Vietnam's Full Spectrum: Cities, Bays & Phu Quoc Island Retreat – 14 Days

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Experience Vietnam from north to south on a 14-day adventure, blending vibrant urban centers, rich cultural heritage, and stunning natural scenery with relaxing island time. This journey offers a balanced mix of guided exploration and personal leisure.

TOUR OVERVIEW

Tour Overview

This comprehensive 14-day tour invites travelers to traverse the diverse landscapes and cultures of Vietnam, from its northern capital to its southern islands. Begin your exploration in Hanoi, where ancient traditions meet modern life, before cruising the iconic limestone karsts of Halong Bay. Journey south to discover the charm of Hoi An's ancient town and the breathtaking Golden Bridge, then unwind on the pristine beaches of Phu Quoc. The adventure culminates in the bustling metropolis of Ho Chi Minh City and a tranquil boat trip through the Mekong Delta, offering a deep dive into Vietnam's multifaceted identity.

Tour Highlights

Explore Hanoi's historic landmarks and savor its renowned street food on a guided evening culinary walk.

Witness the dramatic limestone formations of Halong Bay during an overnight cruise aboard a traditional vessel.

Discover the serene beauty of Ninh Binh, often called

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

* Halong Bay on land,

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1 — Hanoi Arrival and Old Quarter Exploration

Meals: NA | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi

Upon your arrival at Hanoi's airport, a welcoming transfer will take you directly to your hotel located in the city center. After completing the check-in process, the remainder of your day is free for you to settle in and begin your independent exploration. This is an ideal time to leisurely wander through the historic Old Quarter, absorbing its unique atmosphere, perhaps stopping for a traditional Vietnamese coffee.

Alternatively, you might choose to simply relax at your accommodation, recovering from your journey and preparing for the adventures ahead. The Old Quarter's narrow streets offer a glimpse into local life, with bustling markets, ancient temples, and colonial architecture. Enjoy the evening at your own pace, perhaps sampling some initial local flavors for dinner.

Day 2 — Hanoi Historical Sites & Evening Food Journey

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

Your day begins with a guided exploration of Hanoi's significant cultural and historical landmarks. The morning itinerary

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includes a visit to the solemn Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum complex, offering insights into Vietnam's revered leader. Nearby, you'll see his humble stilt house and the elegant Presidential Palace gardens. Continue to the unique One Pillar Pagoda, an architectural marvel gracefully emerging from a lotus pond, before proceeding to the tranquil Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first national university.

After a morning filled with history, enjoy a satisfying lunch at a local establishment, savoring authentic Vietnamese dishes in a comfortable setting. As evening approaches, prepare for a captivating street food tour through the lively Hanoi Old Quarter. Your guide will lead you to Michelin-selected eateries, showcasing the city's celebrated culinary scene. Begin with Hanoi's famous Bun Cha, followed by Mien Luon, a lesser-known but delicious eel and glass noodle specialty.

The culinary journey continues with a comforting bowl of Pho, highlighting the rich, clear broths of northern Vietnamese cooking. Conclude your evening at a traditional café, experiencing Hanoi's distinctive egg coffee, a surprisingly smooth and rich beverage. This relaxed, flavor-packed experience is perfect for those who appreciate culture, food, and the urban energy of Hanoi. Your guide can escort you back to your hotel, or you may choose to extend your evening exploration.

Day 3 Ninh Binh's Ancient Capital & Scenic River Journey

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi

Depart from Hanoi this morning for a scenic drive to Ninh Binh, a region often likened to Halong Bay for its dramatic limestone karsts and tranquil rural landscapes. The journey offers picturesque views of northern Vietnam's countryside, with expansive rice paddies and traditional villages. Your first destination is the ancient capital of Hoa Lu, where temples dedicated to early Vietnamese kings are nestled amidst the karst hills, providing a peaceful cultural experience.

