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18 Memorable Days of Vietnam from North to South

"Hanoi – Sapa – Halong bay – Hoian – Da lat – Ho Chi Minh City – Mekong Delta "

Trip overview

This 18 days package tour is a our present to your holiday with golden destinations of Viet nam from north to the south . The mixed experiences in authentic places along the trip and great mix activities with easy adventure, trekking , kayaking, cycling , and great fun with easy ride on scooter (back seat is available) . Your holiday will be memorable with our Funny Travel team!

Highlight:

- Hanoi city tour and street foods (if not can choose the foods in local tourist restaurant)
- Sapa trekking tour transfer by luxury limousine on highway
- Halong bay Cruise (2 2.5 hours transfer just forget to worry about long distance like how we did in the past (3,5 hours)
- Great mixed activities during tour: Trekking, cycling, kayaking, canyoning, swimming, cooking class, tai chi, boat trip
- Visit traditional villages
- Ninh Binh tours: Tam Coc (Trang an if you prefer), Mua caves, Best vietnam pagoda: Bai Dinh pagoda
- Relaxing on beach
- Visit My Son Sanctuary which is Vietnam Angkor wat
- Da lat highland
- Easy rider on scooter in Da Lat , visit flower garden (the most wonderful and romantic land of Vietnam)
- Ho Chi Minh city
- Cu chi tunnels
- Mekong delta
- Great way to discovery Vietnam included: history, culture, local life and wonderful foods



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Note:

this is wonderful for young, middle age old peoples with the activities , we are flexible with the request of easy trek , cycling or just very easy and relaxing trip with this itinerary

Main itinerary

Day 1 : Pick up – Hanoi afternoon/after dark walking tour- stay in hotel in Hanoi (Meals included: Dinner)

Day 2: Hanoi city tour and street foods on scooter – stay in your hotel in Hanoi (Meals included :Lunch+ Street foods)

Day 3: Hanoi – Sapa by morning luxury Limousine – trekking – stay in hotel in Sapa (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 4: Sapa – trekking down to mountain valley – stay in homestay in local house(Meals included: Breakfast,Lunch,Dinner)

Day 5: Sapa waterfalls – bus back to Hanoi- stay in hanoi(Meals included: Breakfast,Lunch)

Day 6: Hanoi – Halong bay – stay on cruise (Meals included:Breakfast,Lunch,Dinner)

Day 7: Halong Bay - Hanoi - stay in Hanoi (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 8: Tam Coc - Hoa Lu- stay in Tam Coc (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 9: Mua Caves – Bai Dinh pagoda – Back to Hanoi airport – fly to Hoi An – stay in hotel in Hoi an (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 10: My Son sanctuary + Hoi an tour – stay in Hoian (Meals included: Breakfast,Lunch)

Day 11: Hoi an countryside tour + farming and visit traditional villages – stay in Hoi an (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 12: Ba Na Hills – visit golden bridge – Fly to Da Lat - stay in Hoian (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)



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Day 13: Da Lat city tour - Easy rider option (can choose by car if you prefer it) - stay in hotel in Da Lat (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 14: Da Lat countryside Tour - Easy rider option (can choose by car if you prefer it) - stay in hotel in Da Lat (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 15: Fly to Saigon –Saigon city + Cu Chi tunnels (can change it to fullday city tour if you do not want the tunnels) – stay in hotel in Saigon (Meals included: Breakfast,Lunch)

Day 16: Mekong delta – stay in hotel in Mekong (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 17: Cai Rang floating market - Sa Dec flower garden- back to Saigon - stay in hotel in Saigon (Meals included: Breakfast,Lunch)

Day 18: Depart - End of tour (Meals included:Breakfast)

Detail itinerary

<u>Day 1: Pick up - Hanoi afternoon/after dark walking tour- stay in hotel in Hanoi (Meals included: Dinner)</u>

Our staff will welcome you in Hanoi airport then to take you to hotel Have rest in a while before have a very easy trip at afternoon / late afternoon (depends on your request)

