Vietnam Luxury Golf & Cultural Journey: Ho Chi Minh to Halong Bay – 15 Days

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Experience a bespoke 15-day private tour across Vietnam, blending championship golf with profound cultural exploration. Traverse from the dynamic Ho Chi Minh City and the serene Mekong Delta to the coastal beauty of Mui Ne, the highland charm of Da Lat, and the historic capital Hanoi, culminating in an iconic Halong Bay cruise.

DESTINATIONS & ROUTE

Ho Chi Minh City → Mui Ne → Da Lat → Hanoi → Ha Long

TOUR OVERVIEW

Tour Overview

This exclusive 15-day private journey through Vietnam offers a sophisticated blend of world-class golf and rich cultural immersion. Designed for discerning travelers, the itinerary spans the country's most iconic regions, from the bustling southern metropolis of Ho Chi Minh City to the tranquil northern waters of Halong Bay. Guests will enjoy rounds at Vietnam's premier golf courses, each set against breathtaking natural backdrops, alongside in-depth cultural experiences that reveal the nation's history, traditions, and vibrant local life.

Journey Highlights

The expedition begins in Ho Chi Minh City, exploring historical sites and the Mekong Delta's waterways, before heading to the coastal retreat of Mui Ne for seaside relaxation and links-style golf. The itinerary then ascends to the cool highlands of Da Lat, offering unique mountain golfing and a taste of colonial charm. The northern leg of the journey features Hanoi's historical depth, more championship golf, and a memorable overnight cruise through the dramatic limestone karsts of Halong Bay. Each destination provides a distinct flavor of Vietnam, ensuring a comprehensive and luxurious travel experience.

Route Summary

The meticulously planned route takes you through a diverse array of landscapes and cultural hubs. Starting in Ho Chi Minh City, the journey ventures into the lush Mekong Delta before heading east to the sandy beaches of Mui Ne. From there, it climbs to the picturesque mountain city of Da Lat, known for its pleasant climate. A domestic flight then transports you to the northern capital, Hanoi, serving as a base for exploring the city's heritage and embarking on a stunning overnight cruise in Halong Bay. This progression allows for a seamless exploration of Vietnam's geographical and cultural variations.

Who This Tour Suits

This private tour is ideally suited for luxury travelers and golf enthusiasts seeking an elevated experience in Vietnam. It caters to those who appreciate premium accommodations, personalized service, and a balanced itinerary that combines active pursuits on top golf courses with enriching cultural discoveries. Individuals looking for a comprehensive yet relaxed exploration of Vietnam's highlights, with ample leisure time and opportunities for unique local interactions, will find this journey particularly appealing.

Practical Information

Throughout the tour, all accommodations are in 5-star hotels or luxury cruises, ensuring comfort and elegance. The itinerary includes a mix of private vehicle transfers and a domestic flight, optimizing travel efficiency between regions. Meals are generously provided, with 13 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 brunch, 1 picnic lunch, and 3 dinners included, featuring local and international cuisine. Golf rates cover green fees, caddie fees, and half buggy fees for one golfer per round, offering a complete

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golfing package. Guests are advised to review visa requirements and consider travel insurance prior to departure.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

* Play championship golf courses with diverse settings, from coastal links to highland fairways.
* Explore the historic Cu Chi Tunnels and significant landmarks of Ho Chi Minh City.
* Navigate the waterways of the Mekong Delta by sampan, observing local life and traditional crafts.
* Relax on the beaches of Mui Ne and experience exhilarating sand sledding on its famous dunes.
* Discover the charming highland city of Da Lat, known for its cool climate and French colonial heritage.
* Enjoy an overnight luxury cruise through the spectacular limestone karsts of Halong Bay.
* Experience a traditional Tai Chi session on the sundeck amidst Halong Bay's serene morning.
* Savor authentic Vietnamese cuisine during a guided street food tour in Hanoi.
* Stay in 5-star luxury accommodations throughout your journey across Vietnam.

