
- Boat Tour to Thien Mu Pagoda (Hue)
- · Royal Dinner experience in Hue



Discover More

Extra expense. Please see pages 42-43 of the full brochure



You're Invited Please see pages 12-13 of the full brochure



Special Group Offer

Partner Flights Included*

Available until 30 November 2019 or until sold out

PLUS includes return airport transfers from the South Burnett area^ Exclusively when you book with Pursers Travel & Cruise

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9-11 months in advance \$250pp

Cruise Tour Price

Per Person Twin Share

Departing Brisbane from

\$4,599 pp

Payments

Deposit (required within 2 days of booking)

\$2,000 pp

Final Payment No later than 90 days prior to departure

Other Touring Information

All prices are per person (pp), twin share in AUD and includes Airfares. Tour and Cruise price based on Category DC Deluxe Cabin on the Halong Bay Cruise. Please enquire for all single pricing. All cabins are subject to availability. Tourcode: EVHH190820.1

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