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Itinerary 11 Day 10 Nights Taste of Vietnam for Jenee Group

Nov 10, 2024 - Nov 20, 2024

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Trip Summary

November 10 - Sunday

Arrive in Hanoi

Private transfer to Hotel

Check in at Grand Mercure Hanoi Hotel

November 11 - Monday

Breakfast

Full Day Tour - Hanoi, Vietnam's Capital City

Lunch

November 12 - Tuesday

Breakfast

Check out Hotel

Private transfer to cruise

Hanoi - Lan Ha Bay

Check in at Mon Cheri Cruise

Lunch

Dinner

November 13 - Wednesday

Breakfast

Lan Ha Bay - Hanoi

Check out Cruise

Private transfer to Airport

Arrive in Danang

Private transfer to Hotel

Check in at Hotel Royal Hoi An MGallery by Sofitel

November 14 - Thursday

Breakfast

Cam Thanh Village - Hoi An

Lunch

November 15 - Friday

Breakfast

Check out Hotel

Hoi An - Hue - Thanh Tien Village

Check in at Azerai La Residence, Hue

November 16 - Saturday

Breakfast

Full Day Tour - Thanh Toan Village & Imperial Citadel

Lunch

Dinner

November 17 - Sunday

Breakfast

Check out Hotel

Private transfer to Airport

Arrive in Saigon

Private transfer to Hotel

Check in at Grand Hotel

November 18 - Monday

Breakfast

Full Day Tour - Saigon, Vibrant & Evocative City

Lunch

November 19 - Tuesday

Breakfast

Full Day Mekong Delta - Cai Be & Tan Phong

Lunch

November 20 - Wednesday

Breakfast

Check out Hotel

Private transfer to Airport

November 10 - Sunday



Arrive in Hanoi

Arrive in Hanoi, receive a warm welcome from our guide.



Private transfer to Hotel

Private transfer to your hotel check-in.

Note: Transfer offer only one time for the most group customers arrive at the same time.



Check in at Grand Mercure Hanoi Hotel

ROOM / BED TYPE

Deluxe Room

Grand Mercure Hanoi Hotel

Address: 9 Cat Linh, Quoc Tu Giam, Dong Da District, Hanoi, Vietnam

Phone: (+84) 24 3211 5757











November 11 - Monday



Breakfast



Full Day Tour - Hanoi, Vietnam's Capital City

Today we spend a full day exploring Hanoi and the city's cultural heart that bears traces of centuries' old dynasties. We visit Tran Quoc Pagoda, the oldest pagoda in the city. Driving through Hanoi's French Quarter we pass by the Opera house and Hoan Kiem Lake. Visit Van Mieu, known as the Temple of Literature containing historical artifacts and Vietnam's first university. Then enjoy a traditional cyclo ride through Hanoi's Old Quarter. There are many varieties of flower arrangements for sale. Many delicious confections are on display along the street. Lunch will be served at an authentic Vietnamese restaurant. After lunch, visit "Hoa Lo" Prison also called "Hanoi Hilton". To observe the daily lives of the locals, we stop at a popular local coffee shop and enjoy Vietnamese coffee dripping from the filter. Return to the hotel and the rest of the evening is free at leisure.





Lunch

November 12 - Tuesday



Breakfast



Check out Hotel



Private transfer to cruise



Hanoi - Lan Ha Bay

We will pick you up at your hotel and take a scenic drive to Halong. You will be transferred by tender to the Cruise located on Tuan Chau Island. Onboard, you will be welcomed with a refreshing drink and given a safety briefing before we set sail towards Lan Ha Bay. During the cruise, passengers will enjoy a delicious lunch while enjoying the stunning views of Lan Ha Bay. Our first stop will be at Tra Bau, an open and sparsely populated area known for its unspoiled natural beauty and attractive seascape. Here, you can enjoy kayaking and swimming in the green emerald waters. Later, we'll return to Cruises to admire the sunset on Ha Long Bay, which is perfect for photography enthusiasts to capture stunning moments. You can also join the cooking demonstration and enjoy a romantic dinner at the restaurant on Cruise. After dinner, relax and enjoy the beautiful landscape of the bay on the top deck while sipping drinks from the bar. Finally, you can join us for squid fishing or watch a movie before retiring for the night.





Check in at Mon Cheri Cruise

ROOM / BED TYPE

Ocean Suite Balcony

Mon Cheri Cruise

Address: No. 34 - Au No. 2, Tuan Chau, Ha Long, Quang Ninh

Phone: (+84) 24 3933 5728





Lunch



Dinner

November 13 - Wednesday



Breakfast



Lan Ha Bay - Hanoi

To fully experience the beauty of the bay, it is advised to wake up early and join a Tai Chi session on the sundeck. After enjoying a hearty breakfast, we will travel by bus to Trung Trang cave, situated right in the heart of the Cat Ba National Park. The cave is a true marvel of nature, with its unique formations and intricate passageways. Upon returning to the cruise, proceed with the checkout process, while enjoying a delicious brunch. The cruise will then make its way back, providing us with ample time to relax and soak in the breathtaking scenery. Disembark at Tuan Chau at 11:45am, feeling rejuvenated and enriched by this unforgettable journey.



