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A curated collection of Escorted Tours and Tailor-Made Holidays

Welcome to our Vietnam brochure for 2020-2021! It is once again packed with pioneering tours exploring the magical region of Vietnam and its Southeast Asian neighbours. We have created itineraries that will inspire you, connect you and most of all fulfil your travel dreams into reality.

Cruise the Mekong River in style on one of our intricately designed Victoria Mekong tours; each programme will take you on a voyage of discovery sailing aboard the newest deluxe cruise vessel. In addition, our new Flexible Tours provide you with the perfect combination of scheduled 'must see' sites and flexible 'free time' allowing you to truly travel your way.

By travelling with us, you are safe in the knowledge that we've mastered the art of creating tours that balance sightseeing with authentic experiences. Throw in the exceptional value of our inclusions, the expertise of our team and our fantastic guides and you've got an extraordinary adventure!

We look forward to welcoming you on one of our journeys soon!

Happy Travels!



Wendy Wu
Wendy Wu – Founder, Wendy Wu Tours

Inle Lake, Myanmar

Come and join us on an extraordinary adventure through this magical region on one of our experience-packed tours. As every traveller is different, we've developed a range of touring styles that will allow you to travel your way. Discover the best option for you here:

CLASSIC

See the classic sights in the company of expert guides so you can really understand the history and culture of the destination. On our Classic tours we take care of everything, leaving you to sit back and enjoy the full experience. The tours are fully inclusive of all meals and a comprehensive touring program.

GO BEYOND

Venture off the beaten track to explore fascinating destinations away from the tourist trail. You will discover the local culture in depth and see sights not often witnessed by other travellers. These tours take you away from the comforts of home but will reward you with experiences of a lifetime.

ACTIVE

Active tours combine the key sights with more energetic pursuits such as hiking and cycling. This allows us to explore more and discover the destination in greater depth. These tours are designed to provide a wide range of activities to ensure a varied and culturally immersive experience.

FLEXIBLE

Ideal for those who want more choice in what they do. Flexible tours include all the main sights but allow some free time for your own exploration or relaxation. Optional excursions, often more active in nature, are available for those who want to discover more.

SOLO

Designed exclusively for customers travelling solo, these tours provide a ready-made group of like-minded travellers to enjoy your holiday with. You will be looked after all the way by an expert guide as you discover the sights, enjoy cultural experiences and partake in group activities. A room of your own is guaranteed with no supplement to pay.

EXCLUSIVE COLLECTION

The Exclusive Collection combines luxurious five-star accommodation with exclusive experiences. These hand-crafted tours feature high-class restaurants and money-can't-buy experiences. If you are looking for a truly distinctive journey, the Exclusive Collection is for you.

TAILOR-MADE

For the ultimate in bespoke touring, one of our expert consultants will help you in designing a tour to meet your exact requirements. Select your choice of destinations, accommodation, touring and experiences to create the perfect holiday for you.

PRIVATE

A private tour follows a pre-defined itinerary but with the benefit of your own personal guide. Perfect for couples and families that want greater flexibility on when they travel and the style of accommodation. Most of our group tours can operate on a private basis.

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Discover Vietnam & Southeast Asia with Wendy Wu Tours

Vietnam and Southeast Asia is a dream destination for many travellers – with captivating scenery, tranquil temples and sensational food, it’s easy to see why. Uncover countless cultures, beautiful landscapes and fascinating history in this most enchanting region.

WENDY'S TOP 8 VIETNAM & SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGHTS

1 HALONG BAY

Drift the tranquil, emerald waters and soak up the beauty of the foliage-cloaked limestone karsts on our Vietnam tour itineraries.



2 TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

The Angkor temples exude a rare majesty that few places on the planet can match – admire them on any itinerary featuring Cambodia.



3 MEKONG DELTA

Explore the lush Mekong Delta, meeting the locals and experiencing the culture, as part of a deluxe 3-night or 4-night cruise on the 'Victoria Mekong'. (See pages 46-59).



4 LUANG PRABANG

Luang Prabang is one of the most captivating towns in Asia and is a place of great spiritual and natural beauty, which can be visited on any Laos itinerary.



5 CHIANG MAI

The culturally rich city of Chiang Mai is an excellent destination for those seeking unique activities such as trekking, rafting or meeting hill tribes. Visit on Thailand Highlights (See page 22).



6 BAGAN

With hundreds of temples dotting the sacred landscape of the central plains, Bagan is Myanmar's most sublime sight. Experience it for yourself on any Myanmar itinerary. (See pages 18-19 & 30-31).



7 BORNEO

Borneo offers stunning beaches, untouched rainforests, tribal traditions and a wonderful range of activities to delve into. Cruise on the Kinabatangan River to spot abundant wildlife (See page 68).



8 INDONESIA

Explore the rich culture and volcanic landscapes of the island of Java, and the incredible nature of Komodo National Park, home of the legendary Komodo dragon (See page 70).





Mekong Delta, Vietnam

THE WENDY WU TOURS DIFFERENCE

UNRIVALLED EXPERTISE

We are proud to be recognised as Australia's leading Asia specialists, a reputation we've been building since 1994. Our staff have travelled extensively throughout the region and are founts of knowledge on all things Asia.

EXCEPTIONAL VALUE

We aim to include as much as possible so you can sit back and enjoy the experience. Your accommodation, all or most meals, touring, transport and expert guides are all included.

COMPREHENSIVE RANGE OF TOURS

Whether you're looking for a classic escorted tour experience, luxury journey or something off the beaten track, we've got a tour or Tailor-Made Holiday for you.

VISAS

Hassle-free visa process with expert guidance throughout and costs for Australian passport holders included in the tour price.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES

We've been blazing trails into Asia for the past 25 years, building our local expertise and finding less-visited places and authentic cultural experiences that make your holiday truly special. Look out for the 'Experiences You'll Love' on each of our tour pages.

HIGHLY EXPERIENCED GUIDES

Through their local expertise, dedication and passion, our guides, known as your 'National Escort', will make sure you don't miss a thing.

LOCAL FLAVOURS

Our tours will give you a genuine taste of the regions you'll visit by introducing you to local specialties and delicacies at meal times.

SAFE AND SECURE

We are ATAS-accredited members of the Australian Federation of Travel Agents and have a wide network of local agents working with us nationally, so you benefit from local knowledge combined with Australian understanding and support.

PRIVATE GROUP SPECIALISTS

Do you have a unique interest you'd like to indulge with a group of fellow hobbyists? No problem, we can plan a host of exciting itineraries that will fulfill your groups wants and needs.

TIPPING MADE EASY

We will advise you how much and when to tip, and our National Escort will take care of it on your behalf.



Rice paddies, Sapa, Vietnam

YOUR TOUR, YOUR WAY

It is our wish that every customer has an extraordinary experience on our programs; a place where memories of a lifetime are created. You can find your perfect holiday by selecting the various style of tour (page 2) as detailed for each itinerary and assessing the physical rating. We have also selected accommodation that suits and complements, as well as providing flexibility to customise your trip for maximum enjoyment.

TOUR PACE

We're not going to deny it, on many of our tours you're going to be busy! But we want to make sure you don't miss a single thing. Packing your holiday full of extraordinary experiences means some early starts and late finishes, but you can be sure that you'll return home with some incredible memories. Take a look at our Go Beyond tours if you are looking for a holiday with a bit more free time included.

ACCOMMODATION STYLES

Travelling with us, you can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been hand-picked to best suit your tour and the locations you'll visit. Our Classic and Solo group tours feature comfortable, locally rated three-star to four-star properties, ranging from smart business hotels to family-run guesthouses. On Go Beyond tours, you may find yourself in more characterful or rustic accommodation, to suit the adventurous spirit of these tours. Our Exclusive Collection tours enjoy high-quality accommodation while, on a Tailor-Made Holiday, any style of accommodation is available; simply choose your perfect stay.

CUSTOMISE YOUR TRIP

Interested in exploring your destination further, stopping off en route or adding on some relaxation time? All you have to do is ask! We have a fantastic range of extension and stopover packages (see page 98). Or, if you're looking for something a bit different, our fantastic team of experts can help you create your very own extension, to any tour in this brochure!

PHYSICAL RATING



All our tours feature a physical rating to help you select the right holiday for you. Every one of our tours requires the ability to walk around sights unaided, whilst more active tours involve longer walks, cycling and other physical activities. Tours at altitude will have a higher physical rating. For more information on why each tour has been rated the way it has, have a look at the 'Detailed Itinerary' available to download on the tour page of our website.

LEVEL 1

A reasonable level of fitness is required, but it's more about spending time on your feet rather than covering large distances. You'll be getting on and off coaches and boats, walking around the sights and climbing some steps.

A Level 2 tour will involve a little more time on your feet than a Level 1 tour and may involve more steps and/or walking.

LEVEL 3

A good level of fitness is required as you need to be comfortable walking for 2-3 hours and covering longer distances. Other activities such as cycling will be at a gentle pace and will involve straightforward terrain.

A Level 4 tour will feature similar physical activities but these may be longer in duration or on slightly more challenging terrain.

LEVEL 5

You'll need to be fit and adventurous to participate in these tours as on some days you will be active for most of the day. The terrain may be more challenging and the activities more physically demanding.

You're in safe hands

Our guides are the stars of the show; it is their unrivalled knowledge, passion and expertise that will transform your tour experience from good to truly extraordinary!



Vuttha Dam, National Escort

"Our guide couldn't do enough for us through the two weeks of our tour. His knowledge and love for his beautiful, amazing country, Cambodia, was second to none. He is by far the best tour guide I have ever had on all my travels around the world. His approach to his job as a tour guide is a mirror of the way he lives his life, he is truly a role model. I would love to have him be my guide on all of my future travels with Wendy Wu."

Graham Farthing

AWARD-WINNING GUIDING

One of the unique features of our group tours is the inclusion of our National Escorts accompanying you throughout your tour.

Their dedication, personality and sense of fun will put you at ease and make you feel part of a family, navigating the joys and eccentricities of the local way of life.

ALL OF OUR NATIONAL ESCORTS...

- ✓ Embody the Wendy Wu Tours philosophies of travel
- ✓ Are industry professionals with over 5 years' experience
- ✓ Are born and raised locally and are fluent in English
- ✓ Undertake holistic and ongoing comprehensive training
- ✓ Are at your service 24 hours a day



Hue, Vietnam

All the must-see attractions

As Australia's leading touring experts, we're always thinking of new ways to create unique travel experiences that our customers will remember for life.

Our team works tirelessly to ensure our tours are designed to include the must-see sights – we're innovative, brave and will always strive to be extraordinary.

Simply put, we do the hard work, so you don't have to!



Halong Bay, Vietnam

A SELECTION OF POPULAR VIETNAM & SOUTHEAST ASIA TOURS

TOUR	DAYS	PAGE	HALONG BAY	HOI AN	HANOI	MEKONG DELTA	MEKONG CRUISE	ANGKOR WAT	PHNOM PENH
Vietnam Impressions	10	16	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Vietnam at a Glance	12	20	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Around Cambodia	15	26						✓	✓
Indochina Delights	16	28	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Classic Mekong	17	52	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Angkor to the Bay	18	32	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Vietnam Panorama	18	34	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Vietnam Highlights	18	36	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Mekong Explorer	21	54	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Grand Tour of Indochina	27	44	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓

Cultural encounters, every step of the way

To make sure you truly immerse yourself in your chosen destination, we pack every single one of our tours with authentic cultural experiences. We've highlighted our favourite ones on each tour page in the 'Experiences You'll Love' box; but for now, here are just a few examples of what you can look forward to.

TREKKING IN SAPA

Hike through the lush rice paddies surrounding Sapa on a route that showcases the area's very best views and stop at ethnic minority villages so you can spend time with the friendly communities.



INLE LAKE LEG ROWERS

Cruise beautiful Inle Lake in Myanmar's highlands and admire the unique rowing technique of the local Intha people as they fish in its tranquil waters.




SAIGON BY SCOOTER

Ride pillion with a driver on a vintage Vespa in classic Saigon style on this night-time street food adventure. Enjoy tasty food at a local eating spot and sip drinks in lively local bars.

THE QUINTESSENCE OF TONKIN SHOW – HANOI

This state-of-the-art spectacular celebrates the beauty and heritage of northern Vietnam. Staged entirely in water, it features music, dancing, water puppetry and pyrotechnics.

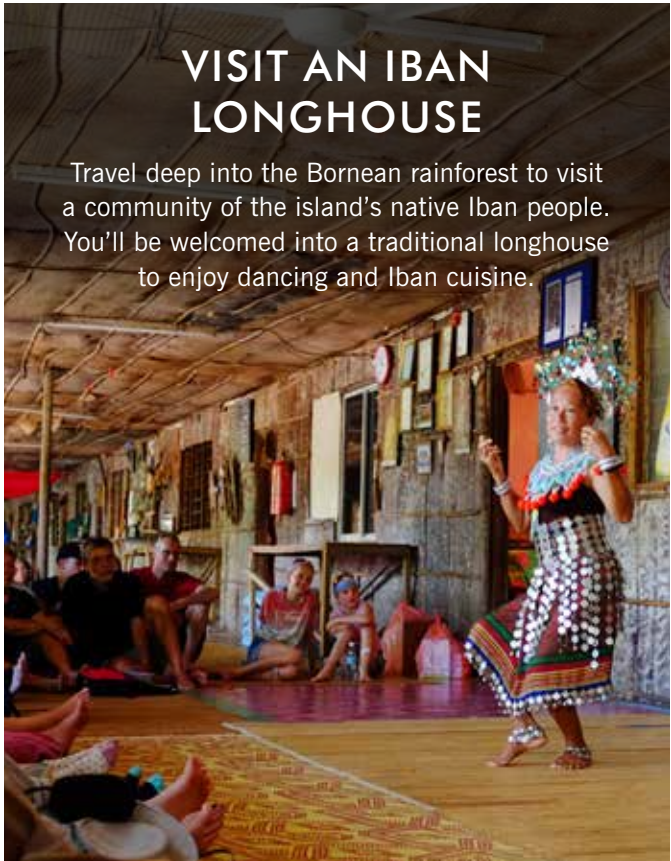


ANGKOR MASTERCLASS

Go behind the scenes at Angkor, joining one of the complex's leading conservation experts to learn about the ways the temples were designed, as well as getting hands-on with the conservation effort.

VISIT AN IBAN LONGHOUSE

Travel deep into the Bornean rainforest to visit a community of the island's native Iban people. You'll be welcomed into a traditional longhouse to enjoy dancing and Iban cuisine.



JAVANESE LEATHER PUPPETS

Learn the age-old art of Javanese leather shadow puppet making in the cultural heart of Indonesia, the heritage-filled city of Yogyakarta.



Hanoi, Vietnam

CLASSIC TOURS

For those looking for a fully escorted, all-inclusive group journey

WHAT'S INCLUDED?



International economy
airfares & taxes



3*plus – 4*
accommodation



All
meals



Flights, guides,
transportation
& sightseeing



Visa for Australian
passport holders

These meticulously designed journeys are perfect for those who want to see iconic sights and magnificent treasures on a fully inclusive tour that is fantastic value! With all your arrangements taken care of, you can travel with the utmost ease and confidence, accompanied throughout by one of our industry-leading National Escorts.

EVERYTHING TAKEN CARE OF

On a Classic Tour all your arrangements are taken care of – your flights, all accommodation, transfers, touring, meals and, if you need them, your visas too! Travelling with a maximum group size of 28 travellers, all you have to do is show up, explore and enjoy.

ALL YOUR MEALS ARE INCLUDED

Whilst breakfasts tend to be a mixture of local eats and familiar dishes from home, when it comes to lunch and dinner, you'll be dining in local establishments. We include

a few 'feature meals', so you get to taste the signature dishes of the region, whilst the rest of the time you'll eat a whole, delicious range of the destination's best eats.

EXPERT GUIDES

You can be safe in the knowledge that throughout your tour you'll be in the company of one of our award-winning National Escorts. With their unparalleled knowledge, charisma and talent, these wonderful people are what can push your holiday from fantastic to truly unforgettable.

AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

Thanks to the extensive expertise of our team, you will see less-visited places, giving you a more authentic experience of the culture and the chance to meet the friendly locals. Keep an eye out for the 'Experiences You'll Love' box on every tour page, for a taste of the cultural encounters on offer.

VIETNAM IMPRESSIONS

10 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **\$3,690** TWIN SHARE

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, *BRISBANE, *ADELAIDE OR *PERTH

*Tour prices may vary based on departure city. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge.

ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Stroll through old Hanoi
- ✓ Practise tai chi on Halong Bay
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Explore vibrant Saigon
- ✓ Drift along the Mekong Delta
- ✓ Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels



See local life on the Mekong Delta

PRICE INCLUDES

- 8 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 8 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Experience traditional Vietnamese egg coffee

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Forget your skinny lattes and Americanos, in Hanoi you'll taste traditionally prepared Vietnamese egg coffee in an atmospheric local café.
- Master the art of Vietnamese cooking, Visit a local market in Hoi An to talk to sellers and buy fresh ingredients that you'll then use to whip up your own culinary masterpiece!
- Enjoy Saigon's most extraordinary production, the A O Show! This breathtaking performance showcases the beauty and cultural richness of Vietnamese rural life through music, dance and acrobatics.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Vietnam's vibrant capital city, Hanoi. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAYS 2-3: HALONG BAY CRUISE

Spend the day cruising amongst spectacular seascapes, fringed by jagged karst formations jutting from emerald waters. Halong Bay, with its 1,600 islands and islets, was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994 and is a vision of awe-inspiring beauty. You'll even explore one of the bay's many caves. Spend a night onboard before returning to Hanoi the next day.

DAY 4: EXPLORE HANOI

Exuding an exotic aura, Hanoi is a fast-paced yet graceful city. A blend of old and new Asia is present through the charms of its colonial past and the buzz of its modern future. Sightseeing today includes a wander through the Old Quarter's atmospheric tangle of streets, followed by a Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake. Visit Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll see Ho Chi Minh's monumental mausoleum, Ho Chi Minh's Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and the Temple of Literature. Fly to Danang and transfer to the UNESCO-listed town of Hoi An.

DAY 5: HOI AN COOKING CLASS

Take a morning walking tour of charming Hoi An. Lined with colourful lanterns and charming shopfronts, many of which are occupied by its famous tailors, the streets of this laidback town are a delight to wander. Visit one of Hoi An's oldest houses, still

occupied by the descendants of the merchants who built it more than 200 years ago, before seeing the elaborate Japanese Bridge, a Chinese temple and the bustling market. Stop en route to visit social enterprise Reaching Out, a craft workshop where you can watch the artisans at work. Later this evening you will learn about Vietnamese cuisine, renowned across the world for its innovative use of fresh ingredients and spices, in a hands-on cooking class.

DAY 6: TRAVEL TO SAIGON

Spend your day in Hoi An at leisure before flying to Saigon in the evening. This bustling city is an intriguing blend of the country's charming traditional heritage, poignant war history and cosmopolitan future.

DAY 7: MEKONG DELTA

Journey to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the mighty Mekong. This area is known as the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', the rich and fertile lands producing huge amounts of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruits. Paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals, getting a glimpse of daily life on the Mekong Delta, and enjoy a lunch of typical Mekong fare. Return to Saigon.

DAY 8: CU CHI TUNNELS

Contemplate the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels, where you'll see the legendary tunnel network used by the Viet Cong to infiltrate South Vietnam during the war. Following this, head into the centre of Saigon to see Notre Dame Cathedral and the neoclassical Central Post Office – both grandiose legacies of a colonial past. Also



Enjoy stunning Halong Bay

visit the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum where the brutality of the war and its victims are well-documented. Finish up by browsing through the lively Ben Thanh Market. This evening enjoy the A O Show – a music, dance and acrobatic spectacular at the Saigon Opera House.

DAYS 9-10: FLY SAIGON TO AUSTRALIA

Spend your day at leisure before transferring to the airport for your flight to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

NOT LOOKING TO JOIN A GROUP?

Call us to arrange this itinerary as a private tour.

EXTEND YOUR STAY...



SIEM REAP IN FOCUS

3 days from \$450pp twin share

VETERANS' RETURN

3 days from \$560pp twin share

PHU QUOC BEACH STAY

4 days from \$245pp twin share

Visit page 98 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.



Try local cuisine

VIETNAM IMPRESSIONS

CLASSIC VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

The perfect way to see the key highlights of Vietnam in a concise 10-day tour. From the beauty of Halong Bay to the fertile Mekong Delta you'll get a fascinating snapshot of this captivating country.



Be charmed by Hoi An

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

22 Feb - 02 Mar	\$3,990	12 Sep - 21 Sep	\$3,690
07 Mar - 16 Mar	\$3,690	24 Oct - 02 Nov	\$3,890
04 Apr - 13 Apr	\$3,690		

2021 DATES

20 Feb - 01 Mar	\$4,190	11 Sep - 20 Sep	\$3,890
06 Mar - 15 Mar	\$3,890	23 Oct - 01 Nov	\$4,090
03 Apr - 12 Apr	\$3,890		

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Hanoi - Saigon) 9 days from \$2,570 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$510

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$60pp (AU\$87pp) is paid locally in Vietnam.

MYANMAR EXPLORER

- 11 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$4,790 TWIN SHARE
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH
- ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

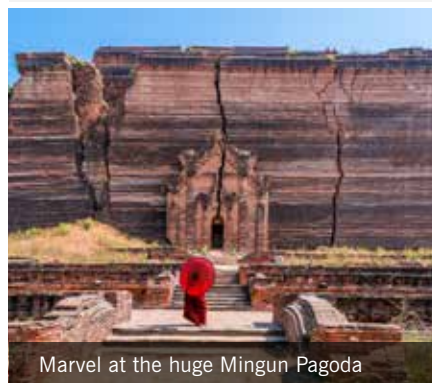
- ✓ Stroll through vibrant Yangon
- ✓ Ascend stunning Mount Popa
- ✓ Explore Bagan's temples
- ✓ Feel cultural on the road to Mandalay
- ✓ Enjoy a sunset on U Bein Bridge
- ✓ Watch the Inle Lake 'leg rowers'



Visit magnificent Mount Popa near Bagan

PRICE INCLUDES

- 9 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 9 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Marvel at the huge Mingun Pagoda

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- On the outskirts of Mandalay, cruise down the busy waters of the mighty Irrawaddy to admire the huge Mingun Pagoda, a colossal but unfinished temple sat grandly on the river bank.
- Navigate the peaceful water of beautiful Inle Lake, passing through floating communities, examining the innovative floating gardens and glimpsing the daily life of the Intha people.
- Explore and dine on delicious local food at Yangon's 'House of Memories', a handsome teak mansion filled with antique furniture and fascinating memorabilia.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO YANGON

Fly to the vibrant city of Yangon. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: DISCOVER YANGON

Head downtown to the Central Post Office from where we will begin our tour. Encompassing the colonial highlights and more traditional architecture, stroll Strand Road and Pansodan Street. Visit the National Museum before exploring the magnificent Shwedagon Pagoda whose huge golden stupa dominates the city's skyline. The apex of the stupa is studded with hundreds of priceless gems that glint in the sunshine. This is Myanmar's most sacred Buddhist site and is alleged to have four relics of former Buddhas enshrined within.

DAY 3: BAGAN TEMPLES

Fly to Bagan. Myanmar's central plains have played host to many old kingdoms, each contributing temples and pagodas to the thousands that still dot the area today. Upon arrival, visit Nyaung U Market and Shwezigon Pagoda, where a replica of Buddha's tooth is enshrined. Later visit Htilominlo Pagoda, Ananda Temple and see craftsmen at work at a lacquerware workshop. Enjoy a spectacular sunset from the summit of the 12-storey Aureum Watch Tower, which gives incredible views over the temples and plain.

DAY 4: MOUNT POPA

Travel to Mount Popa, an extinct volcano, and visit Taung Kalat, the breathtaking Buddhist Monastery perched on its summit. Stop at a toddy palm plantation before taking a boat

trip on the Irrawaddy River to view the sunset. Mount Popa is the spiritual home of 37 nats, or animist spirits, and you'll see many locals who have come here to worship them. Return to Bagan.

DAY 5: MINGUN AND AVA

Fly to Mandalay and start exploring. Transfer to Mahamuni Pagoda, the Golden Palace Monastery and Kuthodaw Pagoda. Next, set sail up the Irrawaddy River to Mingun to visit one of the world's largest bells, Hsinbyume Paya, and the imposing Mingun Pagoda, a red brick structure that would have been the world's largest pagoda if it had been completed. Visit a silk workshop and a Kalaga tapestries workshop before finishing the day on Mandalay Hill.

DAY 6: MANDALAY AND AMARAPURA

Drive to Amarapura and visit Mahagandayon Monastery, a place of monastic study and home to several thousand young monks. Later, travel to the Sagaing Hills, where you'll find its forested slopes crowded with temples and pagodas. Continue to the Tha Kya Di Kya nunnery before proceeding to the U Bein Bridge for a sunset boat ride, the best way to really appreciate the world's longest teak bridge!

DAY 7: INLE LAKE

Fly to Heho and drive to Inle Lake via Shwe Yan Pyay Monastery. The lake is best known for the extraordinary 'Intha' people, who live on and around the water, and are renowned for their unique rowing technique. Out on the lake, see the floating gardens before visiting Phaungdaw Oo Pagoda, Nga Phe Monastery and Inpawkhon weaving village on the lake's banks.



Meet the local farmers at Inle Lake



Wander charming Mandalay

DAY 8: INDEIN PAGODAS

Transfer by boat to the western shore of the lake to explore the crumbling Indein Pagoda complex. Walk to a nearby village to see the locals farming using traditional techniques. Pass through the rice fields to Saema to meet the friendly villagers, and to visit the local primary school.

DAY 9: YANGON NIGHT MARKETS

Return to Heho and fly to Yangon. On arrival, browse the famous Bogyoke market to pick up any last-minute souvenirs. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure before a late afternoon visit to Botataung Pagoda. This evening, stroll around Chinatown.

DAYS 10-11: FLY YANGON TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

NOT LOOKING TO JOIN A GROUP?

Call us to arrange this itinerary as a private tour.



Stroll around Yangon night market

EXTEND YOUR STAY...



HANOI SHORT STAY

3 days from \$310pp twin share

SINGAPORE SHORT STAY

3 days from \$400pp twin share

BANGKOK CITY STAY

4 days from \$705pp twin share

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See Inle Lake fisherman

MYANMAR EXPLORER

CLASSIC MYANMAR

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

For those with limited time, this tour is the perfect opportunity to tick off Myanmar's highlights, showcasing the magical culture, golden temples and magnificent scenery of Yangon, Bagan, Mandalay and Inle Lake.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

14 Feb - 24 Feb \$4,790 13 Nov - 23 Nov \$4,790

2021 DATES

05 Feb - 15 Feb \$5,090 05 Nov - 15 Nov \$5,090

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Yangon - Yangon) 10 days from \$3,650 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$790

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$59pp (AU\$86pp) is paid locally in Myanmar.

VIETNAM AT A GLANCE

12 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,890 TWIN SHARE

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, *BRISBANE, *ADELAIDE OR *PERTH

*Tour prices may vary based on departure city. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge.

ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Wake to a Halong Bay sunrise
- ✓ Explore fascinating Saigon
- ✓ Drift along the Mekong Delta
- ✓ Be inspired by charming Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Discover the Cu Chi Tunnels



Enjoy magnificent views of Halong Bay

PRICE INCLUDES

- 10 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 10 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Visit Tra Que village near Hoi An

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- Explore the vibrant streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo, stopping off at a café to sample a traditionally made, local speciality, egg coffee.
- In Hanoi, take your seats for 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', an outdoor spectacular that perfectly showcases the rich culture and daily life of Vietnam's northern river delta through dance, music, water puppetry, and lights.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's most evocative and largest city. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: DISCOVER SAIGON

This morning, contemplate the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the Cu Chi Tunnels before returning to Saigon. This exuberant city is driving Vietnam forward into the modern world, but it is also a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral and visit the Central Post Office, the Reunification Palace, and the chilling War Remnants Museum.

DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA

Journey to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the Mekong. Paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals and get a glimpse of daily life on the Mekong Delta. Enjoy a lunch of typical Mekong dishes and make a stop at Vinh Trang Pagoda en route back to Saigon.

DAY 4: JOURNEY TO HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to Hoi An. This afternoon take a walking tour of this charming town – a wonderfully laidback and wilfully traditional place, whose streets are a delight to wander. Visit an old merchant's house, Quan Cong Temple, the elaborate Japanese Bridge and the bustling market. Stop en route to visit social enterprise Reaching Out, a craft workshop where you can watch the artisans at work.

DAY 5: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head into the countryside to Tra Que, a small farming community that supplies many hotels

and restaurants in the area with vegetables and herbs. Here you can enjoy the lush green landscape, stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work and try your hand at their traditional techniques. Later spend the afternoon at leisure back in Hoi An.

DAY 6: IMPERIAL HUE

Leave Hoi An for Hue, taking a scenic route over the Hai Van Pass. The epitome of Vietnam's dynastic past, Hue is a dignified and scholarly city. Visit the imposing Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City. Extensively damaged during the Vietnam War, the citadel still exudes much of the grandeur of its past. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, a complex of 40 monuments set in surroundings of gardens and pools. Continue to the old Thien Mu Pagoda before taking a cruise on the Perfume River.

DAY 7: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure or start your explorations of Vietnam's capital.

DAY 8: EXPLORE HANOI

Sightseeing today includes a wander through the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll see Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum and the Stilt House set in the gardens of the Presidential Palace. Also visit One Pillar Pagoda and the Confucian Temple of Literature. End the day's explorations with a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter and enjoy a flavourful Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake.

DAY 9: HALONG BAY

Cruise amongst the karst peaks on the tranquil green waters of Halong Bay. A UNESCO World Heritage Site and a vision of awe-inspiring



Marvel at Hue's Royal Tomb



See The Quintessence of Tonkin, Hanoi

beauty, it isn't hard to see why this is one of Vietnam's most popular destinations. This evening enjoy a dinner of delicious seafood and spend the night onboard your cruise.

DAY 10: QUINTESSENCE OF TONKIN

Rise early this morning for a beautiful sunrise over the bay. Return to Hanoi this afternoon and later see The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAYS 11-12: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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EXTEND YOUR STAY...



TEMPLES IN DEPTH

4 days from \$670pp twin share

BANGKOK CITY STAY

4 days from \$705pp twin share

SAPA SHORT STAY

5 days from \$570pp twin share

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Journey through the Mekong Delta

VIETNAM AT A GLANCE

CLASSIC VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Have limited time but still want to experience Vietnam's top sights? With this tour you can tick off the highlights with visits to charming Hoi An, historical Hue, spectacular Halong Bay and much more.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

08 Jan - 19 Jan*	\$4,390	13 May - 24 May	\$3,890
12 Feb - 23 Feb	\$4,390	03 Jun - 14 Jun	\$3,890
04 Mar - 15 Mar	\$3,990	05 Aug - 16 Aug	\$3,990
11 Mar - 22 Mar	\$3,990	09 Sep - 20 Sep	\$4,090
18 Mar - 29 Mar	\$3,990	16 Sep - 27 Sep	\$4,090
25 Mar - 05 Apr	\$3,990	23 Sep - 04 Oct	\$4,090
01 Apr - 12 Apr	\$3,990	30 Sep - 11 Oct	\$4,090
08 Apr - 19 Apr	\$3,990	07 Oct - 18 Oct	\$4,090
15 Apr - 26 Apr	\$3,990	21 Oct - 01 Nov	\$4,390
06 May - 17 May	\$3,890	04 Nov - 15 Nov	\$4,390

2021 DATES

06 Jan - 17 Jan	\$4,690	12 May - 23 May	\$4,190
10 Feb - 21 Feb*	\$4,690	02 Jun - 13 Jun	\$4,190
03 Mar - 14 Mar	\$4,290	04 Aug - 15 Aug	\$4,290
10 Mar - 21 Mar	\$4,290	08 Sep - 19 Sep	\$4,390
17 Mar - 28 Mar	\$4,290	15 Sep - 26 Sep	\$4,390
24 Mar - 04 Apr	\$4,290	22 Sep - 03 Oct	\$4,390
31 Mar - 11 Apr	\$4,290	29 Sep - 10 Oct	\$4,390
07 Apr - 18 Apr	\$4,290	06 Oct - 17 Oct	\$4,390
14 Apr - 25 Apr	\$4,290	20 Oct - 31 Oct	\$4,690
05 May - 16 May	\$4,190	03 Nov - 14 Nov	\$4,690

Flight and supplement information

- The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Hanoi) 11 days from \$2,790 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$575

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

*Departure coincides with TET celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$65 (AU\$94pp) is paid locally in Vietnam.

THAILAND HIGHLIGHTS

- 13 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$3,690 TWIN SHARE
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH
- ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ View the Golden Triangle
- ✓ Cross the infamous River Kwai
- ✓ Explore historical Ayutthaya
- ✓ Marvel at Bangkok's Grand Palace
- ✓ Meet minority hill tribes
- ✓ Enjoy a cooking class



Spend the day with Asian elephants

PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation and eco-lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Samut Songkhram market, Bangkok

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Visit Bangkok's Samut Songkhram market, famous for being set along a railway line – witness the fascinating bustle of activity by stallholders, moving their wares speedily out of the way as a train passes through!
- Venture deep into the northern highlands and spend the night at one with nature at the Lisu eco-lodge, where you'll enjoy a local dinner and a Lisu folklore experience.
- Spend the day with Asian elephants at Chiang Mai's Thai Elephant Care Centre, a home for elderly pachyderms, where you'll meet, feed and bathe the gorgeous residents.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO BANGKOK

Fly to the vibrant city of Bangkok. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: DISCOVER BANGKOK

Bangkok is an exotic assault on the senses, a whirlwind of chaos, refinement and rewarding sights where you can hop from tranquil golden temples to forests of gleaming skyscrapers before experiencing authentic Asia on bustling streets. Today's sightseeing includes Wat Pho, the dazzling Grand Palace and a stroll through Chinatown. Later, take to the Chao Phraya River on a longboat to get an alternative view of the city as you travel to the Pak Khlong Talat Flower Market.

DAY 3: BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER KWAI

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Damnoen Saduak Floating Market and the bizarre Samut Songkhram market before heading out of Bangkok to Kanchanaburi. Stop at the famous bridge over the River Kwai before visiting the Allied Cemetery and War Museum.

DAY 4: EXPLORE KANCHANABURI

Drive to Hellfire Pass and visit the fascinating museum before a short walk through the pass. Hop on board an old locomotive to travel along a section of the notorious Death Railway passing through the Kwai Gorge. Return to Bangkok in the afternoon. This evening enjoy dinner accompanied by Thai classical dancing.

DAY 5: AYUTTHAYA

A sacred city and former royal capital, Ayutthaya today is a crumbled kingdom that has retained its bygone splendour. Explore this impressive archaeological site, touring

the principal sights including Bang Pa-In, the former royal summer residence. Return to Bangkok and fly to Chiang Rai, a city in Thailand's northern highlands.

