



TOUR PROPOSAL

5 Days HANOI - HALONG BAY CRUISE

Tour code: CRUISE- SIC 07

Valid from: 01 – May – 2018

Until: 30 – Sep – 2018

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1: HANOI – ARRIVAL

(Nil)

Pick up at Noi Bai International airport & transfer to hotel for check-in (*after 02:00 PM*).

Overnight in Hanoi.

Day 2: HANOI – CITY TOUR

(B/L)

Breakfast at hotel.

+ 08:00 – 08:30: Free pick up at your hotel. Then visit the **Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum** (*except Monday & Friday, the whole Oct & Nov*) to explore the architectural and historical aspects of Uncle Ho's final resting-place. Just next door is Ho Chi Minh's house on stilts and lying to one side of the Mausoleum is the **One Pillar Pagoda**, which was founded by King Ly Thai To in 1049 - the structure has become an important symbol for the people of Hanoi. Then continue on to **the Buddhist Tran Quoc Pagoda** at West lake (One of the oldest pagodas in Vietnam). Then visit **Bat Trang pottery village** (*applied on Mon, Wed & Fri*). Lunch at local restaurant.

PM: After lunch proceed to visit the **Ethnology Museum** (*apply on Sun, Tue, Thu & Sat*), the **Literature Temple and Quoc Tu Giam**, see Vietnam's first university, constructed in 1070 - it's gardens and well-preserved architecture will offer a relaxing glimpse into Vietnam's past. Take you past **Hoan Kiem Lake** to see the peaceful waters, and the beauty of **Ngoc Son temple**. At the end, journey through **Hanoi's Old Quarter**, where you'll then have a chance for some shopping and exploration. Tour ends around 15h30 - 16h00.

Transfer back to hotel. Overnight in Hanoi.

Notes:

- Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum: close on Monday and Friday morning, the whole Oct & Nov.
- The itinerary can be changed due to weather and operating conditions.
- Special request (diet or vegetarian, etc.,) should be sent before your departure date.
- Bat Trang pottery village will be visited on Mon, Wed & Fri (without Ethnology museum). Ethnology Museum will be visited on Sun, Tue, Thu & Sat (without Bat Trang pottery village).

Day 3: HANOI – HA LONG BAY

(B/L/D)

Have breakfast at hotel.

08h00 Take 3-hours and half drive by shuttle bus from Ha Noi to **Ha Long bay (driver only, no guide)**.

12h 30' Receptionists welcome guests at the International Tuan Chau harbour.

12h 45' Captain welcomes guests to Syrena cruises by tender. Check in cruise, whilst enjoy a welcome drink, safety briefing and check in cabin.

13h 00' Leaving International Tuan Chau harbour, discover the Halong Bay - natural wonders of the world. Have lunch with special foods while cruising through famous sights Ba Hang fishing village, Đĩnh Hương island, Chó Đá islet, Gà Chọi islet.

14h 30' Cruises stops at Bồ Nâu cave, the core area of the world natural heritage. Transfer by tender to Surprise cave - one of the most beautiful caves in Ha Long bay.

15h 45' Leaving Surprise cave, transfer by tender to the Titov island was named by Uncle Ho, after Gherman Stepanovich Titov - the Soviet astronaut who visited in 1962 Enjoy swimming, relaxing on

the beach or climb the steps of the Rock to the top of the island. On the top of the mountain, you can see corner of magical Ha Long bay.

16h 45' Back to the cruise. Go to the overnight place.

18h 30' Enjoy Vietnamese cooking demonstration.

19h 00' Acquaint yourself with the set menu dinner.

20h 30' Evening activities include: film entertainment (in the dining room); squid fishing.

Overnight in Syrena cruise.

Day 4: HA LONG BAY – HANOI

(B/Brunch)

06h 30' Enjoy Tai Chi instructions on the sundeck in 30 minutes whilst cruising to Luồn cave.

07h 00' Enjoy light breakfast in the restaurant (coffee, tea, fresh milk, water, pastries, bread, egg, fresh fruit, cereals will be served in the dining room).

08h 00' After breakfast, take a guided tour to visit **Luồn cave** - one of the cave open to the form beautiful about endemic the vegetation of the Halong Bay. Visit Luồn cave by a traditionally woven (bamboo) boat rowed by a local boatman.

08h 30' Then come back to Syrena cruise, relax and check out of cabin. Please put your luggage outside the door. Our porters will collect and get them ready on the Pier for you. Finally, the cruise disembarks in International Tuan Chau harbour.

09h 15' Enjoy brunch buffet menu served in the dining room. Settle bills in the dining room after brunch (if you have).

10h 45' Transfer by tender back to Tuan Chau harbour and disembarkation. Farewell to guests. Back to Hanoi by shuttle bus **(driver only, no guide)**.

Arrival Hanoi, transfer to hotel. Free at leisure.

Overnight in Hanoi.

Day 5: HANOI – DEPARTURE

(B)

Have breakfast at hotel.

Check-out hotel (before 12:00 PM – noon time). Free at leisure. Transfer to Noi Bai airport for leaving flight. End of services.

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