

Vietnam Essence with HO CHI MINH: Land + Flight Deal

06 DAYS / 05 NIGHTS

Tour Code: IVEH5

Countries Covered: Vietnam

Cities Covered: Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh



Highlights

- Hanoi City tour
- Ha Long Cruise
- Ho Chi Minh City tour – Cu Chi Tunnels
- My Tho (Mekong Delta) Tour

ITINERARY IN BRIEF

Day 1: Hanoi arrival – city tour

Day 2: Hanoi - Halong bay – Overnight on cruise (B, L, D) – Shuttle Bus

Day 3: Halong – Hanoi - Ho Chi Minh (Br) – Shuttle Bus

Day 4: Ho Chi Minh City tour – Cu Chi Tunnels (B, L) – SIC Tour

Day 5: Ho Chi Minh – Mekong Delta – My Tho – Ho Chi Minh (B, L) – SIC Tour

Day 6: Ho Chi Minh – Departure (B)

ITINERARY IN DETAIL

Day 1: Hanoi arrival – city tour

Welcome to Hanoi! - the capital of Vietnam, is a bustling metropolis with a rich history and culture.

We will pick you up at Noi Bai Airport and transfer you to the city center. You will have free time to relax after long flight.

In the afternoon, we will visit **Ba Dinh Square**, the largest square in Hanoi. This is where all of the city's biggest cultural and political events take place. We will take some photos of the **Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum** from the outside.

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Then we continue to the **Temple of Literature**, Vietnam's first university. The temple was built in 1070, and the gardens and well-preserved architecture offer a relaxing glimpse into Vietnam's past.

After visiting the temple, we will walk around **Hoan Kiem Lake**, a picturesque lake in the heart of Hanoi. We will then take a leisurely walk around the **Old Quarter of Hanoi**, a fascinating network of narrow alleys and shophouses. The Old Quarter is also known as "**The 36 Streets**," as each street is named after the merchandise that was traditionally sold there. Overnight in Hanoi.

Please note:

- Normal check-in time at hotel is 14:00/15:00. Early check-in is not included.
- Normal check-out time at hotel is 11:00/12:00. Late check-out is not included.



Hanoi



Halong Bay



Reunification palace - Ho Chi Minh



War Remnants Museum



Cu Chi Tunnels – Ho Chi Minh



My Tho - Mekong Delta

Day 2: Hanoi - Halong bay – Overnight on cruise (B, L, D) – Shuttle Bus

Breakfast at the hotel, then check out. At around 8:00 am, you will be picked up at your hotel in **Hanoi Old Quarters** and transferred to **Ha Long Bay**, the pride of the **Gulf of Tonkin**, a **Natural World Heritage** as recognized by UNESCO in 1994 and 2006.

Upon arrival at **the Cruise Port**, you will enjoy a warm welcome from cruise staff and complete the check-in procedure for the overnight cruise to discover the magnificent beauty of this "**Descending Dragon**" bay, created by thousands of odd-shaped limestone rocks and karst grottoes. After a lunch on board, we can visit the **Grottoes**, stop

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for swimming or kayaking, pass floating houses, and approach islets to enjoy their beauty in close proximity. Later in the afternoon, go back to the cruise and enjoy the **cooking demonstration** before having dinner. In the evening, attend activities on the boat or relax at your own leisure. Overnight on the cruise.

Please note: Stationed English speaking guide on board.

Day 3: Halong – Hanoi - Ho Chi Minh (Br)

You should wake up early to enjoy the dawn on the sea in the early morning. The Vietnamese call the "East Sea" by a point-oriented name "Eastern Sea", so you may guess how miraculous seeing the sunrise over the islets of the Bay. After breakfast our boat will continue to cruise in marvelous areas, where almost each islet has its own name, adopting its shape or reminiscent like **Sail Island, Fisherman's head rock, Butterfly rock or Turtle islet** etc. Check out your room and have brunch on board while the cruise coming back the pier.

Disembark from the cruise, return to Hanoi by shuttle bus. Your driver pick you up from Hanoi and transfer to Noi Bai airport (without tour guide) for your **flight to Ho Chi Minh city**, also called as Saigon, the most dynamic city in Vietnam.

Upon arrival, welcomed by the local tour guide and transfer to the down town. Check in your hotel. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh city.