DAY 6: GOLDEN TRIANGLE

Transfer to the area known as the Golden Triangle – the point where the borders of Thailand, Laos and Myanmar meet and notorious for the cultivation of opium that used to take place here. Take a boat ride on the Mekong over the border into Laos and visit Don Sao Island where you can take a leisurely stroll through the local market. Return to Chiang Rai. Explore the night market this evening.



Visit a tea plantation near Chiang Rai



Explore a vibrant flower market, Chiang Mai



See Chiang Rai's contemporary White Temple

DAY 7: QUIANT MAE SALONG

Travel to Mae Salong Mountain, an area well known for its tea plantations – you can sample some of the local brew whilst you are here. Enjoy a 'Yunnanese' lunch before meeting the Yao Tribe and taking a walk through an Akha village.

DAY 8: THE STUNNING WHITE TEMPLE

Explore the striking Buddhist White Temple before departing Chiang Rai. Heading in the direction of Chiang Mai, you'll travel along a beautiful mountain road with breathtaking views. Entering Chiang Mai province, spend tonight at Lisu Lodge, an eco-lodge operated by Lisu hill tribe villagers. Rooms are built in the traditional Lisu style and overlook lush fields and hills. Dinner is followed by a Lisu folklore performance.

DAY 9: DISCOVER CHIANG MAI

Depart Lisu Lodge for Chiang Mai. On the way stop to visit the ancient city of Wiang Kum Kam. Later, take a walking tour of charming Chiang Mai, visiting Wat Chedi Luang and Wat Phra Singh.

DAY 10: THAI ELEPHANT CARE CENTRE

Spend the day at the Thai Elephant Care Centre where you can meet, feed and bathe the resident pachyderms. Enjoy a relaxed rafting trip in Mae Taeng before returning to Chiang Mai.

DAY 11: CHIANG MAI COOKING CLASS

Discover the secrets of traditional Thai cooking with a morning cookery class. Ascend to Wat Doi Suthep, a temple perched on top of Doi Suthep Mountain. This evening, sit down to a Thai Kantoke dinner, and

be entertained by a selection of cultural performances.

DAYS 12-13: FLY CHIANG MAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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EXTEND YOUR STAY...



SINGAPORE SHORT STAY
3 days from \$400pp twin share

SIEM REAP IN FOCUS
3 days from \$450pp twin share

SAPA SHORT STAY
5 days from \$570pp twin share

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THAILAND HIGHLIGHTS

CLASSIC THAILAND

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

A two-week journey from south to north, this tour of Thailand encompasses all the top sights as well as venturing into less-explored areas to explore pristine nature and local culture with a stay at a beautiful eco-lodge.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES			
15 Feb - 27 Feb	\$3,790	04 Apr - 16 Apr	\$3,690
14 Mar - 26 Mar	\$3,790	31 Oct - 12 Nov	\$3,790

2021 DATES			
13 Feb - 25 Feb	\$4,090	10 Apr - 22 Apr	\$3,990
20 Feb - 04 Mar	\$4,090	06 Nov - 18 Nov	\$4,090

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Bangkok - Chiang Mai) 12 days from \$2,590 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$450

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$60pp (AU\$87pp) is paid locally in Thailand.

VIBRANT VIETNAM

- 15 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$4,490 TWIN SHARE
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH
- ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

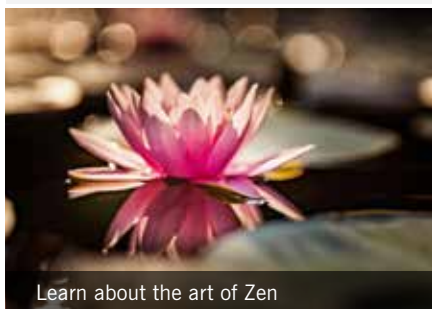
- ✓ Tour imperial Hue Citadel
- ✓ Explore Hanoi by cyclo
- ✓ Unwind on Nha Trang beach
- ✓ Ride through Dalat by steam train
- ✓ Drift on the Mekong Delta
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An



Admire the imperial city of Hue

PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 13 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Learn about the art of Zen

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ In Hue, spend a relaxing few hours in Zen House, where you'll learn about the art of Zen, how the house's architecture achieves a peaceful space and enjoy some refreshments. The profits from the house support the local community.
- ▶ In Hoi An, make a stop at the wonderful Reaching Out workshop, where you can meet local artisans who are part of a project that helps people with disabilities become integrated into society and lead productive lives.
- ▶ Enjoy Saigon's most extraordinary production, the A O Show! This breathtaking performance showcases the beauty and cultural richness of Vietnamese rural life through music, dance and acrobatics.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's elegant capital city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: HALONG BAY

Transfer to Halong City, board your cruise and sail out into spectacular Halong Bay. You'll spend the day drifting amongst the karst peaks on the tranquil green waters. A UNESCO World Heritage Site and a vision of awe-inspiring beauty, it isn't hard to see why it is one of Vietnam's most popular destinations. Spend the night onboard.

DAY 3: SUNRISE OVER HALONG BAY

Rise early to watch the sun rise over the bay and enjoy an invigorating session of tai chi. Transfer back to Hanoi and enjoy a cyclo ride through the vibrant backstreets of the Old Quarter. Later, explore the Museum of Ethnology where you learn about 54 officially recognised ethnic groups in Vietnam. Dinner tonight will feature a cooking demonstration of Hanoi's speciality dish, bun thang.

DAY 4: EXPLORE HANOI

Start the day as the locals do, sipping a coffee in a local coffee shop, before heading to visit Ho Chi Minh Quarter and the Temple of Literature. Fly to Hue, Vietnam's imperial capital.

DAY 5: CRUISE THE PERFUME RIVER

This morning visit the imposing Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City at the heart of Hue, once the home of Vietnam's emperors. Cruise on the picturesque Perfume River and admire the Thien Mu Pagoda. Later, see the

magnificent tomb of Minh Mang before heading to peaceful Zen House where you'll learn about its architecture and spiritual meaning.

DAY 6: HOI AN WALKING TOUR

Leave Hue for Hoi An, taking a scenic route over the Hai Van Pass. This afternoon take a walking tour of this charming town. A wonderfully laidback place, Hoi An's streets are a delight to wander – visit the Japanese Bridge, the colourful market and Chinese temple. Stop en route to visit social enterprise Reaching Out, a craft workshop, where you can watch the artisans at work.

DAY 7: TRA QUE VILLAGE

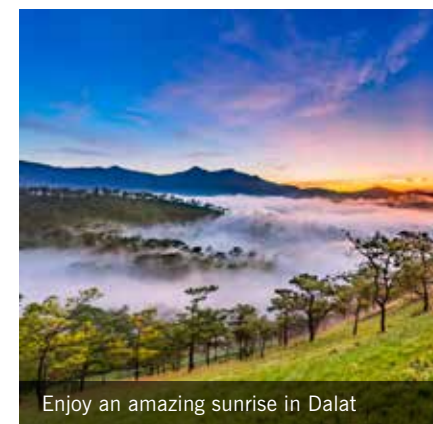
Head out into Hoi An's verdant surroundings to Tra Que, where you'll see the local farmers at work, tending lush gardens of vegetables and herbs. Join a local family for lunch and a cooking demonstration. Back in Hoi An, the rest of the day is free.

DAY 8: TRAVEL TO NHA TRANG

Transfer to Danang and fly to the sunny city of Nha Trang, Vietnam's beach capital. The rest of the day is free.



Experience local life in Hanoi



Enjoy an amazing sunrise in Dalat



Relax on Nha Trang Beach

DAY 9: NHA TRANG COASTAL CRUISE

Take to the turquoise waters for a cruise around the many little islands off Nha Trang's coast. There'll be a stop at an island to enjoy the balmy waters for yourself, and a visit to a fishing village. Head up into the cooler climes of the South Central Highlands to the lovely town of Dalat.

DAY 10: EXPLORE DALAT

Spend today sightseeing with visits to the Domaine de Marie Church, the Flower Gardens and an embroidery workshop. Climb aboard an open-air steam train for a scenic journey from the old railway station to Trai Mat village. This afternoon browse the stalls of Dalat's busy market, ending the day with a cup of locally grown coffee as you take in the picturesque views.

DAY 11: TRAVEL TO SAIGON

Journey across the scenic highlands to Saigon with a stop en route at the Bao Loc tea plantation. On arrival, the rest of the day is free.

DAY 12: CU CHI TUNNELS

Head out of the city to the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels, a network of underground passageways used by the Viet Cong during the war. Return to Saigon and spend the afternoon discovering the city's sights. See the colonial architecture of Notre Dame Cathedral and the Central Post Office, as well as the Reunification Palace and chilling War Remnants Museum.

DAY 13: MEKONG DELTA

Journey to Ben Tre to cruise on the mighty Mekong. This area is called the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', the rich and fertile soil producing

a plethora of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruits. Here you'll paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals, taste local produce, visit a local family, lunch on typical Mekong dishes and enjoy traditional music. Return to Saigon and enjoy a farewell dinner and the visually spectacular A O Show this evening.

DAYS 14-15: FLY SAIGON TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

NOT LOOKING TO JOIN A GROUP?
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EXTEND YOUR STAY...



VETERANS' RETURN
3 days from \$560pp twin share

GARDENS BY THE BAY
4 days from \$440pp twin share

LAOS IN FOCUS
5 days from \$960pp twin share

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VIBRANT VIETNAM

CLASSIC VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

A signature Vietnam experience, this two week journey takes you from top to toe, featuring all of Vietnam's must-see sights, as well as plenty of opportunities to soak in the wonderful culture and interact with the local people.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES			
07 Mar - 21 Mar	\$4,490	05 Sep - 19 Sep	\$4,490
04 Apr - 18 Apr	\$4,490	03 Oct - 17 Oct	\$4,490
06 Jun - 20 Jun	\$4,490		

2021 DATES			
13 Mar - 27 Mar	\$4,790	02 Oct - 16 Oct	\$4,790
11 Sep - 25 Sep	\$4,790		

Flight and supplement information

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- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Hanoi - Saigon) 14 days from \$3,390 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$760

Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$84pp (AU\$122pp) is paid locally in Vietnam.

AROUND CAMBODIA

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **\$3,890** TWIN SHARE

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, *BRISBANE, *ADELAIDE OR *PERTH

*Tour prices may vary based on departure city. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge.

ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Wander charming Kampot
- ✓ Discover captivating Phnom Penh
- ✓ Be inspired by majestic Angkor
- ✓ Reflect at The Killing Fields
- ✓ Relax in Sihanoukville
- ✓ Explore colonial Battambang



Visit the Khmer temples of Angkor

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 12 lunches, 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 5 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Tour a pepper farm in Kampot

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Learn all about the cultivation and production of Kampot pepper, considered by many to be the world's best, as you tour a peaceful pepper farm in southern Cambodia's lush countryside.
- Pay a visit to the wonderful 'La Maison de Coco', an NGO-run centre where local people are taught traditional arts such as weaving, to give them skills that will help them earn a living.
- A rip-roaring combination of theatre, music, dance and circus, Phare: the Cambodian Circus tells tales woven from local folklore, history and modern life in a unique, magical and authentically Cambodian way.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SIEM REAP

Fly overnight to Siem Reap. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE ANGKOR

The Angkor Archaeological Park encompasses more than 1,000 temples, all the remains of different capitals of the Khmer Empire between the 9th and 15th centuries. Rising early, journey to the old city of Angkor Thom and pass through the magnificent South Gate flanked by 54 gods and demons. At Angkor Thom's centre is the enigmatic Bayon, a breathtaking temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Also admire the Elephant Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King. Continue to Ta Prohm before the rest of the day is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent, and best-preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. Later, take a leisurely boat ride on the moat of Angkor Thom and view hidden elements of the ancient Khmer water systems.

DAY 4: CAMBODIAN PHARE CIRCUS

Journey to Kbal Spean to see the intricate stone carvings of Hindu gods and sacred linga carved into the river bed and banks. Continue to the captivating Banteay Srei – a richly embellished Hindu temple constructed in rose sandstone. The work is so intricate it is said that it could only have been carved by the hand of a woman. This evening enjoy a rollicking performance of the Phare Cambodian Circus.

DAY 5: CRUISE TONLE SAP LAKE High Water Season (Aug to Feb)

Enjoy a morning cruise on Tonle Sap Lake, visiting the floating village of Kampong Kleng and observe the way of life of these lake communities. Back on dry land visit Beng Mealea, a mysterious temple overrun by the jungle. Return to Siem Reap via Artisan D'Angkor, an organisation working to revive traditional Khmer arts and crafts. This evening sit down to dinner and the Apsara dance show.

Low Water Season (Mar to Jul)

Head to Beng Mealea to explore this mysterious temple overrun by the jungle. Drop by Artisan D'Angkor before visiting the floating village of Chong Kneas. This evening sit down to dinner and the Apsara dance show.

DAY 6: THE NATIONAL SILK CENTRE

Begin the journey towards Battambang, stopping in Puok District to visit the National Silk Centre. Learn about the cultivation of silk, from the planting of mulberry trees used to raise the silkworms to the harvesting of silk threads. Observe the artisans using the dyed and treated silk threads to create beautiful products in the workshops. On arrival in Battambang, the rest of the day is at leisure. Boasting some of the country's most beautiful landscapes, Battambang is also home to Cambodia's grandest colonial architecture.

DAY 7: LA MAISON DE COCO

Head out of town to the 12th-century Prasat Banan Temple and admire the breathtaking hilltop views. Return to Battambang and take a stroll through the village of Wat Kor, then explore a local house for a glimpse of



Watch the silk-making process, Siem Reap



Marvel at Wat Phnom, Phnom Penh

traditional Khmer life. Visit a local NGO, La Maison de Coco, where traditional skills such as weaving are taught to locals, before a visit to Phnom Sampov to see the bat cave.

DAY 8: VENTURE TO PHNOM PENH

Journey south to Phnom Penh, stopping at the former capital city Udong, a potters' village, and see Touch Hill.

DAY 9: PHNOM PENH CYCLO TOUR

With its airy boulevards and colonial villas, the city of Phnom Penh has a European feel. While still scarred by the events of 1975 the city is awash with optimism and energy. Today's visits include a cyclo ride to the magnificent Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and the National Museum, before reflecting on the past at the harrowing Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide and Killing Fields. Sunset at hilltop Wat Phnom rounds off the day.

DAY 10: KAMPOT PEPPER FARM

Depart for the beach town of Kampot, stopping en route at Tonle Bati, a peaceful site of Angkor-era temples. Travel on to a pepper farm to learn about the renowned Kampot pepper. Enjoy a walking tour of Kampot, a charming riverside town, which has a wealth of colonial architecture to discover.

DAY 11: RABBIT ISLAND

Take a boat ride out to Koh Tonsay, known as Rabbit Island for its unique shape, where you can spend a few hours relaxing on the beach. You will also visit the Kep Crab Market, a seafood lovers' heaven. Later travel onwards to Sihanoukville, Cambodia's premier beach resort.

DAY 12: SIHANOUKVILLE AT LEISURE

Spend today at leisure. Make good use of the facilities of your five-star resort, from the bar and pool to the beautiful beach that you can stroll onto directly from the hotel. If you're feeling more active, why not explore the lively town? A delicious group lunch at a local restaurant is included.

DAY 13: RETURN TO PHNOM PENH

Return to Phnom Penh and spend the day at leisure.

DAYS 14-15: FLY PHNOM PENH TO AUSTRALIA

Grab your last-minute souvenirs before boarding an overnight flight to Australia, arriving home the following day.

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EXTEND YOUR STAY...



PHU QUOC BEACH STAY
4 days from \$245pp twin share

SAIGON SHORT STAY
5 days from \$750pp twin share

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AROUND CAMBODIA

CLASSIC
CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

The perfect introductory tour, spend two weeks embracing Cambodia's complicated history and fascinating heritage whilst you cover all the best bits of this charming kingdom, including time on the beach and two full days at Angkor.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

02 Feb - 16 Feb	\$4,280	29 Mar - 12 Apr	\$3,890
16 Feb - 01 Mar	\$4,280	27 Sep - 11 Oct	\$3,890
08 Mar - 22 Mar	\$3,890	25 Oct - 08 Nov	\$4,280

2021 DATES

31 Jan - 14 Feb	\$4,580	28 Mar - 11 Apr	\$4,190
14 Feb - 28 Feb	\$4,580	26 Sep - 10 Oct	\$4,190
07 Mar - 21 Mar	\$4,190	24 Oct - 07 Nov	\$4,580

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Siem Reap - Phnom Penh) 13 days from \$2,790 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$850

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$70 (AU\$101pp) is paid locally in Cambodia.

INDOCHINA DELIGHTS

16 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See local life on the Mekong
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Practise tai chi on Halong Bay
- ✓ Explore Hanoi by cyclo
- ✓ Be charmed by Luang Prabang
- ✓ Marvel at Angkor Temples

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 12 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Learn Vietnamese cultivation techniques

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village near Hoi An and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- ▶ After a day of exploration relax as you float on the gentle waters of the moat of Angkor Thom, seeing the old walled city from a different perspective and savouring the beauty of a peaceful sunset.
- ▶ In Hanoi, take your seats for 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', an outdoor spectacular that perfectly showcases the rich culture and daily life of Vietnam's northern river delta through music, dance, water puppetry, and lights.



Explore Wat Xieng Thong, Luang Prabang

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon. On arrival you will be met by your expert tour guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: DISCOVER SAIGON

Sightseeing today includes a visit to the Central Post Office, Reunification Palace and the War Remnants Museum. Later, visit Cholon and the Thien Hau Pagoda.

DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA

Journey to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the Mekong. This area is called the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', the rich and fertile lands producing a plethora of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruits. Paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals and get a glimpse of daily life on the Mekong Delta.

DAY 4: CU CHI TUNNELS

Explore the Cu Chi Tunnels, where you'll see the legendary tunnel network used by the Viet Cong to infiltrate South Vietnam during the war. Later, fly to Danang and transfer to the UNESCO-listed city of Hoi An.

DAY 5: HOI AN WALKING TOUR

Take a morning walking tour of charming Hoi An, a wonderfully laidback, traditional town. Visit one of the oldest homes, still occupied by descendants of merchants that built it more than 200 years ago. Also visit the elaborate Japanese Bridge, Hoi An Market and a local Chinese Temple with a stop en route at social enterprise Reaching Out, a craft workshop, where you can watch the artisans at work. The afternoon is at leisure to relax at the beach or in a riverside café.

DAY 6: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Drive out into the countryside to Tra Que, a small farming community where you can enjoy the lush green landscapes and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. Later, take a flight to Vietnam's capital Hanoi, a charming and richly historic city of lakes, parks and shaded boulevards.

DAYS 7-8: HALONG BAY CRUISE

Spend the day aboard cruising the spectacular seascapes, fringed by jagged karst formations jutting from emerald waters. Halong Bay, with its 1,600 islands and islets, was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994 and is a vision of awe-inspiring beauty. It isn't hard to see why it is one of Vietnam's most popular destinations. Enjoy delicious meals on board and spend the night anchored in the tranquil waters. Return to Hanoi the next day. This evening, attend The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAY 9: FLY TO LUANG PRABANG

Spend the morning exploring Hanoi's Ho Chi Minh complex, the Temple of Literature and Ngoc Son Temple. You'll also take a cyclo tour of the Old Quarter and enjoy a flavourful Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake. Fly to the enchanting city of Luang Prabang.

DAY 10: TAKBAT CEREMONY

Luang Prabang is the quintessential image of Laos – a place of vivid colours with an extremely rich heritage and enduring French legacy. Today, rise early to watch a Takbat- alms giving ceremony. Ascend Phousi Hill for city vistas, visit Wat Xieng Thong, then cruise



Observe Buddhist monks chanting in Laos



Experience local life in Hoi An

along the Mekong River to see Pak Ou Caves. Return to Luang Prabang and visit Thin Hong and Ban Xang Khong Village en route.

DAY 11: VISIT KUANG SI WATERFALLS

Visit the National Museum before continuing to the cascading turquoise waters of enchanting Kuang Si Waterfalls. Return to Luang Prabang via Ban Na Ouane village and Ock Pop Tok Weaving Centre. This evening witness a local Baci Ceremony.

DAY 12: FLY TO SIEM REAP

Fly to Siem Reap and visit Artisan D'Angkor, an organisation working to revive traditional Khmer arts and crafts.

DAY 13: EXPLORE ANGKOR WAT

The Angkor Archaeological Park encompasses more than 1,000 temples, the remains of the mighty Khmer Empire that ruled between the 9th and 15th centuries. Enter the walled city of Angkor Thom and head to its heart to see the enigmatic Bayon, followed by the Elephant Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King. Continue to Ta Prohm, an atmospheric temple left in the grips of the jungle. This afternoon is dedicated to the magnificence of Angkor Wat and intricate beauty of Banteay Srei temple. Take a leisurely boat ride on the moat of Angkor Thom and view hidden elements of the ancient Khmer water systems.

DAY 14: TONLE SAP LAKE

High Water Season (Aug to Feb)
Visit Beng Mealea, a mysterious temple overrun by the jungle. Enjoy a cruise on Tonle Sap Lake, visiting the floating village of Kampong Kleng and observe the way of life of these lake communities. This evening sit

down to dinner and an Apsara dance show.

Low Water Season (Mar to Jul)

Head to Beng Mealea to explore this mysterious temple overrun by the jungle and the floating village of Chong Kneas. This evening sit down to dinner and an Apsara dance show.

DAYS 15-16: FLY SIEM REAP TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day.

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EXTEND YOUR STAY...



VETERANS' RETURN
3 days from \$560pp twin share

GARDENS BY THE BAY
4 days from \$440pp twin share

BANGKOK CITY STAY
4 days from \$705pp twin share

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INDOCHINA DELIGHTS

CLASSIC INDOCHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This tour is the perfect introduction to Indochina, covering three countries in a succinct 16-day itinerary. Featuring Halong Bay, Luang Prabang and the temples of Angkor, all of the best sights are covered.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

11 Jan - 26 Jan*	\$6,390	04 Apr - 19 Apr	\$5,790
08 Feb - 23 Feb	\$5,960	05 Sep - 20 Sep	\$5,790
07 Mar - 22 Mar	\$5,790	10 Oct - 25 Oct	\$5,890
21 Mar - 05 Apr	\$5,790	07 Nov - 22 Nov	\$5,890

2021 DATES

09 Jan - 24 Jan	\$6,690	10 Apr - 25 Apr	\$6,090
06 Feb - 21 Feb*	\$6,260	04 Sep - 19 Sep	\$6,090
06 Mar - 21 Mar	\$6,090	02 Oct - 17 Oct	\$6,190
20 Mar - 04 Apr	\$6,090	13 Nov - 28 Nov	\$6,190

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Siem Reap) 15 days from \$4,690 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$830

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

*Departure coincides with TET celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$90pp (AU\$130pp) is paid locally in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.

HIDDEN TREASURES OF MYANMAR

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,890 TWIN SHARE

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Discover Mt Popa by ox cart
- ✓ Wander majestic Mandalay
- ✓ Admire Bagan's temples
- ✓ Mingle with ethnic minorities
- ✓ Cruise on Inle Lake
- ✓ Marvel at Shwedagon Pagoda

PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches, 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Wander the ruins of Indeina, Inle Lake

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Wander the charming hill station of Kalaw, enjoying the beautiful scenery, cool climate and the delightful colonial architecture, a legacy of Myanmar's time as part of the British Empire.
- On the banks of Inle Lake, explore a lush hillside strewn with overgrown stupas and pagodas, which make up the beautiful and atmospheric ruins of Indeina.
- Enjoy a relaxing cruise down the Irrawaddy River, Myanmar's most important waterway, to gaze over the majestic temples of Bagan at the most beautiful time of day – as the sun sets.



Gaze at magical Bagan

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO YANGON

Fly to the vibrant city of Yangon. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: DISCOVER YANGON

Head downtown to the Central Post Office from where we will begin our tour. Encompassing the colonial highlights and more traditional architecture, stroll Strand Road and Pansodan Street. Visit the National Museum before exploring the magnificent Shwedagon Pagoda whose huge golden stupa dominates the city's skyline. The apex of the stupa is studded with hundreds of priceless gems that glint in the sunshine. This is Myanmar's most sacred Buddhist site and is alleged to have four relics of former Buddhas enshrined within.

DAY 3: EXPLORE PROME

Drive to the lively port town of Prome. Travelling by ox cart, explore the spectacular ruins of Sri Ksetra, the ancient Pyu Kingdom's former capital. Later visit Hmawzar village to get a glimpse of local life.

DAY 4: PROME MARKET

Visit Prome's colourful central market where you'll be able to see members of several of Myanmar's ethnic minorities. Continue to the dazzling Shwe San Taw Pagoda and admire the wonderful views of the surrounding countryside. Drive back to Yangon.

DAY 5: U BEIN BRIDGE

Fly to Mandalay and transfer to Amarapura to visit Mahagandayon Temple, a place of monastic study and home to several thousand young monks. Continue to the U Bein Bridge,

the world's longest teak wood bridge, and make your way across it, walking with the locals. Head to Sagaing and explore the hills around the town which are dotted with temples and pagodas, before travelling to Inwa to explore the Maha Aungmye Bonzan Monastery.

DAY 6: EXPLORE MANDALAY

Mandalay is considered the epicentre of Burmese culture and so there is much to explore. Visit the Mahamuni Pagoda, Shwe Inbin Monastery, the Golden Palace Monastery and Kuthodaw Pagoda, home to the world's largest book; each page inscribed in marble. Visit a traditional handloom silk workshop and a kalaga tapestry craftsman's shop before finishing the day on Mandalay Hill.

DAY 7: MINGUN

Set sail up the Irrawaddy River to Mingun. Here you will see one of the world's largest bells, the Mingun Bell, as well as the Mingun Pagoda, which would have been the country's largest had it been completed. At 50 metres tall and 72 metres wide, it's still a monumental structure, and is constructed entirely of brick. Return to Mandalay and spend the afternoon at leisure.

DAY 8: BODHI TAUNG BUDDHA

Leave Mandalay for the Thanboddhay Pagoda, said to contain more than half a million colourful images of Buddha. Continue to the Bodhi Taung where a thousand Buddha images rest at the feet of beautiful Banyan trees. In the afternoon see the Aung Setkya Pagoda and enjoy the views of the surrounding countryside. Arrive in Monywa.



See the stilt houses on Inle Lake



Visit U Bein Bridge, Mandalay

DAY 9: CRUISE THE IRRAWADDY

This morning take a boat trip across the Chindwin River to Po Win Daung, a network of sandstone caves full of statues, carvings and murals of Buddha. Drive on to the port city of Pakokku. Visit the lively local market by traditional trishaw and observe the production process of typical Myanmar cotton blankets. Continue by boat down the Irrawaddy to Bagan, arriving in time to catch the sunset.

DAY 10: EXPLORE BAGAN

Visit Nyaung U Market, Ananda Temple and Shwezigon Pagoda, which is the most important pagoda in Bagan. You'll also visit Htilominlo Pagoda. This afternoon, head to a lacquer workshop in the village of Myinkaba before enjoying a spectacular sunset over Bagan's temple-strewn plains.

DAY 11: MOUNT POPA

Travel to Mount Popa and visit the temple that sits on top of a unique volcanic 'plug'. Return to Bagan and discover more of its wonderful temples and pagodas. In the evening, travel to temples that are further afield on board a colourful ox cart – a local method of transport.

DAY 12: SHWE U MIN CAVES

Fly to Heho and transfer to Pindaya to visit the Shwe U Min limestone caves. The caves are a famous Buddhist pilgrimage site. Continue to a local workshop that manufactures umbrellas from mulberry paper. Arrive in Kalaw.

DAY 13: INLE LAKE

Drive to Nyaung Shwe and take a boat trip to Inle lake. The lake is best known for the extraordinary 'Intha' people who live on and around the water, and are renowned for their

unique rowing technique. Visit a local market and see the floating gardens, village life and magnificent scenery. See Phaungdaw Oo Pagoda, Nga Phe Chaung Monastery and the weaving village of Inpawkhon.

DAY 14: INDEIN PAGODAS

Cruise on Inle Lake to the crumbling Indeina Pagoda complex. Built in the 17th century, it is home to nearly 1,000 stupas and pagodas. Walk through the rice paddies to Saema village, where you can visit a local primary school.

DAY 15: EXPLORE YANGON

Fly to Yangon. Upon arrival browse the famous Bogyoke market, perfect for souvenirs. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure before a late afternoon visit to Botataung Pagoda. This evening, stroll around Chinatown.

DAYS 16-17: FLY YANGON TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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Visit Botataung Pagoda, Yangon

HIDDEN TREASURES OF MYANMAR

CLASSIC MYANMAR

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

A more in-depth journey through Myanmar, this adventure takes you along the route through Yangon, Bagan, Mandalay and Inle Lake but also heads off the trail to encompass lesser discovered destinations such as Pindaya and Kalaw.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

13 Mar - 29 Mar \$5,890 13 Nov - 29 Nov \$5,890

2021 DATES

12 Mar - 28 Mar \$6,190 12 Nov - 28 Nov \$6,190

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
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- Land only (Yangon - Yangon) 16 days from \$4,650 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,330

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ANGKOR TO THE BAY

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*ADELAIDE OR *PERTH
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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the local life in Tonle Sap
- ✓ Learn farming in Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Visit captivating Phnom Penh
- ✓ Cruise the magical Halong Bay
- ✓ Be inspired by Angkor's temples

Marvel at Bayon Temple, Siem Reap

PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Local life on Tonle Sap Lake near Angkor

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Cruise to bustling Kampong Kleng, an off-the-beaten-track floating village on Tonle Sap Lake, where you'll get an authentic look at unique local life.
- Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village near Hoi An and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- In Hanoi, take your seats for 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', an outdoor spectacular that perfectly showcases the rich culture and daily life of Vietnam's northern river delta through music, dance, water puppetry, and lights.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SIEM REAP

Fly overnight to Siem Reap. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: TONLE SAP LAKE

High Water Season (Aug to Feb)

Visit Beng Mealea, a mysterious temple overrun by the jungle. Enjoy a cruise on Tonle Sap Lake, visiting the floating village of Kampong Kleng. Return to Siem Reap via Artisan D'Angkor. This evening sit down to dinner and an Apsara dance show.

Low Water Season (Mar to Jul)

Head to Beng Mealea to explore this mysterious temple overrun by the jungle. Drop by Artisan D'Angkor after visiting the floating village of Chong Kneas. This evening sit down to dinner and an Apsara dance show.

DAY 4: EXPLORE ANGKOR

The seat of the Khmer Empire between the 9th and 15th centuries, the Angkor complex includes more than 1,000 temples. Enter the walled city of Angkor Thom and head to its heart to see the enigmatic Bayon, followed by the atmospheric Ta Prohm. This afternoon is dedicated to the indescribable Angkor Wat. Later, take a leisurely boat ride on the moat of Angkor Thom and view hidden elements of the ancient Khmer water systems.

DAY 5: DISCOVER PHNOM PENH

Fly to Phnom Penh, a city of airy boulevards and colonial villas. Visit the magnificent Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda before admiring the artefacts at the National Museum.

DAY 6: FLY TO SAIGON

Visit the harrowing Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide before climbing up to the hilltop Wat Phnom. Fly to Saigon.

DAY 7: CU CHI TUNNELS

Get to grips with the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels, used by the Viet Cong during the war. Return to the city and gain further insights at the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum, finishing at the lively Ben Thanh Market.

DAY 8: MEKONG DELTA CRUISE

Pop down to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the mighty Mekong. This area is known as the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', the rich and fertile lands producing huge amounts of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruits.



Visit the Tomb of Khai Dinh, Hue



Wander charming Hoi An

DAY 9: FLY TO HOI AN

The exuberant city of Saigon is driving Vietnam forward into the modern world but is also a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See Notre Dame Cathedral and visit the Central Post Office and Thien Hau Pagoda before flying to Danang. Transfer to the UNESCO-listed town of Hoi An where the rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 10: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Drive out into the countryside to the small farming community of Tra Que. Here you can enjoy the lush green landscape and try your hand at age-old farming techniques before taking part in a cooking demonstration, learning the art of a local dish. After lunch take a walking tour of Hoi An, to see the elaborate Japanese Bridge, a Chinese temple and the bustling market. Stop en route to visit social enterprise Reaching Out, a craft workshop, where you can watch the artisans at work.

DAYS 11-12: EXPLORE HUE

Enjoy a morning at leisure in Hoi An before heading to Hue, travelling over the Hai Van Pass. Visit the picturesque Thien Mu Pagoda and cruise along the Perfume River. The next day, visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tombs of emperors Khai Dinh and Minh Mang. Move on to a beautiful old 'maison' that has been transformed into a truc chi workshop, where you'll learn to create art with bamboo paper. Continue to the imposing Imperial Citadel.

DAY 13: HANOI CYCLO

Fly to Hanoi this morning. This afternoon take a thrilling cyclo ride through the Old Quarter and enjoy a flavourful Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake.

DAYS 14-15: HALONG BAY

Spend two days cruising amongst magnificent karst peaks on the tranquil green waters of Halong Bay. Spend the night before returning to Hanoi and attending The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAY 16: EXPLORE HANOI

Explore the sights of Hanoi, visiting Ho Chi Minh Quarter, the Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and the Temple of Literature.

DAYS 17-18: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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ANGKOR TO THE BAY

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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Our most popular Indochina tour takes you on a journey of discovery from the breathtaking temples of Angkor and the Mekong Delta through to the natural grandeur of Halong Bay.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES			
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01 Feb - 18 Feb	\$5,980	09 May - 26 May	\$5,890
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15 Feb - 03 Mar	\$5,980	15 Aug - 01 Sep	\$5,690
22 Feb - 10 Mar	\$5,980	05 Sep - 22 Sep	\$5,890
29 Feb - 17 Mar	\$5,890	19 Sep - 06 Oct	\$5,890
07 Mar - 24 Mar	\$5,890	03 Oct - 20 Oct	\$5,980
14 Mar - 31 Mar	\$5,890	10 Oct - 27 Oct	\$5,980
21 Mar - 07 Apr	\$5,890	17 Oct - 03 Nov	\$5,980
28 Mar - 14 Apr	\$5,890	24 Oct - 10 Nov	\$5,980
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01 May - 18 May	\$6,190		

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- Single supplement from \$790

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VIETNAM PANORAMA

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Cai Rang floating market
- ✓ Unwind in stunning Nha Trang
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Cruise through Halong Bay
- ✓ Ride Dalat's steam train

PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches, 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Explore Hanoi by cyclo

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Explore the vibrant streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo, stopping off at a café to sample a traditionally made local speciality, egg coffee.
- Take your seats for 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', an outdoor spectacular that perfectly showcases the rich culture and daily life of Vietnam's northern river delta through music, dance, water puppetry, and lights.
- Cruise lazily through the crystal-clear waters of Nha Trang Bay, passing beach-fringed islands, stopping off at small fishing villages and, if you feel like it, taking a dip in the balmy waters yourself.



