Vietnam Adventure: Northern Trekking, Coastal Snorkeling & Southern Cycling – 12 Days

12D / 11N	Moderate	Private	USD 1,220 / pax
Duration	Difficulty	Tour Type	Starting From

Embark on a dynamic 12-day adventure across Vietnam, combining exhilarating outdoor activities with cultural exploration. This journey takes you from the northern mountains of Sapa to the coastal waters of Nha Trang and the tranquil waterways of the Mekong Delta.

DESTINATIONS & ROUTE

Hanoi → Sapa → Nha Trang → Ho Chi Minh City

TOUR OVERVIEW

Overview of Your Vietnam Adventure

This 12-day private tour offers an active exploration of Vietnam's diverse landscapes and rich cultural heritage. Designed for those who seek both adventure and authentic local experiences, the itinerary combines trekking through the scenic rice terraces of Sapa, discovering the vibrant marine life of Nha Trang through snorkeling, and cycling through the peaceful countryside of the Mekong Delta. You will experience the bustling energy of Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City, alongside the serene beauty of rural Vietnam, connecting with local communities and their traditions.

Tour Highlights

Trek through Sapa's terraced rice fields and visit ethnic minority villages.

Discover Hanoi's historic sites, including the Ho Chi Minh Complex and Temple of Literature.

Snorkel among colorful coral reefs and diverse marine life near Nha Trang.

Cycle through the serene landscapes of the Mekong Delta, observing local life.

Explore Ho Chi Minh City's iconic landmarks and significant historical museums.

Experience traditional Vietnamese culture, from water puppet shows to local markets.

Enjoy domestic flights for efficient travel between Vietnam's key regions.

Relax on the pristine beaches and islands surrounding Nha Trang.

Journey Through Vietnam's Landscapes

Your adventure begins in the ancient capital of Hanoi, where you will delve into its rich history and vibrant street life. From there, travel north to Sapa, a region renowned for its dramatic mountain scenery and the unique cultures of its hill tribes, where you will embark on immersive treks. The journey then shifts south to the coastal city of Nha Trang, offering opportunities for relaxation and underwater exploration. Concluding in Ho Chi Minh City, the tour provides a comprehensive look at southern Vietnam, including a memorable cycling excursion through the Mekong Delta's waterways and fertile lands.

Who This Adventure Suits

This private tour is ideally suited for couples and outdoor enthusiasts looking for an active and engaging way to experience Vietnam. With a blend of physical activities like biking and trekking, alongside opportunities for cultural immersion and relaxation, it caters to those who appreciate a dynamic itinerary. The tour offers a deeper insight into local life, making it perfect for travelers interested in authentic interactions and diverse experiences.

Practical Information for Your Trip

Travel throughout Vietnam is facilitated by a combination of domestic flights, comfortable shuttle buses, private cars, and bicycles, ensuring both efficiency and immersive experiences. Accommodation is provided in a selection of 3-star, 4-star, or 5-

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star hotels for 11 nights, offering comfort after your daily activities. Meals include 11 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 2 picnic lunches, and 1 dinner, providing a taste of local cuisine. An English-speaking guide accompanies you on all in-tour activities, enhancing your understanding and enjoyment of each destination.

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DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1 — Hanoi Arrival and Capital City Welcome

Meals: NA | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi

Upon your arrival at Noi Bai International Airport, a friendly guide and driver will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel located in the heart of Hanoi. After checking in, the remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure. You might choose to relax at your accommodation, or perhaps take a preliminary stroll to familiarize yourself with the charming streets surrounding your hotel. Hanoi, with its ancient origins and French colonial influences, offers a fascinating blend of history and modernity. Consider exploring the immediate vicinity, perhaps finding a local eatery to sample some authentic Vietnamese cuisine, or simply soaking in the atmosphere of Vietnam's capital city.

