



BEST OF VIETNAM 'for singles' Tour Itinerary

Day	Date	Location	Overnight
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Day 1	Sat	Arrival Day	Ho Chi Minh
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This is the first day of the tour and the group comes together in the evening around 7:45pm with your Tour Guide before heading out for the welcome dinner. An airport-hotel transfer will be arranged for all passengers travelling on a group flight. If you have made your own travel arrangements the transfer to the hotel is by your own arrangement. **[Dinner]**

Day 2	Sun	Discover Ho Chi Minh	Ho Chi Minh
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Your first full day in Vietnam starts with a city tour and discovery of all the key iconic places of Ho Chi Minh City; Binh Tay Market, Jade Emperor Pagoda, War Remnants Museum, Notre Dame Cathedral, General Post Office. Plus some free time to make your own discoveries.

Day 3	Mon	Mekong Delta	Cantho
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This morning we transfer to Cai Be (3 hours) for a boat tour with stops along the way to arrive at Vinh Long before transferring to Cantho in the Mekong Delta for the evening. Today, we lunch at a local house during your boat tour of the Mekong Delta. Seafood meals are a focus on the local restaurant menus and you may like to try the local mouse that features on some menu. **[Lunch]**

Day 4	Tue	Mekong Delta	Ho Chi Minh
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Today you are up early to make sure you see the best of the local trade on the Mekong Delta with a boat tour (great photo opportunities this morning) of the floating market and a walk in a local village of Cantho. If you prefer to lie in, you can make your own plans for the morning in Cantho (just let your tour guide know you will not be joining the morning boat tour). In the afternoon, we transfer back by bus to Ho Chi Minh city for the night.

Day 5	Wed	Chu Ch Tunnels	Hoi An
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Excursion to the renowned Cu Chi Tunnels. After your visit to the Cu Chi Tunnels there's a packed lunch ready for you en route in the bus before you reach the airport for an afternoon flight to Danang. From Danang we transfer to the historic town of Hoi An for the next three nights. Flight: VN326 Departs 17:30 Arrives 18:40. **[Lunchbox]**

Day 6	Thu	Hoi An Tour	Hoi An
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Start your day with a morning city walk, the best way to become accustomed with historical Hoi An. The tour includes, Assembly Hall of the Fujian Chinese Congregation Hall, Japanese Bridge and Phung Hung House. There's a leisurely bike tour to get know the city further afield. Or if you prefer a bit of free time take time out to do some shopping, get some clothes tailored or soaking up the atmosphere of Hoi An.

Day 7	Fri	Free time/beach time	Hoi An
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It's great to have leisure time and this is a great spot to do it. Relax by the resort pool, wander around Hoi An, make time for some souvenir shopping, get some clothes tailor-made, soak up the town's atmosphere or visit the local beach.

Day 8	Sat	From Hoi An to Hue	Hue
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A day out on the road as we transfer to Hoi An via the Marble Mountains and Hai Van Pass. We stop for lunch en route at a local restaurant. **[Lunch]**

Day 9	Sun	The Perfume River	Hue
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We enjoy a boat tour on the Perfume River to the royal tombs area. In the afternoon, there's a two hour cycling tour which is a highlight as you roam into the countryside around Hue to get you among local village life. If cycling



is not your preference you can choose to do your own thing around town (just let your tour guide know that you will not be joining in).

Day 10 Mon Heading North to Hanoi Hanoi Overnight Train (to Sapa)

A short morning flight to Hanoi with Vietnam Airlines VN240 Departs 08:20 Arrives 09:55.

There's a city discovery with a visit of the Prison Museum, Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum (outside only), Temple of Literature and a walk in the Old Quarter. This evening you take the night train to Lao Cai. It's a sleeper train with four beds per berth. No dining facilities are on board and there is a group dinner before boarding the train. There is also time for purchasing snacks and drinks before the train journey. **[Dinner]**

TIP: have a small travel bag/day pack available that you can use for the visit to Sapa. Large bags will be stored at the hotel in Hanoi as it is not possible to travel with your main luggage bag on the train.

Day 11 Tue Market & boat tour Sapa

Excursion to the weekly Coc Ly market with a boat tour before transferring to Sapa. A packed lunch is included with you day out excursion. **[Lunchbox]**

Day 12 Wed Silver Waterfall Sapa

An excursion to Silver Waterfall. The rest of the day is at your own leisure. It's a chance to make your own discovery of this beautiful highland village.

Day 13 Thu Ta Phin Sapa Overnight Train (to Hanoi)

Today we have an excursion to Ta Phin and then the rest of the day is at your leisure.

Day 14 Fri The Cruise Halong Bay Huong Hai Junk, Cruise

This morning we make our way to Halong Bay for an overnight cruise of the bay. A major highlight of your Vietnam Explorer tour! Make sure you pack your swimwear.

Note for single room bookings; a single cabin can not be guaranteed on the overnight boat tour on Halong Bay and that they may be required to share with another person (of the same gender). **[Lunch and Dinner onboard]**

Day 15 Sat Return to Hanoi Hanoi

We continue the cruise in the morning before transferring to Hanoi in the afternoon. This evening there is a grand farewell dinner. **[Lunch. Grand farewell dinner]**

Day 16 Sun Our Final Day Hanoi/Depart

This morning is at your leisure before departing from the hotel to the airport for your return home.

Inclusions

ACCOMMODATION

15 nights accommodation in total;

> 12 nights hotels; two hotels @ 3 star rating, three hotels at 4 star rating, one hotel @ 5 star rating.

> 2 nights of sleeper train with 4 beds per berth.

> 1 night cabin accommodation on boat cruise.

Any hotels quoted can vary should circumstances dictate.

SIGHTSEEING

Included as per the itinerary. Entrance fees to tourist and sightseeing locations included in tours.



MEALS

Daily full buffet breakfast. Other meals as detailed by itinerary (7 lunches, 4 dinners)

OUR DIRECTOR

Services of a professional Vietnamese National English speaking Tour Guide throughout.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation by air-conditioned including city tours and excursions (no transportation during time at leisure)

Two domestic flights in Vietnam in Economy Class, including ticketing and domestic airport tax. Flight details quoted in the itinerary are subject to airline changes such as flight times or flight numbers.

Four boat tours (including cruise on in Halong Bay with overnight on the boat)*

Bicycles provided as indicated by the cycle tours on the itinerary.

Arrival and Departure transfers are for passengers that have booked the airfare provided by Travelling Fit, the travel agent providing the tour exclusively for A Rendezvous for Singles. Transfers are not included for passengers that have booked flights by their own arrangement.



PORTERAGE

One piece of luggage per person (up to 20kg), in and out of hotels provided as per itinerary.



SERVICE CHARGES

Service charges and local taxes on services provided as stated by Itinerary.



DOCUMENTATION

A travel wallet containing the itinerary with hotel information.

Not in included



Other meals not included on the itinerary



Tipping Fund. There is a compulsory tipping fund of US\$70 per person, payable directly to your tour guide on commencement of the tour*



Tips for your Tour Guide*



Travel Insurance, Visas and items of a personal nature such as drinks, laundry, camera fees, excess baggage fees, optional tours. Any additional domestic airport departure taxes if applicable.

** Your tour guide will take care of tipping hotel porters, the tour bus driver and driver assistants, local guides, boat crew, restaurant waiters for meals included in the itinerary and other miscellaneous tips for services while on your tour. The tipping fund does not include a tip for your tour guide and it is customary to tip your tour guide on completion of the tour. **You should budget USD\$2 per person per day for this tip.***