

VIETNAM ESCAPADE

7 Days / 6 Nights

Come to a country that balances changes with tradition

Valid Till : 31 Mar 2018



HANOI- HALONG – HCMC – CUCHI

Tour

Reference Code: IT07VES

DAY 01: SINGAPORE – HANOI (D)

Upon arrival at Noi Bai International airport, you will be greeted by our representative and be transferred to hotel for check in. Free at leisure till welcome dinner at local restaurant.

DAY 02: HANOI – HALONG (B/L/D)

After an early breakfast, transfer to **Halong Bay**, one of Vietnam's impressive tourist hotspot that comprises of about 3000 limestone islands rising from the clear and emerald water. The sails of junks and sampans gliding along the bay forms magnificent picturesque scenery that blends in with the sky. You will get to visit some of the hidden grottoes beneath towering cliffs. Dinner and overnight in Halong City.

DAY 03: HALONG – HANOI (B/L/D)

In the morning, return to Hanoi for city tour which includes historic **Ba Dinh Square**, where President Ho Chi Minh declared the country's independence in 1945; Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum built in 1975 to commemorate the great leader's life as a reformer and 'Father of Vietnam'; Ho Chi Minh's former residence and the Presidential Palace. You will visit the unique One Pillar Pagoda, the symbol of Vietnam, built in 1049.

After lunch, visit the temple of literature, built in 1070 dedicated to the great Chinese scholar Confucius and the legendary and beautiful **Hoan Kiem Lake**. Then, take a one hour rickshaw tour to explore Hanoi's bustling Old Quarter and enjoy the traditional **Water puppet show** found only in Vietnam. Dinner and overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 04: HANOI – HO CHI MINH (B/L/D)

Enjoy the morning calm of Hanoi city before transferring by flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Meet on arrival at Tan Son Nhat International airport.

In the afternoon, tour starts with visits to: the **Reunification Palace** – formerly the Presidential Palace – the home to the last 3 President of South Vietnam; **War Museum** – which exhibits photographs and weapons of the Vietnam War; Gothic-style **Notre Dame Cathedral** – the city's main Catholic cathedral built by the French in the 1880s. Dinner will be at a local restaurant.

DAY 05: HO CHI MINH – CUCHI (B/L/D)

After an early breakfast depart to **Cu Chi Tunnels** – the underground tunnel built and used by the Viet Cong during the French-Indochina War and the Vietnam War. It took 25 years to construct this tunnel and it stands today as a symbol of struggle of the Vietnamese people in one of the most famous battle grounds of Vietnam War.

After lunch visit the **Thien Hau Temple**, sitting at the heart of China Town, it was built during the 18th century by the Chinese immigrants; the **Giac Lam Pagoda** (oldest pagoda) located in the city with its rich historical and culture heritage. Later part of the day will be shopping at the **Ben Thanh Market**, one of Saigon most famous landmark. This market place has an amazing array of local and imported goods and food products at bargain prices. You will also visit a lacquer ware production centre.

Dinner will be served on board a boat while cruising along the Saigon River.

DAY 06: HO CHI MINH CITY – MY THO (B/L/D)

After breakfast, take a full day trip to My Tho, which famous tourist spot in Mekong Delta. My Tho is a prosperous town of 175,000 inhabitants in the Mekong Delta. It is famous for its extensive orchards and immense rice fields.

Upon arrival, get onto a boat cruise on Tien River – a tributary of Mekong River. You will reach Thoi Son Island. Here, you can have chance to visit coconut candy workshop & to taste fresh – candy specialty. Next enjoy horse drawn carriage strolling along the island's path. Then visit an Orchard to enjoy tropical fruits and enjoy folk music performed by peasants. Finally take a sampan cruise through small canals covered by water-coconut trees. Lunch in Mekong delta.

Back to Saigon for dinner and overnight.

DAY 07: HO CHI MINH – SINGAPORE (B)

After breakfast free at leisure till transfer to airport for return flight to Singapore.

The itinerary subject to change without prior notice to ensure the smooth running of the tour.

