

HA NOI – HA LONG BAY – DA NANG - SON TRA PENNINSULA

BA NA HILLS – HOI AN – HO CHI MINH CITY

Duration: 6 nights – 7 days

DAY 01: HANOI ARRIVAL - CITY TOUR.

Arrive Noi Bai international airport. Tour guide will pick you up at the airport and transfer you to hotel. Check in.

Afternoon: Enjoy a private Ha Noi city tour.

The driver and our English guide will pick you up at your hotel. We will visit the **Temple of Literature** - Vietnam's first university. Constructed in 1070, the temple is dedicated to one of the world's most famous scholars, Confucius, inside the temple grounds huge stone stele rest on the backs of even larger stone turtles

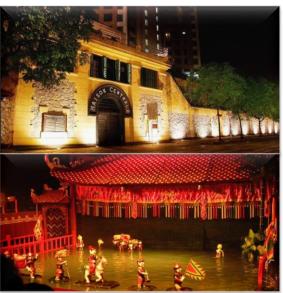
The Maison central in Hanoi, also known as **Hoa Lo Prison** or the 'Hanoi Hilton'.

Enjoy one hour with electric car to explore the old quarter and enjoy interaction with local artisans. We will also visit **Hoan Kiem Lake**, the heart of Ha Noi.

Start your evening with a traditional water puppet performance "Roi Nuoc". The stage is actually a large container of water where the characters (carved wooden puppets} "act" out the story, most of the stories are whimsical and fun, and the puppeteers stand in waist deep water behind a screen controlling the puppets with rods that mostly are under the water.

Free your time at leisure. Overnight in Hanoi.





DAY 02: HANOI - HA LONG BAY DAY TOUR - HANOI (B,L).

Breakfast at hotel. We depart for Ha Long city to visit **Ha Long Bay**.

Arrive Ha Long Harbour, welcome aboard, and safety briefing. The cruise will take you on a 5 hours journey via a lot of highlights of the dragon bay which renowned for its striking, passages uninhabited islets and outcrops have been given imaginative names by the locals, due to their perceived shapes, including **Cock Fighting** and **Thumb**, while enjoy Vietnamese mouth-watering lunch on boat.



Arrive **Bo Hon archipelago**, you will visit **Surprising Cave** to see a lot of stalagmites with different shapes of sea lives, then go kayaking or bamboo boat in **Luon Cave** to discover the beautiful lagoon. Visit **Titop Island** with sandy beach adjacent to the towering limestone mountain with excellent backdrop of the Bay and climb up Titop Peak for a panoramic view of the bay like paradise.

Cruising back to Tuan Chau harbour. Enjoy your time on the sunset, sunbathing on upper deck with music and enjoying great fun of group touring fellows among world iconic natural scenery.

Transfer back to Hanoi. Free your time at leisure. Overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 03: HA NOI - FLY TO DA NANG - SON TRA PENNINSULA - MARBLE MOUTAINS (B).

Breakfast at hotel. Our tour guide and driver will pick you up then transfer to Noi Bai airport to take a short domestic flight to Da Nang. Upon arrival Da Nang airport, you are welcome and then be transferred to visit **Son Tra Peninsula**. Located atop a hill by the coast of Son Tra Peninsula, this is the largest Buddhist temple in Da Nang. Overlooking the city beachfront, its grandeur Buddha shrines are surrounded by bonsai gardens dotted with sculptures. For locals, it's sacred equally to two older **Linh Ung pagoda**. There are many monkeys from the nature reserve nearby coming here for food handed out from tourists. Rising up to 67 meters from the ground, the Lady Buddha Da Nang is the tallest of its kind in Vietnam. She faces the city to shelter the citizens from disasters and patronizes fisher mans. Sculpted by hands of the Non Nuoc marble village's artisans, it houses a Buddha shrine on each floor inside.

