

# Vietnam Unveiled: From Heritage Peaks to Cyan Seas (17 Days)

17D / 16N

Duration

USD 1,819 / pax

Starting From

This 17-day Vietnam vacation offers a well-rounded journey through the country's most iconic destinations, combining cultural discovery, natural beauty, and time to relax. Explore Hanoi's historic charm, trek through Sapa's mountains, cruise Ha Long Bay, discover imperial Hue, stroll Hoi An's lantern-lit streets, relax on Phu Quoc's beaches, and experience the Mekong Delta.

## DESTINATIONS & ROUTE

Hanoi → Sapa → Ha Long → Hue → Hoi An → Ho Chi Minh City

## TOUR OVERVIEW

Discover Vietnam: From Historic Cities to Tropical Beaches

This 17-day private tour offers a comprehensive journey through Vietnam's most celebrated destinations, blending rich cultural experiences with stunning natural beauty and opportunities for relaxation. Begin in the vibrant capital of Hanoi, where ancient traditions meet modern life, before venturing into the breathtaking mountainous landscapes of Sapa, home to diverse hill tribe communities.

Experience the ethereal beauty of Ha Long Bay with an overnight cruise, then delve into the imperial past of Hue and the enchanting ancient town of Hoi An. The itinerary includes several days of leisure on the pristine beaches of Phu Quoc Island, known for its clear waters and laid-back atmosphere, providing a perfect tropical escape. Conclude your adventure in the bustling Ho Chi Minh City, with a full-day excursion to the serene Mekong Delta.

Designed for an immersive and comfortable travel experience, this journey balances guided explorations with ample free time, allowing you to discover Vietnam at your own pace.

Why Travelers Love This Trip:

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## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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## DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

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## Day 1

### Arrival in Hanoi and Leisure Time

Meals: NA | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi | Transport: Airport transfer

Upon your arrival at Noi Bai International Airport (HAN), you will receive a warm welcome and a private transfer to your hotel in Hanoi's city center. After checking in, the rest of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure. You might choose to relax and recover from your journey or begin exploring the vibrant capital at your own pace.

Optional activities are available for those interested in a quick introduction to the city, such as a Hanoi Cooking Class or a Hanoi Night Street Food Tour by Motorbike (additional fees apply). Standard hotel check-in time is 2:00 PM; early check-in can be arranged upon request for an extra charge.

## Day 2

### Explore Hanoi's Landmarks and Travel to Sapa

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Sapa | Transport: Bus to Sapa

After breakfast, begin a half-day city tour of Hanoi's most significant landmarks. Your first stop is the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first national university, symbolizing the country's deep commitment to education. Continue to the unique One Pillar Pagoda, an iconic Buddhist temple.

Next, you will view the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum from the outside, a crucial historical site for the nation. Please note that the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum is closed on Mondays, Fridays, and from June through August. Conclude your morning with a visit to Tran Quoc Pagoda, beautifully situated on the shores of West Lake.

In the evening, return to your hotel to refresh before departing by comfortable bus to Sapa. Enjoy the scenic countryside views during the journey. Upon arrival in Sapa, you will be transferred to your hotel for check-in and a relaxing evening.

## Day 3

### Trek Through Muong Hoa Valley and Ethnic Villages

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

Following breakfast, set out on a picturesque trek through the stunning Muong Hoa Valley. Your walk begins at Y Linh Ho Village, then continues to Lao Chai Village, where you'll meet members of the Black Hmong community. The journey proceeds to Ta Van Village, home to the Zay people.

Along the route, you'll be treated to magnificent mountain vistas and terraced rice fields, gaining insight into the daily lives of these vibrant local communities. A picnic lunch will be provided during your trek. In the afternoon, return to your hotel in Sapa, with the remainder of the day free to relax, explore the town, or simply enjoy the surrounding scenery.

**Activities:** Trekking

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**Day 4****Discover Cat Cat & Sin Chai Villages and Return to Hanoi***Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Hanoi | Transport: Limousine to Hanoi*

After a light breakfast, check out from your hotel and begin a short trek to Cat Cat Village, another community of the Black Hmong people. Continue along scenic trails to a nearby waterfall and the remnants of a historic French-era hydroelectric station. Enjoy a picnic lunch by the river, surrounded by the tranquil natural landscape.