Next, proceed to Tam Coc for a serene sampan boat ride, a signature experience of the area. Glide along a winding river, flanked by towering cliffs and verdant rice fields, passing through natural caves carved over millennia. This calm and unhurried journey is ideal for nature lovers seeking tranquility away from crowds. Following the boat trip, visit Bich Dong Pagoda, a charming complex of temples built into a mountainside.

A short walk and a climb up several steps lead to peaceful surroundings and expansive views of the surrounding landscape, making the effort worthwhile. In the late afternoon, you will return to Hanoi, with ample time to relax or further explore the city at your leisure after a day of natural beauty and historical discovery.

Day 4 Hanoi to Halong Bay Overnight Cruise

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

This morning, embark on a comfortable journey from Hanoi to the breathtaking seascape of Halong Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage site renowned for its emerald waters and thousands of towering limestone islands. The drive offers glimpses of the Red River Delta's agricultural tapestry and local villages. Upon arrival, you will board your chosen overnight cruise vessel and settle into your cabin as the boat begins its gentle glide into the bay.

A delicious lunch will be served on board as you cruise past dramatic rock formations, a highlight for those who appreciate spectacular natural beauty. The afternoon is dedicated to exploring more of the bay's wonders. Typical activities include visiting a magnificent limestone cave, kayaking through serene waters to hidden lagoons, or simply unwinding on the sundeck with a

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refreshing drink.
As the sun begins its descent, the bay transforms with a golden glow, offering perfect photo opportunities and a tranquil atmosphere. Back on board, you might participate in a brief cooking demonstration or simply relax before dinner. The evening meal is followed by options such as trying your hand at squid fishing, enjoying a quiet drink at the bar, or stargazing from the peaceful deck.

Day 5 Halong Bay Sunrise, Disembarkation & Flight to Da Nang

Meals: Breakfast, Brunch | Stay: Hotel in Da Nang

Awake early to experience the serene beauty of Halong Bay at sunrise, often considered the most picturesque time of day. You have the option to join a gentle Tai Chi session on the sundeck, or simply enjoy a quiet coffee while observing the bay slowly come to life. Following a relaxed breakfast on board, the cruise continues its journey through the stunning limestone formations.
Engage in further activities such as kayaking or exploring additional caves before the vessel returns to the harbor. You will disembark around noon and transfer back to Hanoi. The comfortable drive allows for rest and enjoyment of the passing scenery. From Hanoi, you will connect to a domestic flight bound for Da Nang, Vietnam's laid-back coastal city known for its beautiful beaches.
Upon landing, a transfer will take you to your hotel for check-in. The remainder of the day is yours to unwind and adjust to the breezy charm of central Vietnam. Consider a leisurely stroll along the beach, enjoying a casual seafood dinner, or simply relaxing after a day of travel and transition.

Day 6 Central Vietnam Coastal Wonders & Hoi An Ancient Town

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Stay: Hotel in Da Nang

Begin your day with a scenic drive from Da Nang, heading first to the lush Son Tra Peninsula, affectionately known as “Monkey Mountain.” This elevated coastal area provides expansive ocean views and a refreshing escape into nature. Visit the impressive Linh Ung Pagoda, home to the towering Lady Buddha statue, a significant spiritual landmark overlooking the sea. Continue to the fascinating Marble Mountains, where limestone hills conceal intricate caves, tunnels, and ancient pagodas, offering a blend of light adventure and cultural insight.
Nearby, observe skilled artisans at work in the Non Nuoc Stone Carving Village and browse their handcrafted souvenirs. After a relaxed local lunch, journey to Cam Thanh Coconut Village. Here, you'll experience a traditional basket boat ride, drifting through palm-lined waterways. This engaging, hands-on activity allows you to try net fishing or simply enjoy the tranquil countryside rhythm.
By mid-afternoon, arrive in the enchanting Hoi An Ancient Town, a UNESCO-listed heritage site celebrated for its lantern-lit streets and well-preserved architecture. Explore highlights such as ancient merchant houses, historic assembly halls, and the iconic Japanese Covered Bridge, soaking in the town’s unique blend of Vietnamese, Chinese, and Japanese influences. As evening descends, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before a gentle boat ride along the Hoai River. Release a floating lantern and witness the town illuminated by soft, colorful lights, creating a memorable experience. Afterwards, explore the lively night

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market or take a leisurely stroll through the lantern-filled streets before returning to Da Nang.