Activities: Arrive at Noi Bai International Airport
Transfer to city center hotel
Check into accommodation
Enjoy leisure time in Hanoi

Day 2 — Hanoi City Exploration and Cultural Immersion

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi

Start your day with an early morning stroll around Hoan Kiem Lake, where locals often gather for Tai Chi, badminton, and other exercises, offering a glimpse into daily life. After breakfast, embark on a comprehensive city tour beginning with the Ho Chi

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Minh Complex. Here, you will see Ho Chi Minh's stilt house, the Presidential Palace, and the mausoleum of Vietnam's revered leader (viewed from outside, as the mausoleum has specific closure days). Close by, visit the unique One Pillar Pagoda, an architectural marvel built on a single stone pillar.
Continue your historical journey to the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first national university, which educated scholars for over 700 years. This site offers deep insights into the country's intellectual and cultural heritage. Your final stop for the morning is the Ethnology Museum, dedicated to showcasing the diverse cultures of Vietnam's 54 ethnic groups.
In the afternoon, experience the charm of Hanoi's Old Quarter with a rickshaw ride, observing traditional commerce. Conclude your day with a captivating Water Puppetry performance, a traditional Vietnamese art form, providing a delightful cultural experience.

Activities:
Stroll around Hoan Kiem Lake
Visit the Ho Chi Minh Complex
Explore the One Pillar Pagoda
Discover the Temple of Literature
Tour the Ethnology Museum
Enjoy a rickshaw ride through the Old Quarter
Watch a traditional Water Puppet Show

Day 3 Journey to Sapa's Mountainous Landscapes

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Sapa

After breakfast, you will depart from Hanoi by comfortable bus, beginning your scenic journey north towards Sapa. The drive, typically lasting 5-6 hours, offers picturesque views of Vietnam's northern countryside. You'll pass through lush green fields, rolling hills, and traditional villages, providing a tranquil introduction to the region's natural beauty.
Upon arrival in Sapa, you will check into your hotel. The remainder of the day is free for you to unwind and explore at your own pace. You might choose to take a leisurely walk around the town center, browse the local market for handicrafts, or simply relax and take in the fresh mountain air and stunning panoramic views that characterize this unique destination.

Activities:
Depart from Hanoi by bus
Enjoy scenic views of the northern countryside
Arrive in Sapa and check into hotel
Free time for relaxation or independent exploration

Day 4 Sapa Valley Trek to Ethnic Villages

Meals: Breakfast, Picnic Lunch, Dinner | Stay: Hotel in Sapa

Today, embark on an immersive trekking adventure through the stunning Sapa Valley. Your journey begins with a seven-kilometer walk to Y Linh Ho Village, home to the Black Hmong community. This trek takes you through breathtaking landscapes of cascading rice terraces, dense forests, and winding rivers, offering spectacular photographic opportunities.
Continue for another three kilometers downhill to reach Lao Chai and Ta Van Villages, where you will encounter the Giay ethnic minority people. As you explore these communities, you'll have the chance to interact with local residents, learn about their

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traditional way of life, and admire their intricate craftsmanship. A picnic lunch will be enjoyed amidst these beautiful surroundings.

After your trek, you will return to Sapa town. The afternoon and evening are free for you to relax at your hotel or further explore Sapa independently, perhaps revisiting a favorite spot or discovering new corners of the town.

Activities: Trek to Y Linh Ho Village
Explore Lao Chai and Ta Van Villages
Interact with local Hmong and Giay communities
Enjoy a picnic lunch
Return to Sapa town
Free time in Sapa

Day 5 Cat Cat and Sin Chai Village Exploration

Meals: Breakfast, Picnic Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Sapa

Begin your day with an exploration of Cat Cat Village, a well-known destination among Sapa's ethnic communities, located just three kilometers southwest and accessible on foot. You will be captivated by the village's natural beauty and the diverse cultural expressions of its inhabitants. Enjoy a picnic lunch by the river, taking in the tranquil surroundings.

In the afternoon, continue your hike for approximately three kilometers to Sin Chai Village, nestled at the foot of Fansipan Mountain. This charming area offers more opportunities to observe local life and stunning mountain vistas. After exploring Sin Chai, you will make your way back to the main road, where drivers will be available to take you back to the center of Sapa town.

