Fansipan Summit Challenge & Sapa Trekking Adventure – 2 Days

2D / 1N	Challenging	Private	USD 339 / pax
Duration	Difficulty	Tour Type	Starting From

Embark on a challenging two-day expedition to conquer Fansipan Peak, the 'Roof of Indochina,' starting with an overnight train journey from Hanoi. This adventure takes you through the stunning landscapes of Hoang Lien Son National Park, offering breathtaking panoramic views and an immersive trekking experience.

DESTINATIONS & ROUTE

Hanoi → Lao Cai → Sapa

TOUR OVERVIEW

Overview: Conquer Fansipan, the Roof of Indochina

This demanding two-day trekking tour offers an exhilarating opportunity to reach the summit of Fansipan, Southeast Asia's highest mountain at 3,143 meters. Beginning with a comfortable overnight train from Hanoi, the journey quickly transitions into a rigorous climb through the diverse ecosystems of Hoang Lien Son National Park. Experience the thrill of high-altitude trekking, enjoy nights under the stars at a mountain campsite, and be rewarded with unparalleled views from the peak.

Tour Highlights

Overnight train journey from Hanoi to Lao Cai in a soft-berth cabin

Trekking through the Black H'mong village of Sin Chai, nestled in a valley

Challenging ascent to a mountain campsite at 2,050 meters

Summit attempt on Fansipan Peak, the highest point in Indochina

Panoramic vistas spanning towards Lai Chau, Laos, and China from the summit

Camping experience amidst the serene natural sounds of the Hoang Lien Son forest

Discovery of varied tree species within Hoang Lien National Forest during the climb

Return journey from Sapa to Hanoi by comfortable limousine bus

Route Summary: Hanoi to Fansipan and Back

Your adventure commences with an evening departure from Hanoi by overnight train, arriving in Lao Cai early the next morning. A transfer takes you to Sapa, the gateway to your trek. From Sapa, the route leads to the Black H'mong village of Sin Chai, marking the start of your climb to the forest campsite. The second day is dedicated to the challenging ascent to Fansipan Peak and the triumphant return. The tour concludes with a scenic bus transfer back to Hanoi from Sapa.

Who This Tour Suits

This tour is ideal for adventurous travelers with a good level of physical fitness and prior trekking experience. It appeals to those seeking a significant challenge, a close encounter with Vietnam's highest mountain, and an authentic outdoor experience. Participants should be prepared for strenuous climbs, basic camping conditions, and variable weather.

Practical Information for Your Trek

The trek involves long hours of walking over varied terrain, including steep sections and rocky paths. Expert local guides and porters will accompany the group, ensuring safety and assisting with camp setup. Meals are provided throughout the trekking days, prepared at the campsite or enjoyed as packed lunches during the ascent and descent. Comfortable trekking gear, appropriate footwear, and layers for changing weather conditions are essential for this high-altitude expedition.

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DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1 — Hanoi Overnight Train, Sapa Arrival & Sin Chai Trek to Campsite

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Stay: Overnight train with soft berth (Night 1); Tent (Day 1) | Transport: Private car/van transfer; Night train SP3; Transfer to Sapa

Your adventure begins in the evening with a convenient pickup from your hotel in Hanoi. You will be transferred to the Hanoi Train Station to board the SP3 night train, departing at 21:50, for an overnight journey to Lao Cai. Settle into your soft-berth cabin, designed for four people, and enjoy the rhythmic sounds of the train as you head north. Early the next morning, around 6:30, you will be met at Lao Cai train station and transferred to Sapa. Upon arrival in Sapa, a quick refresh and a hot breakfast are recommended to prepare for the day's activities.

At approximately 8:30, the trekking portion of your tour commences. You will set out for the Black H'mong village of Sin Chai, located at the base of a picturesque valley. The walk to the village takes about three hours, offering glimpses into local life and the surrounding natural beauty. A well-deserved lunch will be served amidst the tranquil forest setting. After lunch, the climb continues, progressively ascending towards your designated campsite.

By late afternoon, around 16:30, you will reach the campsite, situated at an elevation of approximately 2,050 meters. Your guide will assist with setting up the tents, ensuring your comfort after the strenuous trek. As dinner is prepared, take this opportunity to breathe in the crisp mountain air and appreciate the peaceful sounds of nature. Enjoy a hearty dinner under the stars before settling into your tent for an overnight stay.

Activities: Transfer to Hanoi train station; Overnight train journey to Lao Cai; Pickup at Lao Cai train station; Transfer to Sapa; Breakfast in Sapa; Trek to Sin Chai village; Forest lunch; Continue climb to campsite; Tent setup; Dinner at campsite

Day 2 — Fansipan Summit Ascent, Descent & Return to Hanoi

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Stay: Tent (Day 2) | Transport: Limousine bus transfer Sapa - Hanoi

Today marks the pinnacle of your expedition: the ascent to Fansipan Peak. The climb begins early, around 7:00 AM. The initial

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hour presents a challenging section with some cliffs, demanding careful footing and determination. However, this soon gives way to an easier climb, allowing you to appreciate the remarkable diversity of trees and flora within the Hoang Lien National Forest. As you ascend, the landscape transforms, revealing increasingly dramatic vistas.

Around noon, you will reach the summit of Fansipan, standing proudly at 3,143 meters. Take a moment to touch the marker and absorb the awe-inspiring, panoramic views that stretch across Lai Chau, towards the distant borders of Laos and China. A celebratory lunch will be enjoyed at the top, offering a unique dining experience. After soaking in the incredible scenery, you will begin your descent back towards the campsite, where you can relax and enjoy another well-prepared dinner under the mountain sky, reflecting on your achievement.

Following breakfast the next morning, you will commence an easy climb down from the campsite. Another forest lunch will be provided during your descent. By approximately 14:00, you will arrive back in Sapa. At 15:00, a comfortable limousine bus will be waiting to transfer you directly back to Hanoi. The journey concludes upon your arrival in Hanoi around 20:30, bringing your Fansipan adventure to an end.

Activities: Early morning climb to Fansipan Peak; Navigate cliffs and forest paths; Discover Hoang Lien National Forest; Reach Fansipan summit (3,143m); Enjoy panoramic views towards Lai Chau, Laos, and China; Lunch at the peak; Descend to campsite; Relax and dinner; Breakfast at camp; Easy climb down to Sapa; Forest lunch; Arrive in Sapa; Transfer by limousine bus to Hanoi

WHAT'S INCLUDED

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- v Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast; L=Lunch; D=Dinner)
- v Entrance fees
- v English Speaking Tour Guide
- v Service Charge
- v Porter, Tent & Camping equipment
- v Private car/van transfers
- v Train tickets Hanoi - Lao Cai (wooden soft berth with AC)
- v Bus tickets Sapa - Hanoi

NOT INCLUDED

- x Single room supplement
- x Drinks
- x Personal expenses
- x Other items not explicitly mentioned

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CANCELLATION POLICY

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