Admire stunning Halong Bay

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's largest and most evocative city. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: VISIT THE CU CHI TUNNELS

Contemplate the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels before returning to Saigon. Seamlessly blending past and present, Saigon is the city that is driving Vietnam towards a brighter future. See Notre Dame Cathedral and visit the Central Post Office, both legacies of a colonial past. Spend time at the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum.

DAY 3: CRUISE THE MEKONG DELTA

Pop down to Ben Tre to take a cruise through the Mekong Delta. This area is known as the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam' – paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals and enjoy a typical Mekong lunch. Travel to Can Tho for an overnight stay.

DAY 4: EXPLORE FLOATING MARKETS

Visit the Cai Rang floating market to see the goods on sale and learn how vermicelli rice noodles are made. Return to Saigon.

DAY 5: TRAVEL TO DALAT

Head up into the cooler climes and picturesque scenery of the highlands to the colonial town of Dalat, stopping at Bao Loc tea plantation en route. This afternoon is free to enjoy locally grown coffee and the picturesque views.

DAY 6: RIDE DALAT'S STEAM TRAIN

Visit the Domaine de Marie Church, the Flower Gardens and an embroidery workshop before boarding an open-air train to journey out through the fantastic scenery to Trai Mat village. End the day with a local coffee by Xuan Huong lake.

DAY 7: TRAVEL TO NHA TRANG

Take the winding road down from the highlands and along the coast to Nha Trang, Vietnam's beach capital. Take to the turquoise waters for a cruise around the bay's many islands with a stop at one to enjoy a swim in the balmy waters.

DAY 8: VISIT THE CHAM TOWERS

Wander Dam market before visiting the Po Nagar Cham Towers and continue on to the city of Qui Nhon.

DAY 9: VISIT MY SON

The My Son area saw one of the most horrific crimes of the Vietnam War – the My Lai massacre. Visit the memorial placed in honour of the victims. Continue to Hoi An.

DAY 10: EXPLORE HOI AN ON FOOT

Take a morning walking tour of charming Hoi An – a wonderfully laidback and wilfully traditional town that has managed to retain the charms of a bygone era. Visit a lovely old-style house, the Japanese Bridge, a Chinese temple and the market. Stop en route to visit social enterprise Reaching Out, a craft workshop, where you can watch the artisans at work.



Be charmed by Dalat

DAY 11: SEE THE ROYAL TOMB

Take the scenic route to Hue over the Hai Van Pass. The epitome of Vietnam's dynastic past, Hue is a dignified and scholarly city. Visit the Royal Tomb of Minh Mang.

DAY 12: HUE'S IMPERIAL CITADEL

Take a drive to the imposing Imperial Citadel to explore. Cruise along the Perfume River to Thien Mu Pagoda after visiting the charming An Hien garden house.

DAY 13: OLD QUARTER CYCLO TOUR

Exuding a wonderfully exotic aura, Hanoi is the perfect combination of old Asia and new. Fly here to admire the collections of the Fine Arts Museum and take a cyclo through the atmospheric tangle of streets that make up the Old Quarter. Later enjoy a Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake.

DAY 14: DISCOVER HANOI

Explore the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you will pass the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, visit the Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and the Temple of Literature.

DAYS 15-16: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Experience the awe-inspiring beauty of Halong Bay. You'll even explore one of the bay's many caves. A delicious seafood meal is included during your voyage. Spend a night onboard before returning to Hanoi the next day. On your last evening, attend The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAYS 17-18: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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KUALA LUMPUR CITY STAY

3 days from \$315pp twin share

SIEM REAP IN FOCUS

3 days from \$450pp twin share

SAPA SHORT STAY

5 days from \$570pp twin share

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VIETNAM PANORAMA

CLASSIC VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This all-encompassing tour not only showcases Vietnam's highlights but fully absorbs you in the rich history and culture too. Spend more time interacting with locals and visiting lesser-known places alongside the usual highlights.



Explore Hoi An at sunset

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

10 Feb - 27 Feb	\$4,990	20 Apr - 07 May	\$4,990
24 Feb - 12 Mar	\$4,990	11 May - 28 May	\$4,590
09 Mar - 26 Mar	\$4,690	10 Aug - 27 Aug	\$4,590
16 Mar - 02 Apr	\$4,690	07 Sep - 24 Sep	\$4,690
30 Mar - 16 Apr	\$4,690	21 Sep - 08 Oct	\$4,690
06 Apr - 23 Apr	\$4,690	12 Oct - 29 Oct	\$4,890
13 Apr - 30 Apr	\$4,990	09 Nov - 26 Nov	\$4,890

2021 DATES

15 Feb - 04 Mar*	\$5,290	10 May - 27 May	\$4,890
22 Feb - 11 Mar	\$5,290	09 Aug - 26 Aug	\$4,890
08 Mar - 25 Mar	\$4,990	13 Sep - 30 Sep	\$4,990
15 Mar - 01 Apr	\$4,990	20 Sep - 07 Oct	\$4,990
29 Mar - 15 Apr	\$4,990	04 Oct - 21 Oct	\$5,190
05 Apr - 22 Apr	\$4,990	18 Oct - 04 Nov	\$5,190
19 Apr - 06 May	\$5,290	15 Nov - 02 Dec	\$5,190

Flight and supplement information

- The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Hanoi) 17 days from \$3,490 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$810

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

*Departure coincides with TET celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$95pp (AU\$138pp) is paid locally in Vietnam.

VIETNAM HIGHLIGHTS

18 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,980 TWIN SHARE

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, 'BRISBANE, 'ADELAIDE OR 'PERTH

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See local life on the Mekong
- ✓ Relax on Nha Trang's beaches
- ✓ Discover traditional life in Hoi An
- ✓ Tour the imperial city of Hue
- ✓ Visit traditional villages
- ✓ Marvel at a Halong Bay sunrise

PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches, 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Boats on the Mekong Delta

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Float amongst wooden boats piled high with colourful, locally grown produce and mingle with the locals doing their daily shopping at the famous Cai Rang floating market, before exploring the narrow canals of the Mekong Delta.
- Discover one of Hue's century-old garden houses, An Hien, a harmonious example of traditional architecture, which follows the principles of feng shui, and nature.
- In Hanoi, take your seats for 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', an outdoor spectacular that perfectly showcases the rich culture and daily life of Vietnam's northern river delta through music, dance, water puppetry, and lights.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's most evocative and largest city. The rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: DISCOVER SAIGON

Seamlessly blending past and present, Saigon is both a treasure trove of cultural sights and the city that is driving Vietnam towards a brighter future. Visit the Central Post Office before heading to the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum. Finish up by browsing for bargains in the lively Ben Thanh Market.

DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA CRUISE

Journey to Vinh Long province to take a cruise on the mighty Mekong. This area is known as the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', the rich and fertile lands producing a plethora of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruits. Spend the night in the vibrant Mekong Delta city of Can Tho.

DAY 4: FLOATING MARKETS

Depart Can Tho to cruise through the Cai Rang Floating Market, where you'll see boats piled high with the colourful produce of the delta. Return to Saigon.

DAY 5: CU CHI TUNNELS

This morning, contemplate the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels. Transfer to the airport and fly to Nha Trang, Vietnam's beach capital.

DAY 6: NHA TRANG CRUISE

Take to the turquoise waters for a cruise around the many little islands off Nha Trang's coast. There'll also be a visit to a local fishing village.

DAY 7: TRAVEL TO HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to the beautiful UNESCO-listed town of Hoi An.

DAYS 8-9: TRA QUE VILLAGE & MY SON

Drive out into the countryside to Tra Que, a small farming community where you can enjoy the lush green countryside and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. Later, take a walking tour of Hoi An, visiting the elaborate Japanese Bridge, a Chinese temple and the Reaching Out Arts & Crafts workshop. The next day explore the enchanting Cham ruins of My Son.

DAY 10: PERFUME RIVER CRUISE

Spend the morning at leisure in Hoi An, before travelling the scenic route to Hue over the Hai Van Pass. The epitome of Vietnam's dynastic past, Hue is a dignified and scholarly city. On arrival, embark on a scenic cruise of the Perfume River and visit the magnificent Thien Mu Pagoda.



Buy water lilies in the Mekong Delta



Meet local people in Vietnam



Admire the vibrant city of Saigon

DAY 11: HUE'S IMPERIAL CITADEL

The river banks outside of Hue are dotted with UNESCO-listed imperial tombs – visit those of Khai Dinh and Minh Mang. Learn the traditional art of 'truc chi' at a workshop before visiting the imposing Imperial Citadel, and the charming An Hien garden house.

DAY 12: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi. Bringing together all of the charms of a colonial past with a modern buzz in one fast-paced yet graceful city, Hanoi is the perfect combination of old Asia and new. Explore the Confucian Temple of Literature and take a thrilling cyclo tour of the Old Quarter's atmospheric tangle of streets. Stop off for a 'ca phe trung' or egg coffee, a Hanoi speciality.

DAY 13: DISCOVER HANOI

Sightseeing today includes a wander through the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll see the monumental mausoleum, the Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and the Museum of Ethnology. The afternoon is at leisure.

DAY 14: DUONG LAM ANCIENT VILLAGE

Duong Lam is well known for its wonderfully preserved historic houses. Visit Mia Pagoda and observe the daily life of the locals in traditional village surroundings. Enjoy lunch at the home of a local family before returning to Hanoi.

DAYS 15-16: HALONG BAY CRUISE

Spend the day cruising amongst spectacular seascapes, fringed by jagged karst formations jutting from emerald waters. Halong Bay, with its 1,600 islands and islets, was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994 and

is a vision of awe-inspiring beauty. You'll even explore one of the bay's many caves. Spend a night onboard before returning to Hanoi the next day. On your last evening, attend The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAYS 17-18: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

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KUALA LUMPUR CITY STAY

3 days from \$315pp twin share

GARDENS BY THE BAY

4 days from \$440pp twin share

LAOS IN FOCUS

5 days from \$960pp twin share

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VIETNAM HIGHLIGHTS

CLASSIC VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Exploring from top to toe, this tour ensures you don't miss any of Vietnam's captivating landscapes and rich heritage. Includes a chance to relax on Nha Trang beach and experience local life on the Mekong Delta.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

06 Mar - 23 Mar	\$4,980	13 Nov - 30 Nov	\$4,980
03 Apr - 20 Apr	\$4,980		

2021 DATES

12 Mar - 29 Mar	\$5,280	12 Nov - 29 Nov	\$5,280
09 Apr - 26 Apr	\$5,280		

Flight and supplement information

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- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Hanoi) 17 days from \$3,880 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$850

Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$85pp (AU\$123pp) is paid locally in Vietnam.

LAOS & CAMBODIA UNVEILED

18 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,690 TWIN SHARE

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore Phnom Penh by rickshaw
- ✓ Admire scenic Vang Vieng
- ✓ Be captivated by Angkor
- ✓ Be charmed by quaint Vientiane
- ✓ See local life on Tonle Sap
- ✓ Visit colonial Battambang



Admire the natural splendour of Kuang Si Waterfalls, Luang Prabang

PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches, 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Witness the Buddhist ceremony of Takbat

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Witness the dawn ceremony of Takbat, a daily ritual which sees the saffron-robed monks of Luang Prabang's monasteries collect alms, in the form of food, from the local people who line the streets.
- Visit COPE, an organisation dedicated to helping rehabilitate local people with mobility-related disabilities, including UXO survivors, and learn all about the fantastic work that they do.
- Drop in on a lovely organisation, the NGO 'La Maison de Coco', to see the work that they do providing schooling and vocational skills to local people, for free!

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO VIENTIANE

Fly to Vientiane via Bangkok. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE VIENTIANE

Nestled in a sleepy bend of the Mekong, Vientiane is a delightfully quaint city, more friendly backwater than chaotic capital. Visit the morning market, Wat Si Saket and Wat Phra Keo, the former royal temple, before viewing That Luang Stupa and the Patuxai Victory Monument. Also, drop in at the COPE visitor centre. Dinner this evening will be accompanied by a traditional Lao music and dance performance.

DAY 4: TRAVEL TO VANG VIENG

Depart Vientiane for Vang Vieng, a town beautifully set in a spectacular karst landscape that has become Laos' adventure capital. En route, stop at Nam Ngum Lake, a reservoir created by damming the Nam Ngum River, where deep green waters are backed by mountains and forest.

DAY 5: EXPLORE VANG VIENG

Venture into the Tham Chang cave before wandering through the dramatic limestone karst countryside beside the Nam Song River.

DAY 6: TRAVEL TO LUANG PRABANG

Return to Vientiane and fly to the beautiful city of Luang Prabang. The quintessential image of Laos and a place of vivid colours, here you'll find a rich heritage and enduring French legacy.

DAY 7: PAK OU CAVES

Visit the exquisite Wat Visoun and Wat Xieng Thong. Cruise up the languid Mekong River to the sacred caves of Pak Ou, known for the hundreds of Buddhist sculptures that reside within. On your return stop off at the villages of Thin Hong and Ban Xang Khong.

DAY 8: KUANG SI WATERFALLS

Begin the day at the National Museum, housed in the former royal palace. Drive out of the city, stopping for a visit to Ock Pop Tok Weaving Centre, before heading to the natural splendour of Kuang Si Waterfalls. Enjoy the vivid blue, terraced pools that tumble down through their forest setting, taking a dip or relaxing by the water's edge.

DAY 9: TAKBAT

Rise early this morning to witness the monks of Luang Prabang's monastic communities collecting alms from the locals, also known as the ceremony of Takbat. These lines of silent saffron robe-clad monks will be an enduring image of your trip. Later this morning, climb Phousi Hill for panoramic views over the city. Fly to Siem Reap where you can while away the evening at the lively night market.

DAY 10: EXPLORE ANGKOR

The seat of the Khmer Empire between the 9th and 15th centuries, the Angkor complex includes more than 1,000 temples. Rising early, the tour begins in the heart of Angkor Thom, the old walled city. Passing through its South Gate you'll reach the enigmatic Bayon and visit the Elephant Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King. Continue to Ta Prohm, an atmospheric temple left in the grips of the



Enjoy stunning Angkor Wat

jungle. This afternoon is dedicated to the indescribable Angkor Wat. The best-preserved of Angkor's temples, examine the vast number of intricate details and relish the sheer magnificence of its architecture.

DAY 11: TONLE SAP LAKE

High Water Season (Aug to Feb)
Visit Beng Mealea, a mysterious temple overrun by the jungle before enjoying a cruise on Tonle Sap Lake, visiting the floating village of Kampong Kleng and observing the way of life of these lake communities. Return to Siem Reap via Artisan D'Angkor, an organisation working to revive traditional Khmer arts and crafts. This evening sit down to dinner and the Apsara dance show.

Low Water Season (Mar to Jul)

Head to Beng Mealea to explore this mysterious temple overrun by the jungle. Drop by Artisan D'Angkor before visiting the floating village of Chong Kneas. This evening sit down to dinner and the Apsara dance show.

DAY 12: BANTEAY SREI

Admire the captivating Banteay Srei, a richly embellished Hindu Temple made of rose-coloured sandstone. Wander the atmospheric ruins of Preah Khan. Take a leisurely boat ride on the moat of Angkor Thom and view hidden elements of the ancient Khmer water systems.

DAY 13: RURAL BATTAMBANG

Depart Siem Reap for the city of Battambang, stopping off at the National Silk Centre, where you can learn about the silk creation process.

DAY 14: EXPLORE BATTAMBANG

Battambang is set in some of the country's most beautiful landscapes. Head out of town to the 12th-century Prasat Banan Temple, returning to Battambang to stroll through the village of Wat Kor. Later, visit a local NGO, La Maison de Coco, where traditional skills such as weaving are taught to locals. Then explore a cave at Phnom Sampov, home to a huge colony of bats.

DAY 15: TRAVEL TO PHNOM PENH

Journey south to the city of Phnom Penh, making a stop at the 17th-century capital of Udong and Kampong Chhnang to see the traditional handmade pottery. On arrival at Phnom Penh, the rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 16: PHNOM PENH BY CYCLO

Experience a cyclo ride to the magnificent Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda before scaling the small hill topped by Wat Phnom. Later, enjoy the exhibits of the National Museum, which are housed in a spectacular Khmer-style building, before learning about the tragedies of the recent past at the harrowing Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide.

DAYS 17-18: FLY PHNOM PENH AUSTRALIA

If your flight time permits, this morning there is an option to visit the poignant Killing Fields (payable locally). Transfer to the airport to board your flight back to Australia, arriving the next day.

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LAOS & CAMBODIA UNVEILED

CLASSIC LAOS & CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This epic adventure takes you from the UNESCO-listed city of Luang Prabang in untouched Laos to Cambodia where you explore the magnificent temples of Angkor, the rural beauty of Battambang and charming Phnom Penh.



Visit Wat Xieng Thong, Luang Prabang

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

07 Feb - 24 Feb	\$5,690	06 Nov - 23 Nov	\$5,690
06 Mar - 23 Mar	\$5,690		

2021 DATES

12 Feb - 01 Mar	\$5,990	12 Nov - 29 Nov	\$5,990
05 Mar - 22 Mar	\$5,990		

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Vientiane - Phnom Penh) 16 days from \$4,420 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$830

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$96pp (AU\$139pp) is paid locally in Laos and Cambodia.

MEKONG ODYSSEY

20 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,980 TWIN SHARE

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Discover the wonders of Angkor
- ✓ Explore Hanoi by rickshaw
- ✓ Wake to a Halong Bay sunrise
- ✓ See local life on Tonle Sap
- ✓ 7-night Mekong river cruise



Explore the Mekong Delta

PRICE INCLUDES

- 18 breakfasts, 16 lunches, 18 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



See the Phare circus in Siem Reap

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ A rip-roaring combination of theatre, music, dance and circus, Phare, the Cambodian Circus tells tales woven from local folklore, history and modern life in a unique, magical and authentically Cambodian way.
- ▶ Explore the vibrant streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo, stopping off at a café to sample a traditionally made local speciality, egg coffee.
- ▶ Master the art of Vietnamese cooking, visiting a local market in Hoi An to talk to sellers and buy fresh ingredients that you'll then use to whip up your own a culinary masterpiece!

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Vietnam's vibrant capital city, Hanoi. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: EXPLORE HANOI

Explore the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, the Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and the Temple of Literature before taking a cyclo ride through the Old Quarter, stopping off for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route. Continue on foot, sampling a range of local cuisine as you explore further!

DAYS 3-4: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Spend two days cruising amongst magnificent karst peaks on the tranquil green waters of Halong Bay. Stay overnight on the boat before returning to Hanoi. From here, fly to Danang and transfer to Hoi An.

DAY 5: HOI AN COOKING CLASS

Explore the charms of Hoi An on a walking tour. A wonderfully laidback and wilfully traditional place, the streets are a delight to wander – visit the elaborate Japanese Bridge, the colourful market, a Chinese temple and the Reaching Out Arts & Crafts workshop. This afternoon a cookery class will teach you the art of the local cuisine.

DAY 6: HUE'S IMPERIAL CITADEL

Transfer by road to Hue. The epitome of Vietnam's dynastic past, Hue is a dignified and scholarly city. This afternoon explore the Imperial Citadel and the Forbidden Purple City before visiting the Royal Tomb of Minh Mang.

DAY 7: FLY TO SAIGON

Visit the Thien Mu Pagoda, which overlooks the Perfume River. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Saigon. A seamless blend of past and present, Saigon is the city that is driving Vietnam towards an ever-brighter future.

DAY 8: CU CHI TUNNELS

Contemplate the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels, where you'll see the legendary tunnel network used by the Viet Cong to infiltrate South Vietnam during the war. Return to the city to visit the Neoclassical Central Post Office, the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum where the brutality of the war and its victims are well-documented. Finish up browsing through the lively Ben Thanh Market.

DAY 9: MEKONG RIVER CRUISE

Transfer to My Tho, a city on the Mekong Delta, to board the boutique cruise vessel Mekong Prestige II. Dine on delicious local cuisine at the welcome dinner and enjoy a traditional music show as you cruise upstream. Later, retire to your comfortable stateroom for the night.

DAY 10: CAI BE AND SA DEC

Dock at Cai Be to visit the floating market and stroll along the river bank to visit local manufacturers of rice paper and coconut sweets. Also explore the city of Sa Dec.

DAY 11: TAN CHAU

Visit a fish farm and a handicraft village before exploring Tan Chau by rickshaw. Cross into Cambodia.



Discover the Cu Chi Tunnels, Saigon



Relax on the Mekong Prestige II

DAY 12: PHNOM PENH

Cambodia's capital is a city of airy boulevards and colonial villas. After an introductory lecture, take a city tour that includes the dazzling Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda, the harrowing Tuol Sleng Museum and Wat Phnom. This evening, watch an Apsara dance performance onboard.

DAY 13: RURAL CAMBODIA

Sail away from Phnom Penh and soak up the views of rural Cambodia. Visit a silk weaving village, a local pagoda and a primary school.

DAY 14: OUDONG

Disembark to visit the old hilltop capital of Oudong before finding peace at Vipassana Dhura Pagoda. Also see Kampong Tralach and return to the ship by ox-drawn carriage.

DAY 15: TONLE SAP RIVER

Sail onto the Tonle Sap River and cruise to Kampong Chhang, where you'll see a floating village and buzzing local market.

DAY 16: SIEM REAP

Disembark from the cruise vessel and transfer to Siem Reap, the gateway to Angkor. This afternoon, visit the captivating Banteay Srei – a richly embellished rose-coloured sandstone temple, before taking a leisurely boat ride on the moat of Angkor Thom to view hidden elements of the ancient Khmer water systems.

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DAY 18: TONLE SAP LAKE High Water Season (Aug to Feb)

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DAYS 19-20: FLY SIEM REAP TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day.

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MEKONG ODYSSEY

CLASSIC VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Featuring a relaxing seven night cruise on the mighty Mekong, not only is this tour perfect for the cruise lover, it also explores the charming cities, natural wonders and cultural treasures of both Vietnam and Cambodia.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

26 Feb - 16 Mar	\$7,590	07 Oct - 26 Oct	\$6,980
11 Mar - 30 Mar	\$7,590	21 Oct - 09 Nov	\$7,590
25 Mar - 13 Apr	\$6,980	04 Nov - 23 Nov	\$8,220
23 Sep - 12 Oct	\$6,980	18 Nov - 07 Dec	\$8,220

2021 DATES

27 Jan - 15 Feb*	\$8,690	10 Mar - 29 Mar	\$7,890
10 Feb - 01 Mar*	\$8,690	24 Mar - 12 Apr	\$7,890
24 Feb - 15 Mar	\$7,890		

Based on Main Deck cabins (upgrades to Upper Deck available)

Flight and supplement information

- The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Hanoi - Siem Reap) 19 days from \$5,880 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$2,950

Important note

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TREASURES OF VIETNAM & CHINA

26 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,990 TWIN SHARE

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels
- ✓ Be charmed by Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Cruise spectacular Halong Bay
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Stand on the Great Wall

Walk on The Great Wall of China

PRICE INCLUDES

- 24 breakfasts, 22 lunches, 24 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



See pandas in Chengdu

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Explore the Chengdu Panda Research Centre where you can learn all about these delightful bears and the conservation project to increase their numbers, as well as visiting the giant pandas as they eat, sleep and play.
- Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village near Hoi An and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- Dine on delicious, doughy Shui Jiao dumplings, a Xian speciality, before getting swept away in the sights and sounds of the Tang Dynasty with a spectacular show full of traditional music, dancing and performance.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's most evocative and largest city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: CU CHI TUNNELS

Contemplate the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels before returning to Saigon to see the Notre Dame Cathedral and Central Post Office – legacies of a colonial past. Also visit the harrowing War Remnants Museum.

DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA CRUISE

Travel to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the Mekong. Known locally as the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', get a glimpse of daily life on the Mekong Delta and lunch on delicious, typical Mekong dishes. Return to Saigon.

DAYS 4-5: HISTORIC HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to the UNESCO-listed town of Hoi An and take a walking tour. A wonderfully laidback and willfully traditional place, the streets are a delight to wander around – visit an old merchant's house, the elaborate Japanese Bridge, the colourful market and the workshop of social enterprise, Reaching Out. The next day, pop out to the scenic Tra Que village and help with the cultivation of vegetables before enjoying lunch at a local family home.

DAYS 6-7: IMPERIAL HUE

Travel to Hue. Visit the UNESCO-listed Royal Tomb of Minh Mang. The next day, make your way to the imposing Imperial Citadel before travelling to the charming An Hien garden house. Later, visit Thien Mu pagoda

and enjoy a local boat trip along the beautiful Perfume River.

DAY 8: COLONIAL HANOI

Fly to the capital city of Hanoi, dubbed the 'Paris of the Orient'. Visit the Fine Arts Museum, take a cyclo tour of the Old Quarter's atmospheric streets and enjoy a Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake.

DAYS 9-10: HALONG BAY CRUISE

Cruise amongst karst peaks on the tranquil green waters of Halong Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a vision of awe-inspiring beauty. Spend the night onboard. Return to Hanoi the next day and in the evening attend The Quintessence of Tonkin show – a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAY 11: DISCOVER HANOI

Hanoi brings all the charms of the past with all the buzz of the future in one fast-paced yet refined city. Explore the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, the Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and the Temple of Literature. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure.

DAYS 12-13: GIANT PANDAS

Fly to Chengdu. The next day, visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre where you can see China's celebrated icons up close. Wander through People's Park to the fascinating Matchmaker's Corner and visit a traditional teahouse. This evening, sample a delicious Sichuanese meal.



Relax in Halong Bay



Views of Hoi An's old town

DAY 14: RONGHU LAKE

Take an early morning flight to Guilin. Stroll around Ronghu Lake and visit the Sun and Moon pagodas.

DAYS 15-16: LI RIVER CRUISE AND YANGSHUO

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to Yangshuo. Around every bend is a view to take your breath away with jagged limestone karsts, lush green scenery and grazing buffalo. The next morning, explore this unique rural location and stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure exploring the countryside or choose from one or more of the many optional activities available including cycling, bamboo rafting and walking.

DAY 17: REED FLUTE CAVE

Return to Guilin and see the colourful stalactites and stalagmites of the Reed Flute Cave. Also visit the South China Pearl Factory.

DAY 18: SHUI JIAO DUMPLINGS

Fly to the ancient city of Xian. The start of the Silk Road, Xian is an incredible melting pot of religions and cultures. Stroll along the 14th-century city walls. This evening, indulge on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 19: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

The Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors for years. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of the life-sized warriors and horses. Later, visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda.

DAY 20: TRAVEL TO BEIJING

Board a bullet train to Beijing, China's historical capital.

DAY 21: IMPERIAL BEIJING

In the morning, stroll across Tiananmen Square and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City where you will find a complex full of imperial treasures. Also visit the tranquil Temple of Heaven and mingle with the locals as they practise tai chi, dance or play cards.

DAY 22: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate its sheer magnificence. In the afternoon, enjoy the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional Chinese landscapes and see the exquisite architecture.

DAYS 23-24: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as 'the Paris of the East'. In the evening, enjoy a panoramic cruise on the Huangpu River. The next day, visit the Yu Garden, the old town, the Silk Factory and admire the colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. Round the day off watching the ERA acrobatic show.

DAYS 25-26: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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TREASURES OF VIETNAM & CHINA

CLASSIC VIETNAM & CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This epic tour effortlessly blends the captivating charms of Vietnam with the fascinating history of China. Explore Saigon, cruise Halong Bay, view adorable pandas, marvel at the Terracotta Warriors and walk along the Great Wall.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

11 Apr - 06 May \$7,990 10 Oct - 04 Nov \$7,990

2021 DATES

10 Apr - 05 May \$8,290 16 Oct - 10 Nov \$8,290

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Shanghai) 25 days from \$6,750 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,490

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$166pp (AU\$240pp) is paid locally in Vietnam and China.



Terracotta Warriors, Xian

GRAND TOUR OF INDOCHINA

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Drift on the Mekong Delta
- ✓ See local life in charming Hoi An
- ✓ Practice tai chi on Halong Bay
- ✓ Be captivated by Angkor



See the dramatic limestone karst countryside at Vang Vieng, Laos

PRICE INCLUDES

- 25 breakfasts, 24 lunches, 25 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation, plus overnight train
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Admire the famous rice terraces in Sapa

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Embark on an leisurely hike through the incredible landscapes of Sapa in Vietnam. Admire views of the famous rice terraces and visit the villages of the Black H'mong and Red Dzao minority.
- A rip-roaring combination of theatre, music, dance and circus, Phare: the Cambodian Circus tells tales woven from local folklore, history and modern life in a unique, magical and authentically Cambodian way.
- Witness the dawn ceremony of Takbat, a daily ritual which sees the saffron-robed monks of Luang Prabang's monasteries collect alms, in the form of food, from the local people who line the streets.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's most evocative city.

DAY 2: DISCOVER SAIGON

This morning, contemplate the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the Cu Chi Tunnels before returning to Saigon. The exuberant city of Saigon is driving Vietnam forward into the modern world but is also a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. Visit the Central Post Office, the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum.

DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA

Pop down to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the Mekong. Paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals and get a glimpse of daily life on the Mekong Delta. Lunch on typical Mekong fare. Return to Saigon.

DAYS 4-5: EXPLORE HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to Hoi An. In the afternoon take a walking tour of Hoi An including the elaborate Japanese Bridge and the workshop of social enterprise 'Reaching Out'. The next morning visit the beautiful, rural Tra Que village.

DAY 6: HOI AN AT LEISURE

Spend a day at leisure to explore and unwind in this wilfully traditional town.

DAYS 7-8: HUE'S IMPERIAL CITADEL

Travel the scenic route to Hue over the Hai Van Pass. Visit the UNESCO Royal Tomb of Minh Mang. The next day explore the imposing Imperial Citadel before seeing Thien Mu Pagoda and cruising along the Perfume River.

DAY 9: JOURNEY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi. Vietnam's capital brings all the charms of the past with a modern buzz in one fast-paced yet refined city. Take an exciting cyclo tour of the Old Quarter and enjoy a Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake.

DAY 10: HANOI

Spend the morning at leisure. Later, explore the Museum of Ethnology and Temple of Literature before boarding an overnight train to Sapa.

DAYS 11-12: SAPA COUNTRYSIDE

Spend the next two days discovering this verdant area of rolling hills and rice terraces, exploring colourful markets, minority villages including Cat Cat, and tribal architecture. Board the overnight train back to Hanoi.

DAYS 13-14: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Arrive back in Hanoi this morning and travel to Halong City by road. Spend two days aboard cruising amongst magnificent karst peaks on the tranquil green waters of Halong Bay. Stay overnight on the boat before returning to Hanoi. This evening enjoy The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAY 15: FLY TO LUANG PRABANG

Visit Hanoi's Ho Chi Minh Quarter, the Stilt House and One Pillar Pagoda. Fly to Luang Prabang.

DAY 16: TAKBAT CEREMONY

Rise early to witness the Buddhist ceremony of Takbat. Ascend Phousi Hill for city views and visit Wat Xieng Thong. Take to the waters of the Mekong to visit the sacred caves of



Explore Angkor temples in Cambodia



Visit the Royal Palace in Phnom Penh

Pak Ou, known for the hundreds of Buddhist sculptures that reside within.

DAY 17: KUANG SI WATERFALLS

This morning visit the National Museum. Marvel at the cascading turquoise waters of the enchanting Kuang Si Waterfalls before returning to Luang Prabang via Ock Pop Tok Weaving Centre.

DAY 18: TRAVEL TO VANG VIENG

Fly to Vientiane and travel to Vang Vieng, a town set in a spectacular karst landscape.

DAY 19: EXPLORE VANG VIENG

Venture into the Tham Chang cave before wandering through the dramatic limestone karst countryside beside the Nam Song River.

DAY 20: DISCOVER VIENTIANE

Travel back to Vientiane to visit Wat Si Saket, Wat Phra Keo, That Luang Stupa, and the Patuxai Victory Monument. Enjoy dinner with a traditional Laotian music and dance performance.

DAY 21: ROYAL PALACE

Fly to Phnom Penh, a city of airy boulevards and colonial villas. Visit the magnificent Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda, and later admire the artefacts of the National Museum.

DAY 22: EXPLORE PHNOM PENH

Visit the children of the Apsara Arts Association and discover the harrowing Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide. Later explore the Russian and Central markets.

DAY 23: SUNSET OVER ANGKOR

Ascend to hilltop Wat Phnom before transferring to the airport to fly to Siem Reap.

Visit the captivating Banteay Srei, before taking a leisurely boat ride on the moat of Angkor Thom and view hidden elements of the ancient Khmer water systems.

DAY 24: EXPLORE ANGKOR

The seat of the Khmer Empire between the 9th and 15th centuries, the Angkor complex includes more than 1,000 temples. Begin at atmospheric Ta Prohm, continuing to Angkor Thom and passing through the South Gate to reach the enigmatic Bayon. This afternoon is dedicated to the indescribable Angkor Wat. This evening enjoy a rollicking performance of the Phare Cambodian Circus.

DAY 25: TONLE SAP

High Water Season (Aug to Feb)
Visit Beng Mealea, a mysterious temple overrun by jungle. Enjoy a cruise on Tonle Sap Lake, visiting the floating village of Kampong Kleng. Return to Siem Reap via Artisan D'Angkor. This evening sit down to dinner and an Apsara dance show.

Low Water Season (Mar to Jul)

Head to Beng Mealea to explore this mysterious temple overrun by jungle. Drop by Artisan D'Angkor after visiting the floating village of Chong Kneas. This evening sit down to dinner and an Apsara dance show.

DAYS 26-27: FLY SIEM REAP TO AUSTRALIA

Enjoy a free morning before transferring to the airport for your flight back to Australia, arriving home the following day.

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GRAND TOUR OF INDOCHINA

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PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

For those with more time, this tour not only covers the highlights of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, but helps you further explore into its magnificent beauty, fascinating culture and friendly communities.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

19 Jan - 14 Feb*	\$8,490	29 Mar - 24 Apr	\$8,290
23 Feb - 20 Mar	\$8,290	30 Aug - 25 Sep	\$8,090
08 Mar - 03 Apr	\$8,290	01 Nov - 27 Nov	\$7,890

2021 DATES

21 Feb - 19 Mar	\$8,790	29 Aug - 24 Sep	\$8,390
07 Mar - 02 Apr	\$8,590	14 Nov - 10 Dec	\$8,190
28 Mar - 23 Apr	\$8,590		

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Siem Reap) 26 days from \$6,790 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,975

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

*Departure coincides with TET celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.







Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$160pp (AU\$232pp) is paid locally in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.



