

Average temperatures	January		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	21/ 31	MED	13
HANOI	13/ 20	MED	18
SAPA	5/ 11	MED	40
HOI AN	18/ 24	HIGH	96
HUE	17/ 23	HIGH	180
PHNOM PENH	21/ 31	HIGH	7
SIEM REAP	19/ 31	MED	2
VIENTIANE	14/ 28	MED	5
LUANG PRABANG	13/ 28	MED	15
Average temperatures	February		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	22/ 32	MED	4
HANOI	14/ 21	HIGH	28
SAPA	6/ 12	MED	71
HOI AN	19/ 26	HIGH	33
HUE	18/ 24	HIGH	93
PHNOM PENH	22/ 32	HIGH	10
SIEM REAP	21/ 32	MED	10
VIENTIANE	17/ 30	HIGH	15
LUANG PRABANG	14/ 32	HIGH	18
Average temperatures	March		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	24/ 33	MED	10
HANOI	17/ 23	MED	38
SAPA	11/ 18	MED	119
HOI AN	21/ 28	MED	22
HUE	20/ 27	HIGH	66
PHNOM PENH	23/ 34	HIGH	40
SIEM REAP	23/ 33	MED	20
VIENTIANE	19/ 33	HIGH	38
LUANG RABANG	17/ 34	HIGH	31
Average temperatures	April		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	25/ 34	MED	50
HANOI	20/ 32	HIGH	81
SAPA	13/ 21	MED	178
HOI AN	23/ 31	MED	26
HUE	22/ 30	MED	60
PHNOM PENH	24/ 35	HIGH	77
SIEM REAP	24/ 34	MED	60
VIENTIANE	23/ 34	HIGH	99
LUANG RABANG	21/ 36	HIGH	109
Average temperatures	May		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	25/ 34	HIGH	218
HANOI	23/ 32	HIGH	196
SAPA	16/ 22	HIGH	370
HOI AN	24/ 33	HIGH	62
HUE	23/ 33	HIGH	83
PHNOM PENH	24/ 34	HIGH	134
SIEM REAP	24/ 33	HIGH	140
VIENTIANE	23/ 32	HIGH	267
LUANG RABANG	23/ 35	HIGH	163

*We recommend that you check the weather forecast prior to your departure so that you can pack accordingly.*

Indochina has a subtropical climate; the months of **December, January and February** are equivalent to their winter with it being the coolest time of the year. In southern and central Vietnam, Cambodia and southern Laos, the days can still be warm but the evenings cooler and dryer. The mountain areas of northern Laos, and all of northern Vietnam can get quite cold and experience light rains at this time of year. You will need a pullover or jacket in the mountainous areas of Laos (such as Luang Prabang, Phonsavan, Saravane and Houeixay) and northern Vietnam.

The months of **April, May, September, and October** enjoy warm temperatures, with April and May being their equivalent to spring; September and October being autumn. These four months enjoy almost identical weather conditions, with usually mild and warm weather. However, it can get extremely hot and humid in Cambodia during April, just before the relief of the wet season rains come.

**March & November** also enjoy warm temperatures, with March being early spring and November being late autumn. These two months enjoy almost identical weather conditions - mild and less humid weather. However in November, Central Vietnam experiences occasional storms and Laos has cooler temperatures and you will need a pullover or jacket in mountainous areas like Luang Prabang, Phonsavan, Saravane and Houeixay.

During **June, July & August** it is the wet season for most parts of this region; their equivalent to summer, experiencing warm temperatures and humidity which is relieved by the monsoonal rains that take place most afternoons.

Consider your packing carefully. You will need to bring clothing suitable for sun exposure and mild temperatures, as well as water/windproof clothing for the cooler, wetter weather. Generally, casual clothes are recommended for your holiday. Loose fitting, lightweight cotton materials are the most comfortable for humid weather. The dress code throughout the tour is casual however, it is important that all passengers dress conservatively. Smart casual clothes are highly recommended for evening banquets and shows.

Please note, due to restrictions on your internal flights, your luggage allowance is 20 kilos for checked luggage and 5 kilos for hand luggage.