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1 — Ho Chi Minh City Arrival & Leisure

Meals: NA | Stay: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City

Upon your arrival at Tan Son Nhat International Airport, a friendly guide will greet you and facilitate your transfer to your hotel in Ho Chi Minh City. After completing the check-in process, the remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure. This provides a perfect opportunity to relax, settle into your accommodation, and recover from your journey, preparing for the cultural and golfing adventures ahead in Vietnam's vibrant southern hub.

Day 2 — Cu Chi Tunnels Exploration & Ho Chi Minh City Landmarks

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

Your morning begins with a hotel pick-up in Ho Chi Minh City, setting off on a two-hour drive through Vietnam's tranquil rural landscapes to the renowned Cu Chi Tunnels. Upon arrival, you will delve into the extensive subterranean network that served as a vital base during wartime, functioning as living quarters, supply routes, and concealed havens for soldiers. This immersive experience provides a profound perspective on Vietnam's historical resilience and ingenuity.
Following a lunch of regional specialties, the afternoon continues with a comprehensive guided exploration of Ho Chi Minh City's most distinguished sites. You will observe the architectural grandeur of the Central Post Office and the Notre Dame Cathedral, both notable examples of French colonial influence (note: the cathedral is currently undergoing renovation and will be viewed externally). The journey proceeds to the Reunification Palace, an edifice celebrated for its distinctive fusion of contemporary and traditional design elements.

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Further historical context awaits at the War Remnants Museum, where compelling exhibitions offer deep insights into the nation's past conflicts. The day concludes at Ben Thanh Market, one of the city's oldest and most vibrant marketplaces. Here, you can explore a diverse array of local merchandise and souvenirs amidst a lively atmosphere, gaining a richer appreciation for the city's dynamic culture before returning to your accommodation.

Activities: Travel to Cu Chi Tunnels.
Explore the underground tunnel system.
Enjoy a local lunch.
Visit the Central Post Office.
View Notre Dame Cathedral (exterior).
Tour the Reunification Palace.
Explore the War Remnants Museum.
Browse Ben Thanh Market.

Day 3 Golfing at Long Thanh Golf & Country Club

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner | Stay: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City

Today's itinerary features a transfer to the acclaimed Long Thanh Golf & Country Club, situated just beyond the perimeter of Ho Chi Minh City. This premier golf destination is celebrated for its stunning natural environment, where distant hills and mature trees frame immaculate fairways. The course's design harmoniously integrates with its surroundings, creating a truly serene and enjoyable golfing atmosphere.

The club boasts two magnificent 18-hole championship courses, meticulously crafted by internationally recognized golf architects. You might find yourself challenged by the strategic layout, potentially inspired by the legendary Greg Norman, which demands skillful play. Expect to encounter various water hazards and bunkers that require thoughtful shot placement and precision. After completing your round amidst these picturesque conditions, you will return to your hotel for an evening of relaxation.

Activities: Transfer to Long Thanh Golf & Country Club.
Play 18 holes of championship golf.
Navigate challenging fairways with water hazards and bunkers.
Enjoy the serene natural surroundings.

Day 4 Mekong Delta River Life & Local Crafts

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

Your morning begins with an early pick-up from your Ho Chi Minh City hotel, departing for Ben Tre Province, recognized as the heart of the Mekong Delta. As you journey, the urban landscape gradually transforms into a peaceful rural panorama of lush greenery. Upon reaching the Ham Luong River, a significant waterway of the Mekong Delta, your river cruise commences. During the cruise, you'll visit a local coconut workshop to witness the traditional methods of crafting various coconut products by hand, and enjoy fresh tropical fruits and tea. The journey continues with a stop at a mat-weaving house, where skilled artisans demonstrate the creation of everyday items, offering an authentic glimpse into local life and traditions. An engaging

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ride on a “xe loi” (local motor cart) or bicycle through verdant fruit orchards provides an even closer connection to the region’s rural charm.

In the afternoon, board a traditional sampan boat for a tranquil glide through narrow canals, enveloped by swaying palm trees and calm waters. Observe local villages and the rich river scenery as you pass by. After a day filled with discovery, you will return to Ho Chi Minh City, carrying vivid memories of Vietnam's countryside culture and vibrant riverine existence.