We then explore the famous **Marble Mountain**. Around the top of Marble Mountains, the visitors will see Da Nang's oldest Buddhist temples, grandest grottoes, holiest shrines to local people, pretty outlooks and heritage trees. A viewpoint where all mountains are in sight is included in the trekking. In the surrounding, 400-years-old Non Nuoc marble village is proud of its traditional sculpture carving. One of the largest statue galleries is recommended, providing many opportunities for photography. The Giant Lady Buddha was sculpted by artisans here.

If time permitted, we then visit the **Han market**, on the way, we will pass over the famous bridge "**Dragon Bridge**"

Free your time at leisure. Overnight in Da Nang.

DAY 04: BA NA HILLS – HOI AN TOWN (B).

Breakfast at hotel. 08h30: Pick up at your hotel & transfer to Ba Na Hills.

09h15: Arrive at the Cable car station at the foot of Ba Na Mountain. Enjoy the first leg Cable car, which achieves two Guinness World records in 2009, longest non-stop cable car (5,042m) and highest non-stop cable car (1,292m). Sitting in the cabin, in mid air, looking upon the endless tree line of the forests, bring you with spectacular views of the lush jungle and fairly waterfalls along the way. Experience pristine ecological systems of the Ba Na Mountains will leave you the sense of unforeseeable discovery.









Visit the Le Jardin, old wineries, remains of French Villas and Linh Ung Pagoda with 27m high Buddha status. We then leave the Le Jardin for the second cable car station to visit the top of mountain and see the remain of old villas. Conquer the Peak of Chua Mountain at the height of 1,487m. View the whole Danang city under the cluster of white clouds. Leave Peak of Chua Mountain, visit the trail of Dreaming Stream, Rainbow Waterfall, Suspension Bridge, Golden Valley, and ruined Opera House. Next, visit the Fantasy Amusement Park, and enjoy the 4D Movie and optionally a few free games. (Games which have rewards, are payable at the location). Play with wild monkeys and take photos. Free time for visiting Ba Na Hills. We return to Cable car station at foot of Ba Na Mountain.



15:00. Transfer to Hoi An. Enjoy a walking tour of the ancient town, visit

the **400-yearsold Japanese Covered Bridge** - The symbol of Hoi An. The Japanese covered bridge was the first bridge in Hoi An and was constructed in 1593. It was built by the Japanese community of Hoian to link them with the Chinese quarters across the stream. We continue to visit the **Chua Ong Pagoda** and **Tan Ky old house**, with more than 200 years of history. We then visit some handicraft workshops. Transfer back to Da Nang city. Free your time at leisure. Overnight in Da Nang.

DAY 05: DA NANG – FLY TO HO CHI MINH CITY – HALF DAY CITY (B,L)

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to Da Nang airport for a short flight to **Ho Chi Minh city**. You are welcome at Tan Son Nhat airport and then transferred to the hotel.

Afternoon: We begin with a visit to the twin towers of **Notre Dame Cathedral** (outside), a red brick edifice with twin spires constructed, a familiar landmark in Ho Chi Minh City since the 1880s. Then head across the square to the historic **Saigon Central Post Office**, a grand and impressive building incorporating Gothic and Renaissance styles - you may wish to send a postcard home. Make sure we will continue with a visit to the **War Remnants Museum** for a vivid perspective of the American war through the eyes of the Vietnamese, the museum is a reminder of the horrors of the war.

We then enjoy a walking tour to visit the famous **Ben Thanh Market**, this will give you a good insight into the Vietnamese markets as well as an opportunity to interact with locals.

Free your time at leisure. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.

DAY 06: HO CHI MINH - CU CHI TUNNEL - MEKONG DELTA (B,L).

Breakfast at hotel. Our guide and driver will pick you up at hotel and start to explore Cu Chi Tunnels.

The incredible underground network in Cu Chi stretched over 200 kilometers and became legendary during the American war. The extensive tunnels have been specially constructed with living areas, storage facilities, weapon factories, filed hospitals, command canter, plus accommodation.