In the afternoon, continue trekking for approximately 2 miles (3 km) to Sin Chai Village, situated at the base of Fansipan Mountain, Vietnam's highest peak. Afterwards, return to Sapa town, where you'll have some free time to relax and prepare for your onward journey. Later, you will be transferred back to Hanoi by a comfortable limousine vehicle.

**Activities:** Trekking**Day 5****Journey to Ha Long Bay and Overnight Cruise***Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Stay: Halong Bay Cruise | Transport: Scenic drive to Halong Bay, Cruise*

After breakfast, depart Hanoi for a scenic drive to Ha Long Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site renowned for its emerald waters and thousands of towering limestone islands. Upon arrival around midday, you will check in and board your chosen cruise.

The crew will welcome you as you settle into your cabin and begin your journey through the bay. Enjoy a freshly prepared seafood lunch while cruising past the bay's iconic limestone karsts and dramatic seascapes. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure or participate in onboard activities such as exploring nearby caves, kayaking, or swimming in the calm, emerald waters. Return to the cruise to relax before a delicious dinner is served on board. In the evening, optional activities like squid fishing or board games are available, or you can simply unwind on deck under the stars. You will spend the night on the cruise.

**Activities:** Exploring caves, kayaking, swimming, squid fishing, board games**Day 6****Sunrise in Ha Long Bay and Flight to Hue***Meals: Breakfast, Brunch | Stay: Hotel in Hue | Transport: Flight to Hue, Transfer*

Start your day with an optional Tai Chi session on deck as the sun rises over Ha Long Bay, or simply enjoy the peaceful morning views. After a light breakfast, continue your exploration with a visit to a nearby cave and some time for kayaking in the tranquil waters.

Return to the cruise to check out, then enjoy a final brunch on board as you sail back to the harbor. In the afternoon, disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to Hue. Upon arrival in Hue, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Check in and enjoy the remainder of the day at your leisure.

**Activities:** Tai Chi, Cave visit, Kayaking

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### Explore Hue's Imperial History and Landmarks

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Hue

After breakfast, set out to explore the highlights of Hue, Vietnam's former imperial capital. Begin with a visit to Thien Mu Pagoda, a serene riverside landmark offering picturesque views over the Perfume River. Continue to the historic Imperial Citadel, where you will walk through ancient gates, royal palaces, and expansive courtyards that tell the story of Vietnam's rich royal heritage. Conclude your tour at Dong Ba Market, a bustling local market where you can browse a variety of goods and observe daily life in Hue. In the afternoon, return to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure.

**Activities:** Visit Thien Mu Pagoda, Imperial Citadel, Dong Ba Market

## Day 8

### Scenic Drive from Hue to Hoi An

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Hoi An | Transport: Scenic drive

After breakfast, depart from Hue for a comfortable scenic drive to Hoi An. The journey offers picturesque coastal views and beautiful landscapes along the way. In the afternoon, arrive in Hoi An, check in at your hotel, and take some time to relax after the journey. The remainder of the day is yours to explore the charming town or unwind at your own pace.

## Day 9

### Cycling Tour to Tra Que Vegetable Village and Lantern Making

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Hoi An | Transport: Bicycle

After breakfast, set out around 8:00 AM for a scenic bike ride through the countryside to Tra Que Vegetable Village. Upon arrival, you'll join local farmers for hands-on activities, including preparing soil, planting, watering, and harvesting using traditional methods. Take a break and enjoy a home-cooked lunch with a local family, featuring fresh ingredients grown right in the village.

In the afternoon, continue cycling to a local artisan's home, where you'll learn about the history and craft of Hoi An's famous lantern-making tradition. You'll also have the opportunity to create your own colorful lantern to take home as a unique souvenir.

**Activities:** Cycling, Farming activities, Lantern making workshop

## Day 10

### Leisure Day in Hoi An

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Hoi An

Enjoy a full day at your leisure in Hoi An. You might choose to wander through the charming Old Town, relax at a local café, or head to the nearby beach for some time by the water. If you'd like to make the most of your day, a variety of optional experiences are available at an additional cost, such as a My Son Sanctuary Half-Day Tour, Life as a Farmer in Cam Thanh Village, or a Hoi An Vespa Tour.