Activities: Travel to Ben Tre Province in the Mekong Delta.
Embark on a river cruise along the Ham Luong River.
Visit a local coconut workshop.
Sample fresh tropical fruits and tea.
Observe traditional mat weaving.
Enjoy a xe loi or bicycle ride through fruit orchards.
Take a sampan boat ride through narrow canals.

Day 5 Ho Chi Minh City to Mui Ne Coastal Transfer

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Mui Ne

After enjoying breakfast at your hotel, you will complete the check-out process and depart from Ho Chi Minh City for Mui Ne. This coastal destination is renowned for its inviting beaches and relaxed ambiance. The scenic drive offers a pleasant transition from urban environments to the changing landscapes of Vietnam's countryside.

Upon your arrival in Mui Ne, you will check into your hotel. The remainder of the day is designated for leisure, allowing you to unwind by the beach or pool, and recharge for the subsequent stages of your Vietnamese adventure. This free time provides an ideal opportunity to soak in the serene coastal atmosphere at your own pace.

Day 6 Coastal Golfing at Sea Links Country Club

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Mui Ne

Today features a visit to the Sea Links Golf Country Club, an exceptional championship course dramatically situated on Mui Ne's coastal hills. This course is distinguished by its unique links-style layout, reminiscent of classic Scottish golf courses, which presents a challenging yet rewarding experience for any golfer.

Spanning over 7,600 yards, the course incorporates natural sand dunes and indigenous coastal vegetation, creating a distinctive playing environment. You will navigate strategically positioned bunkers and undulating greens that demand precision and skill. As you play, you can enjoy the refreshing ocean breeze and panoramic coastal vistas from nearly every hole. After concluding your round, you will return to your hotel, having experienced an outstanding golfing adventure in the beautiful setting of Mui Ne.

Activities: Transfer to Sea Links Golf Country Club.
Play 18 holes on a links-style championship course.
Navigate natural sand dunes, bunkers, and undulating greens.
Enjoy panoramic coastal views and ocean breezes.

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Day 7 Mui Ne Leisure & Sand Dune Adventures

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Mui Ne

Enjoy a full day at your leisure in Mui Ne, a tranquil coastal town celebrated for its beaches, vast sand dunes, and laid-back atmosphere. This day offers the perfect opportunity to relax or inject some adventure into your Vietnamese holiday. You might choose to spend your time unwinding on the sandy shores, strolling through the town, or enjoying a refreshing drink at a beachfront café while taking in the ocean views and peaceful surroundings.

For those seeking more active pursuits, a visit to the famous Mui Ne Sand Dunes is highly recommended. Here, you can try sand sledding down the golden slopes, an exhilarating outdoor experience, and capture stunning photographs of the sweeping desert-like landscapes. This flexible day allows you to tailor your Mui Ne experience to your personal preferences, whether it's relaxation or exploration.

Activities:
Relax on Mui Ne beach.
Stroll through Mui Ne town.
Visit the Mui Ne Sand Dunes.
Try sand sledding.
Enjoy leisure time at your own pace.

Day 8 Mui Ne Free Day

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Mui Ne

Another full day is dedicated to your personal enjoyment in Mui Ne. Continue to explore the local area at your own pace, perhaps revisiting a favorite spot or discovering new hidden gems. You might opt for further relaxation by the hotel pool, indulging in spa treatments, or simply soaking up the sun on the beach.

Consider a leisurely walk along the unique Fairy Stream, a gentle waterway winding through colorful rock formations, offering a picturesque and easygoing excursion. This day provides ample opportunity for quiet reflection, enjoying the serene coastal environment, or engaging in any optional activities that pique your interest, ensuring a truly personalized experience before moving on to the next destination.

Activities:
Relax by the beach or pool.
Explore Mui Ne town further.
Visit the unique Fairy Stream.
Enjoy optional water sports or local activities.