Start the tour by walking follow the tour guide. The guide will take you around the Old Quarter, enjoy the colorful streets. You can understand more about Vietnam culture and customs. Not only the busy streets, we also walk to the small corners to see the local life. Visit Hoan Kiem lake – the most beautiful and famous lake in Vietnam, walk inside the city to visit the local market to learn more about the culture Then, you will have opportunity to try the best Vietnam foods- street foods with diversity menu, including the best food such as: Bun Cha, Pho, Banh Cuon, ... (You can request the foods in local tourist restaurant if not interesting in street foods)



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<u>Day 2: Hanoi city tour and street foods on scooter (you can request the tour by car)-</u> <u>stay in your hotel in Hanoi (Meals included :Lunch+ Street foods)</u>

9.00am: Pick up in your hotel or meeting in **Funny Travel Office at 35 Gia Ngu -Hoan Kiem Lake - Ha Noi**, with the best tour guied of street foods tour (any time as your order with private tour).

Starting trip of visiting the most beautiful places in Hanoi includding Ho Chi Minh complex: Ho Chi Minh mausoleum, Ho Chi Minh Still House/Garden/Fish Lake, to explore the life of the most Vietnamese famous person also about Vietnam history. Having the best Hanoi vegetarian Lunch in local Restaurant. Keep continuing to see the best scenery of country side with motorbike by passing Long Bien Bridge, Red River, Famers, Vegertable Farms. Seeing how the local Vietnamses living in quite town. A highlight of this trip to visit an orphanage in Bo De Pagoda, see how to loof after the childrens, playing with kids.... Back to Chuong Duong Bridge by heading to The West Lake which is the biggest lake in Hanoi before back to Old quarter for Street Foods. Walking pass most beautiful and colourful streets, (Night market on every Fri-Sun) to Dong Xuan Market, walking around Hoan Kiem Lake to visit and enjoy local street foods.

Will stop in the best restaurants on street to have the most delicious and interesting foods in Ha noi .This special tour is not only about eating and tasting foods which is more special from Funny Travel to bring to you a full view of Vietnam colourful cultures and long history by passing to Hanoi French quarter .

Continue your nightlife street food walking tour by visiting international Beer corner to drink local Bia Hoi which is the best beer in hanoi .The street foods will be serving: Bun Cha, Pho, Nem(spring roll),Sticky rice cake, Local beer (fresh beer), egg coffe, mix fruits and milk.

Say goodbye with Funny Travel Tour Guide after memorable time in our office or in your hotel.

<u>Day 3: Hanoi - Sapa by morning luxury Limousine - trekking - stay in hotel in Sapa</u> (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

7.00 – 7.30am: Our Limousine and driver will pick you up at your hotel. Start transferring to Sapa.

10.00am: A short break in 15 minutes.

11.30am: The second break.



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12.30 – 13.00: Arrive in Sapa town. Check in hotel and have lunch in local restaurant.

14.00: Transfer to the gate of **Cat Cat village** and see the daily life of ethnic people. Trekking down to the moutains and see beautiful landscape which created by blue sky and stunning valleys. On the way you can easily see the ethnic children selling some handcraft, if you don't buy anything, you can give some candies for lovely children.

Continue the trip to visit the **Sin chai village** before getting back to hotel to relax.

Dinner by your self

Free at night in Sapa town for walking and shopping on your own

<u>Day 4: Trekking to Lao Chai + Ta Van village - overnight in homestay (Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)</u>

7.00: Have breakfast and check out hotel.

8.00: Enjoy the morning in Sapa. Transfer to **Y** Linh Ho, start trekking passing the rice fields and Muong Hoa stream to reach to Lao Chai village – house of Black H'mong people.

On the high point of the road, great view of the whole villages open wide to offer a marvelous panorama view. Here you will enjoy the fresh air, see terraced fields and stream, discover tradition and custom of ethnic people in this area.

12.00: Check in homestay and have lunch with local family

14:00: Keep trekking further to see more hidden corner

17.00: Back to the **homestay** and relax. Then, you can join in cooking dinner with the family , chat with them to exchange the culture and have a strong rice wine for your unforgettable night



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<u>Day 5: Giang Ta Chai - waterfalls - Luxury lismouine back to Hanoi-stay in hanoi(Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)</u>

8.00: Get up and enjoy local breakfast with the family

9.00: Start trekking to **Giang Ta Chai**. Coming to Giang Ta Chai, you are offered with numerous gorgeous views of moutains ranges, bamboo forests and rice terraces, challenging trails to the villages.