Day 7 Ba Na Hills Mountain Resort & Golden Bridge Experience

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Da Nang

Your day commences with a morning pickup from your Da Nang hotel, setting off towards the misty peaks of Ba Na Hills. The journey includes a breathtaking cable car ride from Suoi Mo Station, ascending above lush forests and cascading hills, an experience in itself. Upon reaching Marseille Station, step onto the iconic Golden Bridge, where colossal stone hands appear to cradle the pathway above the clouds, offering surreal panoramic mountain views.

Wander through the romantic Jardin D'Amour, a series of themed gardens adorned with vibrant flowers, fountains, and sculpted landscapes, perfect for leisurely strolls and photography. A hearty Vietnamese buffet lunch awaits, featuring a wide array of local favorites in a relaxed setting, providing a true taste of regional flavors.

The afternoon offers light-hearted entertainment at Fantasy Park, an indoor amusement area with rides, games, and attractions suitable for all ages. Continue your ascent to King Peak, the highest point of Ba Na Hills, where cooler air and sweeping vistas reward your climb. As the day concludes, descend via cable car and enjoy a comfortable return transfer to your hotel in Da Nang.

Day 8 Leisure Day in Coastal Da Nang

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Da Nang

Wake up to a relaxed morning in the coastal city of Da Nang, with the entire day dedicated to your personal preferences. This is a perfect opportunity to tailor your travel pace and enjoy the city's offerings at your leisure. You might choose to spend your time unwinding along the golden sands of My Khe Beach, renowned for its clear waters and gentle waves, ideal for a refreshing swim or simply basking in the sun.

Alternatively, take a leisurely stroll along the Han River promenade, soaking up the city's laid-back coastal ambiance and observing local life. Da Nang also offers various cafes, local eateries, and markets if you wish to explore its culinary scene or find souvenirs. The day is yours to enjoy as you please, whether seeking relaxation or light exploration.

Day 9 Da Nang to Phu Quoc Island Escape

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Phu Quoc

Enjoy a leisurely morning in Da Nang, allowing for a final coffee by the beach or a relaxed walk before your onward journey. At the appointed time, you will be transferred to the airport for your domestic flight south to Phu Quoc, Vietnam's renowned tropical island retreat. Upon arrival, you'll be greeted by warm sea breezes and a distinctly slower, sun-soaked pace of life.

A transfer will take you to your resort, where you can settle in. The remainder of the day is free for you to unwind and embrace the island atmosphere. You might choose to dip your toes into the inviting turquoise waters, lounge by the swimming pool, or simply take in the serene surroundings of your new island destination. As evening approaches, Phu Quoc offers a laid-back

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charm, perfect for a casual beachfront dinner or a quiet evening listening to the gentle sounds of the waves.

Day 10 Phu Quoc Island Leisure & Exploration

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Phu Quoc

Embrace the relaxed rhythm of island life on Phu Quoc, with two full days entirely at your disposal. You might choose to spend your mornings lounging on the soft sands of Long Beach, where calm waters are perfect for a refreshing swim, or venture out to discover other secluded corners of the island. For those seeking more active pursuits, snorkeling or island-hopping around the An Thoi archipelago offers opportunities to explore clear waters and vibrant marine life beneath the surface.
If you're looking for entertainment and variety, consider a visit to VinWonders Phu Quoc, a large theme park, or immerse yourself in the lively atmosphere of Grand World Phu Quoc, where entertainment, shopping, and dining create a colorful setting. The island also offers opportunities for exploring pepper plantations, fishing villages, or simply enjoying fresh seafood. These days are designed for you to personalize your island experience, whether it's pure relaxation or gentle adventure.

