

Captivating Vietnam Tour

📅 4 Nights / 5 Days

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Overview

Discover the charm of Northern Vietnam on this 5-day tour through Hanoi’s vibrant streets, the serene landscapes of Ninh Binh, and the iconic limestone karsts of Halong Bay. This journey offers a perfect blend of culture, nature, and relaxation, with handpicked experiences including a scenic cruise, guided city tours, and UNESCO-listed sites—all with comfortable 3-star accommodations and expert local guides.

Highlights

- 🏠 Explore Hanoi’s vibrant Old Quarter and timeless cultural landmarks
- 🏠 Glide through the mystical grottoes of Trang An in Ninh Binh
- 🏠 Discover the ancient capital of Hoa Lu and its royal temples
- 🏠 Cruise through the stunning limestone karsts of Halong Bay
- 🏠 Wake up to sunrise views over emerald waters on a Halong overnight cruise
- 🏠 Enjoy guided tours with local insights into Vietnam’s rich heritage
- 🏠 Savor authentic Vietnamese cuisine in charming local settings
- 🏠 Travel comfortably with air-conditioned transfers and expert support

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1 - Hanoi Arrival - Hanoi City Tour

Upon arrival at Noi Bai International Airport in Hanoi, you will be welcomed by our local representative and transferred to your hotel for check-in (standard check-in time applies). After a short rest, begin your journey with a guided city tour of Vietnam's bustling capital. Visit the historic Ho Chi Minh Complex, the tranquil One Pillar Pagoda, and the Temple of Literature—Vietnam's first university. Later, stroll through the atmospheric streets of the Old Quarter, explore the vibrant Dong Xuan Market, and relax by the scenic Hoan Kiem Lake. End the day with a traditional water puppet show (optional), offering a glimpse into rural Vietnamese culture.

Day 2 - Hanoi - Ninh Binh (Trang An - Hoa Lu) - Hanoi (B/L)

After breakfast, embark on a full-day SIC (Seat-in-Coach) tour to Ninh Binh, often called "Halong Bay on land." Your first stop is Hoa Lu, the ancient capital of Vietnam in the 10th century, where you'll explore the temples dedicated to King Dinh and King Le. Afterward, head to Trang An—a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its spectacular karst landscape. Board a traditional sampan boat and glide through peaceful riverways flanked by towering limestone cliffs, mysterious caves, and lush rice paddies. Enjoy a local lunch and then return to Hanoi by evening for an overnight stay.

Day 3 - Hanoi - Halong Bay by Shuttle Bus - Overnight on Cruise (B/L/D)

Following breakfast, depart Hanoi on a scenic 3.5-hour drive to Halong Bay, passing through the fertile farmlands of the Red River Delta. Upon arrival, board a traditional non-private junk boat for a memorable overnight cruise through this natural wonder. Halong Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is famed for its emerald waters and thousands of limestone islands. Enjoy a delicious seafood lunch as the cruise sets sail past unique rock formations. Participate in onboard activities such as kayaking, visiting floating villages, or simply relaxing on the sundeck. Enjoy a freshly prepared dinner onboard before retiring to your comfortable cabin for the night.

Day 4 - Halong Bay - Hanoi by Shuttle Bus (B/Brunch)

Wake up early to admire the sunrise over the bay, followed by a light breakfast. The cruise continues through the bay, with visits to remarkable caves and islands. A buffet brunch is served as you slowly cruise back to the pier. Disembark and board the shuttle bus for your

return journey to Hanoi. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the evening at leisure—perfect for last-minute shopping or exploring Hanoi's lively night markets and food streets.

Day 5 - Hanoi - Departure (B)

Enjoy your final breakfast in Vietnam. Depending on your flight schedule, you may have some free time for shopping or relaxing before check-out. You'll be transferred to Noi Bai International Airport for your onward flight, marking the end of your unforgettable journey through northern Vietnam.

Accommodation Used