Go further to see a beautiful waterfall.

12.00: Comeback homestay and have lunch. Relax and chat to the family about their life.

14.00: Say goodbye to the family and return Sapa town

15.00: Get on the Limousine to Hanoi

20.30-21.00: Arrive in Hanoi Old Quarter.

Day 6: Hanoi - Halong bay - stay on cruise (Meals included:Breakfast,Lunch,Dinner)

7.45-8.15: Bus pick you up at your hotel and transfer to Halong Pick up in hotel lobby to transfer to Halong BAY

- 12.30 Boarding time.
- 13.00 Check-in your cabin.
- 13: 15 The Cruise Manager will give a welcome speech with all the cruise information and Safety instructions.
- 13: 30 Enjoy the Buffet Lunch with the best products of the Bay.
- 15:30 Visit the Vung Vieng Floating fishing village. Kayak around the area.
- 15.30-16.30 If you want to relax on the boat instead of participating in other activities feel free to use our sauna for no extra cost.



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16:30 Relaxing time: the right moment for a massage or to take some pictures of the spectacular sunset in the bay.

17:00-18.30 Happy Hour: buy 01 get 01 drink

17:30 The Cooking Demonstration is waiting for you to discover the secrets of Vietnamese Cuisine

19:00 The Gala Dinner is ready in the restaurant. Fill your senses with a selection of Western fusion food and Vietnamese traditional dishes.

21:00 Enjoy the Squid Fishing activity.

Free time on the boat. The bar is open late to serve you

Day 7: Halong Bay - Hanoi - stay in Hanoi (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

06:30 Practice one of the oldest traditions of East Asia: Tai Chi – A beautiful and relaxing experience on the open deck.

07:00 The Early Bird Coffee is ready to wake up you

07:30 Explore Thien Canh Son cave in Ha Long Bay. Witness its beautiful stalactites and stalagmites.

Note: there are about 400 steps to get up to the cave.

09:00 Check out time.

Please put your luggage outside the cabin and the key at the reception desk.

Our staff will transfer your luggage into our lounge for you.

09:00 Bill settlement at the reception desk.

09:30 Brunch is served at the restaurant on the 2nd deck.

10:45 The boat arrives to the pier.

12pm : get your private car to Tam Coc

15:30-16.00pm: arrive in Tam Coc centre, check in nice resort and chill



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Stay overnight in this wonderful area

Day 8: Tam Coc - Hoa Lu- stay in Tam Coc (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

8.00: Have breakfast then get picked up to Ninh Binh

9.30am :Arrive and visit Hoa Lu - the first capital of Vietnam, see the temple where we workship our King. Listen to the story about Vietnamese history.

11.00: Have lunch in local restaurant

13.00: Get on the sampan boat to do the trip along the river. Enjoy peaceful and picturesque landscapes of Tam Coc river. And you will understand why it considered as Halong Bay on Land.

15.00: Time for cycling around the villages

17.00: Back to the resort and realax

<u>Day 9: Mua Caves - Bai Dinh pagoda - back to Hanoi airport - Fly to Da nang - Pick up to Hoian - stay in Hoian (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)</u>

8.00: Have breakfast to get full energy for the trip

Climb up more than 500 steps to reach to the peak of the cave. You can climb step by step and enjoy the panorama view from the top. The landscape combines the rice fields, river, and the moutains...

11.00: Have lunch and relax in local restaurant

13.00: Go to visit the biggest pagoda system in Southeast of Asia. Visit the beautiful pagoda system with 500 La Han statues, biggest bronze Buddha statue in Vietnam with 10 meters in height, 100 tons in weight.

Back to Hanoi airport to get the flight to Danang – pick up to Hoian – stay in hotel in Hoian

<u>Day 10 : My Son sanctuary + Hoian tour - stay in Hoian (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)</u>

In the morning, **get on private car to My Son Holy Land**, a **World Heritage**, 50 km southwest of **Hoi An**. Located in a lush valley, **My Son** was a capital and religious center of Cham people, now remaining with red brick towers and sanctuaries. My Son, considered to be in the same league as some of Southeast Asia's greatest archaeological sites, including Angkor in Cambodia, Bagan in Myanmar, Ayutthaya in Thailand and



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Borobudur in Indonesia. These towers and sanctuaries was built from the 7 to 13 centuries.

