

Sapa Explorer - Heart of the Highlands

4 Days / 3 Nights

This 4-day journey from Hanoi to Sapa offers a blend of cultural immersion and stunning natural landscapes. Travel by overnight train to the mountainous town of Sapa, nestled near the Chinese border. Highlights include a scenic Fansipan Cable Car ride to Vietnam's highest peak, visits to traditional ethnic villages such as Ban Khoang and Ta Giang Phinh, and breathtaking views of terraced rice fields, valleys, and waterfalls. Experience local life through guided walks and savor the tranquility of northern Vietnam before returning to Hanoi.



Insider Experiences

- Fansipan Peak: ride the cable car to Vietnam's highest summit, with sweeping views of Muong Hoa Valley
- O Quy Ho Pass: pause at one of Vietnam's most dramatic mountain roads framed by waterfalls and forested cliffs
- Ban Khoang Village: meet the Red Zao community, known for cardamom farming and distinctive traditional dress
- Ta Giang Phinh Valley: walk among Black Hmong villages where daily life unfolds beside peaceful streams
- Sapa Town Vibe: enjoy free time to soak up the mountain charm, colorful markets, and cool alpine air

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Itinerary Details

Day 1: Hanoi Arrival to Sapa

Arrive in Hanoi, where your local guide greets you and escorts you to the railway station. Settle into your overnight train journey north, a classic experience that takes you out of the bustling capital and toward the misty mountains of Sapa. As the train rolls through the countryside, relax and anticipate the landscapes and cultural encounters that await.

Overnight in Chapa Express Train (or similar)

Day 2: Sapa (B)

As dawn approaches, arrive early into Lao Cai station, where you will disembark and transfer to your hotel in Sapa town. Along the way, take in the spectacular panoramic mountain scenery. Located in the far northwest of Vietnam in the mountains bordering China, Sapa is home to deep mountain valleys and traditional villages. After enjoying a delightful breakfast with your fellow travellers, you will spend your morning admiring the beauty of Sapa on-board the Fansipan Cable Car that will take you 3000m to the upmost peak of Fansipan to explore the many temples as well as admire the natural beauty of Hoang Lien Son and Muong Hoa Valley.

Overnight in Bamboo Sapa (or similar)

Day 3: Sapa (B/ L)

This morning, you will be met at your hotel in Sapa by local guide and driver for a short road transfer heading northwards of Sapa along national road 4C to O Quy Ho with several stops for magnificent landscapes of Fansipan, Sin Chai valley and especially amazing flower and vegetable farms. Then turn right to follow a narrow road for half an hour getting through the wild region with thick rain forest covering walled-up mountains, passing several waterfalls before arriving to Ban Khoang, a village of the Red Zao ethnic peoples who live their unique way of life and well maintain their traditional values. The village looks prosperous thanks to the combination of wet rice cultivation on the terraced fields with cardamom farming under the shade of trees in thick forest. Spend over an hour walking to explore this remote village for a brief understanding of local life.

Leaving Ban Khoang and process along the road for about 10km to Ta Giang Phinh valley inhabited by the Black Hmong who live in some small villages scattering along a peaceful stream. Enjoy an hour lunch break on the bank of a stream before walking along village path which connects village to village to witness the local's daily activities such as plough and harrow the fields, growing, harvesting or simply housework. In leisure months men often gather to build new houses or repair parts of old ones while women stay home making their traditional costumes. The walk ends mid-afternoon, picked up for the road ride back to Sapa.

Overnight in Bamboo Sapa (or similar)

Day 4: Sapa to Hanoi Departure (B)

After breakfast, enjoy a leisurely morning in Sapa to soak up the mountain air or take a final stroll through town before beginning the scenic return drive to Hanoi. From the vibrant valleys to the timeless traditions of the hill tribes, your journey has offered unforgettable glimpses of northern Vietnam's beauty and spirit — memories to carry with you long after departure.

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Inclusions

- English-speaking Tour Guide
- Meals as stated (B = Breakfast; L = Lunch; D = Dinner)
- Overnight on Train as stated
- Tipping for Guide and Driver
- Transport in Air-conditioned Vehicles
- Accommodation in Stated Hotels or similar
- Arrival Transfer

Exclusions

- Early Check-in and Late Check-out
- International Flights
- Meals not stated in itinerary
- Porters
- Travel Insurance
- Visa Fees
- Personal Expenses (Laundry, Mini-bar, Phones, Drinks, etc.)