Mekong River, Vietnam

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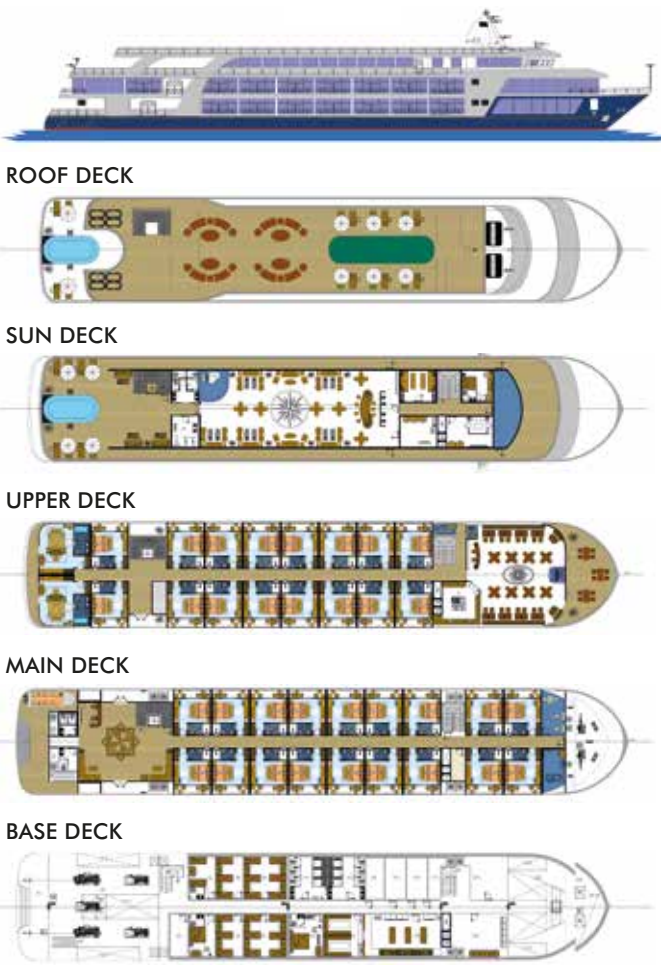
Wendy Wu Tours is an award-winning tour specialist and one of Australia’s most recognisable names in holidays to Asia. With over 25 years’ experience under our belts, we have perfected the art of touring, offering a comprehensive range of adventures, that capture the very essence of a destination. With us, you don’t just admire the top sights, but truly discover them.

That’s why we are very excited to be featuring the brand-new deluxe river cruise vessel, the Victoria Mekong! Offering 3 night and 4 night cruising itineraries between Vietnam’s Mekong Delta and Cambodia’s capital Phnom Penh, and its four-star comfort and superior service, there is no better way to experience the beauty of the Mekong River.

To put you right in the heart of local life, there are shore excursions with plenty of opportunities to interact with local people and their culture. The cultural immersion doesn’t end there, but continues on board, with traditional music and dance, lectures on local topics, cooking classes and a cocktail-making competition too!

We’ve taken the Victoria Mekong’s innovative 3 night or 4 night itineraries and built them into 4 new group tours, with a maximum of 18 people per group, plus private tour options. Ranging from an introductory tour of the wonders of southern Vietnam and Cambodia to an in-depth journey through Indochina, each itinerary offers the perfect showcase for the treasures of this delightful region.

This four-star, deluxe river cruise vessel, launching in December 2019, offers the most exciting cruise experience on the Mekong! Across four passenger decks, the Victoria Mekong offers the following state-of-the-art features:



SHIP FACILITIES

- ✓ Sun deck
- ✓ Bar and restaurant with outdoor seating area
- ✓ Cocktail pool and pool bar
- ✓ Spa with massage service
- ✓ Lounge area with bar & games room

ACCOMMODATION

- ✓ 33 spacious, deluxe cabins complete with modern furnishings
- ✓ Two luxurious VIP suites
- ✓ Private bathroom with shower
- ✓ Private balcony space



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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

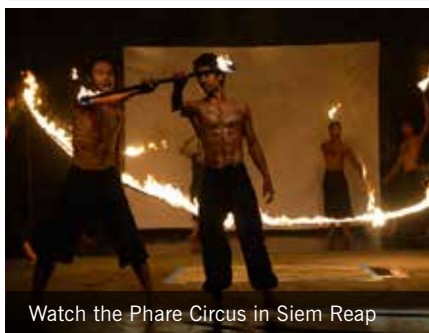
- ✓ Discover the Cu Chi Tunnels
- ✓ Spend 4 nights on the Victoria Mekong cruise
- ✓ Explore Phnom Penh by cyclo
- ✓ Reflect at The Killing Fields
- ✓ Be inspired by spectacular Angkor temples



Cruise on the Victoria Mekong

PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Watch the Phare Circus in Siem Reap

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- A rip-roaring combination of theatre, music, dance and circus, Phare: the Cambodian Circus tells tales woven from local folklore, history and modern life in a unique, magical and authentically Cambodian way.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the contemporary Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.
- Place your trust in your other senses on a fun 'dining in the dark' experience at Noir, a Saigon restaurant that works with local people who are blind or visually impaired.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's largest and most evocative city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: DISCOVER SAIGON

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral, visit the magnificent Central Post Office, and the chilling War Remnants Museum. There'll also be a coffee break at one of Saigon's best coffee workshops. Dinner this evening will be at Noir, a restaurant that supports Saigon's visually impaired, for a sensory dining experience!

DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA

Transfer to the meeting point to board a Victoria Mekong shuttle to Can Tho, stopping en route in Cai Be for a delicious local lunch at Le Longanier Restaurant. Board the Victoria Mekong which, after a welcome briefing, will cast off into the waters of the Mekong Delta. Relax with a sundowner on deck and sit down to a sumptuous gala dinner whilst enjoying a performance of Don Ca Tai Tu – traditional music of the Mekong. Drop anchor at Tiger Island.

DAY 4: FLOATING MARKET

Cruise upstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit a floating market and a local museum. After lunch, explore Tiger Island by sampan, visiting local industries. Sit down to dinner and enjoy evening entertainment before

retiring to your cabin. Drop anchor at Vam Nao.

DAY 5: TAN CHAU

Cast off early to arrive in Tan Chau. On arrival, visit a colourful Cao Dai temple and a silk-making village, where you'll learn all about the traditional manufacturing process by xe loi (local rickshaw). Eat lunch back on the ship before more shore excursions around Tan Chau, with the option to take an exhilarating speedboat ride to Tra Su Forest. This evening features a thrilling lion dance performance!

DAY 6: CROSS INTO CAMBODIA

Today the Victoria Mekong will pass over the border into Cambodia and sail towards Phnom Penh. Spend a relaxed day enjoying the scenery and a wealth of on board activities, such as lectures and cocktail-making. In the late afternoon, dock at Phnom Penh's Sisowath Quay where, this evening, you will be entertained with a traditional Cambodian Apsara performance by local children. Sip a farewell cocktail before a final gala dinner.

DAY 7: DISEMBARK IN PHNOM PENH

Enjoy breakfast on the ship before disembarking and bidding farewell to the Victoria Mekong. Board a cyclo and head from the pier into the heart of the city to visit the magnificent Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda before perusing the treasures of the National Museum. After a final stop at Wat Phnom, enjoy a cold glass of local beer with beautiful views over the riverfront.



Explore Phnom Penh's Royal Palace



Unwind on the Mekong River

DAY 8: EXPLORE PHNOM PENH

Spend the morning confronting Phnom Penh's tragic past with visits to Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide and the Killing Fields and pick up some souvenirs from the labyrinthine Russian Market. Later, fly to Siem Reap, the gateway to the Temples of Angkor.

DAY 9: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, a breathtaking temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the day is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best-preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom, soaking up the atmosphere.

DAY 10: TONLE SAP

Travel to the shores of Tonle Sap and visit the floating village of Kampong Phluk (Oct to Feb) or Chong Kneas (Mar to Sep). Stop at Chansar village for a glimpse at rural life before boarding an ox cart to ride to the home of a local Khmer family. This evening, sit down to a rollicking performance of the Phare Cambodian Circus.

DAY 11: LOCAL COOKING CLASS

This morning, take a tuk tuk to join fellow chefs in a cooking class held in a traditional-style Cambodian house. Visit a fresh produce market to shop for your ingredients, before learning to prepare authentic Khmer food. You'll then get to dine on the delicious meal you made.

DAYS 12-13: DEPART SIEM REAP

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day.

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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

As well as four nights onboard the Victoria Mekong, soaking up the sights and sounds of the river, this tour also showcases the beauty of southern Vietnam and Cambodia's magnificent temples of Angkor.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

09 Mar - 21 Mar	\$5,810	05 Oct - 17 Oct	\$6,030
06 Apr - 18 Apr	\$5,370		

2021 DATES

08 Feb - 20 Feb*	\$6,410	20 Sep - 02 Oct	\$6,030
08 Mar - 20 Mar	\$6,410	18 Oct - 30 Oct	\$6,410

Based on Main Deck cabins (upgrades to Upper Deck available)

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Siem Reap) 12 days from \$4,220 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,370

Important note

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Drift along Angkor Thom's moat
- ✓ See local life on Tonle Sap
- ✓ Cruise the Mekong for 3 nights
- ✓ Discover vibrant Saigon
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter



Experience vibrant Saigon

PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Enjoy a Cambodian Living Arts experience

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Immerse yourself in Cambodia's cultural traditions on a tour with an expert guide through the country's unique and fascinating living arts and how they are being preserved.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the 4-star ship, Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.
- Visit Hanoi's charming Reaching Out Teahouse for a rejuvenating cup of tea and the chance to learn about the work the project does with local people with disabilities.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SIEM REAP

Fly to bustling Siem Reap, the gateway to the temples of Angkor. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to soak up the local culture.

DAY 2: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, a breathtaking temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the day is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best-preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. Relax and view the sunset over Angkor Thom. Sit down to a welcome dinner with the group this evening.

DAY 3: TONLE SAP

Travel to the shores of Tonle Sap and visit the floating village of Kampong Phluk (Oct to Feb) or Chong Kneas (Mar to Sep). Stop at Chansar village for a glimpse at rural life before boarding an ox cart to ride to the home of a local Khmer family. The afternoon is at leisure.

DAY 4: FLY TO PHNOM PENH

Fly to Cambodia's charming capital, Phnom Penh. Board a cyclo and head into the heart of the city to visit the magnificent Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda before perusing the treasures of the National Museum. After a stop at Wat Phnom, join a cultural ambassador for a guided tour through the Cambodian Living Arts, and experience how traditional arts are kept alive through teaching from masters. Finish the day with a cold glass of local beer with beautiful views over the riverfront.

DAY 5: BOARD THE VICTORIA MEKONG

Spend the morning confronting Phnom Penh's tragic past with visits to Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide and the Killing Fields. Transfer to the Sisowath Quay and board the Victoria Mekong whilst being serenaded with traditional music. Relax with a sundowner on deck and enjoy an Apsara dance performance before sitting down to a sumptuous gala dinner.

DAY 6: CRUISE INTO VIETNAM

Sail towards the border, passing into Vietnam in the early afternoon. Spend a relaxed morning enjoying the scenery and a wealth of onboard activities, such as lectures and cocktail-making. At the border area of Vam Nao, visit a few traditional cottage industries, such as traditional clay pottery and local rice cake makers, by sampan. This evening, before dinner, experience a thrilling lion dance performance. Drop anchor at Vam Nao.

DAY 7: FLOATING MARKET AND TAN LOC ISLAND

Continue downstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit the bustling floating market and a local museum. After lunch onboard, arrive at Tan Loc Island, which you'll be able to explore by electric bike. Visit the Ancient House and a lush garden for tea and fruit, enjoy a taste of Mekong hospitality. Alternatively, go by local motorcart to a plum farm where plum wine is produced, which you can taste. Sail on to Can Tho, a Mekong Delta city where the ship will dock. Enjoy a performance of Don Ca Tai Tu, traditional music of the Mekong, while you sip a farewell cocktail with dinner.



Victoria Mekong cabin



Relax on the Victoria Mekong

DAY 8: DISEMBARK IN CAN THO

Enjoy breakfast onboard and visit a local floating market by boat. Disembark and bid farewell to the Victoria Mekong, boarding the ship's shuttle bus from Can Tho to Saigon, stopping en route in Cai Be for a delicious local lunch at Le Longanier Restaurant. Dinner this evening will be at Noir, a restaurant that supports Saigon's visually impaired, for a sensory dining experience!

DAY 9: EXPLORE SAIGON

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral, visit the Central Post Office, and the chilling War Remnants Museum. There'll also be a coffee break at one of Saigon's best coffee workshop.

DAY 10: DISCOVER HOI AN

Fly from Saigon to Danang and transfer to the enchanting town of Hoi An. Head out to explore, with visits including Chua Ong Pagoda and the spectacular Japanese Covered Bridge. Grab some refreshments at the Reaching Out Tea House, a wonderful social project in the heart of town.

DAY 11: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head out into Hoi An's countryside to visit a small farming community that supplies much of the area's vegetables and herbs. Here you can enjoy the lush, green landscapes and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. This afternoon is at leisure.

DAY 12: HANOI CYCLO TOUR

Fly to Vietnam's capital city, Hanoi. A fast-paced yet graceful city, it is packed full of ancient and modern sights to discover. Begin exploring at the serene Temple of Literature before taking a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric tangle of streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route.

DAY 13: THE QUINTESSENCE OF TONKIN

Today, head to Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll pass 'Uncle Ho's' monumental mausoleum and Stilt House, before seeing the Old Pillar Pagoda and exploring the Museum of Ethnology. Tonight, attend The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAYS 14-15: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Travel to Halong City, board a boat and set sail on the tranquil blue-green waters of Halong Bay. With its 1,600 islands and islets, the bay was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994. As you explore you'll take excursions to mysterious caves and enjoy delicious seafood onboard. After a night anchored out on the water, rise early to see the sun come up before cruising back to port. Return to Hanoi where, this evening, there will be a farewell dinner.

DAY 16-17: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Starting on a high at the Temples of Angkor, spend three nights onboard the Victoria Mekong cruising downstream into Vietnam, where you'll discover the top sights of Saigon, Hoi An, Hanoi and Halong Bay.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

05 Feb - 21 Feb	\$6,650	23 Sep - 09 Oct	\$6,340
26 Feb - 13 Mar	\$6,650	07 Oct - 23 Oct	\$6,920
04 Mar - 20 Mar	\$6,650	28 Oct - 13 Nov	\$6,920
09 Sep - 25 Sep	\$6,340	11 Nov - 27 Nov	\$6,920

2021 DATES

03 Feb - 19 Feb*	\$7,290	08 Sep - 24 Sep	\$6,880
17 Feb - 05 Mar	\$7,290	22 Sep - 08 Oct	\$7,620
10 Mar - 26 Mar	\$7,290	06 Oct - 22 Oct	\$7,620
31 Mar - 16 Apr	\$6,880	27 Oct - 12 Nov	\$7,620

Based on Main Deck cabins (upgrades to Upper Deck available)

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Siem Reap - Hanoi) 16 days from \$5,210 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,465

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

*Departure coincides with TET celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$66pp (AU\$96pp) is paid locally in Vietnam and Cambodia.

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21 DAYS FROM

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*Tour prices may vary based on departure city. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge.

ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter
- ✓ Dine like a royal in Hue
- ✓ Learn ancient farming techniques in Hoi An
- ✓ Enjoy a 4-night cruise aboard the Victoria Mekong
- ✓ Drift along Angkor Thom's moat

Admire the spectacular Golden Bridge, Danang

PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 17 lunches, 19 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Enjoy The Quintessence of Tonkin show

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- In Hanoi, take your seats for 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', an outdoor spectacular that perfectly showcases the rich culture and daily life of Vietnam's northern river delta through music, dance, water puppetry, and lights.
- Stroll across Danang's striking 'Golden Bridge' – a hilltop structure held aloft by a pair of huge, stone hands – and admire the beautiful views over the Ba Na Hills.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the 4-star ship, Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Vietnam's vibrant capital city, Hanoi. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. This evening, meet your guide and enjoy a welcome dinner.

DAY 2: HANOI CYCLO TOUR

Visit Ho Chi Minh Quarter, stopping at the Old Pillar Pagoda and exploring the Temple of Literature. Later, take a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee). Tonight, attend The Quintessence of Tonkin show.

DAYS 3-4: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Cruise on the tranquil blue-green waters of Halong Bay – a UNESCO World Heritage Site that has long enthralled visitors with its awe-inspiring beauty. After a night anchored out on the water, rise early to see the sun come up before cruising back to port. Return to Hanoi and fly to Hue.

DAY 5: EXPLORE HUE

The capital of imperial Vietnam, Hue is a sophisticated and scholarly city. Start your tour at the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City and visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, before a cruise on the Perfume River. This afternoon is at leisure.

DAY 6: ADMIRE THE GOLDEN BRIDGE

Depart Hue, taking the scenic route over the Hai Van Pass to charming Hoi An. Stop at Lang Co en route and admire the views from the spectacular Golden Bridge in Ba Na Hills.

DAY 7: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head into the countryside to visit a small farming community and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. In the afternoon, discover Hoi An itself, grabbing refreshments at the Reaching Out Tea House, a wonderful social project in the heart of town.

DAY 8: FREE TIME IN HOI AN

This morning is free, before an afternoon flight to Saigon.

DAY 9: DISCOVER SAIGON

Explore Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. Stroll through fascinating Chinatown and visit the chilling War Remnants Museum, then admire the beautiful colonial architecture of Notre Dame Cathedral and the Central Post Office, before a look around the Reunification Palace.

DAY 10: CU CHI TUNNELS

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels before a free afternoon back in Saigon.

DAY 11: MEKONG DELTA

Transfer to the meeting point to board a Victoria Mekong shuttle to Can Tho, stopping en route in Cai Be for a delicious local lunch at Le Longanier Restaurant. Board the Victoria Mekong and attend a welcome briefing before relaxing with a sundowner on deck. Sit down to a sumptuous gala dinner whilst enjoying a performance of traditional music of the Mekong. Drop anchor at Tiger Island.



Cruise on the Victoria Mekong

DAY 12: TIGER ISLAND AND FLOATING MARKET

Cruise upstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit a floating market and local museum. After lunch, enjoy an excursion to Tiger Island to explore by sampan, visiting local cottage industries. Sit down to dinner and evening entertainment before retiring to your cabin.

DAY 13: TAN CHAU

Cast off early to arrive in Tan Chau. On arrival, head to shore to visit a colourful Cao Dai temple and a silk village, where you'll learn all about the traditional silk-making process, by xe loi (local rickshaw). Eat lunch back on the ship before more shore excursions around Tan Chau, with the option to take an exhilarating speedboat ride to Tra Su Forest. This evening features a thrilling lion dance performance.

DAY 14: CRUISE INTO CAMBODIA

Today, the Victoria Mekong will pass over the border into Cambodia. Spend a relaxed day enjoying the scenery and a wealth of onboard activities. In the late afternoon, dock at Phnom Penh's Sisowath Quay where you will be entertained with a traditional Apsara performance by local children. Sip a farewell cocktail before a final gala dinner.

DAY 15: DISEMBARK IN PHNOM PENH

Enjoy breakfast on the ship before disembarking. Board a cyclo and head from the pier into the heart of the city to visit the magnificent Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and National Museum. After a final stop at Wat Phnom, enjoy a cold glass of local beer on the riverfront.

DAY 16: EXPLORE PHNOM PENH

Spend the morning visiting Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide and the Killing Fields before picking up some souvenirs at the Russian Market. Later, fly to Siem Reap, the gateway to the Temples of Angkor.

DAY 17: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into Angkor and visit the enigmatic Bayon, the Elephant Terrace, Terrace of the Leper King and atmospheric Ta Prohm. Continue on to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best-preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom.

DAY 18: TONLE SAP

Travel to the shores of Tonle Sap and visit the floating village of Kampong Phluk (Oct to Feb) or Chong Kneas (Mar to Sep). Stop at Chansar village for a glimpse at rural life before boarding an ox cart to ride to the home of a local Khmer family. This evening, sit down to a rollicking performance of the Phare Cambodian Circus.

DAY 19: LOCAL COOKING CLASS

This morning, take a tuk tuk to join fellow chefs in a cooking class held in a traditional-style Cambodian house, visiting a fresh produce market to shop for your ingredients. This afternoon is at leisure before an evening dinner and an Apsara dance show.

DAYS 20-21: FLY SIEM REAP TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day.

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MEKONG EXPLORER

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PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Find yourself amongst the wonders of Vietnam as you traverse the country before embarking on a four night Mekong River cruise on the Victoria Mekong. Pass into Cambodia where you'll admire the majestic Temples of Angkor.



Take a local cooking class in Siem Reap

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

16 Feb - 07 Mar	\$7,760	27 Sep - 17 Oct	\$7,990
08 Mar - 28 Mar	\$7,760	11 Oct - 31 Oct	\$7,990
06 Sep - 26 Sep	\$7,290		

2021 DATES

14 Feb - 6 Mar*	\$8,510	05 Sep - 25 Sep	\$7,990
07 Mar - 27 Mar	\$8,510	26 Sep - 16 Oct	\$8,810
14 Mar - 03 Apr	\$8,510	10 Oct - 30 Oct	\$8,810

Based on Main Deck cabins (upgrades to Upper Deck available)

Flight and supplement information

- The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Hanoi - Siem Reap) 20 days from \$6,160 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,855

Important note

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23 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Wander Luang Prabang
- ✓ Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter
- ✓ Wake to a Halong Bay sunrise
- ✓ Stroll through Hoi An
- ✓ Enjoy a 4-night cruise on the Victoria Mekong
- ✓ Tour imperial Hue

PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 18 lunches, 20 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



See the saffron-robed monks in Laos

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Witness the dawn ceremony of Takbat, a daily ritual which sees the saffron-robed monks of Luang Prabang's monasteries collect alms, in the form of food, from the local people who line the streets.
- Dine like an emperor at a special royal dining experience in the courtyard of one of Hue's beautiful old garden houses, hosted by a man with royal connections.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard a 4-star vessel, the Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.



Visit colourful Cao Dai temple

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO LUANG PRABANG

Fly overnight to the enchanting city of Luang Prabang. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to soak up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE LUANG PRABANG

Start the day exploring the beautiful Wat Xieng Thong, before discovering the treasures of the National Museum. Later, stroll around the vibrant night market.

DAY 4: TAKBAT

Rise early to witness the Buddhist ceremony of Takbat then wander the busy morning market and visit the cascading turquoise waters of Kuang Si Waterfalls. Later, fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's capital city.

DAY 5: EXPLORE HANOI

Visit Ho Chi Minh Quarter and explore the Temple of Literature. Later, take a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route.

DAYS 6-7: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Cruise on the tranquil blue-green waters of Halong Bay. After a night anchored out in the water, rise early to see the sun come up before cruising back to port. Return to Hanoi and fly to Hue.

DAY 8: EXPLORE HUE

The capital of imperial Vietnam, Hue is a sophisticated and scholarly city with a wealth of history to explore. Start your morning city tour at the centrepiece of the Royal Empire, the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple

City. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, continuing to the old Thien Mu Pagoda before a cruise on the Perfume River. This afternoon is at leisure.

DAY 9: HOI AN ANCIENT TOWN

Depart Hue, taking the scenic route over the Hai Van Pass to reach Hoi An. Explore this charming town, grabbing some refreshments at the wonderful Reaching Out Tea House.

DAY 10: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head out to a small farming community to enjoy the lush, green landscapes and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. This afternoon is at leisure.

DAY 11: EXPLORE SAIGON

Transfer to Danang and fly to Saigon. Spend the afternoon visiting the chilling War Remnants Museum, Notre Dame Cathedral and the Central Post Office. There'll also be a coffee break at one of Saigon's best coffee workshops.

DAY 12: CU CHI TUNNELS

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels. After an afternoon at leisure, enjoy a 'dinner in the dark' experience at Noir.

DAY 13: MEKONG DELTA

Board Victoria Mekong shuttle to Can Tho, stopping en route in Cai Be for a delicious local lunch at Le Longanier Restaurant. Board the Victoria Mekong which, after a welcome briefing, will cast off into the waters of the Mekong Delta. Relax with a sundowner on deck and sit down to a sumptuous gala dinner whilst enjoying a performance of



Explore stunning Banteay Srei, Siem Reap



Relax on the Victoria Mekong

traditional music of the Mekong. Drop anchor at Tiger Island.

DAY 14: TIGER ISLAND AND FLOATING MARKET

Cruise upstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit a floating market and local museum. After lunch, explore Tiger Island by sampan, visiting local cottage industries. Sit down to dinner and evening entertainment before retiring to your cabin.

DAY 15: TAN CHAU

Cast off early to arrive near Tan Chau. On arrival, head to shore to visit a colourful Cao Dai temple and a silk village by xe loi (local rickshaw). Eat lunch back on the ship before more shore excursions around Tan Chau. This evening features a thrilling lion dance performance.

DAY 16: CRUISE INTO CAMBODIA

Today, the Victoria Mekong will pass over the border into Cambodia. Spend a relaxed day enjoying the scenery and a wealth of onboard activities. In the late afternoon, dock at Phnom Penh's Sisowath Quay where you will be entertained with a traditional Apsara performance by local children.

DAY 17: DISEMBARK IN PHNOM PENH

Enjoy breakfast in the restaurant before disembarking. Board a cyclo and head from the pier into the heart of the city to visit the magnificent Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and National Museum. Pick up some souvenirs at the labyrinthine Russian Market before a final stop at Wat Phnom.

DAY 18: CAMBODIAN LIVING ARTS

Spend the morning visiting Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide and the Killing Fields. Join a cultural ambassador for a guided tour through the Cambodian Living Arts, and experience how traditional arts are kept alive through teaching from masters. Finish the day with a cold glass of local beer on the riverfront.

DAY 19: FLY TO SIEM REAP

Fly to Siem Reap, the gateway to the temples of Angkor. Start your explorations with visits to Kbal Spean and Banteay Srei, an intricately decorated temple from the 10th century.

DAY 20: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom and visit the Bayon, the Elephant Terrace, Terrace of the Leper King and atmospheric Ta Prohm. Continue to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent of Angkor's treasures, then float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom as the sun sets. This evening, sit down to a rollicking performance of the Phare Cambodian Circus.

DAY 21: TONLE SAP

Travel to the shores of Tonle Sap and visit the floating village of Kampong Phluk (Oct to Feb) or Chong Kneas (Mar to Sep). Stop at Chansar village for a glimpse at rural life before boarding an ox cart to ride to the home of a local Khmer family. Sit down to enjoy a delicious farewell dinner.

DAYS 22-23: FLY SIEM REAP TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day.

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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Tick off the treasures of Indochina, from the golden temples of tranquil Laos, to Vietnam's Mekong Delta, where you board a four-night cruise into Cambodia. The tour ends with a flourish at spectacular Angkor.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

21 Feb - 14 Mar	\$9,070	16 Oct - 07 Nov	\$9,070
20 Mar - 11 Apr	\$8,580		

2021 DATES

05 Feb - 27 Feb*	\$9,940	26 Mar - 17 Apr	\$9,390
19 Feb - 13 Mar	\$9,940	15 Oct - 06 Nov	\$9,940

Based on Main Deck cabins (upgrades to Upper Deck available)

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Luang Prabang - Siem Reap) 21 days from \$7,450 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,995

Important note

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MEKONG IMPRESSIONS

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MOST MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Discover magnificent Angkor
- ✓ See local life on Tonle Sap Lake
- ✓ Embark on a Cambodian Living Arts experience
- ✓ Cruise the picturesque Mekong
- ✓ Explore the Cu Chi Tunnels
- ✓ Enjoy Saigon 'dining in the dark'



Enjoy life on the Mekong River

PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts (B), 9 lunches (L), 6 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Prepare traditional Cambodian dishes

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Jump aboard a tuk tuk to journey through the bustling streets of Siem Reap to a cooking class, where you'll learn all the skills you need to prepare several Khmer specialties.
- ▶ Cruise the Mekong in style aboard a 4-star vessel, the Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.
- ▶ Enjoy Saigon's most extraordinary production, the A O Show! This breathtaking performance showcases the beauty and cultural richness of Vietnamese rural life through music, dance and acrobatics.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SIEM REAP

Fly to bustling Siem Reap, the gateway to the temples of Angkor. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to soak up the local culture.

DAY 2: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, a breathtaking temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the day is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best-preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom, soaking up the atmosphere. (B,L)

DAY 3: TONLE SAP

Travel to the shores of Tonle Sap and visit the floating village of Kampong Phluk (Oct to Feb) or Chong Kneas (Mar to Sep). Stop at Chansar village for a glimpse at rural life before boarding an ox cart to ride to the home of a local Khmer family. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure with the option to attend a riotous performance of the Phare Cambodian Circus in the evening. (B,L)

DAY 4: LOCAL COOKING CLASS

This morning, take a tuk tuk to a cooking class in a traditional-style Cambodian house. Visit a fresh produce market to shop for your ingredients, before learning to prepare authentic Khmer food. You'll then get to dine on the delicious meal you made. Later, fly to Cambodia's charming capital, Phnom Penh. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: EXPLORE PHNOM PENH

Spend the morning confronting Phnom Penh's tragic past with visits to Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide and the Killing Fields. In the afternoon, join a cultural ambassador for a guided tour through the Cambodian Living Arts, and experience how traditional arts are kept alive through teaching from masters. Finish the day with a cold glass of local beer with beautiful views over the riverfront. (B,L)

DAY 6: BOARD THE VICTORIA MEKONG

Board a cyclo and head into the heart of the city to visit the magnificent Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda before perusing the treasures of the National Museum. After a stop at Wat Phnom and some lunch, transfer to the Sisowath Quay and board the Victoria Mekong whilst being serenaded with traditional music. Relax with a sundowner on deck and enjoy an Apsara dance performance before sitting down to a sumptuous gala dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: CRUISE INTO VIETNAM

Sail towards the border, passing into Vietnam in the early afternoon. Spend a relaxed morning enjoying the scenery and a wealth of onboard activities, such as cultural lectures and cocktail-making. At the border area of Vam Nao in the Mekong Delta, go offshore by sampan to visit a few traditional cottage industries, such as clay pottery and local rice cakes. This evening, before dinner, experience a thrilling lion dance performance. Drop anchor at Vam Nao. (B,L,D)



Luxury on a Victoria Mekong cruise



Watch the incredible A O show in Saigon

DAY 8: FLOATING MARKET AND TAN LOC ISLAND

Continue downstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit the bustling floating market and a local museum. After lunch back onboard, arrive at Tan Loc Island, where you'll be able to visit the Ancient House and a lush garden for tea and fruit, enjoying a taste of Mekong hospitality. Alternatively, go by local motorcart to a plum farm where they distil plum wine, which you can taste. Sail on to Can Tho, a Mekong Delta city where the ship will dock. Enjoy a performance of traditional Mekong music, while you sip a farewell cocktail and have dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: DISEMBARK IN CAN THO

Enjoy breakfast onboard and visiting a local floating market by boat. Disembark and bid farewell to the Victoria Mekong, boarding the ship's shuttle bus from Can Tho to Saigon, stopping en route in Cai Be for a delicious local lunch at Le Longanier Restaurant. Dinner this evening will be at Noir, a restaurant that supports Saigon's visually impaired, for a sensory dining experience! (B,L,D)

DAY 10: EXPLORE SAIGON

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral, visit the Central Post Office, and the chilling War Remnants Museum. The spectacular A O Show awaits you this evening, along with a delicious farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

DAYS 11-12: FLY SAIGON TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

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PHYSICAL RATING



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PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

Jan - Mar	\$5,890	May - Sep	\$5,480
Apr - May	\$5,480	Oct - Dec	\$5,890

2021 DATES

Jan - Mar	\$6,460	May - Sep	\$6,020
Apr - May	\$6,020	Oct - Dec	\$6,460

Based on Main Deck cabins (upgrades to Upper Deck available)

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Siem Reap - Saigon) 11 days from \$4,330 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,120

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Ethnic minorities in Sapa, Vietnam

GO BEYOND TOURS

For those who want to venture off the beaten track

WHAT'S INCLUDED?