Have lunch in local restaurant

In the afternoon, start biking tour or walk in **Hoi An Ancient Town**, visit its numerous places of interest: 400 years old Japanese Bridge, 300 years old Chinese temple, 200 years old Vietnamese former merchants' house, the local fish market... Around the town we can see a numerous art galleries and tailor shops Stay in hotel in Hoi An

<u>Day 11: Hoian countryside tour + farming and visit traditional villages - stay in</u> Hoian (Meals included: Breakfast,Lunch)

8.30 AM: Pick up at hotel lobby then go direct to Duy Nghia Harbour to depart for Duy Hai Fishing Village. You will watch the fishermen bring in their catch from a night at sea on the river delta; where ocean and river meet. Witness how locals smoke and dry the fish.

Then spend the rest of the morning paddling the Vietnamese boat and explore the now tranquil coconut-palm flanked waterways before breaking to prepare lunch with a local family. Your lunch will consist of many local delicacies

After lunch, ride a bicycle to a local farm in Tra Que village. Introduction to the history of the village, the cultivation of the vegetables as well as discovering about the use of vegetables in traditional Vietnamese medicine. You will take a trip around the vegetable garden

You will be accompanied by a knowledgeable and experienced guide who will provide extensive information on the history and folklore of these villages. Take this tour for the perfect way to escape the hustle and bustle of Hoi An city center.

Next to Drive the basket boat:

Join to ride basket boat with local famer at CO CO RIVER where you see the fishermen daily fishing

Be a farmer

You are fascinated by watching the farming procedures of local farmers, including: raking the ground, sowing, watering, picking vegetables and many other activities which are rarely seen in modern daily life. You can join one of the local farmers and get a feel of what it is like to work the land. Get your hands muddy and the



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photo opportunities are endless. As well you will listen to people talking about organic farming techniques and try their hand at actual farming.

Make rice paper

Have eaten fresh Vietnamese spring rolls? Rice paper is what it used to wrap the rolls. If you are interested in the process of rice paper making – rice grinding, boiling, stretching and drying – then there is a workshop just for you.

Back to hotel after your wonderful day

<u>Day 12: Ba Na Hills – visit golden bridge – stay in Hoian (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)</u>

08:00: Pick up guests at HOTEL, depart to Ba Na hills

09:00: Arrive at the cable car station Hoi An. Sitting in the cabin, in midair, looking upon the endless tree lone of the forest. Experiencing the pristine ecological system of the Ba Na mountain will leave you a sense of unforeseeable discovery.

09:30: Visit the Le Jardin, old wineries - remains of French Villas and Linh Ung pagoda with 27m high Buddha statue. Leave Le Jardin for Gare Debay, the second cable car station, to go to the top of Ba Na

10:30: Visit and play game at the Fantasy Park- Ba Na Hills Fantasy Park- the third largest indoor amusement park in the world (only some free games depending on Ba Na policy). 11h30: Have lunch buffet at Restaurant

12:30: Conquer the Peak of Chua mountain at the height of 1,487m. Enjoy the panorama view of the Da Nang from the top of Ba Na Hills. And then visit Golden Bridge.

14:30: Return to cable car station and transfer to Hoian

15:00- 15:30: Send- off guest at HOTEL.

<u>Day 13: Da Lat city tour - Easy rider option (can choose by car if you prefer it) - stay in hotel in Da Lat (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)</u>

8:00: pick up at hotel and visit Datanla and Prenn waterfalls, two of the many famous waterfalls in Dalat. Then visit Truc Lam Buddhist Meditation Monastery and the Robin hill by cable car (expenses excluded). Visit the Palace of Bao Dai (the last king of Vietnam,) then back to the hotel for lunch.



