

Indochina Adventure 13 Days



Brief itinerary

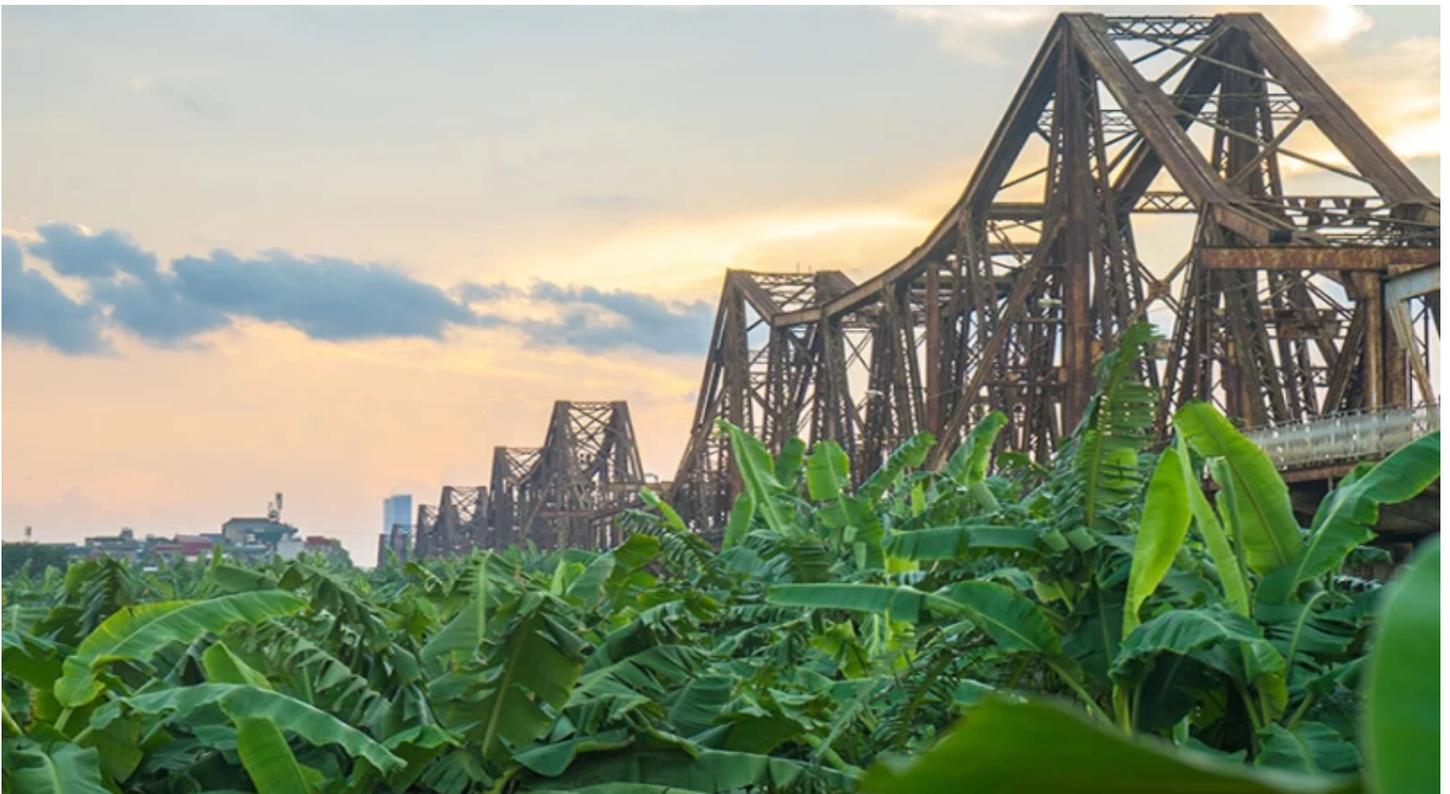
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Detailed Itinerary



Day 1: Arrive Hanoi, Vietnam



Hanoi, a city that seamlessly blends modern vitality with a deep-rooted connection to tradition, welcomes you. Its bustling streets, where scooters weave through the cacophony of honking horns, bear witness to a rich history shaped by French and Chinese influences. Explore the resilience and pride of Hanoians as you dine on exotic culinary delights, peruse vibrant markets, and immerse yourself in a burgeoning arts scene. Then, for a surprisingly modest cost, retreat to the lap of luxury for a restful night's sleep. Engage with the locals,

delve into the city's storied past, and witness the vibrant pulse of a dynamic Hanoi on the move.