The total hiking distance for today is approximately six kilometers, offering a moderate and rewarding experience.

Activities: Explore Cat Cat Village
Enjoy a picnic lunch by the river
Hike to Sin Chai Village
Return to Sapa town

Day 6 Sapa Departure and Return to Hanoi

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi

Savor a final breakfast in Sapa, enjoying the crisp mountain air and the serene natural scenery. The morning is free for you to take a leisurely stroll, capture some last photographs of the stunning landscapes, or simply relax and reflect on your memorable experiences in the northern mountains before your journey back to Hanoi.

In the afternoon, you will be transferred to Hanoi by shuttle bus. This comfortable journey allows you to once again appreciate the changing landscapes as you descend from the highlands to the plains. Upon arrival at your hotel in Hanoi, you will have time to unwind after the trip, freshen up, and perhaps venture out to explore the vibrant capital city in the evening, enjoying its culinary delights or lively atmosphere.

Activities: Enjoy breakfast in Sapa
Free morning in Sapa

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Transfer back to Hanoi by shuttle bus
Check into hotel in Hanoi
Leisure time in Hanoi

Day 7 Flight to Nha Trang and Coastal Relaxation

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Nha Trang

After breakfast at your Hanoi hotel, you will be transferred to Noi Bai International Airport for your domestic flight to Nha Trang. This flight efficiently transports you from the northern capital to Vietnam's beautiful central coast. Upon arrival at Nha Trang airport, a shuttle will be waiting to take you directly to your accommodation.
The remainder of the day is at your leisure to enjoy the coastal city. Nha Trang is renowned for its stunning beaches and clear waters, offering a perfect opportunity to relax after your journey. You might choose to unwind by the hotel pool, take a leisurely walk along the beach, or explore some of the local eateries to sample fresh seafood.

Activities:
Transfer to Noi Bai Airport
Take a domestic flight to Nha Trang
Transfer from Nha Trang airport to hotel
Check into accommodation
Enjoy free time in Nha Trang

Day 8 Nha Trang Island Hopping and Snorkeling Adventure

Stay: Hotel in Nha Trang

Following breakfast, begin your full-day snorkeling tour of Nha Trang's islands. Your journey starts with a transfer to Cau Da Port, where you will board a boat to explore the area. The first stop is Tri Nguyen Aquarium on Mieu Island, offering a chance to observe the diverse marine flora and fauna in its galleries and observation tanks.
Next, head to Mun Island, an ideal spot for snorkeling. Here, you can immerse yourself in the refreshing waters and discover vibrant coral reefs teeming with colorful fish. You might also visit the fascinating sea swallow nesting caverns. The tour continues to Mot Island, Tranh Beach Island, or a smaller island known as

Activities:
Transfer to Cau Da Port
Visit Tri Nguyen Aquarium on Mieu Island
Snorkel at Mun Island
Explore sea swallow nesting caverns
Visit Mot Island, Tranh Beach Island, or 'Mini Beach' for swimming and relaxation
Enjoy lunch on an island
Visit a local fishing village
Return to Nha Trang coast
Enjoy free evening in Nha Trang

Day 9 Nha Trang Beach Day at Leisure

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Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Nha Trang

Today is a full day dedicated to your leisure in Nha Trang, allowing you to fully appreciate this stunning beach destination. You can choose to simply relax on the pristine white sands, soaking up the sun and enjoying the tranquil atmosphere of the clear waters. It's the perfect opportunity to unwind and recharge.
For those seeking more activity, Nha Trang offers various optional excursions and water sports. You might consider exploring more of the city's attractions independently, indulging in a spa treatment, or trying out some local seafood restaurants. Whether you prefer relaxation or further exploration, this day is designed for you to enjoy Nha Trang at your own pace.