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International
economy airfares
& taxes
- 

3*plus – 4*
accommodation
(unless stated)
- 

Most
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HIGHLIGHTS OF LAOS

- 14 DAYS FROM
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- MOST MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Admire the Kuang Si waterfalls
- ✓ Wonder at the Plain of Jars
- ✓ Discover scenic Vang Vieng
- ✓ Stroll through quaint Vientiane
- ✓ Unwind at Si Phan Don



Explore the beautiful 4,000 islands surrounding Khong Island

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts (B), 11 lunches (L), 8 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Experience the sacred alms-giving in Laos

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Witness the dawn ceremony of Takbat, a daily ritual which sees the saffron-robed monks of Luang Prabang's monasteries collect alms, in the form of food, from the local people who line the streets.
- ▶ Pay a visit to Mines Advisory Group (MAG) in Phonsavan and learn about the work they do clearing unexploded ordnance dropped on Laos during the Vietnam War and its local education program.
- ▶ Visit Si Phan Don, the '4,000 Islands' set in the rushing waters of the Mekong, where you can slow down the pace, immerse yourself in its scenic beauty and enjoy this peaceful, relaxing spot.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO BANGKOK

Fly to the vibrant city of Bangkok. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. (D)

DAY 2: FLY TO LUANG PRABANG

Fly to Luang Prabang. An enchanting city, Luang Prabang is the quintessential image of Laos. At its core, lush greenery, golden temples and saffron robed monks come together to create a colourful, rich heritage and an enduring French-colonial legacy. Take a walking tour around the vibrant night market, keeping an eye out for craft souvenirs from Laos' hill tribes as you go. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: KUANG SI WATERFALLS

Rise early this morning to witness the Buddhist ceremony of Takbat, when the monks of Luang Prabang's monastic communities collect alms from locals. See Wat Sene and the National Museum. Visit the traditional H'mong village of Ban Na Ounae, before walking to the cascading turquoise waters of Kuang Si Waterfalls for a picnic lunch and a swim. Stop at Ock Pop Tok Weaving Centre on the return to Luang Prabang. (B,L)

DAY 4: PAK OU CAVES

Explore Wat Xieng Thong, considered Luang Prabang's most beautiful temple. Board a boat to cruise the mighty Mekong up to the sacred caves of Pak Ou, known for the hundreds of Buddha sculptures that reside within. Visit the local villages of Thin Hong and Ban Xang Khong to witness the daily life of the local people and their cottage industries. (B,L)

DAY 5: PHOUSI HILL

Climb Phousi Hill to admire the views over the city before exploring Wat Mai, Wat Visoun and Wat Aham. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 6: PHONSAVAN

Drive to Phonsavan via Phoukhoun, stopping at Tham Phra Cave and Nong Tang Lake on the way. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: PLAIN OF JARS

One of the most important ancient sites in Southeast Asia, these mysterious clusters of giant jars are thought to be about 2,000 years old. We will visit Site 1 where there are more than 200 jars, Site 2 which also allows you to admire the beautiful scenery of the region and Site 3, situated in picturesque woodland. There will also be a visit to the office of the Mines Advisory Group (MAG), an organisation that helps clear unexploded ordnance that are a remnant of American raids during the Vietnam War. Take the opportunity to speak with the head of the organisation. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: VANG VIENG

Depart Phonsavan for Vang Vieng. Stop en route at Pathang village, where you can enjoy dramatic views over the karst landscapes for which Vang Vieng is famous. On arrival, head into Tham Chang Cave to explore. The cave was used as a hideout for locals when marauding Yunnanese came to town in the early 19th century. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: DISCOVER VIENTIANE

Drive to Vientiane, Laos' capital. Nestled in a languid bend in the Mekong, Vientiane is a delightfully quaint city, more friendly



The mysterious Plain of Jars, Phonsavan



Admire the view from Phousi Hill, Luang Prabang

backwater than chaotic capital. Spend the rest of the day exploring with visits to Wat Si Saket, Wat Phra Keo, That Luang Stupa, and the Patuxai Victory Monument, that resembles Paris' Arc de Triomphe. (B,L)

DAY 10: SI PHAN DON

Rise early for a morning flight to Pakse. On arrival, explore the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wat Phou, a ruined Khmer temple complex set in the beautiful landscape of Mount Phu Kao. Drive on to Khong Island, the largest island of the laidback Si Phan Don archipelago in the Mekong River. The rest of the day is free. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: 4,000 ISLANDS

Around Si Phan Don, which means '4,000 islands', the pace of life is slow and easy and the river views are gorgeous. See the magnificent Khone Phapheng Waterfall, Southeast Asia's largest. Pop over to Khone Island by speedboat to discover its charming colonial buildings and see Lphi Waterfall,

nicknamed the Devil's Corridor. Depending on the season, you may see traditional fishing techniques in action. Spend the rest of your day at leisure. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: BOLAVEN PLATEAU

Depart Khong Island for Pakse, stopping en route to admire Tad Yuang and Tad Fane waterfalls. Continue up onto the Bolaven Plateau to pay a visit to a coffee plantation and learn about the process of planting, harvesting and roasting the beans. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner back in Pakse. (B,L,D)

DAYS 13-14: FLY PAKSE TO AUSTRALIA

Fly from Pakse to Bangkok before your evening flight back to Australia, arriving home the following day. (B)

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Discover Wat Xieng Thong, Luang Prabang

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAOS

GO BEYOND LAOS

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

An introduction to the pristine beauty of Laos, this two week journey ticks off all of the top sights, such as Luang Prabang, the Plain of Jars and Si Phan Don, as well as visiting lesser explored villages to meet the friendly, local communities.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES			
18 Mar - 31 Mar	\$4,680	04 Nov - 17 Nov	\$4,680
14 Oct - 27 Oct	\$4,680		

2021 DATES			
17 Mar - 30 Mar	\$4,980	10 Nov - 23 Nov	\$4,980
13 Oct - 26 Oct	\$4,980		

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Bangkok - Bangkok) 13 days from \$3,580 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$690

Important note

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- ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise the Chao Phraya River
- ✓ Discover old Chiang Mai by cyclo
- ✓ Stay with a H'mong hilltribe
- ✓ Support retired elephants at a local centre
- ✓ Stroll through Chiang Rai
- ✓ Meet monks in Laos



Admire majestic elephants in Chiang Mai

PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts (B), 12 lunches (L), 13 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation, plus overnight train
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy a guided meditation session

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Visit a local yoga centre in Thailand's cultural hub of Chiang Mai and begin your search for inner peace with a guided meditation session, a perfect moment of relaxation.
- Visit Samut Songkhram market, famous for its location on a railway line – witness the fascinating bustle of activity by the stallholders to move their wares out of the way as a train comes through!
- Witness the dawn ceremony of Takbat, a daily ritual which sees the saffron-robed monks of Luang Prabang's monasteries collect alms, in the form of food, from the local people who line the streets.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO BANGKOK

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DAY 2: DISCOVER BANGKOK

Bangkok is an exotic assault on the senses, a whirlwind of chaos, refinement and rewarding sights where you can go from tranquil golden temples to forests of gleaming skyscrapers before experiencing authentic Asia on bustling streets. Today's sightseeing includes Wat Pho, the dazzling Grand Palace, the Marble Temple and Chinatown. Take to the Chao Phraya River on a longboat, getting an alternative view of the city as you travel to the Pak Klong Talat Flower Market. This evening enjoy a Thai dinner whilst watching a traditional music and dance show. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: FLOATING MARKET

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Damnoen Saduak Floating Market and experience the Mae Klong railway market. Board an overnight train to Chiang Mai. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: EXPLORE CHIANG MAI BY CYCLO

The antithesis of Bangkok, Chiang Mai is a chilled out, nonchalant city in the foothills of Thailand's northern highlands. Take a cyclo tour of the city, visit Folk Life Museum, admire Wat Chedi Luang and ascend to Wat Doi Suthep perched on top of Doi Suthep Mountain. This evening, enjoy a traditional Kantoke dinner and a performance of the ancient songs and dances of northern Thailand and wander through the buzzing night bazaar in search of bargains. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: H'MONG HILLTRIBE LODGE

Start the day with a relaxed mind as you join a group meditation session before heading up into the Suthep-Pui Mountains. Tonight you will spend the night at the H'mong Hilltribe Lodge amidst the striking natural beauty of the region. This evening enjoy a barbecue dinner and a cultural show. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: THAI ELEPHANT CARE CENTRE

Depart the Hilltribe Lodge for the Thai Elephant Care Centre to spend some time meeting and feeding the beautiful residents. Later, board a long tail boat on Mae Kok River to Baan Pha Tai, where you'll continue by road to Chiang Rai. Explore the colourful night market. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: CHIANG RAI

Explore the laidback, small town charm of Chiang Rai, visiting the eccentric White Temple and Doi Mae Salong, a hill village once at the heart of the area's notorious opium trade. (B,L,D)



Admire the Marble Temple, Bangkok



Enjoy Damnoen Saduak Floating Market near Bangkok

DAY 8: CRUISE THE MEKONG

Transfer to the Thai-Laos border and climb aboard a boat to cruise along the upper Mekong taking in the scenery as you go. Stop at Pakbeng with time to visit the village of Ban Houei Lumphane before settling in for the night. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: CRUISE TO LUANG PRABANG

Back on the river, continue your leisurely cruise down to the beautiful city of Luang Prabang, stopping at the fascinating Pak Ou Caves, a riverside cavern that is full of statues of Buddha that can no longer be used for worship. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: EXPLORE LUANG PRABANG

An enchanting city, Luang Prabang is the quintessential image of Laos – a place of vivid colours with an extremely rich heritage and enduring French legacy. Visit Ban Xang Khong craft village where you can see Sa Paper and local handicraft production. Take a tour of the city, including Wat Visoun and Wat Xieng Thong. Later, spend some time at a local wat, chatting with the friendly monks who love to practise their English. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: KUANG SI WATERFALLS

Rise early this morning to witness the Buddhist ceremony of Takbat. After breakfast, ascend Phousi Hill for panoramic views over the town and see the treasures at the National Museum. Head out of the town to enjoy the cascading turquoise waters of the enchanting Kuang Si Waterfalls before returning to Luang Prabang via Ock Pop Tok Weaving Centre. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: FLY TO VIENTIANE

Catch a flight to Laos' capital city, Vientiane. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: DISCOVER VIENTIANE

Nestled in a sleepy bend of the Mekong, Vientiane is a delightfully quaint city. Spend the day exploring with a visit to Talat Sao market, Wat Si Saket, Wat Phra Keo (a former temple that now houses a museum), That Luang Stupa, and the Patuxai Victory Monument, known as the Arc de Triomphe of Vientiane. Finally, explore the magical Buddha Park. Later, enjoy dinner and a traditional Laos music and dance performance. (B,L,D)

DAYS 14-15: FLY VIENTIANE TO AUSTRALIA

Enjoy a free morning in Vientiane making the most of the languid pace of life. Fly back to Australia via Bangkok, arriving the following day. (B)

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Kuang Si Waterfalls, Luang Prabang

THAILAND & LAOS ADVENTURE

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PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Perfectly combined to create an unforgettable experience, venture off the beaten track to discover the colourful hilltribe cultures of Thailand's northern highlands and explore the tranquil treasures and rich culture of beautiful Laos.



Discover Vientiane, Laos

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

12 Feb - 26 Feb	\$5,190	11 Nov - 25 Nov	\$4,690
11 Mar - 25 Mar	\$5,190		

2021 DATES

10 Feb - 24 Feb	\$5,490	10 Nov - 24 Nov	\$4,990
10 Mar - 24 Mar	\$5,490		

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Bangkok - Vientiane) 14 days from \$3,590 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$810

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VIETNAM TRAILS

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Drift on the Mekong River
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Cruise the Perfume River
- ✓ Explore Hanoi by cyclo
- ✓ Discover Sapa's local villages
- ✓ Admire stunning Halong Bay

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 12 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation, plus overnight train
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Cook up a Vietnamese feast in Hoi An

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Learn the skills and secrets of the flavourful Vietnamese cuisine with a cooking class. Head to a local market to pick fresh, seasonal produce before returning to the kitchen, cooking up a storm and feasting on the results!
- The best way to experience the beauty of Sapa's landscapes is to get out into them, which you'll do on an easy hike through the rice terraces. There'll be stops en route to meet hilltribe communities and to try your hand at 'batik'.
- Take your seats for 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', an outdoor spectacular that perfectly showcases the rich culture and daily life of Vietnam's northern river delta through music, dance, water puppetry, and lights.



See local life in Sapa

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's largest and most evocative city. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: DISCOVER SAIGON

Contemplate the horrors of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels before returning to Saigon. Seamlessly blending past and present, Saigon is both a treasure trove of cultural sights and the city that is driving Vietnam towards a bright future. Visit the Central Post Office before heading to the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum.

DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA

Journey to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the Mekong. Paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals and get a glimpse of daily life on the Mekong Delta. Lunch on typical Mekong fare. Return to Saigon.

DAY 4: JOURNEY TO HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to Hoi An. Take a walking tour of charming Hoi An – a wonderfully laidback and wilfully traditional place, whose streets are a delight to wander. Stop en route to visit social enterprise Reaching Out, a craft workshop, where you can watch the artisans at work.

DAY 5: HOI AN COOKING CLASS

Purchase fresh ingredients at the market for a cookery class at a local restaurant, consuming your creations for lunch. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure to further explore this delightful town.

DAY 6: HOI AN FREE DAY

Enjoy a day at leisure. Perhaps savour a relaxing coffee, pop into the town for a stroll or even head to the beach.

DAY 7: IMPERIAL HUE

Leave Hoi An for Hue, taking a scenic route over the Hai Van Pass. Visit the imposing Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City. Later, visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, a complex of 40 monuments set in surroundings of gardens and pools. Continue to the old Thien Mu Pagoda before taking a cruise on the Perfume River.



Discover the Imperial Citadel, Hue



Cable car ride to Mount Fansipan, Sapa



Cruise picturesque Halong Bay

DAYS 8-9: EXPLORE HANOI

Fly to Hanoi this morning. The rest of the day is at leisure. The next day you will see Ho Chi Minh mausoleum and visit the Stilt House set in the gardens of the Presidential Palace. Also visit One Pillar Pagoda and the Confucian Temple of Literature. End the day's explorations with a thrilling cyclo tour through Phan Dinh Phung street and the Old Quarter. Wrap up your ride with a strong Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking St. Joseph's Cathedral. Board your overnight train to Lao Cai.

DAYS 10-11: SAPA

On arrival in Lao Cai, transfer to Sapa. Spend the next two days discovering this verdant and beautiful area of rolling hills and rice terraces with some light walking through the surrounding valleys and villages, and visits to ethnic minority communities including those of the H'mong people.

DAY 12: MOUNT FANSIPAN

Take a cable car ride up Mount Fansipan, the highest mountain in Indochina, arriving at the summit to enjoy incredible views from a breathtaking 3,143 metres. Also visit Sapa museum and Sapa church. Board the overnight train to Hanoi.

DAYS 13-14: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Spend two days cruising amongst magnificent karst peaks on the tranquil green waters of Halong Bay. You'll even explore one of the bay's many caves. Spend a night onboard before returning to Hanoi the next day. On your last evening, attend The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air

performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

DAYS 15-16: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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Visit One Pillar Pagoda, Hanoi

VIETNAM TRAILS

GO BEYOND VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

The perfect length for a more in-depth Vietnam exploration! Start in the south in Saigon, venturing north via Hoi An, Hanoi and Halong Bay before heading up to Sapa for an active exploration of the highlands and local communities.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

29 Jan - 13 Feb	\$4,790	08 Apr - 23 Apr	\$4,690
25 Mar - 09 Apr	\$4,690	09 Sep - 24 Sep	\$4,690

2021 DATES

10 Mar - 25 Mar	\$5,090	07 Apr - 22 Apr	\$4,990
24 Mar - 08 Apr	\$4,990	15 Sep - 30 Sep	\$4,990

Flight and supplement information

- The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Hanoi) 15 days from \$3,590 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,355

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BEST OF BORNEO

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- ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Stroll through charming Kuching
- ✓ Explore Bako National Park
- ✓ Meet native headhunters
- ✓ Experience life in an Iban longhouse
- ✓ Gaze at Mt Kinabalu
- ✓ Visit Sepilok's Orangutan Centre

PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts, 12 lunches, 13 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation and eco-lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



See rhinoceros hornbills

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Float down the Kinabatangan River as the sun sets, keeping an eye on the jungle-filled river banks for a chance to spot hornbills, pygmy elephants and proboscis monkeys.
- Visit Borneo's best-known residents at Semenggoh Nature Reserve, a centre for rescued orangutans who, in the process of being rehabilitated, roam freely through the reserve's lush forest.
- Be guests at a traditional Iban longhouse, where the tribespeople will perform a traditional war dance in full regalia and serve a traditionally prepared lunch.



Visit Sepilok's Orangutan Centre

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO KUCHING

Fly overnight to the relaxed and charismatic city of Kuching.

DAY 3: EXPLORE KUCHING

Spend the day enjoying the diverse culture of Sarawak with a walking tour, starting at the Chinese History Museum on Kuching's waterfront. Stroll past the old shop houses of Ewe Hai Street and pay visits to traditional businesses, including a 'sinseh' – a Chinese medicine man. Next you'll be introduced to Sarawak's delicious food, with a tasting at a local coffee shop. Continue to the Sarawak Museum, before a sampan ride across Kuching's river to visit a Malay village.

DAY 4: BAKO NATIONAL PARK

Travel to Bako where you'll board a boat to the national park, one of Borneo's most biodiverse areas. Explore the park on foot with a guide, following trails along streams, past caves and across plateaus, keeping an eye out for wild boar, macaques, monitor lizards and, if you're lucky, a proboscis monkey. Dinner tonight is at a local restaurant.

DAY 5: SEMENGGOH NATURE RESERVE

This morning you have the opportunity to meet Borneo's most famous native, the orangutan. Semenggoh is a centre dedicated to the rehabilitation of rescued or young orphaned orangutans – here they are taught how to survive in the wild. The area you are visiting is where the orangutans are released after their training, to live freely in the nature reserve, so please bear in mind that it is not guaranteed that you will spot a resident. Travel to Batang

Ai, on the edge of the glorious Batang Ai National Park.

DAY 6: IBAN LONGHOUSE

Today you will discover more about Borneo's native Iban people, renowned for their practice of headhunting. Head out into the wilderness in a traditional Iban longboat and cruise to a longhouse where you will meet an Iban community. Lunch on Iban cuisine and witness the locals perform a traditional war dance, dressed in full regalia. Return to the hotel where the rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 7: RETURN TO KUCHING

Journey back to Kuching, stopping en route for lunch at a local café.

DAY 8: FLY TO KOTA KINABALU

Transfer to the airport and fly over to Malaysian Borneo's other state, Sabah, and the vibrant city of Kota Kinabalu. On arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 9: EXPLORE KOTA KINABALU

Visit the Sabah State Museum where you can learn about the state's diverse cultural and natural heritage, before exploring some of the city's beautiful architecture, including the Blue Mosque and Chinese Temple. Browse of wares at the handicraft market and spice bazaar, before strolling through the oldest part of the city. Lunch will be at a local restaurant before returning to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure. Tonight, dine on traditional Malay cuisine.

DAY 10: KINABALU PARK

Head out of the city to the foot of Mt Kinabalu, Borneo's highest mountain, where you will spend the day exploring Kinabalu Park, Malaysia's first UNESCO World Heritage Site. Embark on a guided walk along one of the many forest trails to discover some of the unique flora and fauna.

DAY 11: FLY TO SANDAKAN

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Sandakan. Visit the Sandakan Memorial Park, which commemorates British and Australian prisoners of war during World War II. Continue into Sandakan itself and tour the city, passing the William Pryer and Sandakan Liberation monuments, and browsing the displays of the Heritage Museum and the Agnes Keith Museum. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 12: SEPILOK ORANGUTAN CENTRE

Sepilok offers another chance to see orangutans in their natural habitat. Like Semenggoh, this is a centre for the rehabilitation of former captive and orphaned orangutans. Around 60 to 80 orangutans live free within the centre's forest and there may be young orangutans to visit in the nursery. Pop over the road to the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre to visit the world's smallest bear and learn about the conservation efforts to protect them. Journey to Bilit and enjoy lunch at your lodge. Later, board a cruise along the Kinabatangan River to spot some of the abundant wildlife.

DAY 13: KINABATANGAN RIVER

Embark on an early morning cruise to the Oxbow Lake, where you can spot wildlife and soak up the peaceful ambience. Returning to the lodge, the rest of the day is at leisure until the late afternoon, when you'll head out for another cruise, searching for wildlife once more. You could spot anything from hornbills to pygmy elephants!

DAY 14: SANDAKAN TO KOTA KINABALU

Return to Sandakan for lunch at a local restaurant before transferring to the airport to fly back to Kota Kinabalu. This evening, dine on local flavours and enjoy a cultural dance performance.

DAYS 15-16: FLY KOTA KINABALU TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day.

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Proboscis monkey near Sepilok



Explore Kuching's waterfront

BEST OF BORNEO

GO BEYOND BORNEO

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

An island of uncharted jungles and tribal culture, Borneo is a destination that exudes adventure! Discover 'headhunter' heritage, see a wealth of wildlife, delve deep into nature and meet the beautiful orangutans.



Look for pygmy elephants

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES			
28 Mar - 12 Apr	\$6,590	01 Aug - 16 Aug	\$6,590
25 Apr - 10 May	\$6,590	29 Aug - 13 Sep	\$6,590
23 May - 07 Jun	\$6,590	12 Sep - 27 Sep	\$6,590
2021 DATES			
03 Apr - 18 Apr	\$6,890	21 Jul - 05 Aug	\$6,890
24 Apr - 09 May	\$6,890	04 Sep - 19 Sep	\$6,890
22 May - 06 Jun	\$6,890	11 Sep - 26 Sep	\$6,890

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Kuching - Kota Kinabalu) 14 days from \$5,490 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$850

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately MYR250pp (AU\$92pp) is paid locally in Borneo.

INCREDIBLE INDONESIA

- 17 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$6,290 TWIN SHARE
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH
- ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Spot Komodo dragons
- ✓ Admire the beautiful water castle
- ✓ Marvel Borobudur at sunrise
- ✓ Visit Laweyan batik village
- ✓ Be inspired by Flores' beauty
- ✓ Cruise to Rinca island



Admire the magical Borobudur temple

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation and eco-lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Discover Yogyakarta by becak

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Embark on an evening foodie tour by becak through the streets of vibrant Yogyakarta, tasting a variety of delicious local delicacies.
- Venture out by jeep to the perfect Mount Bromo vantage point for sunrise views over the volcano and surrounding landscapes before exploring a nearby village.
- Pay a visit to a leather shadow puppet-maker to learn about the process behind their creation and how they are used in this traditional Indonesian performing art.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO YOGYAKARTA

Fly overnight to Yogyakarta, the cultural and historical heart of Java. The rest of the day is free to spend as you wish.

DAY 3: EXPLORE YOGYAKARTA

Today, visit the Sultan's Palace and Taman Sari Water Castle. Later, learn about the art of leather shadow puppet-making, a traditional craft, before a stroll through the Beringharjo market. This evening, dine in a Javanese house with a local family.

DAY 4: YOGYAKARTA

Explore the hidden sights of the city, visiting a Buddhist vihara, a traditional 1,300-year-old medicine shop, and the Puro Pakualaman, the palace of the princely state of Pakualaman. The afternoon is at leisure before a foodie tour of vibrant Malioboro Road.

DAY 5: HISTORIC KOTAGEDE

A dazzling day of culture starts by exploring the historical neighbourhood of Kotagede by becak. Here you'll see the thriving silver industry and visit traditional Javanese houses including an eclectic Kalang house, as well as Pasar Legi, a Javanese market. Finally, dressed in Javanese costume you'll wander the sacred royal cemetery. Transfer to Magelang.

DAY 6: BOROBUDUR SUNRISE

Get up early for a magical sunrise at enigmatic Borobudur, a 1,200-year-old temple, said to be the largest Buddhist structure on Earth, set picturesquely amongst tropical foliage. Follow in the footsteps of ancient pilgrims to discover more of the complex before glimpsing rural

life in the close by village of Candirejo, which you'll explore by horse drawn carriage.

DAY 7: MOUNT MERAPI BY JEEP

Transfer to Solo. Stop en route to explore the spectacular Turgo Hills by jeep, driving to a viewpoint where you can admire a panorama of the surrounding area, including Mount Merapi. Browse the Sisa Hartaku Mini Museum before continuing to Kaliurang. Visit the Museum of Mount Merapi and tuck into a Javanese buffet with beautiful views over the rice fields and volcano.

DAY 8: EXPLORE SOLO

An epicentre of Javanese culture, the city of Solo gives a wonderfully authentic glimpse of traditional island life. Explore the streets on a becak ride, stopping off at Triwindu market to browse the antiques. This afternoon, visit Laweyan batik village in Solo, to learn about this Javanese craft.

DAY 9: SCENIC TRAIN RIDE

At Solo station, board the train to Jombang, taking a scenic ride through the countryside into East Java. On arrival, transfer over to Bromo. Set in the steep hills of the Tengger Valley, you will be staying at the foot of the spectacular Tengger massif, and the famous Mount Bromo.

DAY 10: MOUNT BROMO SUNRISE

Rise early and ascend to Gunung Penanjakan by jeep for an epic sunrise over Bromo and the surrounding area. Journey across the Sea of Sand, a nature reserve, to Bromo itself where you can climb the 245 steps up to the rim to peer down into the crater.



Learn the traditional art of batik



Visit the Pink Beach, Komodo Island

DAY 11: TRAVEL TO SURABAYA

Drive to Surabaya, East Java's capital. Visit the quirky House of Sampoerna, a cigarette factory housed in an old Dutch colonial building with a fascinating museum.

DAY 12: FLY TO FLORES

Transfer back to Yogyakarta and fly to Labuan Bajo on island of Flores, a lush tropical island and the gateway to Komodo National Park.

DAY 13: KOMODO NATIONAL PARK

Enjoy a full day boat trip to Komodo National Park. On Komodo Island, walk to Banunggulung river bed with a park ranger; keep your camera at the ready as you hunt for gigantic Komodo dragons and enjoy the unusual nature of the island. Later you'll be able to swim and snorkel at gorgeous Pink Beach and paradisiacal Kanawa Island.

DAY 14: KELOR AND RINCA ISLANDS

A second full-day adventure to Komodo National Park includes visits to Kelor and Rinca islands, two of the many tropical gems dotting the area. Head out on foot with a local ranger in search of Komodo dragons, tropical birds, buffalo, deer and pigs. Cruise to tiny Sembilan Island, where you can swim in the crystal-clear waters and discover enchanting Jellyfish Lake.

DAY 15: DEPART FLORES

After a morning at leisure, transfer to the airport and fly to Bali where you'll spend the night close to the beach in Denpasar.

DAYS 16-17: FLY BALI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

NOT LOOKING TO JOIN A GROUP?

Call us to arrange this itinerary as a private tour.

EXTEND YOUR STAY...



KUALA LUMPUR CITY STAY
3 days from \$315pp twin share

GARDENS BY THE BAY
4 days from \$440pp twin share

SAIGON SHORT STAY
5 days from \$750pp twin share

Visit page 98 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.



Witness an epic sunrise over Mount Bromo

INCREDIBLE INDONESIA

GO BEYOND INDONESIA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Most Australians have been to Indonesia, but rarely venture further than Bali. This tour is an incredible introduction to the wonders of the islands of Java and Flores, and will immerse you in its fascinating culture and nature.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES			
05 Jun - 21 Jun	\$6,290	04 Sep - 20 Sep	\$6,290
24 Jul - 09 Aug	\$6,490		
2021 DATES			
04 Jun - 20 Jun	\$6,590	03 Sep - 19 Sep	\$6,590
24 Jul - 09 Aug	\$6,790		

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Yogyakarta - Bali) 15 days from \$5,190 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,660

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$88pp (AU\$127pp) is paid locally in Indonesia.









Mekong Delta

ACTIVE TOURS

Get to know these destinations through energetic pursuits.

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

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|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| International economy airfares & taxes | 3*plus – 4* accommodation | Most meals | Flights, guides, transportation & sightseeing | Visa for Australian passport holders | Small groups: max 18 people |

Our Active tours involve more physical elements that our Classic tours do, such as day walks and easy cycle rides. These more energetic pursuits enable you to get away from the tourist trail and enjoy pristine scenery and more immersive cultural experiences. With all the main highlights included, these tours offer a wide variety of adventures that will have you doing something different every day!

ACTIVE ENCOUNTERS

The satisfaction of exploring under your own steam is something that cannot be underrated, and when it also allows you to explore hidden, harder to reach places, it's even better! Be it on foot, or on wheels, the physical elements of these tours are active enough to feel challenging but are also relaxed, fun and imbued with a sense of adventure.

PACKED WITH VARIETY

Our Active tours are designed to give you the opportunity to explore your destination in a variety of different ways and to see the big sights from an alternative perspective. Escaping the crowds and seeing places a little bit off-the-beaten-track are just two of the reasons to explore in this alternative way.

CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

As well as physical pursuits, our Active tours are designed to immerse you more deeply in the culture and heritage of your destination. To do just that each tour includes experiences that are authentically local or traditional in nature, leaving you with unforgettable memories of actually taking part in your destinations culture, rather than just seeing it from afar.

VIETNAM & CAMBODIA DISCOVERY

20 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,390 TWIN SHARE

INCLUSIVE FROM
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, *BRISBANE,
*ADELAIDE OR *PERTH
*Tour prices may vary based on departure city.
Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
may incur a surcharge.

MOST MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Taste Hanoi's delightful cuisine
- ✓ Hike lush rice terraces
- ✓ Practise tai chi on Halong Bay
- ✓ Marvel at magnificent Angkor
- ✓ See local life on Tonle Sap



Walk through beautiful rice terraces, Hoang Su Phi

PRICE INCLUDES

- 18 breakfasts (B), 15 lunches (L), 12 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation and eco-lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Paddle around in a basket boat in Hoi An

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Hop on a bike and take the scenic route through Hoi An's beautiful rural scenery, try your hand at traditional farming techniques with a local farmer, and paddle the round basket boat used by the locals.
- Ride pillion on a vintage Vespa, through Saigon's bustling streets on a night-time foodie adventure. Sip on a cocktail before venturing to popular local eating spots, finishing up in a lively bar.
- Discover the many wonders of the Temples of Angkor on an exciting tuk tuk tour through the complex. Keep an eye out for jungle-engulfed ruins, orange-robed monks and the local wildlife.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's colonially influenced atmospheric capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure. (D)

DAY 2: DISCOVER LOCAL HANOI

Start your day with a visit to Ho Chi Minh complex and the Ethnology Museum to learn about the country's ethnic groups. Stop at the Confucian Temple of Literature, before taking a walking tour of the bustling streets of the Old Quarter, then visit Ngoc Son temple, perched on an island in Hoan Kiem Lake. This evening, stroll amongst the city's unique street-side night life and food vendors. Taste the varied flavours of Vietnamese street food such as Pho Cuon and Banh Xeo – this is where the locals come to meet, dine and have a good time. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: HOANG SU PHI

Travel to Hoang Su Phi, a rural district that boasts a lush green mountainous landscape. The rest of the day is at leisure to begin exploring. (B,L,D)

DAYS 4-5: RICE TERRACES

Take an unforgettable journey on foot through the picturesque rice terraces of Hoang Su Phi. Around every corner a new view of this outstanding landscape of mist-wreathed terraces will unfold in front of you, providing unreal photo opportunities. You'll make stops at a Red Dao village to learn about local life in the area, a Tay village to have lunch in a family home, and a colourful local market. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: RETURN TO HANOI

Travel back to Hanoi and spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B,L)

DAYS 7-8: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Depart for Halong Bay. Board your vessel for a serene and unforgettable cruise on the glassy, limestone-studded waters. Pass by quaint fishing towns, taste freshly caught seafood and admire the ever-changing vistas of the bay. (B,L,D) On day 8, rise early to catch the sunrise over the karst peaks of the bay and practice Tai Chi on the deck. Return to Hanoi and fly to Danang for Hoi An. (B,D)

DAY 9: FARMER AND FISHERMAN EXPERIENCE

Hop on your bike today and wheel through the scenic rice paddies outside Hoi An. Pay a visit to local farmers where you can try your hand at traditional farming techniques – look out for water buffalo! Enjoy a calming boat ride to a peaceful fishing village, where you can try to make a fishing net and paddle in a unique bamboo basket boat. (B,L)

DAY 10: CHARMING HOI AN

Spend the morning wandering the beautiful, flower-covered streets of this ancient town. Walk past Chinese traders' homes, visit local artists and tailors, and walk through the 16th-century Japanese Bridge. Drive to Hue, stopping en route at the Museum of Cham Sculpture. (B,L)

DAY 11: IMPERIAL HUE BY BICYCLE

Cycle through Hue for a tour of the imperial sights. Start at the Imperial City, then continue to Phu Mong Garden House, part of Hue's legacy from the Nguyen Dynasty. Stop by Thien



Mekong Delta, Vietnam



Explore Angkor by tuk tuk

Mu Pagoda overlooking the Perfume River before driving to Tu Duc Tomb. From here, take a cyclo tour along the banks of the Perfume River. (B,L)

DAY 12: SAIGON VESPA TOUR

Enjoy some free time before flying to Saigon in the late afternoon. This evening take an exhilarating ride on the back of a vintage Vespa, classic Saigon pillion-style. Stop for a cocktail before continuing to a favourite local eating spot. Wind up your night with drinks, accompanied by a live band. (B,D)

DAY 13: SAIGON OLD AND NEW

This morning discover the amazing tunnel network of Cu Chi. On the way back to Saigon there is an option to visit a wildlife rescue station, which aims to stop the endangered wildlife trade in Vietnam. Continue to Reunification Palace, the Central Post Office, Notre Dame Cathedral and the War Remnants Museum. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: BEN TRE BY BICYCLE

Drive to Ben Tre and set out on a boat trip through winding, palm tree-lined canals. Cycle through rice fields and coconut groves and visit Mr. Sau Khanh's house who has collected a lot of ancient ceramics and potteries such as bowls, vases and sculptures. Spend the night in a riverside resort. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: MEKONG DELTA

This morning visit Vinh Bac bonsai and flower village. Pay a visit to Cai Nhum Cathedral before returning to Saigon. (B,L)

DAY 16: CAMBODIAN CIRCUS

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Siem Reap. Here, a performance of Phare

Cambodian Circus will be a special treat.

NGO teaches street children to become internationally renowned circus artists. (B,L,D)

DAY 17: ANGKOR BY TUK TUK

What better way to see the world famous Angkor temple complex than from the back of a traditional tuk tuk? You'll explore Angkor Wat, the centrepiece of Siem Reap's famous temples, before riding your tuk tuk to Angkor Thom and the Bayon Temple, a 12th-century masterpiece. Lastly, buried deep in the jungle, you will find Ta Prohm; a photogenic and atmospheric array of trees wound through temple ruins. (B,L)

DAY 18: TONLE SAP LAKE

High water season (Aug-Feb)

Visit Kompong Khleang, a settlement of more than 20,000 people housed in wooden structures on stilts, suspended up to ten metres above the water. Greeted by waves of friendly locals, here you can glimpse Cambodia's countryside culture and easy-going family lifestyle. After lunch, head out into the dense forest and find the hidden temple of Beng Mealea, whose wonders lay undiscovered for centuries. (B,L,D)

Low water season (Mar-Jul)

Journey into rural Cambodia and visit a local village where you will ride an ox cart through the fields before touring the village. Try your hand at some fishing or farming and learn more about the local way of life. Return to Siem Reap, visiting Beng Mealea on the way. (B,L,D)

VIETNAM & CAMBODIA DISCOVERY

ACTIVE

VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Discover two fascinating countries. Hike through the verdant rice terraces of Hoang Su Phi and taste the street food in Hanoi. Your journey ends with an unforgettable exploration of the Angkor Wat complex by tuk tuk.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

29 Feb - 19 Mar	\$5,690	26 Sep - 15 Oct	\$5,390
14 Mar - 02 Apr	\$5,390	10 Oct - 29 Oct	\$5,390

2021 DATES

27 Feb - 18 Mar	\$5,990	25 Sep - 14 Oct	\$5,690
13 Mar - 01 Apr	\$5,690	09 Oct - 28 Oct	\$5,690

Flight and supplement information

- The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Hanoi - Siem Reap) 19 days from \$4,290 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$760

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$114pp (AU\$165pp) is paid locally in Vietnam and Cambodia.

DAYS 19-20: FLY SIEM REAP TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day. (B)

NOT LOOKING TO JOIN A GROUP?

Call us to arrange this itinerary as a private tour.

FLEXIBLE TOURS

Freedom to tour your way.

WHAT'S INCLUDED?



International
economy
airfares & taxes



3*plus – 4*
accommodation



Most
meals



Flights, guides,
transportation
& sightseeing



Visa for Australian
passport holders



Small groups:
max 18 people

Everyone likes to travel differently, even friends, partners and family who travel together, so our Flexible tours are designed to give you the flexibility to create the perfect holiday for each of you. While a Flexible itinerary includes the big, unmissable sights, there is also plenty of free time.

FLEXIBILITY

For the free-spirited, use this free time to explore on your own; for those wanting relaxation, the free time is for just that; and for the more adventurous, each block there are optional excursions, usually more culturally immersive or active in nature, to join. You and your travel companions can be flexible and just pick and choose as you wish!

LOCAL FLAVOURS

Most of your meals are included on a Flexible tour so you'll be dining in well-regarded local restaurants, tasting the many delicious flavours of the region. For the remaining meals, you are free to embark on culinary

explorations of your own – you can always ask your National Escort for some tips on the best places to try local delicacies!

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Each block of free time on a Flexible tour has a corresponding optional excursion, which helps you delve deeper into the area that you are exploring. This could be a physical activity, such as cycling, or an authentic local experience, such as learning a local handicraft or meeting a local community.