Check out Cruise





Private transfer to Airport



Arrive in Danang

Arrive in Danang, receive a warm welcome from our guide.



Private transfer to Hotel

Private transfer to your hotel check-in.



Check in at Hotel Royal Hoi An MGallery by Sofitel

ROOM / BED TYPE

Deluxe Room

Hotel Royal Hoi An MGallery by Sofitel

Address: 39 Dao Duy Tu Street, Hoian Town, Vietnam

Phone: (+84) 235 395 0777











November 14 - Thursday



Breakfast



Cam Thanh Village - Hoi An

In the morning, we drive to Hoi An. Arrive Hoi An and take a biking tour to Cam Thanh Village, passing rice paddy fields and enjoy learning about methods of rice production. You will be amazed by the characteristic coconut houses and furniture handcrafted from water coconut and bamboo. You will experience the friendliness of the local people as they greet you along the way. Later you will engage with local fishermen and enjoy a hands-on traditional net fishing experience. You will also experience paddling the unique Vietnamese bamboo basket boats. It will be an unforgettable experience. Lunch at local restaurant. After lunch, we take a walking tour along Hoi An's waterfront from the Japanese Covered Bridge to the main market. Stop at the ancient house Tan Ky, the ornate Fu Kien Chinese Temple and continue down to the Hoi An local market.





Lunch

November 15 - Friday



Breakfast



Check out Hotel



Hoi An - Hue - Thanh Tien Village

Today we leaving Hoi An to Hue. Enjoy the beautiful scenery as we travel over the spectacular Hai Van Pass. Visit the Thanh Tien Paper Flower Village before check-in the hotel.





Check in at Azerai La Residence, Hue

ROOM / BED TYPE Superior Room

Azerai La Residence, Hue



November 16 - Saturday



Breakfast



Full Day Tour - Thanh Toan Village & Imperial Citadel

In the morning, drive to the countryside passing peaceful streams and verdant rice paddies and arrive at the small village of Thanh Toan with its legendary market. Here you observe the residents' humble lifestyle and tradition. Visit local familes learn about the role of agriculture, and discover the ins and outs of rice farming or spend time wandering the village. See the charming Thanh Toan Covered Bridge with a rare squared timber arch speckled with ancient ceramics is well-preserved 18th-century. Stop for a refreshing drink or sip Vietnamese coffee at the village café. Leaving the village, we head to the iconic seven-story Thien Mu Pagoda "Heaven Fairy Lady", a symbol of Hue. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch, visit the former Imperial Citadel, a UNESCO World Heritage site. In the evening, we visit the Tuyet Nguyen family and enjoy an authentic Vietnamese dinner while learning more about the culture and traditional customs. Transfer back to your hotel.













Lunch



Dinner

November 17 - Sunday



Breakfast

Check out Hotel





Private transfer to Airport



Arrive in Saigon

Arrive in Saigon, receive a warm welcome from our guide.



Private transfer to Hotel

Private transfer to your hotel check-in.



Check in at Grand Hotel

ROOM / BED TYPE

Premium Deluxe Room

Grand Hotel

Address: 8 Dong Khoi Street, District 1, Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam

Phone: (+84) 28 3915.5555











November 18 - Monday



Breakfast



Full Day Tour - Saigon, Vibrant & Evocative City

In the morning, we have a tour of the city's colonial legacy; the Colonial Quarter Opera House, the Notre Dame Cathedral (façade only), the Central Post Office, and Hotel de Ville (City Hall). Visit the Reunification Palace, then explore the surrounding area of ChoLon and visit Thien Hau Pagoda. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant. After lunch, take time to enjoy authentic Vietnamese coffee arranged at local place. Continue the drive along a man-made canal that was an important waterway linking Saigon and the Mekong Delta for over 200 years. Nowadays, with the quick development of roads, goods and produce are mostly shipped by truck. However, we can still see boats from the Mekong Delta arriving loaded with agricultural products and returning with consumer goods. Return to the city center and stop at Ben Thanh Market where you can find a myriad of produce and goods inspired by centuries old traditions as well as a multitude of ingredients used in various authentic dishes. The contrast of past and present creates a remarkable image.





