

Vietnam Insight

11 Days / 10 Nights

Discover Vietnam on this 11-day journey that weaves history, culture, and natural beauty. Begin in Hanoi, exploring the Old Quarter, Ho Chi Minh Quarter, and ancient temples before heading south to Ninh Binh's karst landscapes and river caves. Cruise the emerald waters of Halong Bay, then fly to Hue to uncover imperial tombs, citadels, and pagodas. Wander the UNESCO-listed streets of Hoi An, explore the Cu Chi Tunnels near Saigon, and journey deep into the Mekong Delta with visits to floating markets and local villages. Conclude in vibrant Saigon with historic landmarks and a farewell dinner—a captivating adventure through Vietnam's soul.



Insider Experiences

- Ha Long Bay: cruise among emerald waters and limestone karsts, waking to sunrise Tai Chi on a traditional junk boat
- Hoi An Ancient Town: wander lantern-lit streets and centuries-old merchant houses in Vietnam's most atmospheric port
- Cu Chi Tunnels: descend into the vast underground maze that reveals the resilience of wartime Vietnam
- Trang An Landscape Complex: glide by small boat through limestone caves and ancient valleys in a UNESCO wonder
- Cai Rang Floating Market: watch the Mekong come alive at dawn as traders sell tropical produce from boat to boat

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Itinerary Details

Day 1: Hanoi Arrival

On arrival in Hanoi, transfer to your hotel and enjoy free time until your tour briefing and welcome drinks with your fellow travellers.

Overnight in Le Jardin Hotel (or similar)

Day 2: Hanoi (B/ L)

Today experience the charm of Hanoi. Drive past some of Hanoi's unique sites including Long Bien Bridge, St Joseph's Church & the Opera House. Continue with a walking tour through the fascinating Old Quarter - 36 ancient streets where you can observe the daily bustle of life around the markets where peddlers continue to trade as they have done for centuries. Visit the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, dedicated to the father of modern Vietnam – Uncle Ho, to see his mausoleum, the Presidential Palace, his 'house on stilts' and the One Pillar Pagoda. A short drive to observe the Citadel & Flag Tower which was made a UNESCO World Heritage site in 2010.

After lunch at KOTO restaurant continue with a visit to the Temple of Literature - Vietnam's first university now dedicated to Confucian worship. Also visit Tran Quoc and Ngoc Son Temples then the "Hanoi Hilton" - the nickname given to the place where captured U.S pilots were imprisoned during the Vietnam War - now converted into a small museum before returning to your hotel.

Please note: The Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum is closed on Mondays and Fridays; The Ho Chi Minh Museum & the Citadel are closed on Mondays. The Presidential Palace can only be viewed from the outside. The Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum has annual maintenance normally from September for 2 to 3 months and can only be viewed from the outside. All other sites in the Ho Chi Minh complex are still accessible during this period

Overnight in Le Jardin Hotel (or similar)

Day 3: Hanoi to Ninh Binh (B)

This morning travel some 90kms south to you Hoa Lu, the ancient capital of Vietnam dating back to the 10th century. Visit the famous sanctuary of Dinh Tien Hoang, a former emperor of the Dinh Dynasty, and the temple dedicated to the Le Emperor. Following the demise of the Le dynasty the capital was moved to Ha Noi.

After lunch (own arrangement) we visit the Trang An Landscape Complex. A spectacular landscape of limestone karst peaks permeated with valleys, many of them partly submerged and surrounded by steep, almost vertical cliffs. Exploration of caves has revealed evidence of traces of human activity over a continuous period of more than 30,000 years. Recently awarded UNESCO world heritage status we take a small boat through this magnificent area. Continue to Ninh Binh and transfer to your hotel.

Overnight in Ninh Binh Hidden Charm Hotel (or similar)

Day 4: Ninh Binh to Ha Long Bay (B/ L/ D)

Marvel at the towering limestone karsts and vast paddy fields as you make your way from Ninh Binh to Halong City, the gateway to Halong Bay. Dotted with 3,000 limestones karsts, Halong Bay is one of Vietnam's stunning natural wonders. Board a beautifully appointed junk boat and begin to cruise the impressive emerald waters of Halong Bay. Enjoy a sumptuous lunch before stopping to explore the many secluded corners of the bay. In the evening, retreat to your private cabin, or relax on the main deck or at the bar.