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**Day 11****Fly to Phu Quoc Island for Beach Relaxation**

*Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Phu Quoc | Transport: Flight to Phu Quoc, Transfer*

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Da Nang airport for your flight to Phu Quoc Island. In the afternoon, upon arrival, you'll be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Check in and enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure – relax by the beach, explore the island, or unwind at your resort.

**Day 12****Relax and Explore Phu Quoc Island**

*Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Phu Quoc*

Enjoy a full day at your leisure on Phu Quoc Island. Relax on the beach, swim in the clear tropical waters, or explore the island at your own pace. For those seeking more adventure, a variety of optional experiences are available at an additional cost, including a Southern Islands & Hon Thom Island Full-Day Tour, a Phu Quoc 3-Island Snorkeling Tour, a Northern Phu Quoc Motorbike Tour, or a Phu Quoc Night Fishing Experience.

**Day 13****Leisure Day on Phu Quoc Island**

*Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Phu Quoc*

Continue to enjoy your leisure time on Phu Quoc Island. Whether you prefer to soak up the sun on the pristine beaches, indulge in local cuisine, or discover hidden coves, the day is yours to customize. Consider exploring the island's pepper plantations, pearl farms, or the bustling night market.

**Day 14****Final Day of Relaxation on Phu Quoc Island**

*Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Phu Quoc*

Spend your final full day relaxing on Phu Quoc Island. Take advantage of the beautiful beaches for swimming or sunbathing, or opt for another activity to make the most of your time in this tropical paradise. Enjoy the serene atmosphere before continuing your journey.

**Day 15****Transfer from Phu Quoc to Ho Chi Minh City**

*Meals: Breakfast | Stay: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City | Transport: Flight to Ho Chi Minh City, Transfer*

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Phu Quoc airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City. In the afternoon, upon arrival, you'll be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Check in and enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure – relax, explore the city, or unwind after your journey.

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## Day 16

### Full-Day Mekong Delta Tour from Ho Chi Minh City

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Stay: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City | Transport: Boat, Xe Loi/Bicycle, Sampan boat

Between 7:00 AM and 7:30 AM, depart Ho Chi Minh City for Ben Tre, situated in the heart of the Mekong Delta. Upon arrival, enjoy a relaxing boat cruise along the Ham Luong River, passing local villages and lush tropical scenery. Visit a coconut workshop to observe the traditional process of making handmade products, then stop at a local mat-weaving house where you can learn about this craft while enjoying tea and fresh fruit.

Continue your journey with a ride by motorized rickshaw (xe loi) or bicycle through peaceful countryside paths, lined with orchards and small villages. Enjoy a delicious riverside lunch featuring regional specialties before boarding a small sampan boat. Glide through narrow, palm-lined canals, taking in the quiet beauty and everyday life of the Mekong Delta. You will return to Ho Chi Minh City around 5:00 PM.

**Activities:** Boat cruise, Coconut workshop visit, Mat-weaving house visit, Countryside ride, Sampan boat ride

## Day 17

### Departure from Ho Chi Minh City

Meals: Breakfast | Stay: NA | Transport: Airport transfer

Enjoy your final breakfast at the hotel and take some time to relax before your departure. When it's time, you'll be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. Your Vietnam vacation concludes here, and we hope you depart with many unforgettable memories.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

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- ✓ 14 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 1 Brunch, 1 Picnic Lunch, 1 Dinner
- ✓ Accommodation in DBL/TWN sharing room at hotel (13 nights), and Halong Bay Cruise (1 night)
- ✓ All transport within Vietnam, including airport pick-up and drop-off
- ✓ 3 domestic flights: Hanoi – Hue, Da Nang – Phu Quoc, and Phu Quoc – Ho Chi Minh City
- ✓ Limousine transfer between Hanoi and Sapa
- ✓ All in-tour stationed local English-speaking guide
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### NOT INCLUDED

## PRICE INCLUDES

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## AVAILABLE DEPARTURES

Departure Date	Return Date	Price / Person	Availability	Languages
21 Dec 2026	20 Dec 2027	USD 1,874	Available	–
21 Dec 2026	20 Dec 2027	USD 2,204	Available	–
21 Dec 2026	20 Dec 2027	USD 2,822	Available	–

## CANCELLATION POLICY

Tour Code: IMP-0F8081ABE1C6