### Example packing list:

- Your travel documents and passport- including a photocopy of your passport in case it is lost or stolen while you are abroad. Keep one photocopy at home and take another photocopy on your trip with you.
- Main luggage & luggage padlocks.
- 'Day bag' - a smaller bag to carry with you during the day.
- Money belt to carry passport, cash, credit cards, airline tickets, etc.
- Trousers (or long skirts for women).
- Shirts or long-sleeved tops of light cotton material.
- Walking shoes and socks – it is important to have sturdy and comfortable shoes for sightseeing every day.
- Sun protection – hat, sunscreen and lip balm.
- Personal medical kit including insect repellent
- Antibacterial wipes – wipes such as 'Wet Ones Anti-bacterial' to clean hands before eating.
- Tracksuit/similar outfit of soft material is recommended for the overnight train journeys.
- A water/windproof jacket.
- A 'modesty shawl' or sarong to wear in Muslim or conservative areas (for women).
- Torch, conversion plug and spare batteries – batteries available to buy in Indochina tend to be unreliable.
- Scarf or bandana – useful to protect your face against dusty winds at high altitude.
- Spare glasses – it is difficult to get any prescription lenses repaired or replaced in Indochina.
- Small bath towel is useful for overnight train journeys.
- Toilet paper – not all sightseeing public toilets will provide this.
- Snacks – tea bags/coffee, milk powder or sachets, instant soups or noodles, or anything else you can't live without!
- Camera and spare film/memory card – film available in Indochina tends to be bad quality or sun damaged.

*In addition, if your tour visits the mountainous region of northern Laos, or northern Vietnam:*

- Light jumpers or thermals
- A warm water/windproof jacket
- Thick and warm socks, gloves, scarf and a hat

Average temperatures	June		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	24/ 32	HIGH	311
HANOI	26/ 33	HIGH	239
SAPA	17/ 22	HIGH	355
HOI AN	25/ 33	HIGH	87
HUE	25/ 34	HIGH	96
PHNOM PENH	24/ 33	HIGH	155
SIEM REAP	23/ 32	HIGH	170
VIENTIANE	24/ 32	HIGH	302
LUANG PRABANG	23/ 34	HIGH	155
Average temperatures	July		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	24/ 32	HIGH	293
HANOI	26/ 33	HIGH	323
SAPA	17/ 22	HIGH	480
HOI AN	25/ 34	HIGH	85
HUE	25/ 34	HIGH	50
PHNOM PENH	24/ 32	HIGH	171
SIEM REAP	23/ 31	HIGH	200
VIENTIANE	24/ 31	HIGH	267
LUANG PRABANG	23/ 32	HIGH	231
Average temperatures	August		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	24/ 31	HIGH	270
HANOI	26/ 32	HIGH	343
SAPA	17/ 23	HIGH	480
HOI AN	25/ 33	HIGH	103
HUE	24/ 34	HIGH	137
PHNOM PENH	26/ 32	HIGH	160
SIEM REAP	23/ 31	HIGH	200
VIENTIANE	24/ 31	HIGH	292
LUANG PRABANG	23/ 32	HIGH	300
Average temperatures	September		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	24/ 31	HIGH	327
HANOI	24/ 31	HIGH	254
SAPA	16/ 22	HIGH	320
HOI AN	24/ 31	HIGH	349
HUE	23/ 31	HIGH	502
PHNOM PENH	25/ 31	HIGH	224
SIEM REAP	23/ 30	HIGH	260
VIENTIANE	24/ 31	HIGH	302
LUANG PRABANG	23/ 33	HIGH	165

Average temperatures	October			November			December		
	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm	Temp°C min/max	Humidity	Rain mm
SAIGON	23/ 31	HIGH	266	22/ 31	HIGH	116	21/ 30	MED	48
HANOI	22/ 29	MED	99	18/ 26	MED	43	15/ 22	MED	20
SAPA	13/ 18	HIGH	190	10/ 17	HIGH	119	7/ 13	MED	40
HOI AN	23/ 29	HIGH	612	21/ 27	HIGH	366	19/ 24	HIGH	199
HUE	22/ 28	HIGH	688	20/ 26	HIGH	647	18/ 23	HIGH	375
PHNOM PENH	24/ 30	HIGH	257	23/ 30	HIGH	127	22/ 30	HIGH	45
SIEM REAP	22/ 30	HIGH	230	21/ 30	HIGH	80	19/ 30	MED	10
VIENTIANE	18/ 29	HIGH	109	18/ 29	HIGH	15	16/ 28	MED	3
LUANG PRABANG	21/ 32	MED	79	18/ 29	MED	31	15/ 27	MED	13