Day 11 Phu Quoc Island Leisure & Exploration

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Phu Quoc

Continue to enjoy your second full day at leisure on Phu Quoc Island, allowing for further relaxation or exploration at your own pace. You might revisit a favorite beach spot, or perhaps discover a new one, such as Sao Beach, known for its pristine white sand. The calm waters remain ideal for swimming, paddleboarding, or simply floating. For those interested in local culture, a visit to a traditional fishing village or a pearl farm can provide interesting insights into the island's industries.
Alternatively, you could indulge in a spa treatment, take a cooking class focusing on local seafood, or simply enjoy the amenities of your resort. The island's tranquil environment makes it perfect for unwinding, reading a book by the pool, or enjoying long walks along the shore. As the sun sets, choose from a variety of dining options, from casual beachfront eateries to more upscale restaurants, to savor the fresh flavors of the island.

Day 12 Phu Quoc to Ho Chi Minh City Transition

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

Begin your day with a final taste of island life in Phu Quoc, perhaps enjoying a relaxed breakfast overlooking the sea or a short stroll along the beach before your departure. At the scheduled time, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam's dynamic southern metropolis. Upon arrival, you'll notice a distinct shift in pace, as you are welcomed by a city brimming with energy, culture, and fascinating contrasts.
A transfer will take you to your hotel, and the remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure, allowing you to gradually adjust to the urban rhythm after your island retreat. You might opt for a casual stop at a local cafe, a gentle wander through nearby streets to observe daily life, or simply relax and recharge at your accommodation. As night falls, Ho Chi Minh City offers a plethora of dining options, from lively local eateries to contemporary restaurants, perfect for a relaxed evening exploring the

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city's rich culinary landscape.

Day 13 Mekong Delta River Life Excursion

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

This morning, depart from the urban vibrancy of Ho Chi Minh City, journeying south to Ben Tre Province, a tranquil area within the Mekong Delta celebrated for its abundant coconut groves and peaceful riverine existence. The drive provides glimpses of rural scenery and the everyday life unfolding alongside the road. Upon arrival, you will board a boat for a relaxed cruise along the Ham Luong River, one of the Mekong's numerous distributaries.

The calm waters and lush surroundings create a serene backdrop as you gently drift past riverside villages and swaying palm trees. Step ashore to visit a traditional coconut workshop, where you'll witness local products being crafted by hand, gaining insight into the region's cottage industries. Continue with a walk to a mat-weaving house, observing the intricate techniques behind this enduring craft. Enjoy fresh tropical fruits and tea, offering a simple yet authentic taste of the delta.

For a closer look at village life, hop on a 'xe loi' (motorized rickshaw) or a bicycle and travel through shaded lanes and fruit orchards, passing homes and farms at an unhurried pace. After a satisfying riverside lunch featuring local flavors, the journey continues by sampan, gliding through narrow canals framed by dense greenery. This quiet, immersive experience reveals the softer, more intimate side of the Mekong. By late afternoon, you will return to Ho Chi Minh City, with time to relax or enjoy your evening at leisure.

Day 14 Ho Chi Minh City Departure

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: NA

Enjoy a relaxed final morning in Ho Chi Minh City, allowing you to savor the concluding moments of your Vietnam journey. You might opt for a leisurely breakfast, a short stroll through nearby streets, or a quick visit to a local cafe to indulge in one last Vietnamese coffee. Depending on your flight schedule, take the opportunity for some light souvenir shopping or simply unwind before your transfer to the airport.

When it is time, you will be picked up from your hotel and comfortably transferred to the airport for your onward flight, concluding your memorable exploration of Vietnam.

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