Day 4: Ho Chi Minh City tour – Cu Chi Tunnels (B, L) – SIC Tour

Breakfast at the hotel. You will be picked up from pick-up point in District 1 at 07:30-08:00 am. Take the morning city tour to visit **Independence Palace**, also known at the **Reunification palace**, a witness to the fierce **Vietnam War** that ended in 1975. The grand building today is a **Museum and Hall** for official receptions. Continue seeing the beautiful structures from the **French Colonial** times such as the **Notre Dame Cathedral** (view from outside only) built between 1877 and 1883, the historic **Central Post Office** - one of the city's major landmarks. Followed by the remarkable site of the **War Remnants Museum**, one of the most famous historical attractions in Ho Chi Minh. Coming to the War Remnants Museum, you can learn a part of how Vietnamese struggled and fought for their independence, freedom, and peace of the nation, as well as the locals' perspective of the Vietnam War. Have lunch with Vietnamese food at local restaurant.

Afternoon drive to **Cu Chi Tunnels**: the network of over 200 km of tunnels became legendary when they played a vital role in the war. In their heyday, the tunnels were functioning underground cities, including numerous **trap doors**, specially constructed living areas, storage facilities, weapons factories, field hospitals, command centers, and kitchens. After a short introduction video showing how the tunnels were constructed, you will have a chance to crawl into a short section of the tunnels to feel the oppressive narrowness and heat inside. Experience the thrill of **firing an M15, AK-47, and carbine rifle** (at guests own extra cost).

Return to Ho Chi Minh later in the day. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh.

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Day 5: Ho Chi Minh – Mekong Delta – My Tho – Ho Chi Minh (B, L) – SIC Tour

Breakfast at hotel. You will be picked up from pick-up point in District 1 at 07:30-08:00 am. Leaving the hustle and bustle of Ho Chi Minh City and start your trip to depart for **My Tho**, the town lies on the left side of the Mekong River. Upon arrival, visit **Vinh Trang pagoda** which sated back to the late 19th century. Then boarding the sampan and cruising down the river around the four beautiful islands known as **Dragon, Unicorn, Phoenix and Tortoise islands**. Stop over at **Unicorn Island**, go walking around country lane and seeing orchards, enjoy tropical fruits, folk song music which performed by the local people. Visit the fruit plantation. Riding a hand-rowed sampan through Thoi Son canal and treat yourself in the beauty of the countryside, visit the family business, visit honey-bee farm, enjoy honey tea and coconut candy workshop. Have lunch at local restaurant. Time for relaxing.

In the afternoon, time for cycling around the **Tan Thach village**, meet the local villagers to experience the local daily life in the Mekong delta. **Hammock relaxing** and enjoy cool breeze for those can't join the cycling trip. Return to Ho Chi Minh City late in the afternoon. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh city.

Day 6: Ho Chi Minh Departure (B)

After breakfast, today you will be transferred to the Airport for your flight back home (No Guide today). We trust that you enjoyed your Vacation. Please do give us your valuable suggestions on feedback@southerntravels.in.

***** TOUR ENDS WITH SWEET MEMORIES *****

Location	Accommodations (or equivalent)	
	3 star	4 star
Hanoi	Moon view Hotel or Similar	Flower Garden Hotel or Similar
Halong Bay	La Regina Classic Cruise Or Similar	
Ho Chi Minh	White Lotus Hotel or Similar	Aristo Saigon Hotel or Similar

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TOUR PRICE IN INR (PER PERSON)

3* hotel rates per person based on 2 pax	Twin/Triple	Child with bed	Child no bed	Single
Ex Hyderabad/Chennai/Bengaluru	INR 86,999	INR 83,599	INR 79,790	INR 111,750
4* hotel rates per person	Twin/Triple	Child with bed	Child no bed	Single
Ex Hyderabad/Chennai/Bengaluru	INR 90,777	INR 86,999	INR 82,890	INR 115,750

3* hotel rates per person based on 4 pax	Twin/Triple	Child with bed	Child no bed	Single
Ex Hyderabad/Chennai/Bengaluru	INR 82,999	INR 80,599	INR 76,790	INR 111,750
4* hotel rates per person	Twin/Triple	Child with bed	Child no bed	Single
Ex Hyderabad/Chennai/Bengaluru	INR 86,777	INR 83,999	INR 78,890	INR 115,750

Note: The Above rates are valid until 30th Sep 2025.

