

Welcome to the
Vietnam Veterans |Hanoi-Tamky-Saigon 11 days
Tripcode: 1301
Tour length: 11

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DETAILED ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVAL HANOI

On arrival Hanoi International airport. You are transferred to the hotel in down town, check in to the hotel and free at leisure for your own exploration the city, dinner will be served at finest local restaurant and overnight in hotel in Hanoi(D)

DAY 2: HANOI CITY TOUR 1DAY

At 9.00 AM, pick you up the hotel, our city tour including visit Hochiminh President Complex (Hochiminh Mausoleum, the house on stilts, presidential palace, the One Pillar Pagoda).

Our next stop is the Temple of literature, which is built in 1070 and it is the first university of Vietnam. Before having lunch, we visit the Army museum where different kinds of US, Russian aircraft and tanks from Vietnam-US wars are on display (There is other option that to visit the Ho Chi Minh Trails museum, this special museum that some 20km out of Hanoi).

Your lunch will be served at one of the best local restaurants with special of Hanoi cuisine.

PM : Continue our visit to Hoa Lo or [Hanoi Hilton](#), the home of many US pilots was captured during 1964-1972.

Next, you will enjoy one hour of Cycling trip for sightseeing Hanoi old quarters. Taking this mean of transportation is the best way to have a close look at the 36 streets in Hanoi.

At late afternoon, we will see the water puppet show and have dinner at finest local restaurant in town. Overnight Hanoi (B/L/D)

DAY 3: HANOI-HALONG BAY

This morning, we will check out the hotel and at 08.00 am will depart for [Halong Bay](#), some 165 km away from Hanoi.

Enjoy the journey through the rich farmlands of the Red River Delta and the scenery of rice fields, water buffalo and everyday Vietnamese village life.

Arrive in Halong and board the traditional sailing junk. Whilst cruise the exquisite waters sample the regions fresh seafood.

Visit the recently discovered Surprise Grotto with its great views, and on the next island see the yawning mouth of Bo Nau Cave. Alternatively journey to Dau Go Cave and nearby see the famous stalagmites and stalactites of Thien Cung Cave.

Enjoy a swim in the emerald waters of Halong Bay at any spot that you wish to visit.

Watch the sun set over the bay whilst enjoying a delicious dinner.

Overnight on board junk.(B/L/D)

DAY 4: HALONG BAY-HANOI

Wake up to fresh coffee and a wholesome breakfast before cruising back to Halong City. En route the junk weaves through strange-shaped rock formations that invite comparisons from fighting cocks to dragons and even General de Gaulle's nose!

After another wonderful fresh seafood lunch on board disembark at the dock at Halong City.

Transfer back to Hanoi by road and will be back Hanoi at early this afternoon,

On arrival check in hotel and free on your own at leisure.Overnight Hanoi(B/L)

DAY 5: HANOI-DANANG/ FLIGHT

Have breakfast at hotel and next will transfer to airport for flying to Danang, a biggest city in central parts of Vietnam.

Pick up and head up the breathtaking Hai Van to visit the Pass of the High Clouds and take in a view of [Danang City](#) and

her bay. The Hai Van Pass had been a vital strategic military foothold for the Chinese for centuries, was used by the French during France's Indochina War, and by the U.S. in America's Vietnam War. Bunkers and fortifications dot the hillsides here. Coming back down the Hai Van to sea level, we visit Red Beach II, where U.S. Marines made their first amphibious landing in Vietnam in March 1965.

Stop at My Khe Beach on the South China Sea. My Khe was better known as "China Beach," which was used as an in-country 'R&R' by U.S. troops. A little farther south we pass through the site of the Marble Mountain Air Facility, a U.S. helicopter base during the war.

We also stop at an interesting marble carving shop, as this area is famous for their stone-sculpture industries.

The Marble Mountains here are visually-striking hills that rise from the flat coastal region - these mountains are home to Buddhist shrines and numerous caves.

We climb to the top of the largest mountain and explore the VC hospital area located deep within.