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Overnight in Athena Luxury Cruise (or similar)

Day 5: Ha Long Bay to Hue (B)

Rise early to enjoy a Tai Chi lesson on the sundeck, or choose to relax and take in your final moments in this majestic location before feasting on a delicious buffet brunch. After disembarking, drive back to Hanoi for your onwards flight to the former imperial capital of Hue, situated on the banks of the Perfume River.

Overnight in Pilgrimage Village Resort (or similar)

Day 6: Hue to Hoi An (B)

Depart your hotel for your half day tour of Hue, the former imperial capital of Vietnam. View the tomb of the fourth emperor of the Nguyen Dynasty Tu Duc set beautifully amongst lakes & frangipani trees. Continue with a stop at Bunker Hill overlooking the Perfume River with panoramic views of the plains that stretch towards the mountains in the west. & then a brief stop at the Tiger Colosseum. Next we explore the impressive home of the Nguyen Dynasty emperors - the Citadel. Graded as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1993, much of the Citadel was destroyed during the Tet Offensive in 1968 but is gradually being restored. We finish with a short boat trip to the much-revered Thien Mu Pagoda, Hue's oldest and most beautiful.

After lunch (own arrangement), you will leave Hue for Hoi An. The guide and driver will take you over the beautiful Hai Van Pass - Vietnam's geographical and psychological boundary between north and south. The peak of the pass lies perpetually shrouded in clouds. Upon arrival, transfer to hotel for check-in. This evening is free for you to explore Hoi An at leisure.

Overnight in Le Pavilion Luxury Resort (or similar)

Day 7: Hoi An (B)

This morning, you will begin your walking tour of this UNESCO world heritage site. Hoi An was once Vietnam's most active trading centre and over many centuries the Old Town has been largely preserved. The architecture of the city reflects the influence of Chinese, Japanese, Portuguese, French and British traders. Hoi An is also the town where French Missionary Alexandre De Rhodes introduced Catholicism to Vietnam as well as the Romanised script that has become the standard Vietnamese script. Today you will be guided on a walking tour through the streets of enchanting Hoi An. You will visit a traditional ancient house, the Hoi An Museum, a Chinese Assembly Hall, Chau Ong pagoda and the Japanese Covered Bridge. The tour will end in Hoi An Ancient Town where you can enjoy more time at your leisure.

Overnight in Le Pavilion Luxury Resort (or similar)

Day 8: Hoi An to Saigon (B)

Drive to Danang before flying to Saigon, Vietnam's commercial capital. Upon arrival journey to the Cu Chi Tunnels. Discover the network of underground tunnels while learning about their role in the Vietnam War. The majority of the network has been recreated above ground however you will have the option to head underground & experience what life was like below the surface. Return to Saigon and spend the remainder of day at leisure enjoying the various sights and sounds of the boisterous city.

Overnight in Saigon Prince (or similar)

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Day 9: Saigon to Can Tho (B/ L)

An early morning departure from your hotel takes you to Cai Be, deep in the heart of the Mekong Delta. Embark on your wooden boat to explore the Mekong Delta's unique market and, also the symbol of the region, Cai Be floating market. This is not the biggest floating market, but it is good to understand the life of the river, one of the tourist magnets of the Mekong Delta. Just only 2 hours away from Saigon, beautiful countryside sceneries and surprisingly hospitable people are waiting for you. Board our traditional boat at the local Cai Be pier and start cruising along the floating market while sampling our tropical fresh fruits, letting the cool breeze touch your hair, you will find the place a truly destination to spend the day relaxing.

You will be surprised by the way the locals trade and advertise their products. Disembark the boat temporarily to explore deeper about the local life by visiting the town's business and craft factories. Have fun with a leisure sampan ride through canals before we transfer you to an ancient house where a delicious home hosted lunch with Mekong's specialties awaits. After lunch, continue to cruise upstream the Mighty Mekong toward Vinh Long. Along the way, you will observe the typical Mekong Delta rural local life with stops at a local brick & pottery making factory and a floating fish farm before we take you back to the mainland where you will be transferred to your hotel in Can Tho.

