

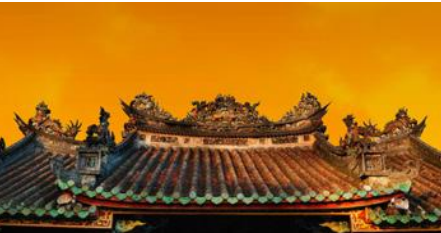
# VIETNAM

A country of great charm and one of amazing contrasts from the towering mountains of the north with colourfully attired Mung tribes people, to long sandy beaches (3,444kms of coast line) peppered with sleepy fishing villages. The cities range from the capital, Hanoi - considered as the cultural centre - to the commercially bustling, dynamic Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) with over 10 million inhabitants and almost the same number of bicycles and motor scooters



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## HIGHLIGHTS OF VIETNAM 10 days/9 nights

Visiting: *Hanoi, Halong Bay (overnight on junk), Hoi An, Hue, Saigon*

### GUARANTEED\* Set Departure Tour starting in HANOI

	From	To	By	Itinerary	Hotel
Day 1 Tue	Melbourne 1035	Hanoi 2000	VN780	Evening arrival <b>Hanoi</b> , met, welcomed and transfer to hotel	HANOI
Day 2 Wed	Hanoi		Car	<b>Hanoi (B,L)</b> Morning Hanoi half day city tour includes the One Pillar Pagoda, Temple of Literature and the bustling Old Quarter. Local Pho 24 lunch and afternoon free	HANOI
Day 3 Thu	Hanoi	Halong	Car	<b>Hanoi - Halong Bay (B,L,D)</b> Drive to Halong Bay. Board a refurbished wooden sailing junk for a cruise among hundreds of islets of Halong Bay, where you will have a seafood lunch and a swim (weather permitting). Afternoon visit a grotto before dropping anchor for the night	On Junk
Day 4 Fri	Halong  Hanoi 1905	Hanoi  Danang 2020  Hoi An	Car  VN 1525	<b>Halong Bay – Hanoi – Danang – Hoi An</b> Spend the morning cruising through the limestone cliffs and emerald waters. Cruise back to the wharf while having brunch on board. Return to Hanoi stopping en route at Dong Trieu ceramic factory. Transfer to Hanoi airport for the early evening flight to Danang and transfer to Hoi An <b>(Brunch)</b>	HOI AN
Day 5 Sat	Hoi An			<b>Hoi An (B)</b> Morning half-day Hoi An tour visiting ancient merchants' houses, a Hokkien temple, a 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge, the vibrant riverside market, a lantern workshop to learn the techniques involved and create your own. Afternoon free	HOI AN
Day 6 Sun	Hoi An	Hue	Car	<b>Hoi An – Hue (B,L)</b> Morning depart Hoi An for Vietnam's ancient capital of Hue. On arrival visit the elaborate tomb of Emperor Minh Mang. Afternoon visit the Imperial Citadel. The spectacular Citadel is built on the same design as Beijing's Forbidden Palace and contains a series of palaces, ornate halls, libraries, residences, and colleges. Proceed to the elegant Thien Mu Pagoda to witness a daily Buddhist prayer recital by the monks before enjoying a sunset cruise on the river. Local lunch is included	HUE
Day 7 Mon	Hue 0810	Saigon 0930	VN 1371	<b>Hue – Ho Chi Minh City (B)</b> Morning transfer to Hue airport for the flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Upon arrival enjoy a brief orientation of the city including the Notre Dame Cathedral, Central Post Office. Afternoon a half-day city tour including Chinatown and Binh Tay Market	SAIGON
Day 8 Tue	Saigon			<b>Ho Chi Minh City (B)</b> Full day free or further <i>optional</i> sightseeing tours such as Cu Chi Tunnels or Mekong Delta	SAIGON
Day 9 Wed	Saigon 2100		VN781	<b>Ho Chi Minh City departure</b> The morning is free for shopping before transferring to the Airport	Departure Overnight flight
Day 10 Thu		Melbourne	0825	<b>Arrive back in Australia</b>	



