Best of Vietnam November 16-25, 2024

Join us for the best of Vietnam! Begin in old Saigon with our city center hotel and included excursions to see and enjoy the historic sights of the city. We will also venture out to explore the Mekong Delta and Cu Chi Tunnels before we make our way North, In Hanoi we enjoy a cooking class, the famous Hanoi Hilton, and the best of city attractions. The most beautiful part of our visit will be our 3 day/2 night Ha Long Bay cruise on a deluxe Chinese junk cruise ship! 3000 Limestone Islands and rock formations make for an amazing abundance of photo opportunities. This tour is also offered as an add-on tour to our Thailand Loy Krathong Festival tour departing USA on Nov 6, 2024.

Included in your travels:

- Round-trip flights to Vietnam from Seattle, SFO, LAX* *Other gateways by request
- 4-star hotels in with breakfast
- 4-Star 3 day/2 night Chinese Junk cruise
- Domestic air flights
- All mentioned meals
- Cu Chi tunnels excursion, Saigon city tour
- Mekong Delta excursion
- Hanoi city tour
- Culinary cooking experience
- Ha Long cruise kayaking, caving, fishing
- Time for personal discoveries
- Licensed guide of Vietnam
- Experienced USA Tour Manager
- Caring and professional travel arrangements



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- <u>Day 1 Saturday Nov 16 Depart for Ho Chi Minh City!</u> Tray tables up! Depart for Vietnam. Enjoy in flight meals and entertainment. (in flight meals)
- <u>Day 2 Sunday Nov 17 Arrive in Vietnam</u> Land in Vietnam, clear customs and head to our hotel for a good night of rest. Guests continuing from our Thailand tour fly from Chiang Mai, Thailand and also join at our Saigon Hotel. (Welcome dinner)
- <u>Day 3 Monday Nov 18 Cu Chi Tunnels—Vietnam</u> After a hearty breakfast we set out for a day of explorations. Start with the famous Cu Chi tunnels used so effectively during the Vietnam War. In the afternoon we explore Saigon old and new with visits to the Notre Dame Cathedral, the city's Central Post Office, and the Saigon Opera House and Reunification Palace. (Breakfast, Lunch)
- <u>Day 4 Tuesday Nov 19 Mekong Delta</u> (Breakfast) Today we are off to explore the Mekong Delta. After a cruise on the Ben Tre River, a tributary of the Mekong River, we explore the small waterways by traditional paddle boats to see the local life and home industries centered around coconuts, fruits of the region, and other local workshops of the region. (Breakfast, Lunch)
- <u>Day 5 Wednesday Nov 20 Hello Hanoi</u> After breakfast and a short flight to Hanoi, we check-in to our city center hotel. In the afternoon we enjoy a local cooking class in the Old Quarter of Hanoi. Remainder of the day free. (Breakfast)
- <u>Day 6 Thursday Nov 21 Hanoi City Tour</u> Today we explore the city and enjoy old and new Hanoi. Sites include the famous "Hanoi Hilton", Hoan Kiem Lake and Ngoc Temple, and the fresh markets of Hanoi. (Breakfast, Lunch)
- <u>Day 7 Friday Nov 22 Onward to Halong</u> This morning we enjoy a scenic ride to the most picturesque Bay in all of Asia! Just before lunch we embark our luxurious Chinese Junk for a three-day cruise. Over 300 Limestone Islands and rock formations greet us during this beautiful cruise. Enjoy lunch onboard and an afternoon of cruising as well as a stop to explore local caves. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)
- <u>Day 8 Saturday Nov 23 Halong Bay</u> Today we explore Lan Ha Bay with stops for kayaking, and white sand beach visits for those interested. A pearl farm visit and more caving are offered before a sumptuios meal onboard and a chance for night-fishing for squid! (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)
- <u>Day 9 Sunday Nov 24 Halong to Hanoi</u> A relaxing brunch onboard today before latemorning disembarkation, and our return to Hanoi. Enjoy a free afternoon in Hanoi (Brunch, Farewell Dinner Party)
- <u>Day 10 Monday Nov 25 Free morning/departure</u> After breakfast, we make our way to Hanoi's Noi Bai International Airport for onward journeys home! (Breakfast)