NATIONAL ESCORTS

You can be safe in the knowledge that throughout your tour you'll be in the company of one of our award-winning National Escorts. With their unparalleled knowledge, charisma and talent, these wonderful people are what can push your holiday from fantastic into the realms of truly unforgettable.

VIETNAM EXPLORER

13 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,980 TWIN SHARE

 INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, *BRISBANE, *ADELAIDE OR *PERTH

*Tour prices may vary based on departure city. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge.

 MOST MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise on scenic Halong Bay
- ✓ Explore Hanoi by cyclo
- ✓ Discover stunning Hue
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Drift on the Mekong Delta



Take a boat trip through the palm-lined canals of Ben Tre, Mekong Delta

PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts (B), 6 lunches (L), 4 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3-4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Explore the bustling streets of Hanoi's vibrant Old Quarter by cyclo, stopping off at a café to sample a traditionally made local speciality, egg coffee.
- Enjoy Saigon's most extraordinary production, the A O Show! This breathtaking performance showcases the beauty and cultural richness of Vietnamese rural life through music, dance and acrobatics.
- Personalise this tour to suit how you want to spend your holiday! Use your free time to make your own explorations or add on cultural experiences, such as a royal dining experience, a bamboo paper craft workshop or a street food adventure.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's colonially influenced, atmospheric capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. Enjoy a welcome dinner this evening. (D)

DAY 2: DISCOVER HANOI

Start the day exploring the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, visiting the Stilt House and the Temple of Literature. Next, take a thrilling cyclo ride through the bustling streets of the Old Quarter, with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route. This evening, enjoy a performance of a traditional water puppets show. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Travel to Halong Bay. Board your vessel for a serene and unforgettable cruise on the glassy, limestone-studded waters. You'll pass by quaint fishing towns, taste freshly caught seafood and admire the ever-changing vistas of the bay. There are many activities to take part in while you're onboard including exploring stalagmite - and stalactite-filled caves, and squid fishing (in season). (B,L,D)

DAY 4: TAI CHI

Rise early to catch the sunrise over the karst peaks of the bay and practise tai chi on deck. After brunch onboard, return to the dock and travel back to Hanoi. On arrival, enjoy free time or choose from two optional activities. 1) Watch The Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam, followed by dinner. Or 2) Discover the varied and delicious flavours of

Vietnamese street food on a tour of Hanoi's very best street eats. (B)

DAY 5: IMPERIAL HUE

Fly to Hue, Vietnam's old imperial capital and a city considered the country's hub of culture. This afternoon, visit Minh Mang Tomb, a peaceful spot outside the city, before exploring the decaying grandeur of Hue's Imperial Citadel. Admire the old Thien Mu Pagoda before taking a cruise along the picturesque Perfume River. Later, you may choose an optional royal dining experience, where you will dine on authentic food and be entertained, all in imperial style. Otherwise, the evening is free for your own explorations. (B,L)

DAY 6: HUE EXPERIENCES

Today is a day at leisure for your own explorations, or you can choose between the following experiences: 1) A half-day cycling tour of Hue and its beautiful rural surroundings, stopping for lunch with the nuns of a nearby pagoda, or 2) Learn 'truc chi', creating art with bamboo paper, on a half-day visit to a workshop. (B)



See the acrobatic A O Show, Saigon



Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel

DAY 7: TRAVEL TO HOI AN

Journey by road to the charming town of Hoi An, taking the scenic route over Hai Van Pass. This afternoon wander the old cobbled streets and soak up the delights of Hoi An, with visits to a pagoda, an old Chinese meeting house and the Reaching Out Arts and Crafts workshop. (B,L)

DAY 8: HOI AN EXPERIENCES

Today is a day at leisure for your own explorations, or you can choose between the following experiences: 1) A cooking class, with a visit to the produce market to select fresh, local ingredients, where you'll learn the tricks and techniques of Vietnamese cuisine or 2) A full-day farmer and fisherman experience, where you can try your hand at traditional farming techniques in the rural village of Tra Que, before learning to paddle round bamboo boats and cast fishing nets. (B)

DAY 9: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon and spend the afternoon at leisure. (B)

DAY 10: MEKONG DELTA

Transfer to Ben Tre, in the heart of the Mekong Delta, where you'll visit local cottage industries and taste the delicious produce of the region, before lunching on typical Mekong fare. This afternoon, take a boat trip through the palm-lined canals and waterways to visit small islands, a floating village and pagoda. Return to Saigon. (B,L)

DAY 11: CU CHI TUNNELS

This morning, discover the Cu Chi Tunnels, an amazing underground network used by the Viet Cong during the war. Return to

Saigon and tour the city, visiting the Central Post Office as well as delving into Vietnam's recent history at the Reunification Palace and War Remnants Museum. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner and a performance of the A O Show, a music, dance and acrobatic spectacular at the Saigon Opera House. (B,L,D)

DAYS 12-13: FLY SAIGON TO AUSTRALIA

This morning is at leisure for your own explorations, or you can take an optional cyclo tour around Saigon's Chinatown. Later, transfer to the airport and fly to Australia, arriving home the following day. (B)

NOT LOOKING TO JOIN A GROUP?

Call us to arrange this itinerary as a private tour.

EXTEND YOUR STAY...



VETERANS' RETURN
3 days from \$560pp twin share

TEMPLES IN DEPTH
4 days from \$670pp twin share

SAPA SHORT STAY
5 days from \$570pp twin share

Visit page 98 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.

VIETNAM EXPLORER

FLEXIBLE
VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Explore the best bits of Vietnam, on a flexible itinerary that gives you the choice to discover each destination independently or choose between a series of wonderful cultural experiences. This tour is Vietnam, your way!



Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels, Saigon

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

22 Feb - 05 Mar	\$4,290	10 Oct - 22 Oct	\$3,980
14 Mar - 26 Mar	\$3,980		

2021 DATES

20 Feb - 04 Mar	\$4,590	09 Oct - 21 Oct	\$4,280
13 Mar - 25 Mar	\$4,280		

Flight and supplement information

- The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Hanoi - Saigon) 12 days from \$2,880 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$620

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$72pp (AU\$104pp) is paid locally in Vietnam.



SOLO TOURS

For solo travellers looking for an easy, companionable group tour experience

WHAT'S INCLUDED?



International
economy airfares
& taxes



3*plus – 4*
accommodation
with a guaranteed
room of your own



Most
meals



Flights, guides,
transportation
& sightseeing



Visa for Australian
passport holders



Small groups:
max 18 people

Joining a Solo tour offers you a ready-made group of like-minded fellow travellers to share your holiday with. Looked after every step of the way by one of our fantastic National Escorts, there are plenty of opportunities to mingle with other group members whilst you're out and about exploring and taking part in cultural experiences. There's also some built-in free time so, if you fancy, you can do some independent exploration or explore with your new-found friends.

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

You'll travel with a small, convivial group of up to 18 fellow travellers and enjoy the comfort of having a room of your own. But the best part of all? There is no single supplement to pay!

LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE

The other members of your Solo tour group are a ready-made group of travel companions with whom you can share those exciting moments of discovery. There are

even a few group cultural experiences incorporated throughout the tour which are the perfect opportunity to interact and form connections.

PERFECTLY PLANNED

Whether solo travel excites you or is a daunting prospect, our Solo tours are perfectly balanced for both. With a free day here and a few free evenings there, you can embark on your own explorations – it's up to you whether you want to do that as a group or to head out solo.


EXPERT GUIDES


Whether you need someone by your side to navigate you through the cultural quirks or simply someone knowledgeable to point you in the direction of the best restaurants, your National Escort will be there, ready and willing to do whatever they can to make your tour extraordinary.

SCENIC VIETNAM

13 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,690

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SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, *BRISBANE,
*ADELAIDE OR *PERTH
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 **MOST MEALS**

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore vibrant Saigon
- ✓ Discover the Mekong Delta
- ✓ Meet the locals in Mai Chau
- ✓ Practise tai chi on Halong Bay
- ✓ Plenty of chances to mingle with your group



Experience local life in Mai Chau valley

PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts (B), 8 lunches (L), 5 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation and eco-lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Performers and water puppetry in Hanoi

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- In Hanoi, take your seats for 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', an outdoor spectacular that perfectly showcases the rich culture and daily life of Vietnam's northern river delta through music, dance, water puppetry, and lights.
- Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- In the rural village of Mai Chau, dine on a delicious barbecue dinner at a local stilt house, washed down with tasty local rice wine, and accompanied by a traditional dance performance.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's largest and most vibrant city. On arrival at the airport you will be met by a member of the Wendy Wu Tours team and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free.

DAY 2: CU CHI TUNNELS

This morning, you will meet your fellow travellers and head out as a group to the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels, an underground network of passageways used by the Viet Cong during the war. Returning to the city, we'll admire Vietnam's colonial past with a visit to the Central Post Office before exploring the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum. This evening, we'll ascend to a downtown rooftop and mingle with cocktails, followed by dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA

We journey to Ben Tre to discover the Mekong Delta. This area is called the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', the rich and fertile lands producing a plethora of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruit. Today, we'll taste some of the produce of the area, enjoy traditional music, paddle through the palm-lined canals in a sampan and pass local fish farms. (B,L)

DAY 4: JOURNEY TO HOI AN

Catching a flight to Danang, we transfer to wonderfully laidback and charming Hoi An. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 5: TRA QUE VILLAGE

This morning, we will share a community experience in the rural village of Tra Que, admiring the gardens of vegetables and herbs, and joining a local family for lunch and a

cooking demonstration. This afternoon we will wander the sights of Hoi An, stopping at social enterprise Reaching Out, a craft workshop where you will meet the artisans before enjoying a well-deserved tea break in the tea house. (B,L)

DAY 6: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's elegant capital city. This afternoon, we'll begin our explorations, with visits to the Museum of Ethnology and the gatehouse of the infamous Hanoi Hilton. Later, we'll take a twilight walking tour of Ho Chi Minh Quarter, with a stop for a refreshing glass of beer at Ta Hien beer corner. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: EXPLORE HANOI

Return to Ho Chi Minh Quarter this morning to see Ho Chi Minh's mausoleum, the Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and Confucian monument, the Temple of Literature. We'll then sit down together to sample traditional Vietnamese egg coffee. The afternoon is free – you may wish to wander the Old Quarter to do some shopping. (B,L)

DAY 8: MAI CHAU

Travel to Mai Chau, a rural village set in a lush valley, and the home to ethnic minority communities like the White and Black Thai people. We'll walk amongst the rice paddies this afternoon, visiting hill tribe villages and meeting friendly members of these communities. Dinner tonight will be a barbecue at a local stilt house, where we'll be treated to a traditional dance performance and 'Can' rice wine tasting! (B,L,D)



Admire impressive Hoi An

DAY 9: RETURN TO HANOI

Our morning is free to relax before travelling back to Hanoi. (B)

DAY 10: HALONG BAY

Today we take to the waters of incredible Halong Bay, a highlight of any trip to Vietnam. A UNESCO World Heritage Site and a vision of awe-inspiring beauty, we'll cruise amongst the limestone karst peaks, soaking up the views from the deck of our vessel and docking to visit an impressive cave. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: QUINTESSENCE OF TONKIN

Rise early to watch the sun rise over the bay, and to take part in an invigorating session of tai chi. Cruise back to the dock and transfer back to Hanoi. This final evening together will include dinner, where we can reflect on our

journey together before sitting down to the visually spectacular 'Quintessence of Tonkin' show. (B,D)

DAYS 12-13: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

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Explore Saigon, Vietnam's most vibrant city

SCENIC VIETNAM

SOLO
VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

With plenty of opportunities to mingle with your fellow travellers and free time for independent exploration, this tour encompasses Vietnam's highlights as well as taking you to more undiscovered places, like the spectacular Mai Chau valley.



Taste local Vietnamese cuisine

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person

2020 DATES

01 Mar - 13 Mar **\$4,690** 13 Sep - 25 Sep **\$4,690**

2021 DATES

28 Feb - 12 Mar **\$4,990** 12 Sep - 24 Sep **\$4,990**

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Hanoi) 12 days from \$3,590 per person

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as at 2 September 2019, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$72pp (AU\$104pp) is paid locally in Vietnam.

VIETNAM & CAMBODIA EXPERIENCE

15 DAYS FROM
\$6,080

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*ADELAIDE OR *PERTH
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MOST MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Wake to a Halong Bay sunrise
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Explore the Mekong Delta
- ✓ Discover Angkor by tuk tuk



Admire the Royal Palace in Phnom Penh

PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts (B), 10 lunches (L), 4 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Visit Reaching Out Teahouse in Hoi An

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Visit Hoi An's charming Reaching Out Teahouse for a rejuvenating cup of tea and the chance to learn about the work the project does with local people with disabilities.
- Relax as you float on the gentle waters of the moat of Angkor Thom, seeing the old walled city from a different perspective and savouring the beauty of a peaceful sunset.
- A rip-roaring combination of theatre, music, dance and circus, Phare: the Cambodian Circus tells tales woven from local folklore, history and modern life in a unique, magical and authentically Cambodian way.

ITINERARY

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DAY 2: EXPLORE HANOI

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DAY 3: HALONG BAY

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DAY 4: SUNRISE OVER HALONG BAY

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where you will meet the artisans before enjoying a well-deserved tea break in the tea house. (B,L)

DAY 6: FREE TIME IN HOI AN

Today is a free day for you to spend as you wish; your guide will be on hand to give options and ideas. (B)

DAY 7: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's largest and most vibrant city. Head out of the city to the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels, used by the Viet Cong during the war. (B,L)

DAY 8: MEKONG DELTA

We journey to Ben Tre to discover the Mekong Delta, a rich and fertile region that produces a plethora of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruit. Today, we'll taste some of the produce of the area, enjoy traditional music, paddle through the palm-lined canals in a sampan and visit a floating fishing village. (B,L)

DAY 9: FLY TO PHNOM PENH

This morning we'll see the Notre Dame Cathedral and explore the Central Post Office before visiting the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum. In the afternoon, we will fly to Phnom Penh, Cambodia's lovely capital, where we'll toast our arrival with a cold drink on the riverfront. (B,L)

DAY 10: CITY CYCLO TOUR

Together, we'll take to the roads of Phnom Penh by cyclo, before visiting the beautiful Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda. This afternoon, we'll learn about Cambodia's tragic



Travel by tuk tuk to Angkor Thom



Cruise incredible Halong Bay

past at the Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide and the Killing Fields. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: ANGKOR BY TUK TUK

Fly to Siem Reap, gateway to the temples of Angkor. Travelling in a fleet of tuk tuks, we'll explore Angkor Thom, the old walled city of the Khmer Empire, where we'll see the Bayon and Terrace of the Elephants. As the sun sets, we will take to boats to float peacefully on the waters of Angkor Thom's moat. (B,L)

DAY 12: EXPLORE ANGKOR

Heading back to Angkor, we start amongst the atmospheric ruins of Ta Prohm before exploring the wonders of Angkor Wat. We'll then travel farther afield to Banteay Srei, a temple famous for its incredibly intricate carvings. What better way to end an adventure-filled day than relaxing in a rooftop bar with a group of fellow travellers and a cocktail? (B,L)

DAY 13: TONLE SAP LAKE

High water season (Aug-Feb)
Cruise the waters of Tonle Sap Lake to the floating village of Kampong Kleng, where we'll meet the community who call it home. Return to Siem Reap via Artisan D'Angkor for a spot of shopping.

Low water season (Mar-Jul)

Visit the floating village of Chong Kneas, where we'll meet the community who call it home. Return to Siem Reap via Artisan D'Angkor for a spot of shopping. The afternoon is free to spend as you wish – shopping at the local market is a good option. This last evening together, we will share a

farewell dinner to reflect on our adventures, before enjoying the fantastic Phare Circus. (B,L,D)

DAYS 14-15: FLY SIEM REAP TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day. (B)

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4 days from \$705pp twin share

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LAOS IN FOCUS

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PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Exclusively for solo travellers, on this immersive tour you'll discover the highlights of Vietnam and Cambodia with cultural experiences, group activities and a great chance to relax with your companions.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person

2020 DATES

07 Mar - 21 Mar	\$6,080	03 Oct - 17 Oct	\$6,080
12 Sep - 26 Sep	\$6,080		

2021 DATES

06 Mar - 20 Mar	\$6,380	02 Oct - 16 Oct	\$6,380
11 Sep - 25 Sep	\$6,380		

Flight and supplement information

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- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Hanoi - Siem Reap) 14 days from \$4,980 per person

Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$84pp (AU\$122pp) is paid locally in Vietnam and Cambodia.



Cruise the waters of Tonle Sap Lake










Mekong Delta, Vietnam

EXCLUSIVE COLLECTION

For those looking for a 5 star experience

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

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| International economy airfares & taxes | 5 star accommodation & portage | Most meals, including special dining experiences | Flights, guides, transportation & sightseeing | Visa for Australian passport holders | Champagne moments & exclusive extras | Small groups: max 18 people |

Our Exclusive Collection tours combine 5 star accommodation and deluxe cultural activities. Created with the more discerning traveller in mind, these hand-crafted tours feature high-end restaurants, exclusive experiences and those unique touches that will make your holiday extra special.

LUXURY HOTELS

Our hotels are chosen to compliment the high quality of the experiences so you can be safe in the knowledge that you'll be staying in 5 star luxury throughout.

IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES

On an Exclusive Collection tour, we aim to truly immerse you in your chosen destination, so we've selected a series of special experiences to help you do just that. These include a luxury dinner cruise in Saigon,

a champagne sunset at Angkor, spa treatments and cocktails in exclusive local bars.

SUMPTUOUS DINING

As well as including free evenings to allow you to dine out as you please, our Exclusive Collection itineraries feature iconic restaurants to give you a taste of the best of local cuisine.

THOSE LITTLE EXTRAS

Your holiday will start in style with chauffeur transfers from your front door to the airport (within 60km); your luggage will be whisked from the coach straight to your room and a laundry service is provided on tour, giving you one less thing to worry about.

JEWELS OF VIETNAM

13 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON

\$6,690

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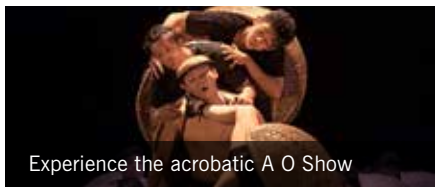
MOST MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Enjoy a deluxe Mekong cruise
- ✓ Explore Chinatown by cyclo
- ✓ Be charmed by Hoi An
- ✓ Tour imperial Hue
- ✓ Meet a water puppeteer in Hanoi
- ✓ Cruise Halong Bay in 5-star luxury

See Saigon's Notre Dame Cathedral

- PRICE INCLUDES**
- 11 breakfasts (B), 9 lunches (L), 7 dinners (D)
 - International flights and current taxes
 - Chauffeur transfers from home to airport and vice-versa (within 60km)
 - Domestic transportation
 - 5-star accommodation
 - Touring with guides and entrance fees
 - Visa fees for Australian passport holders
 - Laundry service and all portage
 - Sumptuous dinners with drinks
 - Afternoon tea experience
 - Spa treatment in Hanoi



Experience the acrobatic A O Show

- EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE**
- Enjoy Saigon's most extraordinary production, the A O Show! This breathtaking performance showcases the beauty and cultural richness of Vietnamese rural life through music, dance and acrobatics.
 - For the ultimate in holiday indulgence, enjoy an exquisite afternoon tea as well as a relaxing spa treatment of your choice at one of Hanoi's most prestigious hotels.
 - Dine like an emperor at a special royal dining experience, complete with courtly entertainment and a menu featuring a range of delicious, beautifully presented regional dishes.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAIGON

Arrive at the airport by chauffeured transfer and fly to Saigon. On arrival you will be met and taken to your hotel.

DAY 2: DISCOVER SAIGON

Saigon has evolved from war torn city to thriving metropolis, the powerhouse driving Vietnam towards its ever-brighter future. This morning see the Central Post Office, a beautiful Neoclassical edifice; the Reunification Palace, the site of the end of the Vietnam War; Notre Dame Cathedral and the harrowing War Remnants Museum. Take a cyclo ride through the bustling streets of Chinatown before taking a walking tour of a traditional herbal medicine street, learning about herbs, spices and healing concoctions as you go. Later, ascend to the sky deck of the Bitexco Tower for a cocktail and sunset views. Finally drift gently down the Saigon River on the Bonsai Cruise, dining on delicious cuisine as you soak up the night-time views. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: DELUXE MEKONG CRUISE

Set sail through the palm-lined canals of the Mekong Delta in a traditional sampan, passing sleepy towns and stopping to explore markets bursting with fresh produce and innovative home industries. Visit a local home that produces coconut candy and puffed rice before enjoying a lunch served in a colonial-style villa set in a lush garden by the river. Return to Saigon for the cultural extravaganza that is the 'A O Show', staged at the magnificent Saigon Opera House. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: CU CHI TUNNELS

Travel to the Cu Chi Tunnels, part of an elaborate network of excavations used by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. For those feeling brave, you can attempt a section of the tunnels for yourself. Pay a visit to a cricket farm and return to Saigon. Fly to Hoi An. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: HOI AN COOKING CLASS

Once an influential port on the Maritime Silk Road, Hoi An is a rich fusion of Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese and European styles, its narrow streets retaining a quirky, old world charm. This morning, tour the market to choose fresh ingredients from a colourful array of local produce for your Vietnamese cookery class, where you'll learn to create a number of local dishes. This afternoon wander the old streets, visiting Chua Ong Pagoda, the 200 year old Tan Ky House, and the elaborate Japanese Bridge before taking tea at the 'Reaching Out' Tea House, run by hearing and speech-impaired locals. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 6: ROYAL DINING EXPERIENCE

Enjoy a morning at leisure in Hoi An where you can further explore, relax by the pool or take a trip to the beach. Depart for Hue, travelling over the Hai Van Pass. Later, cruise along the Perfume River to the picturesque Thien Mu Pagoda. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: DISCOVER IMPERIAL HUE

Long considered a seat of culture and learning, Hue is dominated by its immense Imperial Citadel, home to emperors from 1802 to 1945. Enter through its grandiose



Explore Hoi An's Old Town



Enjoy a private water puppet show in Hanoi

entrance and you'll be able to explore its grounds before visiting Minh Mang's tomb, the opulent and exotic resting place laid out in formal Chinese style. This afternoon try your hand at making paper flowers, in a village that is known for the art. Visit the regal surroundings of Tha Om Garden House – the owner, Mr Vinh, is descended from royalty. (B,L)

DAY 8: HANOI SPA TREATMENT

Travel to the airport to fly to Hanoi. Visit the Thanh Chuong Viet Palace, where you'll gain a great insight into Vietnam's history and character before enjoying a rejuvenating spa treatment. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: PRIVATE WATER PUPPETS

Hanoi, Vietnam's capital, evokes the days when Asia was at its most chic, a heady mix of the exotic and European elegance. Explore Ho Chi Minh Quarter and learn about the life of 'Uncle Ho'. Visit the revered Temple of Literature and meet a water puppeteer who will introduce you to this traditional 11th century art and put on a private water puppet show. You will also be able to get involved in creating the puppets. (B,L)

DAY 10: HALONG BAY IN STYLE

Halong Bay's thousands of limestone islands that project from its emerald waters create a vision of beauty to which very little compares. Board your deluxe boat and enjoy a seafood lunch before setting sail into the bay. Drift amongst the karst pinnacles stopping to explore mysterious caves as you go. Spend the night anchored amongst glorious scenery. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: SUNRISE OVER HALONG BAY

Rise early to see the sun rise over the karsts of the bay. Join a tai chi lesson this morning on deck. Continue cruising through the bay, heading back to the wharf where there's time for a hearty brunch before disembarking and returning to Hanoi. Later let us treat you to a divine afternoon tea experience. This evening there will be a sumptuous farewell dinner. (B,D)

DAYS 12-13: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day and journey home by chauffeured transfer. (B)

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Visit picturesque Thien Mu Pagoda, Hue

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PHYSICAL RATING

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This tour offers a more luxurious look at the wonders of Vietnam including Saigon, Hoi An, Hanoi and Halong Bay. A series of exclusive experiences will give you insights into the rich history and natural beauty of this compelling country.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES			
30 Mar - 11 Apr	\$6,690	05 Oct - 17 Oct	\$6,690
2021 DATES			
01 Mar - 13 Mar	\$6,990	04 Oct - 16 Oct	\$6,990

Flight and supplement information

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- Land only (Saigon - Hanoi) 12 days from \$5,390 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,520

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CLASSICAL VIETNAM

18 DAYS FROM

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 **MOST MEALS**

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Enjoy a deluxe Mekong sampan
- ✓ Admire Chinatown by cyclo
- ✓ Get tropical in Nha Trang
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Discover Hanoi in style
- ✓ Revel at the sunrise on Halong Bay



Wander beautiful Hoi An

PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts (B), 13 lunches (L), 10 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Chauffeur transfers from home to airport and vice-versa (within 60km)
- Domestic transportation
- 5-star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders
- Laundry service and all portage
- Sumptuous dinners with drinks
- Afternoon tea experience
- Spa treatment in Hanoi



Enjoy a royal dining experience

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Dine like an emperor at a special royal dining experience, complete with courtly entertainment and a menu featuring a range of beautifully presented regional dishes.
- Discover indulgent relaxation at seaside resort city Nha Trang, staying in one of the area's most luxurious resorts. You'll also take to the crystal-clear waters of the bay on a lazy boat trip.
- Voyage on the waters of Hoi An's Thu Bon River at sunset, admiring the rural beauty of your surroundings as you sip on cocktails and dine on a delicious freshly prepared sit-down dinner of local dishes.

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DAY 4: CU CHI TUNNELS

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DAY 5: COASTAL NHA TRANG

Transfer to the airport to fly to Nha Trang. This is Vietnam's top beach resort, a sweep of yellow sand lapped by cool waters and backed by a relaxed urban centre. This afternoon explore the Po Nagar Cham Towers, still used for worship today. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: NHA TRANG CRUISE

Spend the day cruising the clear waters and islands off the coast of Nha Trang Bay. Stops will be made at Mun Island and a local fishing village and there may be time for you to take a dip in the cool waters. (B,L)

DAY 7: TRAVEL TO HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to Hoi An to soak up the charms of this beautiful town. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: HOI AN SUNSET CRUISE

Once an influential port on the Maritime Silk Road, Hoi An is a rich fusion of Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese and European styles, its narrow streets retaining a quirky, old-world charm. Wander the old streets, visiting Chua Ong Pagoda, the 200-year old Tan Ky House and the Japanese Bridge, before enjoying tea at the 'Reaching Out' Tea House, run by hearing and speech impaired locals. This evening, sip cocktails and dine on freshly prepared cuisine as you explore Hoi An's river culture with a sunset cruise on the Thu Bon River. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: FREE DAY

Enjoy a day at leisure in Hoi An. (B)

DAY 10: ROYAL DINING EXPERIENCE

Taking the scenic Hai Van Pass, travel to the imperial city of Hue. Long considered a seat of culture and learning, Hue is dominated by its



Relax on Nha Trang beach



Marvel at magnificent Halong Bay

immense Imperial Citadel, home of emperors from 1802 to 1945. Cruise on the Perfume River to the picturesque Thien Mu Pagoda and take part in a ruc chi workshop, where you'll learn to create this traditional bamboo paper art. This evening indulge yourself with a royal dining experience. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: HUE'S IMPERIAL CITADEL

Explore the majestic Imperial Citadel and visit the extravagant Royal Tomb of Minh Mang. Later, head to Thanh Tien village to learn about and create your own paper flowers before admiring the regal surroundings of the Tha Om Garden House, whose owner, Mr Vinh, is descended from royalty. (B,L)

DAY 12: HANOI SPA TREATMENT

Fly to Hanoi and take a walking tour of the Old Quarter, catching a glimpse of everyday life on the bustling streets and alleyways. Later, relax with a rejuvenating spa treatment. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: EXPLORE HANOI

This morning explore Ho Chi Minh Quarter and learn about the life of 'Uncle Ho'. Visit the Humble Stilt House, the One Pillar Pagoda and the revered Temple of Literature. Later, let us treat you to an afternoon tea experience. (B,L)

DAYS 14-15: HALONG BAY IN STYLE

Halong Bay's thousands of limestone islands that project its emerald waters create a vision of beauty to which very little compares. Board your deluxe boat and enjoy a seafood lunch before setting sail into the bay. Spend the next two days drifting amongst the karst pinnacles, taking part in onboard activities such as cookery demonstrations, dawn Tai Chi and

a visit to one of the most magnificent caves in Halong Bay. Spend two nights anchored amongst glorious scenery. (B,L,D)

DAY 16: PRIVATE WATER PUPPETS

Continue cruising through the bay, heading back to the wharf where there'll be time for a tasty buffet before disembarking. Back in Hanoi enjoy a private performance of the famous water puppets, a centuries-old art developed by farmers of the Red River Delta – you can even get involved in the puppet-making process. Sit down to a sumptuous farewell dinner this evening. (B,D)

DAYS 17-18: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day and journey home by chauffeured transfer. (B)

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CLASSICAL VIETNAM

EXCLUSIVE COLLECTION VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

The relaxed pace of this tour gives you more time to enjoy Vietnam and truly soak up your surroundings. Staying in beautiful 5-star hotels, there is a range of exclusive experiences, like high tea and a spa treatment.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

09 Apr - 26 Apr **\$8,290** 10 Sep - 27 Sep **\$8,290**

2021 DATES

08 Apr - 25 Apr **\$8,590** 09 Sep - 26 Sep **\$8,590**

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Saigon - Hanoi) 17 days from \$6,990 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$2,640

Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$136pp (AU\$197pp) is paid locally in Vietnam.



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MOST MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Gaze upon majestic Angkor
- ✓ Discover captivating Phnom Penh
- ✓ Marvel at the A O show
- ✓ Sunset dinner cruise in Hoi An
- ✓ Cruise Halong Bay in style

Appreciate the magnificent monuments at Angkor

PRICE INCLUDES

- 18 breakfasts (B), 14 lunches (L), 8 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Chauffeur transfers from home to airport and vice-versa (within 60km)
- Domestic transportation
- 5-star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders
- Sumptuous dinners with drinks
- Afternoon tea experience
- Spa treatment in Hanoi



Learn the secrets of Angkor Wat's design

► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Spend time with a leading stone conservation expert to get a behind-the-scenes glimpse of the majestic Temples of Angkor and learn the secrets of their construction and design.
- Set sail on luxurious Bonsai Legacy for a night of wining and dining, complete with live, cultural entertainment, against a backdrop of Saigon's bright lights.
- Dine like an emperor at a special royal dining experience, complete with courtly entertainment and a menu featuring a range of delicious, beautifully presented regional dishes.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SIEM REAP

Arrive at the airport by chauffeured transfer and fly overnight to Siem Reap.

DAY 3: EXPLORE ANGKOR

The day begins with a masterclass that takes you behind the scenes at Angkor with one of its lead stone conservationists. You'll learn little-known secrets about these magnificent monuments and get a crash course in conservation techniques. Later, visit Angkor Thom, the walled city and see the enigmatic Bayon before exploring atmospheric Ta Prohm, a tussle of stone and jungle. The afternoon is dedicated to breathtaking Angkor Wat before a champagne sunset at Phnom Krom temple. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: FLOATING VILLAGES

High Water Season (Aug to Feb)
Cruise to the lesser-visited Kampong Kleng, a floating village on Tonle Sap Lake, meeting the lovely locals and glimpsing a fascinating way of life – this is a truly unique experience. Continue to Beng Mealea, a temple lost to the jungle. (B,L)

Low Water Season (Mar to Jul)

Visit a village to meet some of the locals and pop into Khapor High School to learn about their wonderful library project. Continue to Beng Mealea, a temple lost to the jungle. (B,L)

DAY 5: FOOT SPA TREATMENT

Rejuvenate your temple-weary feet with a foot spa treatment this morning. Later fly to Phnom Penh. The 'Pearl of Asia' until it was ravaged by war, Phnom Penh has emerged once again as a captivating city and a cosmopolitan capital. (B,L)

DAY 6: DISCOVER PHNOM PENH

See the glittering Royal Palace, the sacred Silver Pagoda and the National Museum. Ascend to hilltop Wat Phnom for picturesque vistas over the city and visit Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocide, a humbling reminder of the atrocities committed by the Khmer Rouge. (B,L)

DAY 7: FASCINATING A O SHOW

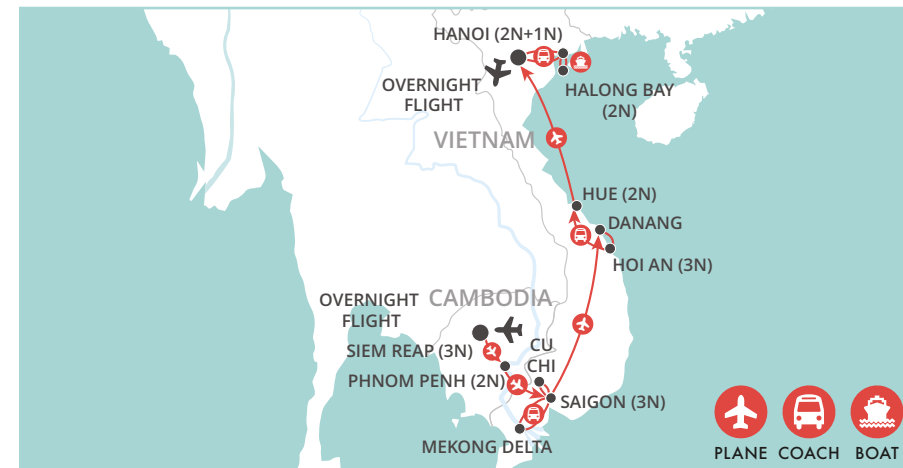
Enjoy a relaxed morning in Phnom Penh before flying to Saigon. This evening enjoy an exquisite dining experience before sitting down to the cultural extravaganza that is the 'A O Show', staged at the magnificent Saigon Opera House. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: EXPLORE SAIGON

This morning see the French-built Opera House and Central Post Office, the Reunification Palace, and the harrowing War Remnants Museum. This afternoon, take a cyclo tour of Chinatown and enjoy a walking tour of a traditional herbal medicine street, learning about herbs, spices and healing concoctions as you go. Later, ascend to the sky deck of the Bitexco Tower for a cocktail and sunset views. Finally drift gently down the Saigon River on the Bonsai Legacy, dining on delicious cuisine as you soak up the night-time views. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: DELUXE MEKONG CRUISE

Set sail through the palm-lined canals of the Mekong Delta in a traditional sampan, passing sleepy towns and stopping to explore markets bursting with fresh produce and innovative home industries. Visit a 19th-century house as well as a home that produces coconut



Visit the National Museum of Cambodia



Explore imperial Hue

candy and puffed rice before enjoying a lunch served in a colonial-style villa set in a lush garden by the river. Return to Saigon. (B,L)

DAY 10: CU CHI TUNNELS

Travel to the Cu Chi Tunnels, part of an elaborate network of excavations used by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. For those feeling brave, you can attempt a section of the tunnels for yourself. Later, fly to Danang and travel on to Hoi An. (B,L)

DAY 11: EXPLORE HOI AN

This morning wander the old streets, visiting Hoi An market, the Chua Ong Pagoda and the elaborate Japanese Bridge, before taking tea at the 'Reaching Out' Tea House. This evening, sip cocktails and dine on delicious cuisine as you discover Hoi An's river culture with a sunset cruise along the Thu Bon River. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: FREE DAY

Enjoy a day at leisure in Hoi An. (B)

DAY 13: ROYAL DINING EXPERIENCE

Travel to Hue. Long considered a seat of culture, Hue is dominated by its immense Imperial Citadel, home of emperors from 1802 to 1945. Take a cruise on the Perfume River to the beautiful Thien Mu Pagoda, and take part in a truc chi workshop, where you'll learn to create art with bamboo paper. This evening indulge yourself with a royal dining experience. (B,D)

DAY 14: HUE'S IMPERIAL CITADEL

Enter the grandiose entrance of the Imperial Citadel and explore its grounds before visiting Minh Mang's tomb, the opulent and exotic resting place laid out in formal Chinese style. This afternoon try your hand at making paper

flowers in Thanh Tien village. Later, admire the regal surroundings of the Tha Om Garden House – the owner, Mr Vinh, is a descendant from royalty. (B,L)

DAY 15: PRIVATE WATER PUPPETS

Fly to Hanoi and take a walking tour through the city's Old Quarter before meeting a water puppeteer who will introduce you to this traditional 11th-century art and put on a private water puppet show. Later enjoy a rejuvenating spa treatment. (B,L)

DAY 16: HANOI HIGH TEA EXPERIENCE

Hanoi is a city that evokes feelings of a bygone era, with a fusion of elegant European and vibrant Asian styles. Spend the morning exploring Ho Chi Minh Quarter and learning about the life of 'Uncle Ho' before visiting the revered Temple of Literature. Later let us treat you to a divine afternoon tea experience. (B,L)

DAYS 17-18: HALONG BAY IN STYLE

Halong Bay is a vision of beauty to which very little compares. Cruise the emerald waters amongst karst peaks, spending two nights on the water. Rise early to practice tai chi as the sun rises, swim off hidden beaches and see the very best of this unique and beautiful area. (B,L,D)

DAY 19: TRAVEL TO HANOI

Return to the jetty and travel back to Hanoi, where you will enjoy a farewell dinner. (B,D)

DAYS 20-21: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day and journey home by chauffeured transfer. (B)

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PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

The perfect blend of sights and relaxation, this luxurious tour covers the best bits of Vietnam and Cambodia. Spending time with an expert at Angkor and a two night cruise on Halong Bay are just two of the magical experiences featured.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2020 DATES

28 Feb - 19 Mar \$9,280 09 Oct - 29 Oct \$9,280

2021 DATES

26 Feb - 18 Mar \$9,580 08 Oct - 28 Oct \$9,580

Flight and supplement information

- *The tour price listed is based on departures from Sydney and Melbourne. Departures from Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth may incur a surcharge
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- Land only (Siem Reap - Hanoi) 19 days from \$7,980 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$3,025

Important note

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NOT LOOKING TO JOIN A GROUP?