Day 9 Mui Ne to Da Lat Highland Transfer & Evening Exploration

Meals: Breakfast, Picnic Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Da Lat

After breakfast at your hotel, you will check out and begin your journey to Da Lat, Vietnam’s charming highland retreat. The drive takes you along scenic winding roads, where the landscape transitions from coastal vistas to lush mountains and the refreshing coolness of the highlands. While the journey spans several hours, the ever-changing scenery ensures a relaxing and enjoyable ride.

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Upon arrival in Da Lat, you will check into your hotel and have time to unwind in the invigorating mountain climate. As evening approaches, you are free to explore Da Lat at your leisure. You might choose to visit the bustling night market, where you can sample local street food, browse for souvenirs and handicrafts, or simply enjoy a cup of locally grown artisanal coffee at one of the city's cozy cafes, soaking in the unique atmosphere of this mountain city.

Activities: Transfer from Mui Ne to Da Lat.
Enjoy scenic mountain views during the drive.
Check into your Da Lat hotel.
Explore Da Lat at your own pace in the evening.
Visit the lively night market.
Enjoy local street food or coffee.

Day 10 Highland Golf at Dalat Palace Golf Club

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Da Lat

The day commences with a transfer to the Dalat Palace Golf Club, a historic course beautifully set amidst pine forests and rolling hills. Here, you will discover an impressive 18-hole championship layout that perfectly showcases the region's natural splendor and pleasant climate. Golfers often appreciate the breathtaking views of Xuan Huong Lake, visible from several holes, as they navigate the challenging fairways.
The course is designed to test your abilities with its strategic bunkers and significant elevation changes throughout the play. This unique combination of natural beauty and thoughtful design ensures a memorable golfing experience. Afterward, you will return to your hotel, carrying with you memories of the French colonial charm that distinguishes this particular course and its surroundings.

Activities: Transfer to Dalat Palace Golf Club.
Play 18 holes on a historic championship course.
Enjoy views of Xuan Huong Lake.
Navigate strategic bunkers and elevation changes.

Day 11 Da Lat to Hanoi Flight & Capital City Leisure

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi

Your day starts with breakfast at the hotel before you are transferred to the airport for your flight to Hanoi, Vietnam's historic and culturally rich capital. Upon landing, a driver will meet you and provide a comfortable transfer to your hotel for check-in. Take some time to relax and settle in after your journey.
The rest of the day is free for you to explore Hanoi at your own pace. You might choose to wander through the charming Old Quarter, visit a local temple, or simply enjoy the atmosphere of this captivating city. This leisure time allows you to acclimate to the northern climate and prepare for the upcoming adventures.

Activities: Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.
Transfer to Da Lat airport.
Fly to Hanoi.

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Transfer to your Hanoi hotel.
Enjoy free time to relax or explore Hanoi.

Day 12 Golfing at King's Island Golf Resort

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi

Day 12 begins with a picturesque morning drive to King's Island Golf Resort, located approximately 45 kilometers from Hanoi on the shores of Dong Mo Lake. This journey provides an opportunity to admire the natural beauty of northern Vietnam's countryside as you travel.

The resort features two distinct 18-hole courses, each designed to challenge and captivate golfers with demanding layouts and clever water hazards. The Lakeside Course offers serene views around Dong Mo Lake, while the Mountain View Course tests your skills with its elevation changes and scenic surroundings, enhancing your golfing experience with every swing. After a rewarding day on the greens, you will return to your hotel in Hanoi.

Activities: Drive to King's Island Golf Resort.
Play 18 holes on either the Lakeside or Mountain View course.
Navigate challenging layouts and water hazards.
Enjoy scenic views of Dong Mo Lake.

Day 13 Halong Bay Overnight Cruise & Cave Exploration

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Stay: Halong Bay Cruise

Your morning begins with a hotel pick-up in Hanoi's Old Quarter, followed by a comfortable journey via the modern Hanoi - Hai Phong Expressway to Halong Bay. Upon arrival, you will board your luxurious cruise ship, where a refreshing welcome drink awaits as you settle into your cabin. A freshly prepared lunch will be served in the onboard restaurant as the vessel gracefully sails through the dramatic limestone karsts of Halong Bay, an iconic UNESCO World Heritage landscape that appears almost otherworldly.