Activities: Enjoy a full free day in Nha Trang
Relax on the beach
Swim in the ocean
Explore Nha Trang independently

Day 10 Nha Trang to Ho Chi Minh City and Southern City Tour

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh

Enjoy your final breakfast in Nha Trang before heading to the airport for your domestic flight to Ho Chi Minh City, the bustling metropolis of southern Vietnam. Upon arrival, you will be met by your tour guide and transferred to your hotel for check-in.
In the afternoon, embark on a comprehensive city tour. Your first stop is the Reunification Palace, a significant historical landmark that served as the former residence of the President of South Vietnam. Explore its distinctive architecture, blending modernist design with traditional Vietnamese elements, and its well-preserved rooms. Next, delve into history at the War Remnants Museum, which houses a vast collection of photographs and artifacts documenting the Vietnam War from various perspectives.
Continue to admire the exquisite French colonial architecture of Notre Dame Cathedral and the Old Post Office, two iconic structures that stand as enduring symbols of Vietnam's past. In the evening, you can experience the vibrant nightlife of Ho Chi Minh City, perhaps enjoying a luxurious evening cruise on the Saigon River or sampling local delicacies.

Activities: Enjoy breakfast in Nha Trang
Fly to Ho Chi Minh City
Transfer to hotel and check in
Visit Reunification Palace
Explore the War Remnants Museum
Admire Notre Dame Cathedral and the Old Post Office
Enjoy free evening in Ho Chi Minh City

Day 11 Mekong Delta Cycling and River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh

Begin your day with an early transfer (approximately one hour) to the cycling starting point in the Mekong Delta. After a coffee at a local cafe and a bicycle fitting, embark on a cycling adventure through picturesque rice paddies. This flat route, spanning 40-50 km, takes you along shady country roads beneath indigenous trees, providing a refreshing breeze and numerous photo

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opportunities at river overpasses.
Less experienced riders have the option to walk through narrower sections or take a shuttle to the finishing destination.
Following your ride, you will meet at a local boat station for a one-hour private boat tour along a Mekong tributary, offering a glimpse into the region's unique waterway life. Enjoy an authentic Mekong cuisine lunch at a local restaurant, followed by a refreshing cold shower.
After a relaxing afternoon, bid farewell to the Mekong Delta and return to Ho Chi Minh City by private transport, arriving around 17:00. This concludes your memorable exploration of the Mekong's rustic landscapes.

Activities: Transfer to Mekong Delta cycling start point
Enjoy coffee at a local cafe and bicycle fitting
Cycle through rice paddies (40-50 km)
Take a private boat tour along a Mekong tributary
Enjoy an authentic Mekong cuisine lunch
Return to Ho Chi Minh City by private transport

Day 12 Departure from Ho Chi Minh City

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: NA

Enjoy your final breakfast in Ho Chi Minh City. Depending on your flight schedule, you may have some free time for a last-minute local tour of the bustling city, perhaps picking up some souvenirs or revisiting a favorite spot.
At the appropriate time, you will be transferred to Tan Son Nhat International Airport for your departure. This marks the conclusion of your 12-day Vietnam adventure, filled with biking, trekking, and snorkeling experiences across the country's diverse landscapes.

Activities: Enjoy final breakfast in Ho Chi Minh City
Free time for last-minute exploration or shopping
Transfer to Tan Son Nhat International Airport for departure

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- v 11 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, 2 Picnic Lunches, 1 Dinner
- v All transport within Vietnam (including airport pick up & drop off)
- v Domestic Flights: Hanoi – Nha Trang – Ho Chi Minh City
- v Sharing luxury limousine for Hanoi – Sapa – Hanoi transfers
- v Accommodation in Twin/Double sharing rooms for 11 nights

NOT INCLUDED

- x International airfare
- x Early check-in and late check-out fees
- x Peak season surcharges and compulsory gala dinners (if applicable)
- x Visa (passport valid for at least 6 months with a minimum of 3 blank visa pages)
- x Personal expenses (tips, laundry, gratuities, etc.)
- x Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary

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AVAILABLE DEPARTURES

Departure Date	Return Date	Price / Person	Availability	Languages
01 Jul 2026	20 Dec 2027	**USD 1,229**	Available	
01 Jul 2026	20 Dec 2027	**USD 1,399**	Available	
01 Jul 2026	20 Dec 2027	**USD 1,669**	Available	

CANCELLATION POLICY

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