Transfer to your hotel in Hoian. Overnight Hoian (B)

Note:

We also can fly from Hanoi to Hue and next will visit back [DMZ Vietnam](#)

DAY 6: HOIAN WALKING TOUR HALF DAY-TAM KY

Hoi An Ancient Town is an exceptionally well-preserved example of a South-East Asian trading port dating from the 15th to the 19th century.

Its buildings and its street plan reflect the influences, both indigenous and foreign, that have combined to produce this unique heritage site. Hoi An was a thriving international commercial port for Chinese, Dutch, French, Japanese, Portuguese and Arab traders.

These people came primarily to trade in the high grade silk, which is still produced in the area, as well as ceramics.

Depart at 8.00 am from your hotel and our walking tour through the narrow winding streets of the Ancient Quarter visiting Chua Ong Pagoda, Chinese Assembly Halls, the 200 - year old, Tam Ky ancestral house, and the Japanese Bridge.

Tour ends at 12.00am and transfer for lunch, next will drive for Tam Ky, check in hotel on arrival and dinner will be served later. Overnight Tam ky (B/L/D)

DAY 7: TAM KY FORMER BATTLE FIELDS

Today we venture west into the Que Son Valley, our first stop will be at a reservoir that served as a reference point for aircraft and troops coming into the valley.

We will remember, all those Marines and Corpsmen who also died in the battle.

Following the memorial service we will visit Hill 63, Hill 48, and Hill 43 which were some of the hills that were so hotly contested during that time.

We then continue to Hill 51 near LZ Ross. Overnight Tam Ky (B/L/D)

DAY 8: TAM KY- MY LAI- MY SON- HOIAN

Have breakfast at hotel and next will drive for My Lai, a village that belong to the district of Son My, 70 km from Danang, was a watershed in the history of modern American combat and a turning point in the public perception of the U.S.-Vietnam War. On March 16, 1968, the angry and frustrated men of Charlie Company, 11 Brigade, American Division, entered the village of My Lai. The "search and destroy" mission degenerated into the massacre of over 300 unarmed civilians including women, children and the elderly. Lt. William Calley ordered his men to enter the village firing. There were no reports of opposing fire. Our next stop will be My Son, the former capital of the ancient Cham civilization that ruled Central Vietnam from the second to the thirteenth century. Their religion was primarily derived from Indian Hinduism. My Son is considered to be one of the best-preserved Cham structures in Vietnam. The complex is comprised of seventy Hindu-like towers and temples dating from the second century. This site is a Must-See for those people who are interested in architecture and ancient civilizations and is now one of five UNESCO World Heritage sites in Vietnam. Drive back Hoian and Overnight Hoian (B/L)

DAY 9: HOIAN- DANANG- SAIGON/ FLIGHT

This morning we travel back to Da Nang Airfield for our flight to Ho Chi Minh City (still called Saigon by most Vietnamese). After our short flight, we disembark at Tan Son Nhut Airfield and head into the center of the city. We visit Reunification Hall (the old Presidential Palace), Notre Dame Cathedral, and pass by the former US Embassy location which now houses the new U.S. Consulate. We also stop at Cha Tam Church (Saint Francis Xavier Church) where President Diem had fled and disguised himself as a priest during the 1963 coup. It was from this place that Diem and his brother were captured, taken away, and assassinated. Dinner will be served at finest local restaurant and Overnight Saigon (B/L/D)