Upon arrival to the Cu Chi Tunnels, watch a short introductory video showing how they were constructed, then spend the

next hour exploring the maze of tunnels. Experience history first-hand as you crawl the legendary Cu Chi tunnels, sample local food and food eaten by soldiers who lived in the wonder of Vietnam's unique military art. A war veteran will show you around, allowing a moving insight into the struggles they endured.

Journey south to the Mekong delta, known as the 'rice bowl of Vietnam', and spend a full day exploring one of Vietnam's most fertile regions and the main cultivation area of rice and tropical fruits.

Have lunch at Mekong Delta.

We then take a private leisurely boat trip, stocked with cold, cloth towels, bottled water, fresh, seasonal fruits, and green tea, cruise around the four beautiful islands known as **Dragon**, **Unicorn**, **Phoenix and Tortoise islands**. We can see the fishing market and visit the floating fish farm.

Enjoy a rowing boat ride in the shadows of the water-coconut palms along the tiny canals to discover **"Coconuts homeland"**, **Ben Tre**. Enjoying fresh coconut juice on the boat. We will visit the picturesque orchards and sample the freshly picked fruit at the invitation of friendly local farmers. Spend some time in the villages to learn about the daily lives of the inhabitants, enjoying some kinds of tropical fruits while listening southern traditional music. You can learn how to make coconut candy. You can try some candies, visit the honey bee farm and try the honey, banana wine, ginger jams, soy beans... made by the villagers.

Enjoy a horse-cart around the village to have a look at the orchards and visit local people's house. Enjoy a relaxing cup of honey tea before returning to My Tho via a natural canal, cruising under the shadows of water coconut palms.



We boat back to My Tho via a natural canal, cruising under the shadows of water coconut palms. Transfer back to Saigon city. Free your time at leisure. Overnight in Saigon.

DAY 07: HO CHI MINH CITY - SHOPPING - DEPARTURE (B).

Breakfast at hotel. Free your time at leisure to enjoy shopping at city center.

Free your time at leisure until our guide and driver pick you up then transfer to Tan Son Nhat airport to take your departure flight.

SERVICE INCLUSIVE OF

- ✓ Local English-speaking guides.
- ✓ All accommodation double share with daily breakfast.
- ✓ All meals as indicated on itinerary.
- ✓ Private air-conditioned car.
- ✓ Private airport arrival & departure transfers.
- ✓ 4 hours cruise on Ha Long Bay.
- ✓ Private boat with seasonal fruits on Mekong delta.
- ✓ Water puppet show in Hanoi.
- ✓ Cable car round trip Ba Na Hills.
- ✓ All entrance fees & permits during guided time.
- ✓ Domestic gov't tax and service charge.
- ✓ Complimentary 02 bottles mineral water per person on touring days provided on the coach.

SERVICE EXCLUSIVE OF

- ✓ International air tickets/Domestic air tickets & airport taxes.
- ✓ Passport & visa fees, visa stamping.
- ✓ Items of a personal nature, such as laundry, telephone calls, room service, alcoholic & non-alcoholic beverages, etc.
- ✓ Single room (quoted separately), Child or adult in triple sharing room.
- \checkmark Other language may be on request.
- ✓ Vegetable meals may be on request.
- \checkmark Bottled/mineral water during any meal.
- ✓ Gratuities to tour guides, drivers and restaurant staff for services rendered.

<u>NOTE:</u> Surcharge for Public Holidays: please contact for details

- + National Day: Sep 1 3
- + Christmas: Dec 24 26
- + New Year: Dec 27 Jan 3

ACCOMMODATION IN HO CHI MINH CITY	
3* Hotel	4* Hotel
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https://www.libertysaigongreenview.com/vi	www.alagonhotels.com
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- Group from 6-10 pax: Minimum USD 4/ pax/ day
- Group from 11 pax & above: Minimum USD 3/ pax/ day