Upon your arrival, our dedicated guide will warmly welcome you and accompany you to your waiting vehicle. During your transfer to downtown, enjoy a brief introduction to this captivating city. Look for your guide, who will be holding a welcoming signboard adorned with the ASIA TOUR ADVISOR LOGO and your name. Once you arrive at your hotel, settle in and unwind.

Meals: None, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Hanoi hotels



Day 2: Highlights Of Hanoi



It is unmissable in terms of its pretty pagodas, ancient temples, enchanting French colonial quarter and cultural institutions. Just as fun, however, is darting down its winding lanes and discovering your own favourite hidden corners.

After a satisfying breakfast at your hotel, our local tour guide will pick you up to embark on an exploration of Vietnam's capital city, Hanoi. With over a thousand years of history, this city is rich with captivating cultural and historical sites. Your itinerary includes visits to the imposing **Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum**, home to the preserved body of "Uncle Ho." and his House on Stilts to observe how he lived and how his life unfolded to become one of modern history's greatest names.

You'll also experience the delicate beauty of the **One Pillar Pagoda**, **Tran Quoc Temple** are a spiritual and cultural symbol of Hanoi, the capital city of Vietnam. With special features in its structure along with historical values, the temple will surely be a real eye-opener for tourists.

After lunch, continue to visit the millennia-old **Temple of Literature** and explore its role in the country's past, as both a university and a Confucius temple. Next is **Hoa Lo** , a prison used by the French colonists in Vietnam for political prisoners, and later by North Vietnam for U.S. Prisoners of War.

To cap off your day, enjoy a one-hour cyclo tour through the bustling and lively **Old Quarter**, immersing yourself in the vibrant marketplace atmosphere. Sample delicious dishes like Nom Du Du (green papaya salad), Banh Mi Pa Te (a sandwich that reflects Vietnam's culinary heritage)

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Hanoi hotels



Day 3: Ha Noi – Ha Long Bay



Our journey embarks from Hanoi where we'll pick you up for a scenic drive through the verdant landscapes of the Red River Delta. Our destination: the world-famous **UNESCO World Heritage site, Halong Bay, Lan Ha Bay**. Here, you'll embark on a luxurious cruise for an enchanting overnight cruise.

As you relax on board, you'll be captivated by the breathtaking limestone karsts that majestically emerge from the azure waters, surrounded by thousands of jungle-clad islands seemingly suspended on the gentle waves. The turquoise waters of the Gulf of Tonkin conceal hidden grottoes and ancient caves, creating a timeless and mesmerizing world.

Enjoy a delicious seafood lunch with breathtaking views and a refreshing drink. Our next destination is a **charming fishing village**, where locals have ingeniously turned their boats into a floating community. Meet fishermen, explore a stunning lagoon by kayak or rowboat, and unwind on deck as the sun sets. Spend a delightful overnight stay on board!

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Halong Bay hotels



Day 4: Halong Bay- Da Nang - Hoi An



Kickstart your day with **Tai Chi** on the top deck or savor the sunrise over the bay. Sip on morning coffee or tea before setting out to explore nearby islands via rowboat.

Upon returning to the junk, witness a fruit carving demonstration and participate in a cooking class, learning to create traditional Vietnamese cuisine from scratch. Enjoy a Vietnamese lunch on board as you cruise back to Halong City. Upon arrival, your driver will be waiting at the dock to take you to Noi Bai Airport for your short **flight to Danang**.

Upon arrival in Danang, your tour guide and driver will transfer you to your hotel in Hoi An—a destination that seamlessly blends old-world charm with pristine beaches and luxurious resorts.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Halong Bay hotels



Day 5: Hoi An Day Excursion



Hoi An, an ancient town situated 30 km south of Da Nang, resides gracefully on the banks of the Thu Bon River. This town proudly preserves its extraordinary heritage of Japanese merchant houses, Chinese temples, and ancient tea warehouses. While residents and rice fields have gradually given way to tourist enterprises, lounge bars, boutique hotels, and tailor shops, they have become integral to the town's vibrant atmosphere.

Choose from the following itineraries to craft your own exploration of Hoi An:

Option 1: Cooking Class

Embark on a culinary adventure starting with a visit to a bustling local market to select the freshest ingredients. Return to a culinary haven, where your skilled chef will demonstrate the art of crafting typical Vietnamese cuisine. You'll have the opportunity to cook your own meal and savor the fruits of your labor.