Departures

Rates are NET per person in USD on a sharing Twin or Double Room basis.

Date	Start Date	End Date	TWN/DBL Share	SGL Room
02/04/2026	Thu, 02 Apr 26	Sun, 05 Apr 26	454	544
16/04/2026	Thu, 16 Apr 26	Sun, 19 Apr 26	454	544
30/04/2026	Thu, 30 Apr 26	Sun, 03 May 26	454	544
14/05/2026	Thu, 14 May 26	Sun, 17 May 26	447	528
28/05/2026	Thu, 28 May 26	Sun, 31 May 26	447	528
11/06/2026	Thu, 11 Jun 26	Sun, 14 Jun 26	447	528
25/06/2026	Thu, 25 Jun 26	Sun, 28 Jun 26	447	528
09/07/2026	Thu, 09 Jul 26	Sun, 12 Jul 26	447	528
23/07/2026	Thu, 23 Jul 26	Sun, 26 Jul 26	447	528
06/08/2026	Thu, 06 Aug 26	Sun, 09 Aug 26	447	528
20/08/2026	Thu, 20 Aug 26	Sun, 23 Aug 26	447	528
03/09/2026	Thu, 03 Sep 26	Sun, 06 Sep 26	447	528
17/09/2026	Thu, 17 Sep 26	Sun, 20 Sep 26	447	528
01/10/2026	Thu, 01 Oct 26	Sun, 04 Oct 26	454	544
15/10/2026	Thu, 15 Oct 26	Sun, 18 Oct 26	454	544
29/10/2026	Thu, 29 Oct 26	Sun, 01 Nov 26	454	544

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12/11/2026	Thu, 12 Nov 26	Sun, 15 Nov 26	454	544
26/11/2026	Thu, 26 Nov 26	Sun, 29 Nov 26	454	544
10/12/2026	Thu, 10 Dec 26	Sun, 13 Dec 26	454	544
24/12/2026	Thu, 24 Dec 26	Sun, 27 Dec 26	454	544
07/01/2027	Thu, 07 Jan 27	Sun, 10 Jan 27	454	544
21/01/2027	Thu, 21 Jan 27	Sun, 24 Jan 27	454	544
04/02/2027	Thu, 04 Feb 27	Sun, 07 Feb 27	454	544
18/02/2027	Thu, 18 Feb 27	Sun, 21 Feb 27	454	544
04/03/2027	Thu, 04 Mar 27	Sun, 07 Mar 27	454	544
18/03/2027	Thu, 18 Mar 27	Sun, 21 Mar 27	454	544

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1. Booking & Confirmation

All services are subject to availability and confirmed in writing. Proposals are valid at the time of issue and will only be guaranteed once accepted within a reasonable period. Rates may change if acceptance is delayed.

2. Payment Conditions

Full payment is required before guest arrival:

- Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand, Indonesia: **30 days prior**
- Japan, South Korea, Singapore, Malaysia, Philippines: **35 days prior**

Payments must be made to the bank account stated on the invoice. All bank charges are borne by the payer. Late payments may result in price increases or cancellation of services. Overdue balances of more than 30 days are subject to 4% annual interest.

3. Deposits & Tickets

Most FIT bookings do not require deposits unless specific suppliers (e.g., cruises, trains, hotels) request it.

Group bookings for Japan & South Korea: 15% refundable deposit.

Airlines may impose immediate issuance and non-refundable conditions; once tickets are issued, airline cancellation rules prevail.

4. Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be submitted in writing.

Standard Policy (all countries except where noted):

- 31+ days: **No charge**
- 15–30 days: **10%**
- 7–14 days: **20%**
- 1–6 days: **50%**
- No Show: **100%**

Myanmar / Japan / South Korea:

- 46+ days: **No charge**
- 45–30 days: **20%**
- 29–14 days: **40%**
- 13–1 days: **75%**
- No Show: **100%**

Supplier-specific cancellation rules override the above when stricter.

5. Liability & Force Majeure

Kavaya acts as an intermediary between hotels, airlines, transport providers and local suppliers. We are not liable for loss, injury, delays, natural events, political incidents, or other force majeure events beyond our control. Any additional expenses caused by such events are borne by the traveler.

6. Complaints

All complaints must be submitted in writing within 4 weeks after the client's return.

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