Lunch

November 19 - Tuesday



Breakfast



Full Day Mekong Delta - Cai Be & Tan Phong

Today, we will be driving to the rural town of Cai Be, where we will take a small boat to visit local villages and gain an intimate glimpse into the daily lives of the locals. Along the way, we'll have the opportunity to stop at local workshops that produce some of the region's most exquisite products. We'll witness the fascinating process of making pop-rice, rice paper, and coconut candy and learn about the traditional techniques used to craft these delicacies. As we venture deeper into the countryside via smaller canals, our destination will be the charming Tan Phong Island. Here, we are fully immersed in the local culture and marvel at the impressive craftsmanship of those who make stunning country cottage roofs from coconut palm leaves and export various products, including baskets, bags, hats, and wallets made from water hyacinth. We get the chance to explore the island on foot or by bike.

Furthermore, we will be delighted with Southern Vietnamese folk music and enjoy a delicious lunch at a local house. After lunch, we can walk around the village or have some leisure time before returning to Saigon.





Lunch

November 20 - Wednesday



Breakfast



Check out Hotel



Private transfer to Airport

Note: Transfer offer only one time for the most group customers depart at the same time.

Information & Documents



Prices

Item	Price per person	Single Supplement
Land package	\$2415	\$1186
Domestic Air (HAN/DAD - HUE/SGN)	\$270	n/a

Prices are per person based on double/twin occupancy on private services for group of 10 travelers.

Above airfares are current estimates. Actual airfares will be advised at the time of the booking; determined at the time ticketing.



Features Included & Excluded Features Included

- · Private transportation as specified in the program
- · Private local English speaking guide in each city
- · Accommodations based on Double/Twin share
- · Meals (excluding drinks) as specified in the itinerary
- Boat fees & admission fees as specified in the itinerary

Features Excluded

- Travel insurance
- Gratuities (tour guide & driver)
- Visa



Term & Conditions

1. Deposit & Final Payment:

A non-refundable deposit of \$200 (Land package) and \$400 (River Cruise) per person is required at time of booking. Prices will not be confirmed until payment is received. If additional deposits are required, you will be notified at the time of booking. These additions may be for Holiday times, airfare, and other special occasions or supplier requirements.

Final payment will be due no later than 75 days prior to travel (any earlier deadlines will be advised at the time of deposit). If deposit is not received by the due date, we reserve the right to cancel the booking and keep the non-refundable deposit. Bookings made within 75 days of travel, will require payment in full to secure reservation. In the case of computer or human billing or invoice error, we reserve the right to amend and send the corrected invoice.

Payments may be made with Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or agency check. The name on the card must match the name of the passengers traveling. Our acceptance of this credit card or payment indicates the passenger's acceptance of all terms and conditions and their compliance.

Payments and authorization forms should be sent to:

V'Explore Tours

12419 Lewis Street, Suite 206

Garden Grove, CA. 92840

2. Revision and Cancellation fees:

A \$25.00 per transaction will be assessed for any change or revision made to reservation before 75 days. A change of departure date within 75 days of departure will be treated as

a cancellation and cancellation charges will apply.

For individual bookings, the following per person cancellation fees apply.

- More than 75 days prior to departure: a non-refundable deposit will be retained.
- 75 60 days prior to departure: 25% of total price
- 59 45 days prior to departure: 50% of total price
- 44 21 days prior to departure: 75% of total price
- Within 21 days prior to departure: 100% of total price

Please note that holidays or peak seasons booking, the cancellation fees will depend on the suppliers or hotels policy. Details penalty policy will be indicated on the proposal or confirmation.

No refund or reduced fees will be made to passengers who deviate from the original itinerary regardless of the portions of the itinerary unused and/or failed to secure valid travel documents such as passports or visas.

Airline tickets once ticketed may be non-refundable. Any changes will incur the revision fee plus any airline-imposed penalty. This penalty may be up to 100% of the ticket and the new ticket will be issued at the current rate at the time of revision.

Please note the following amendment to our stated Revision and Cancellation fees:

For any land reservations deposited or paid in full in 2022, a full credit for future travel within the next 18 months from current departure date will be processed.

3. Price Guarantee:

Prices are subject to increase without notice. However, once V'Explore Tours has received your deposit, the land price is guaranteed. Airfares are included as part of the booking price and become guaranteed when we receive the full air payment.

All prices based on double occupancy. Single room supplements and triple room reductions are listed where applicable. Not all accommodation types are available on all vacations.

4. Passports and Visas:

You are responsible for obtaining and for the payment of all visas and entry documents prior to travel. All passengers traveling internationally are required to have a passport that must be valid for at least six (6) months beyond the conclusion of your trip. In addition to a valid passport, passengers are required to possess a valid visa where required. You will need to check with your consulate to verify all requirements.

5. Travel Documents:

Travel documents are sent by priority mail approximately 21 days prior to departure, provided full payment has been received. Documents will be sent to agency only. Bookings made within 60 days of travel may require an addition of expedited handling fees. You will be advised of any at the time of booking. It is your responsibility to ensure the accuracy of all documents, including names and dates. This information should be confirmed at the time of reservation. By confirming the payment, this indicates that all information is accurate and agreed on by all parties.

We highly recommend purchasing of insurance to protect you and your travel investment.