In the afternoon, embark on a guided walking tour of enchanting Old Hoi An. This town, once a bustling Asian seaport, has preserved a unique blend of architectural styles and cultures. Wander through traditional Chinese shops, elegant French residences, and the iconic Japanese Bridge. The town also boasts silk markets, Vietnamese street food stalls, and talented street performers sure to enchant you.

Option 2: Tra Que Village Discovery

Begin your day with breakfast at your hotel and a refreshing bike ride to Tra Que Village, where you will explore a local farm. Engage in the daily activities of vegetable cultivation, learning about the historical significance of these crops in traditional Vietnamese medicine.

Participate in farming tasks such as collecting seaweed fertilizer, sowing, raking, watering, and harvesting. You will also savor local specialties like Tam Huu (spring rolls) and Banh Xeo (pancakes). Immerse yourself in the authentic village life, complete with a post-lunch nap, before returning to the field to learn the art of harvesting and packaging the produce. In the late afternoon, bid farewell to your newfound friends and return to Hoi An for a visit to the Hoi An Old Quarter. Relax at your hotel.

Option 3: Bike or Motorbike Adventure in the Countryside

Our guide will pick you up at the hotel by motorbike, and you will ride to Tra Que Village before taking a local ferry to Kim Bong Village. In addition to its famous wood carving, this village is known for weaving sleeping mats, and you'll have the opportunity to witness this traditional craft. Stop by a local family to observe the production of the region's renowned local noodles, Mi Quang, and even make and taste the perfect Banh Dap (rice cracker).

Continuing on to a small village, prepare for an exhilarating 300-meter bamboo bridge river crossing to reach the sea-side landscape of Duy Hai Market and Harbor. A local ferry will transport you to Cam Thanh Village, where water coconut palms fringe the landscape. Enjoy a homestay lunch in Cam Thanh before returning to your hotel, either by motorbike or bicycle, depending on your preference and ability.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Hoi An hotels



Day 6: Hoi An – Car Transfer To Hue



Depart Hoi An, you will be driven towards Hue which is about 120km from Hoi An town. Today the journey over Hai Van Pass will be one of the most scenic ones.

In Danang, a stop will be made at Cham Museum which has an open-air collection of Cham sculptures. Many of the sandstone carvings are breathtaking. Visit the marble mountain. You also stop at the famous My Khe Beach for some quick photos.

You will also stop for a short coffee break at Lang Co beach – one of the most beautiful beaches of Vietnam. Arrive in Hue and check into your hotel.

After a local lunch, you will visit the Imperial Citadel, a 19th-century walled fortress taken by North Vietnam during the Tet Offensive in the Vietnam War. Later, you'll embark on a boat cruise along Perfume River to visit Thien Mu Pagoda and admire the sunset on the boat.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Hue hotels



Day 7: Hue Exploration



Hue is one of the most charming towns in the Central Vietnam and has a long and illustrious history as it used to be one of the main royal capitals of the country.

Today you will explore the royal city of Hue once served as an imperial capital to the Nguyen Lords, a feudal dynasty which reigned from the 17th to the 19th century. With splendid emperors' tombs, ancient pagodas and the remains of the citadel, the city retains its royal charm.

After breakfast, you are picked up by your private guide and driver and begin your day with a visit to the atmospheric Imperial Citadel, a large complex that contains the remains of the former Imperial Palace and Forbidden Purple City, where the emperors and his family once lived. The two-hour walking tour allows you to see the magnificent architecture and gardens as your guide explains the events and the intrigue of the former royal court.

From the Imperial City, your guide will take you to visit the iconic Thien Mu Pagoda – Hue's most famous religious site with its origins dating back to 1601. Here you will explore the pagoda's landscaped gardens, the seven-tiered octagonal tower, and watch the monks chanting.

Hue is famous for its Royal cuisine. The Nguyen Emperors' banquets were legendary. Some feasts were said to have included 300 rare dishes served in more than a thousand bowls. Today your guide will take you to the fine-dining Ancient Hue restaurant where you will be served a royal lunch. This old fashioned style meal which brings a boutique and unique experience.

After lunch, you will explore the tomb of the longest-reigned Emperor Tu Duc, located in a tranquil setting of gardens and ponds, inspired by the Chinese Confucianism, harmonious design of balance and symmetry for the emperor's resting place.

Continue to visit the tomb of King Khai Dinh, designed in traditional Vietnamese style with a European touch making it unique from the other tombs in Hue.