Call us to arrange this itinerary as a private tour.

TAILOR-MADE VIETNAM & SOUTHEAST ASIA

The very best of Vietnam and Southeast Asia, exactly the way you want it.

WHAT IS A TAILOR-MADE HOLIDAY?

Quite simply, a tailor-made holiday is a journey designed and created especially for you. There's no one-size-fits-all when it comes to travel so tailor-made holidays are the perfect opportunity for travellers looking to embark on that once-in-a-lifetime adventure or epic honeymoon, for people who want to indulge their special interest, or for those who simply just want to do things their own way.

WHY TRAVEL TAILOR-MADE?

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Whether you have a fully formed itinerary in mind, or just a vague inkling of what you want to see and do, one of our Personal Travel Specialists will be able to craft you something marvellous – with as much, or as little, input from you as you wish.

WHY GO TAILOR-MADE WITH WENDY WU?

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Longboat in Malaysia

How does it work?

It's really so simple – just follow the steps below:

STEP 1

Do some research to decide where you want to go – it could be one, two or even more countries! Think about when you'd like to go, how long for and what your budget may be. For inspiration, you can always have a look at our website, or have a flick through our brochure and see not only the show-stopping sights on offer, but the exciting and unusual experiences too!

STEP 2

Give us a call or fill in a quote request form on our website and we'll call you. Together we'll go through all your thoughts and ideas, making recommendations and giving advice. Also, don't forget to mention if you have any special interests – you can't live without your regular game of golf, or have a penchant for migratory birds, for example. These are the little details we can use to make your holiday extra special.



Vietnamese cuisine



Scuba diving in Borneo

STEP 3

Sit back, relax and leave it with us. We'll create you an itinerary that combines all your ideas and come back to you with a proposed itinerary and quote in no time.

STEP 4

Tweak it, switch it around, change a hotel here, a meal there – you can make all the adjustments you need to make your trip exactly what you're after. You can do this as many times as you like and take as much time as you need – we are extremely flexible and always happy to help.



Temples of Bagan, Myanmar

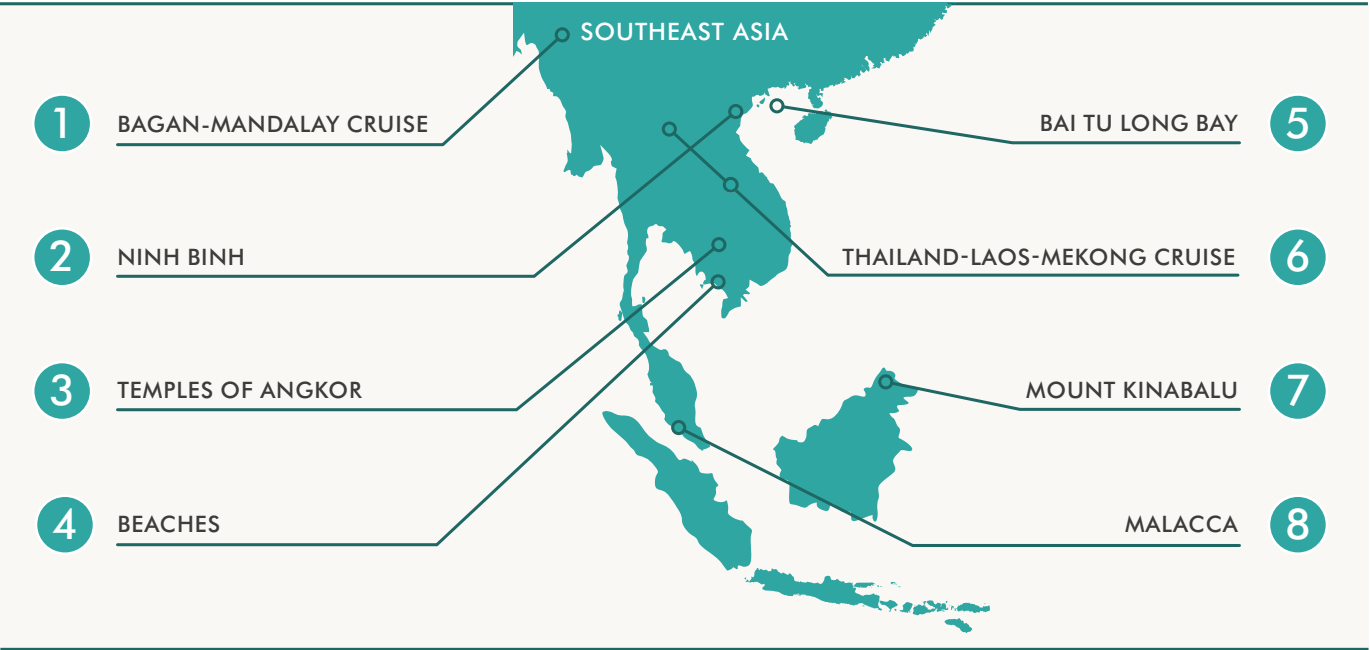
STEP 5

When your adventure has reached that ultimate level of perfection and includes everything that you want and need, it's time to book. Call your Personal Travel Specialist, say the word and they will do the rest. Other than a visa form or two, all there is left to do is think about what to pack and get excited!



Halong Bay, Vietnam

Destination highlights



1

BAGAN-MANDALAY CRUISE

In Myanmar, journey down the Irrawaddy, between the temple-strewn plains of Bagan and the cultural hub of Mandalay, on a relaxing cruise, watching authentic daily life on the river banks as you drift peacefully by.



2

NINH BINH

The place to find rural and authentic Vietnam, tranquil Ninh Binh's majestic karst and paddy field landscapes can be appreciated by boat, by bike or on foot.






3

TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Whilst visiting Angkor is a given, the 'Grand Circuit' will take you to less frequented temples which are just as magnificent as their well-known counterparts.



4

BEACHES

Head to one of these glorious spots for some seaside relaxation – Similan Islands, Perhentian Islands, Koh Rong, Phu Quoc or Manukan Island.

5

BAI TU LONG BAY

Every bit as spectacular as neighbouring Halong Bay but nowhere near as popular, Bai Tu Long Bay is a laid-back, less developed place to cruise amongst the limestone karsts.




6

THAILAND-LAOS-MEKONG CRUISE

From the Thai border, cruise along the Mekong to Pakbeng, or carry on to Luang Prabang, soaking up the rural scenery and glimpsing authentic local life.





7


MOUNT KINABALU

Rising more than 4,000 metres out of Borneo's lush jungles, sacred Mount Kinabalu, Southeast Asia's highest mountain, is a challenging but rewarding climb for adventurous souls.

8

MALACCA

Once an important port, Malacca in Malaysia is a city of wonderfully rich heritage, and the place to go for atmospheric colonial ruins, fascinating museums and really good food.





EXTENSIONS & STOPOVERS

Make your trip of a lifetime even more memorable by extending your tour, or adding a stopover en route. An extension will allow you to delve even deeper into a region, explore a whole other country, or even give you the chance to relax on a beautiful beach. A stopover on the other hand is an easy way to not only break up your journey, but a great way to add a few days in a buzzing, cosmopolitan metropolis to your travel itinerary.

Most of the extensions and stopovers that you'll find in the following pages are available to be added on to any of our tours. Just ask your reservations consultant for more information on how to do just that.

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Saigon Short Stay
- 103 Veterans' Return
Historical Heart of Vietnam
- 104 Phu Quoc Beach Stay
Sapa Short Stay
- 105 Siem Reap in Focus
Temples in Depth
- 106 Bridge Over the River Kwai
Laos in Focus
- 107 Singapore Short Stay
Gardens by the Bay
- 108 Kuala Lumpur City Stay
Bangkok City Stay
- 109 Wildlife Adventure
Kuching Adventure

DISCOVER HALONG BAY

2 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise stunning Halong Bay
- ✓ Tai chi on the deck at daybreak
- ✓ Explore Surprise Cave



Cruise along Halong Bay

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Deluxe cabin	\$490	\$875

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 1 night accommodation onboard a cruise vessel (join-in basis)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Return private transfers with driver only
- Touring (join-in basis) as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

NOTE: Itinerary is subject to change according to local conditions. Visas for Vietnam are required for Australian passport holders, the cost of which is not included in the above prices. Your visas can be arranged at an additional cost.



Dine amongst the Bay's 3,000 islets

ITINERARY

DAY 1: HANOI TO HALONG BAY

Early this morning you will be met at your Hanoi hotel and transferred to the area that is regarded as the 'Jewel in the Crown of Vietnam', Halong Bay. Upon arrival, board your ship at Tuan Chau Marina for an overnight stay. Spend the afternoon cruising around the 3,000 islets that rise from the clear emerald waters of the Gulf of Tonkin. (L,D)

DAY 2: HALONG BAY TO HANOI

Start your day with a tai chi class on the sundeck or enjoy breathtaking views of the bay. After breakfast, climb more than 100 steps to explore Surprise Cave. Return to the marina around midday where you will be transferred back to your Hanoi hotel where your arrangements end. (B)

• *Your itinerary will list the stops and excursions that you will be enjoying during your cruise, however please note that all itineraries and scheduled stops will depend on weather conditions and will be subject to change.*

• *This itinerary is available with a number of cruise companies. Please speak with our Travel Consultants for further details.*

ABOUT BHAYA CRUISES

Combining traditional Vietnamese aesthetics and traditions with western comfort and style, Bhaya Cruises promote sustainable tourism and strive to minimise the environmental impact on Halong Bay. Bhaya Cruises use local suppliers from the Halong Bay communities to provide employment opportunities and the boats follow carefully planned routes, to avoid the more crowded areas of Halong Bay.

CABINS: Bhaya Cruises offers a luxurious cruising experience. Each cabin has a picture window designed to frame the vistas of Halong Bay, air-conditioning, private ensuite bathroom, minibar and telephone. All vessels feature two accommodation decks, a lounge deck with dining room and bar, sundeck, massage and spa area, and a library.

BAR & DINING: The dining room is located on the third floor of the vessel and provides great views of the bay while you are enjoying your dining experience. The menu offers a fusion of Vietnamese-Western cuisine and varies from three-course dining to sumptuous buffets.



Luxury cabins

HALONG BAY IN FOCUS

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Sail beautiful Halong Bay
- ✓ Kayak or swim in the aqua waters
- ✓ Visit a floating fishing village



Admire stunning Halong Bay

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Deluxe cabin	\$1,075	\$1,520

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 2 nights' accommodation onboard a deluxe cruise ship (join-in basis)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Return private transfers with driver only
- Touring (join-in basis) as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

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Take in the views from the sundeck

ITINERARY

DAY 1: HANOI TO HALONG BAY

This morning you will be met at your Hanoi hotel and transferred to Halong Bay. Upon arrival you will board your Au Co Cruise ship for a two-night stay. Cruise around the 3,000 islets that rise out of the clear emerald waters of the Gulf of Tonkin. (L,D)

DAY 2: HALONG BAY

Start the day with a Tai Chi class on the sundeck or marvel at the breathtaking views of the bay. Enjoy a guided kayak tour or a swim in the Vung Ha area, before cruising to Lan Ha Bay and Cat Ba Island. Visit the Au Co organic farm. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: HALONG BAY TO HANOI

Rise early this morning and visit Vung Vieng floating fishing village by traditional bamboo boat. After a farewell brunch, disembark in Tuan Chau where you will be met and transferred back to your Hanoi hotel where your arrangements end. (B)

• *Your itinerary lists the stops and excursions that you will be enjoying during your cruise, however please note that all itineraries and scheduled stops will depend on weather conditions and will be subject to change.*

ABOUT AU CO CRUISES

The Au Co Cruises is a ship with modern Asian and French design and has state-of-the-art safety features. Au Co Cruises is proud to support sustainable tourism and strive to have as little impact as possible on the environment in Halong Bay. Au Co Cruises has established a green farm in Viet Hai Village, which farms organic, high-quality agricultural produce for use on the onboard menu. The farm also provides employment to the local village of Viet Hai and encourages the community to become more self-sufficient by growing their own vegetables instead of importing them.

CABINS: Au Co Cruises has a selection of 32 spaciouly designed cabins, ranging from deluxe cabins to suites, each with luxurious bathrooms and panoramic balconies. All cabins have a private ensuite bathroom, telephone, natural hardwood floors, hairdryer, fridge, tea/coffee making facilities, air-conditioning/heating and complimentary drinking water.

BAR & DINING: Au Co Cruises has an elegant restaurant where you can enjoy a great variety of fresh dishes. Relax on the deck of the semi-open bar and enjoy a pre-dinner cocktail while watching the sun set over Halong Bay.



Unwind in style

HANOI SHORT STAY

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See Ho Chi Minh Complex
- ✓ Stroll the Temple of Literature
- ✓ Enjoy a water puppets show

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$310	\$560
Superior	\$390	\$725
Deluxe	\$635	\$1,215
Premier Deluxe	\$990	\$1,925

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Hanoi)
- Meals as stated (B,L)
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees



Experience the elegance of Hanoi

DAY 1: ARRIVE HANOI

Make your own way to your Hanoi hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: HANOI

Enjoy a full-day city tour, visiting Ho Chi Minh Complex, where you will pass Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum and visit the Humble House on Stilts and One Pillar Pagoda.

Continue to the serene Temple of Literature, Hoan Kiem Lake and tour the Ethnology Museum. Wander through the Old Quarter before enjoying a performance of the water puppets. (B,L)

DAY 3: DEPART HANOI

Your arrangements end after check-out this morning. (B)

VETERANS' RETURN

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Vung Tau and Bach Dinh
- ✓ See the battlefield of Long Tan & the former Australian army base

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$560	\$1,065
Superior	\$665	\$1,270
Deluxe	\$715	\$1,365

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Vung Tau)
- Meals as stated (B,L)
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees



Reflect on the Vietnam war at Vung Tau

DAY 1: SAIGON TO VUNG TAU

This morning you will be met at your Saigon hotel and transferred to Vung Tau. Enjoy a half-day city tour, visiting Bach Dinh and the Reclining Buddha. (L)

DAY 2: NUI DAT & LONG TAN

Visit the former Australian army base of Nui Dat and the Long Tan Battlefield, where you will see the commemorative Long Tan Cross. (B,L)

DAY 3: VUNG TAI TO SAIGON

After check-out this morning you will be transferred back to your Saigon hotel where your arrangements end. (B)

WHY NOT?

Wish to learn the history of central Vietnam? Why not add our *Historical Heart of Vietnam* package? See below.

NOTE: Additional fees and taxes may apply.

SAIGON SHORT STAY

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Tour exciting Saigon
- ✓ Cruise the Mekong River
- ✓ Experience the temple of Tay Ninh

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$750	\$1,385
Superior	\$775	\$1,435
Deluxe	\$1,180	\$2,245
Premier Deluxe	\$1,995	\$3,895

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (4 nights Saigon)
- Meals as stated (B,L)
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees



Explore the dynamic city of Saigon

DAY 1: ARRIVE SAIGON

Make your own way to your Saigon hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SAIGON

Enjoy a city tour around Saigon. Visit the Central Post Office, the Reunification Palace and the War Remnants Museum. Enjoy some free time at Ben Thanh Market to haggle for a bargain or two. (B,L)

DAY 3: SAIGON – MEKONG DELTA

Travel south to the Mekong Delta province of Ben Tre. Cruise the Mekong River, paddle through palm-lined canals and walk through small villages before returning to Saigon. (B,L)

DAY 4: SAIGON – CU CHI & TAY NINH

Explore the amazing network of the Cu Chi Tunnels, which once housed entire underground villages during the American War in Vietnam. Later, travel to Tay Ninh to experience the midday service at the colourful head temple of the unique Cao Dai religion. (B,L)

DAY 5: DEPART SAIGON

Your arrangements end after check-out this morning. (B)

HISTORICAL HEART OF VIETNAM

6 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Admire the Marble Mountains
- ✓ Explore charming Hoi An
- ✓ Imperial Hue by cyclo & cruise

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$695	\$1,285
Superior	\$810	\$1,515
Deluxe	\$1,850	\$3,590

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Hoi An, 2 nights Hue)
- Meals as stated (B,L)
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees



Stroll the beautiful streets of UNESCO World Heritage-listed Hoi An

DAY 1: DANANG TO HOI AN

Upon arrival at Danang airport you will be met and transferred to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Hoi An, stopping at the Marble Mountains en route. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: HOI AN

Tour Hoi An on foot, visiting an old merchant's home, the Japanese Covered Bridge, Hoi An Market and a local Chinese temple. Enjoy the afternoon at your leisure. (B)

DAY 3: HOI AN

Enjoy the day at your leisure to explore the town at your own pace or simply relax. (B)

DAY 4: HOI AN TO HUE

Drive over the scenic Hai Van Pass to Hue. This afternoon visit the Royal Tombs of Tu Duc and Khai Dinh. (B,L)

DAY 5: HUE

Ride a cyclo to visit the Imperial Citadel and the Forbidden Purple City. Continue by road to Thien Mu Pagoda and enjoy a boat cruise along the Perfume River. Later, visit Dong Ba Market. (B,L)

DAY 6: DEPART HUE

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Hue airport where your arrangements end. (B)

PHU QUOC BEACH STAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Stay in Vietnam's popular getaway
- ✓ Freedom to explore the markets and the spectacular island



Relax in the serene surrounds of Phu Quoc

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$245	\$495
Superior	\$470	\$940
Deluxe	\$890	\$1,780

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Phu Quoc)
- Meals as stated (B)
- Transfers as specified

DAY 1: ARRIVE PHU QUOC

Upon arrival at Phu Quoc airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure.

DAYS 2-3: PHU QUOC

Enjoy the next two days at your leisure to relax on the beach, visit the local market or explore the beautiful island. (B)

DAY 4: PHU QUOC

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Phu Quoc airport where your arrangements end. (B)

SAPA SHORT STAY

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ An overnight soft-sleeper train
- ✓ Hike through Sapa's scenery
- ✓ Visit ethnic villages



Hike through the stunning landscapes of Sapa

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard**	\$570	\$925
Superior**	\$825	\$1,495
Deluxe*	\$1,175	\$1,850
Premier Deluxe*	\$1,500	\$2,895

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Years surcharges apply.

** Standard carriage on Sapa train

^ Victoria carriage on Sapa train

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Sapa, 2 nights overnight train)
- Meals as stated (B,L)
- 2 nights on board a soft-sleeper train in a shared 4-berth compartment from Hanoi to Lao Cai return
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

DAY 1: HANOI TO SAPA

This evening you will be met at your Hanoi hotel and transferred to the railway station to board your overnight soft sleeper train to Lao Cai. *Late check-out at your hotel is not included.*

DAY 2: SAPA

Early this morning arrive at Lao Cai railway station and travel to Sapa for breakfast. Spend the afternoon hiking in this dramatic region, visiting ethnic villages on the way. Return to Sapa this afternoon. (B,L)

DAY 3: SAPA

Enjoy further light hikes in the verdant Sapa hills. (B,L)

DAY 4: SAPA TO HANOI

This morning is at your leisure. After lunch, explore more of the ethnic villages. Later this evening you will be transferred to Lao Cai railway station to board your overnight soft-sleeper train back to Hanoi. (B,L)

DAY 5: DEPART HANOI

Arrive at Hanoi railway station early this morning and transfer to your Hanoi hotel where your arrangements end. *Day-use room in Hanoi is included.*

NOTE: It is recommended that travellers to Sapa have a good level of fitness.

SIEM REAP IN FOCUS

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Watch the sun set from Pre Rup
- ✓ Explore the temples of Angkor
- ✓ Discover Angkor's Grand Circuit



Watch a magical sunrise over Angkor Wat

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$450	\$740
Superior	\$505	\$845
Deluxe	\$890	\$1,610

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Siem Reap)
- Meals as stated (B,L)
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE SIEM REAP

Make your own way to your Siem Reap hotel. This afternoon you will climb to the summit of Pre Rup in time to watch the sun set over the Cambodian rice fields.

DAY 2: SIEM REAP

Rise early this morning to watch the sun rise over Angkor Wat. Continue to Angkor Thom, starting at the South Gate, followed by the Bayon, Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King. This afternoon visit Ta Prohm, undoubtedly the most distinctive ruin in the Angkor complex. Return to Angkor Wat in time for sunset. (B,L)

DAY 3: DEPART SIEM REAP

Explore the Grand Circuit of temples including Preah Khan, Neak Pean, Ta Som and East Mebon. Return to your Siem Reap hotel this afternoon where your arrangements end. (B)

TEMPLES IN DEPTH

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Head off the beaten track to Angkor's lesser-known temples
- ✓ Explore the famed Angkor Wat
- ✓ Cruise atmospheric Tonle Sap



Explore the jungle-embraced temple of Ta Prohm

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$670	\$1,085
Superior	\$750	\$1,250
Deluxe	\$1,330	\$2,405

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Siem Reap)
- Meals as stated (B,L)
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE SIEM REAP

Make your own way to your Siem Reap hotel. This afternoon visit the Roluos group of temples including Prasat Preah Ko, Bakong and Lolei.

DAY 2: SIEM REAP

Rise early this morning to watch the sun rise over Angkor Wat. Continue to Angkor Thom, starting at the South Gate, followed by the Bayon, Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King. This afternoon visit Ta Prohm, which has been left to be swallowed by the jungle. Return to Angkor Wat in time for sunset. (B,L)

DAY 3: SIEM REAP

Travel by water to see the floating villages, schools and restaurants along Tonle Sap. After lunch, explore the Small Circuit of Temples. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART SIEM REAP

Visit Banteay Srei and the Grand Circuit of Temples. This afternoon return to your Siem Reap hotel where your arrangements end. (B)

BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER KWAI

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✔ Visit the War Museum
- ✔ Explore Hellfire Pass



Visit the famous bridge and learn about World War history

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$720	\$1,350
Superior	\$735	\$1,380
Deluxe	\$815	\$1,540

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Kanchanaburi)
- Meals as stated (B,L)
- Third-class train fare from Bangkok to Kanchanaburi
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

DAY 1: BANGKOK TO KANCHANABURI

Early this morning you will be met at your Bangkok hotel and transferred to the railway station for your train journey to Kanchanaburi. Stop at the Bridge over the River Kwai followed by a visit to the Allied Cemetery and the War Museum. (L)

DAY 2: KANCHANABURI

Travel to the Hellfire Pass, where you can explore the museum and hike down the pass. After lunch visit the nearby Saiyoke Noi Waterfall where you can go for a swim (conditions permitting). (B,L)

Due to the lack of water in dry season, you may not have the chance to swim at Saiyoke Noi Waterfall.

DAY 3: KANCHANABURI TO BANGKOK

After check-out this morning you will be transferred by road to your Bangkok hotel where your arrangements end. (B)

LAOS IN FOCUS

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✔ Tour the cultural and sacred sights of Luang Prabang
- ✔ Relax at the Kuang Si Waterfalls
- ✔ Explore the city of Vientiane



Relax beside the breathtaking Kuang Si Waterfalls

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$960	\$1,575
Superior	\$1,100	\$1,850
Deluxe	\$1,555	\$2,970

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Luang Prabang, 1 night Vientiane)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Economy-class flight from Luang Prabang to Vientiane
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE LUANG PRABANG

Upon arrival at Luang Prabang airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

DAY 2: LUANG PRABANG

Enjoy a walking tour through the Old Town. Later travel to the turquoise waters of Kuang Si Waterfalls, stopping at a H'mong village en route. After relaxing at the waterfalls, visit the Khmu Village in Ban Thapene on your return to Luang Prabang. (B,L)

DAY 3: LUANG PRABANG

Rise early to view the Buddhist ceremony of Takbat. Cruise along the Mekong River to the sacred Buddha caves at Pak Ou. Return to Luang Prabang, stopping en route at Ban Xieng Lek and Xang Khong villages. This evening watch a Ramayana performance. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: LUANG PRABANG TO VIENTIANE

Visit the National Museum (closed Tuesdays) and Wat Mai before flying to Vientiane. This afternoon visit Wat Si Saket, Wat Phra Keo, That Luang Stupa and the Patuxai Victory Monument. (B)

DAY 5: DEPART VIENTIANE

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Vientiane airport where your arrangements end. (B)

SINGAPORE SHORT STAY

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✔ See the waterfront Merlion Park
- ✔ See 'old' Singapore at Thian Hock Keng
- ✔ Visit the National Orchid Garden

DAY 1: ARRIVE SINGAPORE

Upon arrival at Singapore airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SINGAPORE

Enjoy a half-day seat-in-coach tour around Singapore, visiting Merlion Park, Thian Hock Keng, which is one of Singapore's oldest Buddhist-Taoist temples, a handicraft centre, the National Orchid Garden and Little India. (B)

DAY 3: DEPART SINGAPORE

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Singapore airport where your arrangements end. (B)



Delight in the famous Singapore cityscape

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Park Regis	\$400	\$700
Peninsula Excelsior Hotel	\$435	\$780
Grand Park Orchard	\$500	\$945

Price includes

- Accommodation (2 nights Singapore)
- Daily breakfast
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

GARDENS BY THE BAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✔ See Singapore's many sights
- ✔ Stroll the cool Cloud Forest and Flower Dome
- ✔ Marvel at the Supertrees

DAY 1: ARRIVE SINGAPORE

Upon arrival at Singapore airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SINGAPORE

Enjoy a half-day seat-in-coach tour around Singapore, visiting Merlion Park, Thian Hock Keng, which is one of Singapore's oldest Buddhist-Taoist temples, a handicraft centre, the National Orchid Garden and Little India. (B)

DAY 3: GARDENS BY THE BAY

Transfer to Gardens by the Bay. It spans 101 hectares and houses more than 500,000 plants. Wander

through the two cooled conservatories – Flower Dome and Cloud Forest. Make your own way back to your hotel. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART SINGAPORE

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Singapore airport where your arrangements end. (B)



See the wondrous Supertrees in the Gardens by the Bay

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Park Regis	\$440	\$745
Orchard Hotel	\$490	\$890
Grand Park Orchard	\$540	\$990

Price includes

- Accommodation (3 nights Singapore)
- Daily breakfast
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

KUALA LUMPUR CITY STAY

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ The King’s Palace
- ✓ National Mosque
- ✓ The Tudor-styled Cricket Club



Explore the non-stop metropolis of Kuala Lumpur

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$315	\$617
Superior	\$355	\$700
Deluxe	\$610	\$1,210

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Kuala Lumpur)
- Daily breakfast
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

NOTE: The Mandatory Tourism Tax of MYR10 per room per night (approx. AU\$3) is not included in the above pricing and is payable on hotel check-in.

DAY 1: ARRIVE KUALA LUMPUR

Upon arrival at Kuala Lumpur airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: KUALA LUMPUR

Enjoy a half-day tour with a photo stop at the King’s Palace, surrounded by green lawns and ponds, visit the National Monument at the Lake Gardens, and the National Mosque. Stop at Independence Square, Sultan Abdul Building, the Tudor-styled Cricket Club (Royal Selangor Club) and see the Petronas Twin Towers (outside visit only). (B)

DAY 3: DEPART KUALA LUMPUR

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to the airport where your arrangements end. (B)

BANGKOK CITY STAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore the Grand Palace
- ✓ Travel by longtail boat
- ✓ Enjoy a traditional dance



Explore some of the hundreds of magnificent temples of Bangkok

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Superior	\$705	\$1,295
Deluxe	\$845	\$1,540

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Bangkok)
- Meals as stated (B,D)
- Touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE BANGKOK

Make your own way to your Bangkok hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: BANGKOK

Embark on a city tour, visiting Wat Pho and the Grand Palace. Take a longtail boat ride on the Chao Phraya River to the Pak Khlong Talat Flower Market. This evening watch a traditional dance performance while enjoying dinner. (B,D)

DAY 3: BANGKOK

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore Bangkok further. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART BANGKOK

Your arrangements end after check-out this morning. (B)

WILDLIFE ADVENTURE

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the sights of Sandakan
- ✓ Visit Sepilok Orangutan Sanctuary
- ✓ Cruise the Menanggul River



Meet the adorable residents of the Sepilok Orangutan Sanctuary

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,330	\$3,400
Superior	\$2,070	\$3,680
Deluxe	\$2,240	\$4,020

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Kota Kinabalu, 2 nights Sandakan)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Return economy-class flights from Kota Kinabalu to Sandakan
- Seat-in-coach transfers and join-in-basis touring
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

NOTE: The Mandatory Tourism Tax of MYR10 per room per night (approx. AU\$3) is not included in the above pricing and is payable on hotel check-in.

DAY 1: ARRIVE KOTA KINABALU

Upon arrival at Kota Kinabalu airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The afternoon is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SANDAKAN

Fly to Sandakan and embark on a city tour. Visit the Sandakan War Memorial, passing William Pryer Monument and the Sandakan Liberation Monument. Explore the Heritage Museum and stop by St Michael’s and All Angels Church. Enjoy lunch at the English Tea House which is set high on a hill overlooking Sandakan, and visit Agnes Keith House. (B,L)

DAY 3: SEPILOK & RIVER CRUISING TO SUKAU

Visit Sepilok Orangutan Sanctuary and the neighbouring Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre (BSBCC). Transfer to Abai and enjoy lunch at Abai Jungle Restaurant. Continue to Sukau. Later, take a river cruise to Menanggul River for wildlife viewing. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: SUKAU TO KOTA KINABALU

Return to Sandakan; keep your eyes peeled for more wildlife en route. Fly back to Kota Kinabalu. Upon arrival at Kota Kinabalu enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 5: DEPART KOTA KINABALU

This morning is at your leisure before you are transferred to Kota Kinabalu airport where your arrangements end. (B)

KUCHING ADVENTURE

6 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Semenggoh Wildlife Centre
- ✓ See Kuching’s historical sights
- ✓ Lunch at an Iban longhouse



Discover Kuching city

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,270	\$2,220
Superior	\$1,320	\$2,320
Deluxe	\$1,360	\$2,380

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Kuching, 2 nights Batang Ai)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Seat-in-coach transfers and join-in-basis touring on days 3-4
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees

NOTE: The Mandatory Tourism Tax of MYR10 per room per night (approx. AU\$3) is not included in the above pricing and is payable on hotel check-in.

DAY 1: ARRIVE KUCHING

Upon arrival at Kuching airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The afternoon is at your leisure.

DAY 2: KUCHING

Drive to Semenggoh Wildlife Centre, where you will have the chance to spot orangutans. After lunch, discover this charming riverside city established by the first White Rajah of Sarawak, Sir James Brooke, including Sarawak Museum, which houses a collection of ethnological and archaeological artefacts. (B,L)

DAY 3: BATANG AI RESERVOIR

Leave Kuching and travel to Batang Ai Reservoir, travelling through rural Sarawak, passing pepper farms, cocoa and rubber

plantations. Upon arrival, travel by water transport to your hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: BATANG AI RESERVOIR

Visit Mengkak longhouse and experience Iban hospitality and cuisine by having lunch with one of the families in their private quarters. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: BATANG AI RESERVOIR TO KUCHING

Return to Kuching, stopping at a pepper farm and pottery factory en route. (B,L)

DAY 6: DEPART KUCHING

After check-out this morning, you will be transferred to Kuching airport where your arrangements end. (B)

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JOINING YOUR TOUR

Airline schedules vary from city to city, meaning travellers from some cities may need to make their own way to another capital city to join the tour or may require pre or post-tour accommodation, a stopover or have a lengthy transit en route to their destination. Any cost for additional accommodation, transportation or meals incurred will be at your own expense. Our travel consultants can assist with arranging any of these additional services. The accrual of frequent flyer points and pre-seat allocation may not be possible on group fares and is at the discretion of each airline.





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AIR TRAVEL NOTES

- Please be advised that Premium Economy and Business Class upgrades can only be secured on the initial international flights in/out of Australia. They cannot be guaranteed on any other sector due to very limited availability and the types of aircraft used. Please contact our travel consultants to discuss upgrade options.
- At the time of booking, every effort will be made to secure the best flight schedule or connection possible; however, at times the airline schedule may vary from what is in the brochure due to availability and time of travel.