In the afternoon, the cruise includes a visit to one of Halong Bay's most impressive caves, where you can marvel at striking rock formations. A short climb will reward you with panoramic views from the top. As the sun begins its descent, enjoy engaging onboard activities such as a Vietnamese cooking demonstration or a fruit and vegetable carving session, offering a delightful introduction to local culinary arts. The evening culminates with a freshly prepared dinner on board, set against the peaceful ambiance of the bay.

After dinner, you might choose to try night squid fishing, relax with board games, or simply unwind on the sundeck under a canopy of stars. Your day concludes with a restful night in your private cabin, enveloped by the calm waters of Halong Bay.

(Note: The exact itinerary may vary depending on the selected cruise package.)

Activities: Transfer from Hanoi to Halong Bay.
Board a luxury cruise ship.
Enjoy a welcome drink and onboard lunch.
Cruise through Halong Bay's limestone karsts.
Visit an impressive cave with panoramic views.

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Participate in a Vietnamese cooking demonstration or carving session.
Enjoy onboard dinner.
Try night squid fishing or relax on the sundeck.

Day 14 Halong Bay Sunrise, Tai Chi & Hanoi Street Food Tour

Meals: Breakfast, Brunch, Dinner | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi

Begin your day by witnessing the serene sunrise over Halong Bay from the cruise deck, followed by a light breakfast of coffee and tea in the dining room. After breakfast, participate in a refreshing Tai Chi session on deck, a tranquil way to start the morning surrounded by the bay's stunning limestone scenery. The cruise continues to another notable Halong Bay attraction, such as Titop Island, celebrated for its clear waters and peaceful environment.
Spend time exploring Titop Island, relaxing on its beach, or ascending to the viewpoint for a breathtaking 360-degree panoramic vista of Halong Bay. You will then return to the cruise for a light brunch before disembarking and traveling back to Hanoi. Upon arrival in Hanoi, prepare for an exciting street food adventure through the city's vibrant culinary scene.
This evening tour allows you to explore local favorites and essential Vietnamese dishes, including Bun Thang, Banh Cuon, Nem Chua Ran, and the famous Egg Coffee. You'll discover hidden local eateries and bustling food streets, experiencing Hanoi like a true local, with a delightful blend of flavors, culture, and everyday city life. (Note: Please inform us in advance of any dietary requirements; food selections may vary.)

Activities: Watch the sunrise over Halong Bay.
Participate in a Tai Chi session on deck.
Visit Titop Island for beach relaxation or panoramic views.
Enjoy a light brunch on the cruise.
Transfer from Halong Bay back to Hanoi.
Embark on a Hanoi street food tour.
Sample local dishes like Bun Thang, Banh Cuon, Nem Chua Ran, and Egg Coffee.

Day 15 Hanoi Departure

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: NA

Enjoy your final breakfast at the hotel before completing the check-out process. A private transfer will then take you to Noi Bai International Airport for your scheduled departure flight. We extend our gratitude for choosing to travel with us and look forward to assisting you with your future adventures.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

INCLUDED	NOT INCLUDED
v Golf rate for 01 golfer playing 18 holes, including green	x Hotel early check-in and late check-out.

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fee, caddie fee, and half buggy fee.

- v Overnight stays in shared Twin/Double rooms with air-conditioning at hotels.
- v All transport during the tour in an air-conditioned vehicle as per itinerary, including airport pick-up and drop-off.
- v Meals as indicated in the program.
- v Entrance fees as per itinerary.

- x Peak season surcharge and compulsory dinner at the hotel (if any).
- x International flights with taxes.
- x Vietnam visa (passport valid for over 6 months and 3 clear pages required).
- x Travel insurance.
- x Tips, laundry, and gratuities.
- x Meals not marked on itinerary, and water during meals.
- x Set of golf clubs.
- x A fuel surcharge will be applied if fuel prices rise above 15%.

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CANCELLATION POLICY

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