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Afternoon: Visit traditional hand embroidery workshop XQ. You have the opportunity to witness firsthand the talent of the skilled artisans of the Da Lat embroidery craft. Then you visit the Valley of Love, then on to the Flower Garden City, a venue of rare flowers and vibrant colors. Growing and export of flowers is a key economic sector of Dalat. Finally stop at Dalat market, tourists have free time for sightseeing and shopping for souvenirs, vegetables, fruit, wool clothing... to bring to your family. Back to the hotel.

Day 14: Da Lat countryside Tour - Easy rider option (can choose by car if you prefer it) - stay in hotel in Da Lat (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Pick up at 9:00am.

Distance to go: almost 90km. The tour will be starting at the hotels you staying in Da Lat. We will come to pick you up.

Arriving: from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm. It depends on how long you take time when we stop. Price included: Entrance fees, Private Car, Private Guide, Purified Drinking Water. Excluded: Foods and personal expense, ticket for the Crazy house, roller coaster, elephant riding and ostrich riding.

Tour description:

- Most of the time, you will enjoy riding through the areas with breathtaking views of mountain, forest, farms, villages. In between, you can also walk up and down hill for small exercise and for sightseeing
- At all places we stop, we will tell you, as well as explain to you different stories, topics depending on where we are so its very informative. You can of course take photos even wherever on the tour you like.
- For the tour, you can also contact locals to see how they live and the way they make their living.
- Its also very randomly that we suddenly stop on the road when seeing something that would be interesting for you to see.

Day 15: Fly to Saigon -Saigon city + Cu Chi tunnels (can change it to fullday city tour if you do not want the tunnels) - stay in hotel in Saigon (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Breakfast in hotel.

8.00am: Pick up in hotel



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In the morning, start a sightseeing tour to the Reunification Palace, which was the former residence of the President of South Vietnam until end of the war in April 1975, and some French colonial structures including Notre Dame Cathedral, the Old Central Post Office. Tour of Chinatown and Thien Hau & Quan Am pagodas. Continue visiting War Remnants Museum We end the city tour with Ben Thanh market where anything and everything is for sale. Finish your Ho Chi Minh city tours. Lunch in local restaurant

Then visit Cu Chi Tunnels - 70 km from Ho Chi Minh city. Visit The tunnel of Cu Chi – a former underground military base with the unbelievable 200-km long underground complex,. Optional: shooting at the shooting range with CKC or AK gun.

Back to hotel - stay in hotel in Saigon

Day 16: Mekong delta – stay in hotel in Mekong (Meals included: Breakfast,Lunch)

Have breakfast and check out hotel

8.30: Pick up at your hotel in HCMC. Depart for My Tho .Take a boat ride along the river, view the stilt houses and the fruit plantation along the river bank. Proceed to Tortoise island and have lunch in the orchard. Enjoy a boat ride through Tan Thach natural canal in Ben Tre, cruising under the shadow of the water coconut trees. Visit a family business which epitomizes the idyllic rural lifestyle. Enjoy a rowing boat ride along the creeks. After taking a delightful walking through the fruit plantation, village. Proceed to Can Tho.

. Free to explore the city on your own in the afternoon. You can also visit a village, meet the local people, have dinner with them and enjoy their music. Overnight in Hotel in CAN THO

<u>Day 17: Cai Rang floating market - Sa Dec flower garden- back to Saigon - stay in hotel in Saigon (Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)</u>



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After breakfast, take the morning boat trip to visit a floating market (Cai Rang) **can change to Cai Be Market if you prefer** . Keep cruising through the small channels system and visit a rice noodle making village. Experience the "Monkey Bridge" in the Delta. Break for lunch then drive back to Saigon in afternoon

Stay in hotel in Saigon

Day 18: Depart - End of tour (Meals included:Breakfast)

Have breakfast in your hotel then our car will pick up and take you to airport

End Of service

Included:

- 17 nights accommodation in each destinations
- Air ticket :Hanoi Da nang and Da nang Da Lat and Da Lat Saigon
- Meals during tours as mentioned in the itinerary
- All activities during tours
- All entrance fees during tours
- Local experience english speaking tour guides
- Private airport transfer
- All transportation during tour

Excluded:

- Drinks, personal expends, TIP for staffs
- Others as not mention upon



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