<u>INCLUSIONS</u>	<u>EXCLUSIONS</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Return airfare on economy class with airport taxes ✓ 4-night accommodation based on double/twin sharing room ✓ 1-night Cruise based on double/twin sharing cabin on non-private boat in Halong Bay ✓ Meals as mentioned in the program. B-Breakfast, Br-Brunch, L-Lunch, D-Dinner ✓ All entrance fees and sightseeing as mentioned in the program ✓ Boat trip(s) as mentioned in the itinerary ✓ SIC tours as mentioned in the itinerary ✓ Transportation by vehicle with A/C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Private airport transfers and private tour transfers ○ Shared vehicle for SIC tours ○ Shuttle bus as mentioned in the itinerary ✓ Water during tour day ✓ Local English-speaking guide(s) in Vietnam (different guides in different cities & tour) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Visa to Vietnam ✓ Overseas medical insurance ✓ Meals not mentioned in the program ✓ Tips, Laundry, telephone, optional excursions and other items of a personal nature. ✓ 5% GST payable to Govt. of India ✓ TCS payable as per Govt. of India norms ✓ Cost of foreign exchange for personal use. ✓ Any items or services not specified in the itinerary 'package inclusion.' ✓ Surcharges during festive Seasons, Trade Fair and Events. ✓ Single Supplement; Early check-in and late check-out; Hotel/Room upgrade ✓ Tips, drinks, personal expenses and any services not mentioned in the program ✓ Compulsory tips for Guides /Drivers.

WEATHER

- ✓ For detailed Information about weather kindly visit www.accuweather.com

TOUR REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Your passport validity duration should be 6 Month from the date of arrival in India.
- ✓ Hand written passport are not valid for Travel
- ✓ For this package you must be in possession of a single Entry Visa for Vietnam .

THINGS TO CARRY

- ✓ Mobile phone with appropriate sim card or International roaming
- ✓ Along with your necessary clothing and toiletries carry sun screen lotion, hand sanitizer, sun glasses, cap, sports shoes, umbrella / windcheater, camera etc. and woolens if needed
- ✓ If you are on any medication, carry sufficient stock of the medicines with prescription

SHOPPING

- ✓ War Souvenirs, Ho Chi Minh T-shirt, Pho, Watercolour Painting etc

VISA PROCESS

- ✓ To proceed with visa, we required 2 photographs per person per visa (35mm*45mm matt finish white background 80% face exposer)
- ✓ For detailed supporting documents please be in touch with our representative at respective offices

TIME – GMT (HOURS AHEAD / BEHIND INDIA)

- ✓ Vietnam: + 1.30

CURRENCY

- ✓ Vietnam: Vietnamese dong

Important Notes:

- Any increase in the rate of USD (presently calculated at USD 1 = INR 87) leading to an increase in the cost of the tour, which may come into effect prior to departure. However, at the time of full and final payment, the rate of that day will apply.
- Airfares are subject to availability at the time of booking. Depending on seat availability and routing options, we may offer either direct or connecting flights to ensure the most timely and efficient travel arrangements

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- Rates are not applicable during festivals, exhibitions, conventions, and special events.
- Surcharges may apply during these periods and will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- This is a promotional offer. Rates are subject to change and may be withdrawn at any time without prior notice.
- The tour price mentioned is applicable based on a minimum of 2 passengers, traveling together
- A part of your tour price will be taken in USD from your LRS as per the RBI/GOI regulation.
- *Child without bed – Is an individual under 12 years of age, sharing the room with 2 Full Paying adults and without a bed/cot.
- In a room there can be a maximum of 3 adults. As a 3rd person in a triple room, most hotels use roll away beds or 2 queen-size beds and the room size will be the same as a Double room.
- For Two Adults & Two Children (Both under 12 Years) rooming together, the 1st Child will have to pay “Child with Bed” price and the 2nd Child will pay “Child without Bed” price.
- Additional Supplements on account of fuel hikes may be applicable.
- The room in the hotel until specifically mention will be base category of room.
- Standard International Check in time 15:00 and check out time 12:00 at the hotel
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- Seat in Coach (SIC) Basis Transfers – means NO MEET & GREET on arrival at the Airport.
- Clients must follow the joining instructions printed on our vouchers.
- Rates are valid for Indian Passport holders only.
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Booking Amount	25,000/-	50,000/-	75,000/-
60 Days prior to Departure	50% of the total packages cost	50% of the total packages cost	50% of the total packages cost
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- Flights Issued /blocked on Time limit: Full INR component will be collected before issuance to secure/retain the same fare within 20 days from the Booking amount date.
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