Hotels

Your accommodation is chosen for the convenience of its location, its levels of comfort or for its quirky character, so it can range from a smart business hotel to a family-run guesthouse. Here is a sample of the type of hotels you will be staying in on your tour.

EXAMPLE TOUR HOTELS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA



Lotus Blanc Hotel – Cambodia



Ayana Komodo – Indonesia



Lisu Lodge – Thailand



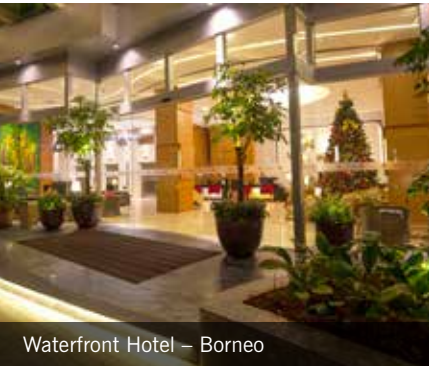
Rose Garden Hotel – Yangon



Chitcareune Mouang Luang Hotel – Laos



Emm Hotel – Vietnam



Waterfront Hotel – Borneo

Hotels on our group tours are generally rated as local three-to four-star standard, but please note that there is no international classification system for hotels and differences in facilities and quality may exist between Australia and Southeast Asia. Hotels are subject to change and will be confirmed with your final documents.

Your questions answered

A selection of our most frequently asked questions.

BEFORE YOU TRAVEL



Halong Bay, Vietnam

Q. How soon after making our booking will we receive confirmation?
A. Once we have received your deposit we will send your confirmation documents.

Q. Do you send us information about the destinations we will visit?
A. It is essential that you read the relevant Tour Dossier before booking, which you can find on wendywutours.com.au or we can arrange for one to be sent to you. If there are any particular challenges such as the length of time spent on your feet, journey times or accommodation standards, they will be explained in these concise trip notes. Two weeks before you travel, you will receive a detailed day-by-day itinerary, a travel guide and phrasebook as well as a suggested packing list with your final documents.

Q. Will I know which hotels I will be staying in before I go?
A. Hotel details will be sent with your final documents. Note that these may be subject to change. Hotels generally range from 3-4 stars. In more remote areas, accommodation may be of a lower standard and may not have all western amenities. Rest assured that all hotels used by Wendy Wu Tours are regularly inspected by our staff and our partners to ensure that standards meet your needs. If you require an early check-in or late check-out for your arrival and departure days, please contact us.



Q. How do I get my visa?
A. The cost of your visa is nearly always included in the price of your tour (Australian passport). Simply send us your passport, completed visa application form and passport size photos 75 days before departure, along with final payment and we aim to have them sent back to you with your final documentation two weeks prior to departure. If you require your passport back earlier, please let us know so that we can arrange for an express visa service at an additional charge. Passports or visa application forms received six weeks or less before departure will automatically incur an express visa fee. Wendy Wu Tours does not accept responsibility for lost or undelivered items. Personal collection or courier services are available on request. Please note that visa regulations can change at any time, therefore please refer to our website for up-to-date information. Please note that visa regulations can change at any time, therefore please refer to our website for up-to-date information.

Q. Do I need travel insurance?
A. We strongly recommend that you are adequately covered by insurance for the duration of your travel arrangements. We recommend that you take out a policy as soon as you pay your deposit.

Q. What vaccinations do I need?
A. Vaccination requirements often change, therefore for up-to-date information please seek your doctor's advice.

Q. What size are your tour groups?
A. The maximum group size on our Classic tours is usually between 8 and 28 passengers. Our Active, Flexible, Exclusive and Solo tours have a maximum group size of 18 passengers. The maximum size for our Go Beyond tours vary between 18-24 passengers depending on the itinerary. You may meet other tour groups travelling concurrently. Where available, on our group tours we operate a seat-and-a-half policy, allowing you to travel in comfort.

Q. Do you run guaranteed departures?
A. Group tours are guaranteed to run subject to a minimum of 8 passengers. A National Escort will accompany each group of 10 or more. We will endeavour to run groups of a smaller size if viable to do so.

Q. As a single traveller, will I have to pay a single supplement?
A. You can avoid paying a single supplement on most of our Southeast Asia tours if you are willing to share with another tour member of the same gender. You will be introduced to your share partner on arrival. Note that on overnight rail journeys and cruises this may not be with a Wendy Wu Tours passenger. 'Willing to share' is not available on our Exclusive Collection tours or any tours featuring a Mekong or Irrawaddy cruise or booking within 75 days of departure. To arrange a guaranteed private room our single room option is available at an extra cost (you will still be required to share on overnight rail journeys).

Q. What is the maximum luggage allowance on your tours?
A. Your main suitcase or backpack must not exceed 20kg and your hand luggage must not exceed 5kg as this is the maximum allowance on internal flights.

Q. What currency should I take?
A. We recommend you take US dollars as well as the local currency and a credit/debit card. We do not recommend travellers cheques.



Local vendor, Vietnam

Please ensure you have sufficient funds to pay for personal expenses such as drinks, snacks, souvenirs, additional tipping and optional extras.

Q. When is the best time of year to visit Southeast Asia?

A. Southeast Asia is a year-round destination. While November to April are the most popular months to visit, many people enjoy tours at other times of the year when there are fewer tourists.

Q. When are Southeast Asian public holidays?

A. Vietnamese New Year, otherwise known as Tet, will be on 25th January 2020 and 12th February 2021. Celebrations last up to 10 days. New Year celebrations for Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and Myanmar are in mid-April every year. Some businesses may be closed and tourist sites will be busier.

Q. How fit do I need to be?

A. Our Group Tours are graded on each page to reflect the level of fitness required. The specific reasons for a particular grading for each tour are clearly described in the Tour Dossiers which you can find on our website. Please contact us if you require any advice.

Our range of Private Tours is more flexible and may better cater for individual needs. Ask us for more details.

Q. What does escorted touring mean?

A. Every group tour with 10 or more passengers will be accompanied by a

National Escort from when you arrive, to when you depart. On multi-country tours, different National Escorts are used in each country. In the unlikely event that your group is less than 10 you will be accompanied by local guides in each location. Our optional extensions are not accompanied by a National Escort; however you will have the benefit of our knowledgeable local guides. Transfers and flights to and from optional extension destinations are not escorted. Private tours are not accompanied by a National Escort, but will be accompanied by knowledgeable local guides in each location.

Q. What sort of vehicles do you use?

Air: Internal flights are based on economy class, with reputable airlines.

Road: Coaches with air-conditioning are used on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary. On our private tours we use air-conditioned vehicles suitable for the size of the party.

River: Ships or boats are used on tours which have a cruising element, from river cruising ships on the Irrawaddy and Mekong to comfortable, well-equipped sailing vessels on Halong Bay. To undertake these excursions, you will need to be capable of boarding and disembarking from these boats, sometimes without assistance and/or handrails.

Rail: Trains are used on some tours. Where there is an overnight journey we use high-quality soft sleeper trains. Each compartment is shared by four people (not necessarily Wendy Wu Tours

passengers). There is a western-style toilet at one end of the carriage and an Asian-style toilet at the other end. The beds and cabins are basic with clean linen provided and there are neither showers nor a dining car. The trains are generally clean; however you cannot expect western standards.

Q. Is there a dress code on your tours?

A. Our dress code is very relaxed; however, please note that clothing covering the arms and legs is more appropriate and often required when visiting religious buildings.

Q. Are meals included?

A. All meals (excluding beverages) are included in our group tours except where stated. On some of our Go Beyond or Active tours, meals in remote areas may be simple or repetitive. Meals on our Classic group tours start with dinner on the normal day of arrival and finish with breakfast on the normal day of departure. Any additional meals will be at your own expense and no refund will be made for any meals missed. You will sample a range of local cuisine with occasional western meals, and meals are usually taken at local restaurants.

Q. Is tap water safe to drink?

A. We strongly recommend that you drink bottled water only.

Q. What is the flying time to Southeast Asia?

A. Approx. nine hours (if flying direct).

Q. Can special requests be arranged?

A. If you have any special requests such as dietary requirements, or if you wish to



Angkor Wat, Cambodia

celebrate an event, please notify us at the time of booking and we will do everything possible to ensure your requests are met. Please note that special requests cannot be guaranteed.

Q. Do you allow children on your tours?

A. We allow children 12 years and over on our Classic Group Tours while the minimum age on our Exclusive Collection tours is 18 years. Alternatively, our Private Tours (see our website) offer greater flexibility whilst on tour and are suitable for any age group.

Q. Will I be travelling with passengers from other countries?

A. Our passengers generally enjoy the mixture of Australian, British and New Zealand clients on tour. Occasionally we are joined by English-speaking passengers from other countries.

Q. What is the average age on your group tours?

A. The average age range is 40-65. Younger and older passengers travel with us too.

Q. What hours of the day do your tours operate?

A. They generally start about 8am and end shortly after your evening meal. Occasionally earlier starts are required to meet flight departures.



Q. How do standards abroad compare with Australia?

A. We will do our best to ensure that your holiday is safe and trouble-free and we are continually working with our local partners to maintain and improve health and safety standards. Travelling abroad involves new places and new experiences and sometimes this means different safety and hygiene standards to those we are used to in Australia. We therefore ask that you take care; pay attention at all times and use your common sense. You are also requested to refer to notices and follow advice from your National Escort or local guide.

Q. Is portage included?

A. Portage is not included on our group tours to Southeast Asia, except on Exclusive Collection tours where portage is included from the coach to your hotel room.

Q. How does the tipping system work on your tours?

A. Tipping is expected in Southeast Asia. However this can often lead to awkwardness in knowing when it is appropriate to tip and how much, as well as ensuring you have a suitable amount of change available at the time. For your convenience, and based on many years of experience, Wendy Wu Tours operates a kitty system on our group tours, which your National Escort will collect at the start of the tour. With this, they will take care of all tipping for you. It also ensures that the amounts paid are reasonable for you but still fair for the local people. The amount is stated on each group tour page (and will be advised again in your final documents).

Any additional tipping on any of our tours is welcomed at your discretion. Please feel free to tip restaurant staff, porters, or river guides if they performed a special service for you. For tours with fewer than 10 passengers, tipping will be slightly higher than stated on the group tour pages. On Private tours and extensions, we will advise recommended amounts.

The specific amounts for tipping contributions will be outlined in your final documentation.

WeCare – Health & Safety

The enjoyment of your holiday is our highest priority. We want your experience to be hassle-free and our proactive 'We Care' program strives to ensure just that. Hotels used on our group tours regularly undergo comprehensive fire safety, security and hygiene audits, carried out by staff members, ground partners and our health and safety consultants to be certain that high standards are maintained.

Southeast Asia for all seasons

Our tours cover the length and breadth of Southeast Asia. Depending on the time of year and where you travel, you may experience two or more seasons as you journey through the region.

HANOI			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	15	19	21
Feb	15	20	28
Mar	18	23	46
Apr	21	26	91
May	24	31	180
Jun	25	32	230
Jul	25	33	240
Aug	26	32	280
Sep	25	31	250
Oct	22	28	140
Nov	19	24	46
Dec	15	21	15

LUANG PRABANG			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	13	27	10
Feb	14	31	10
Mar	17	33	30
Apr	20	35	100
May	22	35	160
Jun	24	33	150
Jul	23	32	230
Aug	23	32	290
Sep	22	32	160
Oct	20	31	70
Nov	18	29	30
Dec	15	27	10

Hanoi

Situated in the north of Vietnam, Hanoi experiences cool and dry winters and hot and humid summers. Spring and autumn are the most ideal times to visit with warm temperatures and lower humidity.

Luang Prabang

Luang Prabang is located along the Mekong River and has two typical seasons. During the winter months Luang Prabang is warm and dry and during the summer months it is hot with higher rainfall than the winter months.

SAIGON			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	22	31	10
Feb	22	32	10
Mar	24	33	10
Apr	26	33	50
May	26	33	210
Jun	25	30	300
Jul	25	31	290
Aug	25	31	270
Sep	24	31	340
Oct	24	30	260
Nov	23	29	110
Dec	22	28	40

BANGKOK			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	21	31	10
Feb	23	32	20
Mar	25	33	30
Apr	26	34	70
May	26	33	190
Jun	26	32	150
Jul	25	32	150
Aug	25	32	180
Sep	25	31	320
Oct	25	31	230
Nov	24	31	50
Dec	21	30	10

Saigon

Tropical Saigon is usually warm year-round and dry during the winter and spring months. Popular times to visit are November to May. Saigon's rainy season falls in the summer months, but these rain spells often clear quickly.

Bangkok

With its typical tropical climate, Bangkok is warm year-round and at its hottest between March and June. Humidity levels are higher during this time, but this vibrant city cools down a little between July and October with periods of rainy weather and occasional showers.

HOI AN			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	19	24	100
Feb	20	25	30
Mar	22	27	30
Apr	23	30	30
May	25	31	60
Jun	26	32	75
Jul	26	33	90
Aug	26	32	100
Sep	25	31	290
Oct	23	28	530
Nov	22	26	330
Dec	20	23	220

PHUKET			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	22	31	20
Feb	23	32	30
Mar	23	32	30
Apr	25	32	150
May	25	31	320
Jun	25	30	200
Jul	25	30	250
Aug	25	30	260
Sep	24	29	400
Oct	24	29	300
Nov	23	30	190
Dec	23	30	40

Hoi An

Hoi An has two distinct seasons. Summer is very dry and warm, making this the ideal time to visit. Winter months are cooler with heavier rainfall. Hoi An's tropical climate makes this city warm year-round.

Phuket

Phuket enjoys mild weather year-round. The hottest periods fall between April and May. The rainy season is during the months of September and October while the rest of the year is relatively dry.

Siem Reap

Siem Reap is warm throughout the year. From May to October Siem Reap has its highest rainfall, but temperatures remain warm. November to April is Siem Reap's driest period.

SIEM REAP			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	19	25	5
Feb	21	26	10
Mar	23	28	20
Apr	24	29	60
May	24	28	140
Jun	24	28	170
Jul	23	27	200
Aug	23	27	200
Sep	23	26	240
Oct	22	26	230
Nov	21	25	80
Dec	19	24	10

YANGON			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	18	31	30
Feb	19	34	35
Mar	20	36	40
Apr	24	37	40
May	25	34	42
Jun	25	30	38
Jul	24	29	38
Aug	24	30	36
Sep	25	30	37
Oct	23	31	38
Nov	22	30	37
Dec	19	28	33

Yangon

Yangon's summers are hot and humid with heavier rainfall. Between November and February the conditions are more comfortable as the temperature cools slightly and it is dryer. During the spring it becomes much hotter.

Booking your trip

We want to make it as straightforward as possible to book your Wendy Wu holiday. It should be as simple as 1-2-3.

1. Choose your tour

Select from this brochure or browse our website to see our full range of award-winning tours and choose the style of travel that suits you. You will also find detailed information in our tour dossiers to make sure the tour is appropriate for you.

2. Speak to an expert

Get in touch with one of our expert travel consultants who will be able to answer any of your questions, check availability instantly and confirm prices.

3. Make a booking

Did you know you can book most of our tours on our website? Otherwise give us a call or visit your preferred travel agent to pay a deposit of \$300pp to secure your booking. A second payment will be required to secure your flights. The balance of your payment is due 75 days before departure and you will be issued with your travel tickets and documentation approximately two weeks before travel.



Your loyalty matters

Many of our customers enjoy the Wendy Wu Tours' experience so much that they travel with us again and again and are happy to recommend us to their friends and family.

LOYALTY DISCOUNT

After completing your tour, we hope you will return to travel with us again. As a member of the Wendy Wu Tours' family, you will be eligible for savings each time you return to travel with us on a group tour. Savings apply to Classic, Go Beyond, Solo and Exclusive Collection group tours and are not applicable for Tailor-Made Holidays, Essential Tours or Special Groups.

REFER A FRIEND

If you refer a new friend to Wendy Wu Tours, and they book a group tour with us (and quote your details), you will receive a delicious hamper delivered to your door. Please visit our website for further details.

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WENDY WU TOURS BOOKING CONDITIONS

It is important that you read and understand the following conditions before making your booking.

The following booking conditions form the basis of your contract with Wendy Wu Tours Pty Ltd, Level 6, 20 Hunter St, Sydney, Australia. ATAS: A10517. ABN: 87 082 688 202. Please read them carefully as they set out our respective rights and obligations. By asking us to confirm your booking, you acknowledge that you have read and understood the terms outlined in this document as well as the specific day to day demands of your chosen tour programme and agree to be bound by them.

These booking conditions only apply to holiday arrangements which you book with us in Australia and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. All references in these booking conditions to "holiday", "booking", "contract", "package", "tour" or "arrangements" mean such holiday arrangements unless otherwise stated.

In these booking conditions, "you" and "your" means all persons named on the booking (including anyone who is added or substituted at a later date) or any of them as the context requires. "We", "us" and "our" means Wendy Wu Tours Pty Ltd.

RESERVATION AND DEPOSIT Prices and services are subject to availability of tour, airline and specific economy airfare class. Prices may differ once airfare is sold out. Please forward a deposit of \$300 per person to Wendy Wu Tours or your travel agent to arrive within three days of receiving confirmation that the company is holding space for you. A progress payment of \$1,000 per person is payable within three weeks of initial deposit to hold flights. Once deposit and progress payment are made, airline tickets will be issued, and bookings are not transferrable. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to release specials which are applicable to new bookings only. Depending on airline terms and conditions or Wendy Wu Tours' booking terms, an extra deposit amount or earlier payment may be required. This will be advised at the time of quotation. A requote will be required if payments are not received by Wendy Wu Tours on or before the due date. Passenger names must be provided exactly as per passport, including middle names, at the time of booking, as well as a valid passport copy. If you have booked a land only option, you will be required to email a copy of your flight schedule and passport copy at time of final payment so we can arrange transfers and visas. Any spelling corrections made after a deposit is paid must be sent in writing and will incur additional fees, including any ticket reissue fees. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to correct any errors in rates quoted or calculated, or any omissions made at any time during your booking. Any verbal quote given is an indication only of the final price and is subject to confirmation in writing.

For passengers booking a Suite on board the Victoria Mekong, a deposit of \$800pp is required at the time of booking.

JOINING YOUR TOUR – FLIGHTS Airline schedules from different cities vary so travellers from some cities may need to make their own way to another capital city to join the tour or may require pre or post-tour accommodation, a stopover or have a lengthy transit en-route to their destination. Any cost for accommodation, transportation or meals incurred will be at the passengers' own expense. Our reservations team can assist with any of these additional services.

RECEIPT OF DEPOSIT By sending a deposit the client agrees to be bound by the terms, conditions and responsibilities set forth in this brochure. The client also agrees that:

- All persons are fit and physically able to partake unaided in their chosen group tour as per the itinerary outlined in the Tour Dossier.
- All persons travelling on a Private or Tailor-Made Tour are fit and physically able to partake unaided in their chosen itinerary.
- All parties acknowledge the physical demands and hazards involved in the tour they will be undertaking and have chosen to participate at their own risk.
- All parties understand that any medical or dietary information provided to Wendy Wu Tours does not, under any circumstances, make Wendy Wu Tours liable if a condition exacerbates while on tour or affects their ability to participate in any portion of the tour.

BALANCE OF PAYMENT The final balance of the travel arrangements is due at Wendy Wu Tours no later than 75 days prior to the confirmed tour departure date as confirmed by acceptance of the booking. Failure to pay in full by the due date may result in additional costs, which will be passed on as a late payment fee of no less than \$30 per booking or cancellation at the discretion of the company. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to request a partial payment of the final balance more than 75 days prior to departure (e.g. airfare portion) if airline tickets need to be issued by our office or by our operators overseas due to airline ticketing time limits. Deposits and payments by credit cards will incur a 1.2% surcharge.

tour services by independent operators to re-route or amend the itinerary due to any of the above or similar circumstances is at the discretion of the tour service provider and Wendy Wu Tours shall not be liable for any claim whatsoever arising from such events.

REFUSAL OF CARRIAGE Wendy Wu Tours retains the right to remove customers from our group tours for reasons that impact on the enjoyment or safety of other tour members, such as, but not limited to, the physical, medical or mental inability of customers to undertake the arrangements of the tour, unsocial or unruly behaviour, or the carriage of prohibited substances and materials.

HOTEL DESCRIPTIONS, MAPS & PICTURES Hotel descriptions featured on our website are based on current hotel guides provided by suppliers and contractual agreements. Any facilities described are subject to change at any time. Maps and photographs are included for general information only and may not necessarily reflect actual routings, location or services. Wendy Wu Tours has made reasonable enquiries to verify that the descriptions and details are accurate but does not warrant that they are.

TRAVEL INSURANCE It is strongly recommended that all customers travelling with Wendy Wu Tours are adequately covered by insurance for the duration of their travel arrangements. Wendy Wu Tours cannot in any way be made liable for any additional cost incurred by the customer on any tour due to the customer not having adequate travel insurance.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS All customers are required to familiarise themselves with any health requirements specific to the countries being visited. Any pre-existing dietary requirement/food allergy; disability; medical, health, physical, psychological, or behavioural condition ('health conditions') must be discussed with your doctor who can confirm your suitability to travel on your chosen tour. The 'tour pace' of each tour is outlined in our brochures, on our website and also in the Tour Dossier. All passengers will receive a link to download a copy of the Tour Dossier with quote and deposit documents. If you or any member of your party has any health conditions, which may affect you while travelling, you must provide us with full details in writing prior to making your booking so that we can assist you in considering the suitability of your arrangements. You must also promptly advise us if there are any changes to your health that may affect your holiday after your booking has been confirmed. In the best interests of yourself and of your tour group, Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to prevent you from further participation on a tour if a health condition presents itself that significantly affects the enjoyment or wellbeing of yourself or the rest of your group. Wendy Wu Tours will not be liable to refund any part of the price of the tour paid by you, or on your behalf, which you have not used if you are prevented from participating on a tour due to a health condition. You will be responsible for making alternative arrangements to accommodate any health condition. The information provided does not, under any circumstances, make Wendy Wu Tours liable if your condition exacerbates or affects your ability to participate in any portion of the tour. Your medical and dietary information is collected so that we may process your booking. Your medical and dietary information will be provided to our suppliers and partners overseas for the sole purpose of endeavouring to accommodate your condition where possible.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS & VISA PROCESSING A passport with a minimum of six months validity upon return to Australia is required for customers travelling to all countries in our programme. Visa fees are included for Australian passport holders in all fully inclusive Classic Tours, Go Beyond Tours, Solo Tours and Exclusive Collection tours. Non-Australian passport holders may incur additional fees, and require additional documentation. Wendy Wu Tours may not be able to assist with processing the visas for some nationalities. If passports are not received by Wendy Wu Tours 75 days prior to departure (90 days for multi-country, Myanmar and Central Asia), the customer will be required to pay an urgent visa processing fee. Unless otherwise requested your passport will be returned with final documentation approximately two to three weeks prior to your departure date. If the customer requests the passports to be returned prior to this, an additional fee will be incurred. Responsibility for documentation accuracy, passport validity, purchase of additional required passport photos, the cost for sending passports to Wendy Wu Tours and dispatch of documents rests with the customer. Wendy Wu Tours accepts no responsibility for any failure in this respect. Wendy Wu Tours does not issue foreign visas. We only submit passports and application forms for visas to be issued by the relevant authorities. Wendy Wu Tours cannot guarantee that any visa will be issued

by the relevant authority and accepts no responsibility if a visa application is refused. Any cancellation fees or other expenses incurred by the customer due to the refusal of a visa will be entirely the customer's liability. Relevant authorities may require additional documentation to approve your visa application. The cost of additional documentation or application forms are at the travellers expense. Please see our website for the most up-to-date information.

CONSULAR ADVICE We recommend that you review information provided by the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade prior to making your booking by calling 1300 555 135, or by visiting their website www.dfat.gov.au for the latest information. We strongly recommend that you familiarise yourself with the latest Government Consular advice and information.

SINGLE TRAVELLERS When booking more than 75 days prior to departure, single travellers on Fully Inclusive Classic Tours and Go Beyond Tours may avoid paying the Single Supplements by opting to travel on a 'willing to share' basis. Wendy Wu Tours will endeavour to match 'willing to share' travellers of the same gender booked on the same departure. In the event that we are unable to confirm a share partner, Wendy Wu Tours will confirm a single room in all accommodation and waive the Single Supplements. Our solo traveller tours are guaranteed a single room with no additional supplement and do not have a 'willing to share' option. 'Willing to share' is not available on Exclusive Collection tours and Solo Traveller tours.

EXCLUSIVE COLLECTION AIRPORT TRANSFERS Private chauffeur-driven transfers are eligible from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Adelaide, Canberra and Cairns, based on executive sedan or similar. After hours surcharges apply between 12:00am-6:00am. Available within a radius of 60 driven kilometres from the nearest international airport. Up to 10 extra kilometres can be booked at a supplement. Based on a maximum of two passengers travelling together with standard airline luggage allowance. Any unused portion of this service is non-refundable.

TIPPING Local tipping is customary in Asia. Wendy Wu Tours works with our Ground Partners to ensure that tipping principles are applied to adequately meet the requirements of each region. In the regions featured within this brochure we recommend appropriate tipping amounts for convenience. This is done by passengers contributing to a kitty, paid locally to the National Escort in USD or other currencies as specified, who then distributes it daily to service providers on your behalf. This avoids the need to consider individual tipping situations daily throughout your trip. Shown on each tour page is the estimated amount for each tour and this is confirmed in your final documentation. Wendy Wu Tours can suggest appropriate amounts for Extensions, Private Tours, Tailor-Made Holidays and Stopovers.

SHOPPING & OTHER SERVICES Shopping can be fun and entertaining, especially in local markets, where many copies of international brand names can be purchased for next to nothing. However, Wendy Wu Tours, its staff and employees are neither qualified nor permitted to ensure or guarantee the quality or value of any goods purchased or the suitability of any retail outlets visited and the security of using a credit card to purchase such goods. In all cases the purchasing of goods and the use of a credit card for those transactions is entirely at the customer's own risk and at all times the customer must use their own discretion. Leisure activities and services undertaken during free time is at the customer's own discretion.

RESPONSIBILITY Wendy Wu Tours (herewith called the Company) acts as a co-ordinator for all persons taking these tours in the making of all arrangements for transportation, sightseeing and hotel accommodation. The Company does not own, manage, control or operate any transportation vehicle, any hotel or restaurant or any other supplier of services. All receipts and tickets are issued subject to the terms and conditions specified by the supplier and all services are subject to the laws of the country where the services are provided. The Company acts only as an agent for the owners, contractors and suppliers of transportation and/or other related travel services provided and assumes no responsibility for the loss, theft or damage to baggage or property or for any injury, illness or death or for any damages or claims whatsoever caused arising directly or indirectly from accidents, loss, theft or damage to person or property, delays, transport failure, strikes, wars and uprisings or acts of God etc. over which the Company has no control. We strongly urge all customers to undertake a high level of personal responsibility in order to ensure that possessions, equipment and personal documents are closely monitored and protected at all times.

FORCE MAJEURE Except where otherwise expressly stated in these booking conditions, we regret we will not accept

liability or pay any compensation where the performance or prompt performance of our obligations under our contract with you is prevented or affected by or you otherwise suffer any damage, loss or expense of any nature as a result of "force majeure". In these booking conditions, "force majeure" means any event, or the consequences of which, we or the supplier of the service(s) in question could not, even with all due care, foresee or avoid. Such events are not limited to but may include actual or threatened war, riot, civil strife, terrorist activity, industrial dispute, natural or nuclear disaster, adverse weather conditions, volcanic activity, seismic activity, fire, pandemics, epidemics and all similar events, natural or man-made, outside our control or that of our agents or suppliers.

EXCURSIONS We may provide you with information (before departure and/or when you are on holiday) about activities and excursions which are available in the area you are visiting. We have no involvement in any such activities or excursions which are neither run, supervised nor controlled in any way by us. They are provided by local operators or other third parties who are entirely independent of us. They do not form any part of your contract with us even where we suggest particular operators/other third parties and/or assist you in booking such activities or excursions in any way. We cannot accept any liability on any basis in relation to such activities or excursions and the acceptance of liability contained in our booking conditions will not apply to them. We do not however exclude liability for the negligence of ourselves or our employees resulting in your death or personal injury.

We cannot guarantee accuracy at all times of information given in relation to such activities or excursions or about the area you are visiting generally or that any particular excursion or activity which does not form part of our contract will take place as these services are not under our control. If you feel that any of the activities or excursions referred to in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material which are not part of our contract are vital to the enjoyment of your holiday, write to us immediately and we will tell you the latest known situation. If we become aware of any material alterations to area information and/or such outside activities or excursions which can reasonably be expected to affect your decision to book a holiday with us, we will pass on this information at the time of booking.

SPECIAL REQUESTS If you have any special requests, you must inform us prior to booking. Although we will endeavour to pass any reasonable requests on to the relevant supplier, we regret we cannot guarantee any request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability. Unless you receive written confirmation from the supplier that a special request will be complied with, you must assume that it will not be. The responsibility for providing the special request lies solely with the supplier and not with Wendy Wu Tours. We regret we cannot accept any conditional bookings, i.e. any booking which is specified to be conditional on the fulfilment of a particular request. All such bookings will be treated as "standard" bookings subject to the above provisions on special requests.

SEATBELTS Please note that seatbelts are not compulsory by law in all destinations featured in this brochure and therefore the local people largely choose not to wear them. For this reason local operators may or may not have seatbelts in vehicles or they may be hidden underneath protective seat covers. It is recommended that where seatbelts are available customers must use them and remain seated at all times while the vehicle is moving. As such, customers acknowledge that seatbelts may not be available and therefore travel at their own risk. Customers warrant that they shall not make any claim howsoever arising from injury or damage in respect of, arising from or contributed to by the absence of seatbelts and hereby release Wendy Wu Tours from all such claims.

REFER A FRIEND To be eligible for the 'refer a friend' offer you must have a current or previously deposited Wendy Wu Tours booking. One hamper per new booking will be distributed. The referee must quote your full name, booking number and address at the time of their booking. Your hamper will be distributed upon receipt of their deposit. Your friend must be a new customer who has not previously booked with Wendy Wu Tours. Hampers will be delivered at the start of the calendar month. We regret we cannot apply this offer retrospectively.

PROCEDURES FOR LODGING COMPLAINTS OR CLAIMS At Wendy Wu Tours we are committed to ensuring that we deal with complaints effectively and efficiently. Should the customer not be satisfied with any aspect of their arrangements they must immediately inform the National

BOOKING CONDITIONS

Escort or Local Guide who will endeavour to resolve the issue at the time. If this is not possible and you wish to lodge a complaint or claim this must be done in writing to Wendy Wu Tours in Sydney (or by email to customerrelations@wendywtours.com.au) within 30 days of the date of the completion of your Wendy Wu Tours arrangements. Relevant receipts and substantiating evidence must be attached to the letter of claim. Our complaints handling policy is available at wendywtours.com.au or upon request.

AIRLINES Airlines featured in this brochure do not by virtue of their endorsement represent themselves either as contracting with any purchaser of a holiday from Wendy Wu Tours, or as having any legal relationship with such a purchaser. Frequent flyer miles may not be accrued on some packaged fares. Pre-flight seat allocation may not be available. If seat allocation is permitted by the airline, additional fees incurred at the time of seat allocation is payable by the traveller. For details, contact our office. Schedule changes or flight cancellations are subject to the airlines policy and are outside Wendy Wu Tours control.

PRIVACY We are collecting your personal information so that we can process your booking. We will also keep you up to date with other Wendy Wu Tours' offers and product information that may be of interest to you if you have consented to this. You can opt out of receiving information at any time if you choose to do so. Any personal information you provide will be managed in accordance with Wendy Wu Tours' privacy policy, which can be viewed at <https://www.wendywtours.com.au/about-us/privacy-policy/>.

BROCHURE VALIDITY Tour itineraries and prices in this brochure are accurate at the time of printing and prices are based on exchange rates as at 2 September 2019. Once a customer has paid the deposit, the standard regular price of the tour is guaranteed, subject to any increase in fuel surcharge, tax changes or levies imposed by any government or their agencies or any airline. Prices are subject to change without notice. Departure dates of tours are subject to change due to future airline schedules. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to make alterations to itineraries, departure dates and prices due to circumstances beyond their control.

AGENT RESPONSIBILITIES It is the travel agents' responsibility to ensure that all invoice and itinerary details and documentation issued by Wendy Wu Tours are correct and that the customer is aware of amendment and cancellation conditions and other clauses in these Booking Conditions. It is also the agents responsibility to provide copies of valid passports at time of deposit.

LAW OF CONTRACT This contract is governed by the laws of the state of New South Wales and any legal action arising therefrom shall be litigated only in the appropriate court in that state having jurisdiction in that claim.

PLEASE NOTE: Changes in operator land costs, airfares, taxes, fuel surcharges and currency exchange rates may affect the price of particular group tours. For these reasons, it is essential that the agent/customer reconfirms all arrangements at the time of booking and prior to paying the final payment

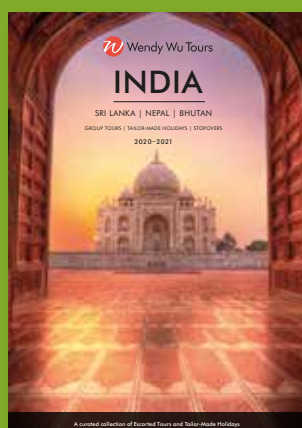
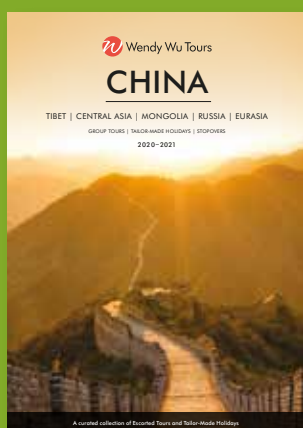
YOUR FINANCIAL PROTECTION We are a member of the AFTA (Australian Federation of Travel Agents) Travel Accreditation Scheme (ATAS) (ATAS number A10517). If your holiday does not include flights, AFTA will financially protect your holiday by ensuring you receive a refund or, if your arrangements include return travel to Australia (other than flights) you are returned to Australia in the event that your holiday cannot be provided as a result of our insolvency.

AFTA and AFTA members help holidaymakers to get the most from their travel and assist them when things do not go according to plan. We are obliged to maintain a high standard of service to you by AFTA's Code of Conduct.

For further information about AFTA, please refer to their website <https://www.atas.com.au/>

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- Unrivalled knowledge and expertise
- Expert National Escorts and Local Guides
- Comprehensive range of Classic Tours, Go Beyond Tours, Solo Tours, Exclusive Collection Tours and Tailor-Made Holidays
- Exciting journeys to must-see destinations
- Quality hotels and comfortable transportation



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