➤ **SET DEPARTURE DATES:** ex Melbourne or Sydney

05 Apr	19 Apr	26 Apr	03 May	17 May	31 May	14 Jun
28 Jun	12 Jul	23 Aug	06 Sep	04 Oct	11 Oct	18 Oct
25 Oct	01 Nov	08 Nov	15 Nov			

➤ **TOUR PRICES:** Based on share double or twin, per person (pp)

<b>HIGHLIGHTS OF VIETNAM</b> ex Melbourne or Sydney		
<b>*Guaranteed departures - minimum of just 2 adults</b>		
	<b>Superior Hotels</b>	<b>First Class Hotels</b>
<b>PRICE: per person twin share</b> valid 01 Apr – 15 Nov 2011	<b>\$1,890</b>	<b>\$2,098</b>
<b>Single Supplement</b>	<b>\$265</b>	<b>\$528</b>

The above airfares *include* taxes and are subject to change. Land costs are quoted in Australian dollars and based on the US dollar which may change with currency fluctuations

The above prices are based on English speaking professional tour guides other language speaking guides are available at possible additional costs

**PRICES INCLUDE:**

- Return economy class airfares flying Vietnam Airlines. Sydney travel via Melbourne on QF
- Government taxes and airline fuel surcharges - which do change
- Hotel accommodation based on share twin/double room with daily breakfast
- Government accommodation taxes (10%) and compulsory hotel service charge (5%)
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary (**B**= Breakfast, **L**= Lunch, **D**= Dinner)
- Regional English speaking professional tour guide
- Tours and transfers as per the itinerary are by air-conditioned vehicles
- Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary
- Boat trips as mentioned in the itinerary
- Vietnam city maps of the major cities visited

**PRICES EXCLUDE:**

- Vietnam Tourist Visa - compulsory for Australians & New Zealanders  
Single entry tourist visa is currently \$70.00 pp
- Any other meals not mentioned above
- Camera/video fees
- Personal expenses (laundry, telephone, drinks, tips & gratuities, etc.)
- Travel insurance<sup>^</sup>
- All other services which are not shown in the itinerary and not mentioned in INCLUDED

<sup>^</sup> *It is highly recommended that you have a travel insurance which also cover the cost of medical evacuation flights*

\* Guaranteed departures are based on 2 persons travelling together and is subject to availability of airline seats and hotel rooms.



## **TERMS & CONDITIONS** and Fine Print

### **PAYMENT**

Full payment is due upon our written confirmation. Credit cards (Mastercard, Visa, Amex, Diners) are accepted but their merchant fees are added - 2% MC & Visa and 3.25% AX, DC.

### **OPTIONAL TOURS**

Optional tours are available with the minimum (2) /maximum (10) passengers

### **PRE-TOURS IN HANOI**

Pre-tours are available before Day 1 with the additional charges of hotel accommodation + excursions + transfer-in on the arrival day. These arrangements are based on private basis

### **POST-TOURS IN HO CHI MINH CITY**

Post-tours are available from Day 9 with the additional charges of hotel accommodation + excursions + transfer-out on the departure day. These arrangements are based on private basis

### **EXTENSIONS TOURS TO CAMBODIA**

Extensions tours to Cambodia are available from Ho Chi Minh City. Visit the wonders of Angkor Wat in Siem Reap

### **CHILD POLICY:**

Hotels vary in the way they charge for children also this depends upon whether the child uses an extra bed (roll-away) or (depending on age) shares the bed with parents

For these reasons please contact us to receive a quote which will be based on your requirements and the hotels available

### **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

Up to 14 days before departure \$450 pp, 7 - 14 days \$900 pp, within 7 days *nil* refund

Bookings can be made through your travel agent :

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