DAY 10: SAIGON- CU CHI TUNNELS FORMER BATTLE FIELD- MEKONG DELTA

Pick you up at your Hotel at 7.30 am and depart for [Cu Chi Tunnels](#), we will drive through a typical Southern Vietnamese countryside to cu chi district, Upon arrival in Cu chi. we experience ourselves the underground village built by Cu Chi guerrilla fighters, remain of a real bloody battle field which is simply a network of tunnels built during the long years of wars. By 1965, 250 km of tunnels criss-crossed Cu Chi and surrounding areas -just across the Saigon River was the notorious guerrilla power base known as the IRON TRIANGLE. The Cu Chi tunnels played a vital part in the American war in that they allowed the Viet Cong to control a large rural area only 30 to 40 km from Saigon. At its height, the tunnel system stretched from Saigon to the Cambodian border. The network, parts of which were several levels deep, included innumerable trap doors, specially constructed living areas, storage facilities, weapons factories, field hospitals, command centres and kitchens. Today the remaining tunnels have become a major tourist attraction giving the visitor a unique experience and feel of what underground life in the American War must have been like. The tunnels have been widened for our benefit (otherwise we would not be able to enter them!) For those interested there's even the opportunity to fire off rounds from an AK47 or MK16 at the nearby rifle range. Continue onto the Hau Nghia, Duc Hoa route to take a shortcut to highway1 to My Tho in the Mekong delta, driving past paddy fields and tributaries. Have lunch with Mekong delta specialties at Ngoc Gia Trang restaurant. After lunch. Board our private motorized boat for a river cruise on the upper part of Mekong River for a taste of agriculture life on the mighty Mekong River. Disembark the boat strolling around the colorful my tho wholesale fruit market to enjoy the bustle local daily life. Continue your ride upstream stopping en route at a boat building family factory and end at Thoi Son5 Island, walk through the lush orchards with tropical fruits, have an opportunity to taste diverse types of Mekong delta fruit while enjoying traditional music. Shuttle back to the pier, drive back to Saigon and transfer to the Hotel. Overnight in Saigon. (B/L/D)

DAY 11: SAIGON DEPARTURE

Have breakfast at hotel and next will transfer back Tan Son Nhat airport for departure flights, tour ends at airport (B)
 Tam Biet Vietnam !

TOUR PRICES IN LOW SEASON/(PER/PERSON) (LOW SEASON FROM 1 MAY- 1 SEPT)					
Hotel rates/group	1 Star	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star
2 Paxs	----	----	----	2,069 \$	----
4 Paxs	----	----	----	1,506 \$	----
6 Paxs	----	----	----	1,239 \$	----
8 Paxs	----	----	----	1,165 \$	----
10 Paxs	----	----	----	1,107 \$	----
12 Paxs	----	----	----	1,061 \$	----
Single Supplement	0 \$	0 \$	0 \$	724 \$	0 \$

TOUR PRICES IN HIGH SEASON/(PER/PERSON) (HIGH SEASON FROM 2 SEPT- 31 APRIL)					
Hotel rates/group	1 Star	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star
2 Paxs	----	----	----	2,120 \$	----
4 Paxs	----	----	----	1,557 \$	----
6 Paxs	----	----	----	1,290 \$	----
8 Paxs	----	----	----	1,216 \$	----
10 Paxs	----	----	----	1,158 \$	----
12 Paxs	----	----	----	1,112 \$	----
Single Supplement	0.0 \$	0.0 \$	0.0 \$	741.9 \$	0.0 \$

HOTELS OR SIMILAR STANDARD

Hotel names	Category	Room type	Link website	Location
LIBERTY SAI GON CENTRAL Hotel	4	Deluxe Room	www.libertyhotels.com.vn	SAI GON
MERCURE LA GARE Hotel	4	superior twin	www.mercure.com	HANOI
Hoi An Beach Resort	4	Deluxe Garden View	www.hoianbeachresort.com.vn	HOIAN
Tam Kỳ M??ng Thanh Grand	4	Executive Suite	www.grandquangnam.muongthanh.com	QUANG NAM

INCLUSION

Private transportation and transfer

Local English speaking guides

Private cabin on boat in Halong bay (all meals on boat, no drinks included)

Accommodation based on twin share basis with daily breakfast (Single supplement will be surcharged)

Meals as mentioned in the itinerary (**B= Breakfast, L= Lunch, D= Dinner**)

Relevant permits and fees

EXCLUSION

Domestic Flights:

+ Hanoi- Danang = 120 USD/ticket

+ Danang-Saigon = 120 USD/ticket

Visa Approval for Vietnam 25 USD/ Person

Travel insurance

Personal expenses

Tips and gratuities= 5\$ / pax/ day

Early check-in/Late check-out

Other not mentioned in the tour itinerary

NOTE

+ Check in hotel at 02.00 Pm and Check out at 12.00 noon