Overnight in TTC Hotel Premium Can Tho (or similar)

Day 10: Can Tho to Saigon (B/ D)

Can Tho is a university town on the confluence of three rivers in the heart of the delta. The Mekong Delta was once part of the Khmer Kingdom, and today many ethnic Khmers still live here. You make an early start this morning to visit the floating markets of Cai Rang which are in full swing at 0700. You'll take a small boat and explore the waterways, which are packed with people who have come from the surrounding rural areas to sell all manner of fruits and vegetables. It's a lively and colorful scene. Return to Saigon by mid-afternoon for check in to your hotel. This evening, join your group for a farewell dinner.

Overnight in Saigon Prince Hotel (or similar)

Day 11: Saigon Departure (B)

Depart from your hotel for a morning walking tour through the heart of Saigon's famous and historic city landmarks including Dong Khoi Street, the Rex Hotel, Municipal Theatre, Hotel de Ville, Nguyen Hue Boulevard, Post Office & Notre Dame Cathedral. Your vehicle will then take you to the site of the former US Embassy (now the US consulate) before visiting the impressive Reunification Palace and War Remnants Museum. Later travel to Binh Thanh district and visit Ba Chieu local wholesale market in the East of Saigon, before visiting the Ngoc Hoang (Jade Emperor) Pagoda. This popular 124-year-old pagoda, houses a number of intricate sculptures and woodcarvings. Return to your hotel where your tour ends. A transfer will take you to the airport for your onward travels.

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Inclusions

- Arrival and Departure Transfers
- English-speaking Tour Guide
- Entrance fees for locations specified
- Internal Flights as specified in itinerary
- Meals as stated (B = Breakfast; L = Lunch; D = Dinner)
- Overnight on Cruise as stated
- Tipping for Guide and Driver
- Transport in Air-conditioned Vehicles
- Accommodation in Stated Hotels or similar

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
05/04/2026	Sun, 05 Apr 26	Wed, 15 Apr 26	1673	2128
19/04/2026	Sun, 19 Apr 26	Wed, 29 Apr 26	1673	2128
03/05/2026	Sun, 03 May 26	Wed, 13 May 26	1661	2098
17/05/2026	Sun, 17 May 26	Wed, 27 May 26	1661	2098
31/05/2026	Sun, 31 May 26	Wed, 10 Jun 26	1661	2098
14/06/2026	Sun, 14 Jun 26	Wed, 24 Jun 26	1661	2098
28/06/2026	Sun, 28 Jun 26	Wed, 08 Jul 26	1661	2098
12/07/2026	Sun, 12 Jul 26	Wed, 22 Jul 26	1661	2098
26/07/2026	Sun, 26 Jul 26	Wed, 05 Aug 26	1661	2098
09/08/2026	Sun, 09 Aug 26	Wed, 19 Aug 26	1661	2098
23/08/2026	Sun, 23 Aug 26	Wed, 02 Sep 26	1661	2098
06/09/2026	Sun, 06 Sep 26	Wed, 16 Sep 26	1661	2098
20/09/2026	Sun, 20 Sep 26	Wed, 30 Sep 26	1661	2098
04/10/2026	Sun, 04 Oct 26	Wed, 14 Oct 26	1673	2128
18/10/2026	Sun, 18 Oct 26	Wed, 28 Oct 26	1673	2128

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01/11/2026	Sun, 01 Nov 26	Wed, 11 Nov 26	1673	2128
15/11/2026	Sun, 15 Nov 26	Wed, 25 Nov 26	1673	2128
29/11/2026	Sun, 29 Nov 26	Wed, 09 Dec 26	1673	2128
13/12/2026	Sun, 13 Dec 26	Wed, 23 Dec 26	1673	2128
27/12/2026	Sun, 27 Dec 26	Wed, 06 Jan 27	1673	2128
10/01/2027	Sun, 10 Jan 27	Wed, 20 Jan 27	1673	2128
24/01/2027	Sun, 24 Jan 27	Wed, 03 Feb 27	1673	2128
07/02/2027	Sun, 07 Feb 27	Wed, 17 Feb 27	1673	2128
21/02/2027	Sun, 21 Feb 27	Wed, 03 Mar 27	1673	2128
07/03/2027	Sun, 07 Mar 27	Wed, 17 Mar 27	1673	2128
21/03/2027	Sun, 21 Mar 27	Wed, 31 Mar 27	1673	2128

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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.

7. Jurisdiction

Any legal claim against Kavaya Travel Group shall be handled under the jurisdiction of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.