Following your immersive day in Hue's cultural treasures, the evening opens to you, providing a canvas upon which you can relax or choose to further explore the city's captivating offerings.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Hue hotels



Day 8: Hue – Flight to Ho Chi Minh



Welcome to Ho Chi Minh City, the once-southern capital of Vietnam. The city's vibrant streets are filled with enticing scents, from chili to garlic, ginger to coriander. As you arrive at the airport, your private transfer will greet you and escort you to your centrally located hotel. Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam's commercial hub, embraces the Saigon River, gracing the tranquil waterway with a lively skyline. This city, a blend of tradition, modernity, colonial history, and reunification, introduces the marvels of Vietnam.

Enjoy a leisurely morning for breakfast before departing for your flight to Saigon/Ho Chi Minh City. Upon your arrival at the airport, you will be met and transported to downtown for

sightseeing. Depending on your preferences, we recommend exploring the Cu Chi Tunnels, a significant site from the Vietnam-American War, for an intriguing day trip. Explore these mysterious tunnels, uncover hidden doors, and navigate once-lethal traps.

Alternatively, consider a visit to the War Remnants Museum or the Presidential Palace, based on your interests. In the evening, wander through the city's colonial streets and discover iconic landmarks such as the Old Saigon Post Office, Dong Khoi Street, Continental Hotel, Opera House, and City Hall.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Ho Chi Minh hotels



Day 9: Ho Chi Minh – Mekong – Ben Tre



Ben Tre is one the best area of the **Mekong Delta** that seems to retain the feeling of being a complete backwater, to fascinatingly invite tourists to the untouched and natural landscapes to discover its rustic local life, beautiful canals and traditional activities

After breakfast, your private guide and driver will take you out of Ho Chi Minh City in a private vehicle and onto some beautiful country roads to Ben Tre Town in the Mekong Delta, **famous for its vast rice fields, numerous waterways, and beautiful landscapes**. Known as the 'rice bowl' of Vietnam, this region produces most of Vietnam's fruit, rice, sugar cane, and coconuts.

After the two-hour drive through the lush farming land, you will arrive in Ben Tre where you will set out on a motorized boat trip on narrow channels winding through the coconut forest.

During the boat ride, you will stop at the local cottage industries to see how the local people make bricks and weave sleeping mats by hand. Learn about their craft handed down through generations.

Take a leisure walk along the village lanes, visiting the local homes to try fresh fruits, taste delicious honey tea while enjoying a local **Tai Tu music** show. Continue to visit another workshop where the local delicacy of coconut candy is produced and a wide range of coconut husk and fiber products are skillfully handcrafted.

Next, take a small sampan through palm-fringed back canals, gliding peacefully along the hidden waterways surrounded by an immense variety of tropical plants. The quiet, rural setting is a welcome and restorative retreat to the frenetic buzz of Ho Chi Minh City which seems far, far away.

Enjoy sitting in the back a **Motor Cart** (xe lô) passing local hamlets, rice fields, coconut groves, and lush orchard farms while meeting with local people.

After finishing your sightseeing tour your guide will take you to a riverside restaurant for lunch with local specialties then return to the pier and drive back to Ho Chi Minh City.

This evening you will be free to visit the night market to discover the authentic local cuisine .Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Ben Tre hotels



Day 10: Ho Chi Minh – Siem Reap



Siem Reap has always been destined for greatness. While the temples are the primary draw, there is much more to explore in and around the city when you've had your fill of temple exploration. Siem Reap has reinvented itself as the epitome of chic Cambodia, offering everything from nightlife, world-class dining across various cuisines, luxurious spas, excellent shopping, and local tours catering to foodies and adventurers alike. Additionally, the city boasts a thriving cultural scene, including Cambodia's premier contemporary circus.

Begin your day with a leisurely breakfast at the hotel. We will then arrange your transportation to the airport for your flight to Siem Reap, Cambodia. Upon your arrival at the airport, you will be met and transferred directly to your hotel. Enjoy the remainder of the day at your own pace.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Siem Reap hotels



Day 11: Outlying Temples Explore



The temples of Angkor serve as a source of inspiration and national pride for all Khmers as they strive to rebuild their lives following years of turmoil. Today, the temples are a point of pilgrimage for all Cambodians, and no traveler to the region should miss their breathtaking beauty. Angkor ranks among the world's most impressive ancient sites, blending the grandeur of the Great Wall of China, the intricacy of the Taj Mahal, and the symbolism of the pyramids into a single extraordinary destination.

Following breakfast at your hotel, your guide will pick you up to visit the ancient Khmer civilization site of Hariharalaya, which thrived in the late 9th and early 10th centuries. These are the earliest temples in the Angkor area, collectively known as the Rolous group (Lo Lei, Preah Koh, and Bakhong Temples). Enjoy lunch with a local family before embarking on a journey to the rural outskirts, 35 km from the Angkor area, to explore the magnificent Banteay Srei. This 10th-century temple, dedicated to Shiva, is renowned as the birthplace of Khmer classical architecture. It features exquisite pink sandstone structures adorned with striking and intricate sculptures, lintels, pediments, and friezes. Khmer lore suggests that the temple's level of detail is too fine to have been carved by men, leading to the belief that women must have been responsible for its creation.

On your return to Siem Reap, visit the Banteay Samre Temple, featuring impressive reliefs depicting Vishnu and Krishna legends. Conclude your day's adventures with a return to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Siem Reap hotels



Day 12: Siem Reap – Angkor Highlighted Temples



Start your day with an early breakfast at the hotel. At 7:30 am, depart for a visit to the enchanting Ta Prohm Temple, nearly swallowed by the encroaching jungle, creating a haunting and exotic spectacle. The captivating sight of tree roots intertwining with temple stones makes this a memory that will last a lifetime.

Continue your exploration with a visit to the intricately carved Khmer ruins at Angkor Wat, one of the world's most impressive archaeological sites. This temple, still adorned with fine Apsara carvings, showcases the art of the Angkorian era. Dive deeper into the mysteries of the Royal City of Angkor Thom, featuring the awe-inspiring Bayon Temple with its 54-tower structure. At first glance, it appears as a mass of stone, but further scrutiny reveals faces, each captivating with a mysterious and distant gaze, evoking a primitive and ancient time. Explore the surrounding complex, including Baphou, Elephant Terraces, Lipper King Terrace, and Royal Palace. Conclude your temple tour with a visit to Preah Khan Temple, constructed in the 12th century by King Jayavarman VII, showcasing a similar architectural style to Ta Prohm.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Siem Reap hotels



Day 13: Siem Reap Departure



Your remaining time in Siem Reap is at your leisure until your private car and driver arrive to transport you to the airport for your onward flight. This concludes your unforgettable Vietnam Tour with AsiaTourAdvisor.com. Farewell, and we look forward to welcoming you again in the future! AsiaTourAdvisor.com is ready to arrange additional customized trips to meet your expectations.

Accommodation: Latest hotel check-out time: 12:00 p.m.

Meals: Breakfast at the dining lounge, Lunch at local favorite restaurant

Accommodation: Siem Reap hotels

Booking Policy

What's Included

- ✓ Hotel accommodation in shared twin or shared double room with daily breakfast.
- ✓ Meals as mentioned in the itinerary (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner).
- ✓ Tours and transfers by private air-conditioned vehicles.
- ✓ English speaking local guide
- ✓ All entrance fees as indicated in itinerary.
- ✓ Boat trips as mentioned in the itinerary
- ✓ 04 Domestic flights: Ha Noi – Da Nang; Da Nang –Saigon; Saigon – Siem Reap
- ✓ Cruise in Ha Long Bay
- ✓ Cold water and towel during tours

What's Excluded

- ✗ Visa stamp fee
- ✗ International air ticket:
- ✗ International airport tax:
- ✗ Other meal, drink, Tip to guide and driver, personal expenses
- ✗ Supplement for French, Italian and German speaking guide
- ✗ Peak season surcharge on Christmas, New Year Festival

Cancellation by Customer

- ✗ Cancellation received before 60 days: FREE of charge
- ✗ Cancellation received from 30 days to 59 days prior arrival date: 10% of total rate
- ✗ Cancellation received from 15 days to 29 days prior arrival date: 30% of total rate
- ✗ Cancellation received from 7 days to 14 days prior arrival date: 50% of total rate
- ✗ Cancellation received less than 7 days prior arrival date or No show: 100% of total rate



Children Policy

- The rate for children applicable for one child sharing a twin or double cabin with two adults
- For infant (<04 years old): FOC except domestic ticket cost
- 04 - 11 years old without bed: 50% adult rate
- 04 - 11 years old with extra bed: 75% adult rate
- 04 - 11 years old in twin share: 90% adult rate

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