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VIETNAM AT A GLANCE

Itinerary: Sai Gon - CanTho -Mekong - Hue - DMZ QuangTri - Hanoi - HalongBay
Trip length: (13 days / 12 nights)
Tentative travel date: **October 28th - November 9th, 2019**

DAY 1: October 28th, 2019 SAIGON - ARRIVAL. (--/--/D)

Arrive at Tan Son Nhat International Airport.
Our bus and guide pick up and transfer to **Nikko Sai Gon Hotel 5*** for check in.
Free or at leisure after long journey.
Dinner and overnight in Sai Gon.

DAY 2: October 29th, 2019 SAI GON - VINH LONG MISSION DAY - CAN THO (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.
8h00 depart Ho Chi Minh city to Vinh Long City for **the first wheelchair delivery**.
10h30: wheelchair delivery

Contact person: Mr Đỗ Anh Kinh
Office: Trung Tâm Bồi Dưỡng Chính Trị TP. Vĩnh Long
Address: 118A Trần Phú, Phường 4, TP. Vĩnh Long, Tỉnh Vĩnh Long
Cellphone: 0939992862

Lunch en route at local restaurant.
Continue driving southward to Can Tho City - the heart of Mekong Delta. Check in **Victoria Resort 5***
Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight in Can Tho.



DAY 3: October 30th, 2019 CAN THO - MY THO - MEKONG TOUR - SAIGON. (B/L/D)

6:00 - early get up and transfer to **Ninh Kieu Wharf** where you will take a sampan cruising along the small and picturesque tributaries by rowing boat, we will see the **Cai Rang floating market** (the nicest one with heaps of rowing boats). Take in the beautiful scenery and the daily life in MekongRiver and you will roam through the village to visit a rice husking mill and a rice noodles making shop.

Back to hotel for breakfast and check out.

Drive to My Tho. Take boat trip along Mekong River to visit Float Market of Cai Be and float fish market, fruit plantation on **An Binh Island**. You will also visit local workshops where you can see how to make rice paper, coconut candy and pop-rice, pop-corn...

Lunch at local restaurant and enjoy traditional music of Mekong Delta.

Then take a row boat on the chanel to experience the life of local people.

Drive back to SaiGon in the late afternoon.

Dinner and overnight in SaiGon.



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DAY 4: **October 31st, 2019** SAI GON - CITY TOUR. (B/L/D)

Bbreakfast at hotel.

Morning visit to **Reunification Palace, War Remnants Museum, Notre Dame Cathedral, Municipal Theatre, Opera House.**

Lunch at local restaurant.

Afternoon, at leisure or free for shopping at Ben Thanh market.

Dinner and overnight in Sai Gon.

DAY 5: **November 1st, 2019** SAIGON - DA NANG. (B/--/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning: free for shopping or at leisure.

11h30: transfer to Tan Son Nhat airport for flight **VN128 (14h00 - 15h20)** to DaNang City.

Check in Melia Da Nang Resort 5*.

Dinner at local restaurant.

Overnight in Da Nang.

DAY 6: **November 2nd, 2019** DA NANG - HOI AN - HUE. (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning drive to **Hoi An Ancient town** - *which used to be a prosperous sea port city in Vietnam where seafood, pottery, handcraft and swallows nest was shipped out from the 16th to the 18th century, the large community foreign merchants resulted in a unique architecture style of Vietnamese, Chinese and Japanese cultures.* Followed by the walking tour through the charming streets take you to visit **Chinese commercial house, Sa Huynh Museum, Guan Yu's Temple, Japanese's Bridge Pagoda, Traditional handicraft house...**

Lunch at local restaurant in Hoi An.

Then drive northward to Hue City - The former capital of Vietnam from 19th Century.

Upon arrival in Hue, transfer to Indochine Palace Hotel 5* for check in.

Followed by 2 activities:

1/ For VN Veteran group: Exchange activities with Vietnamese veteran

- 16h30: Visit to Hue Veteran Office

- 17h30 - 20h00: Dinner meeting with exchange activities VN and US veterans

2/ For WCF group: shopping and Royal Dinner

- 16h00 - 18h00: free for shopping or at leisure.

- 18h00 - 19h30: Enjoy **Royal Dinner** - *where you will be served like the King, the Queen and the Mandarins.*

Overnight in Hue.



DAY 7: **November 3rd, 2019** HUE - DMZ QUANG TRI - DONG HA. (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning depart Hue for Quang Tri province. First stop is at **Our Lady of La Vang** - a catholic cathedral well known for its Marian apparition in 1798 and now is a pilgrimage site for the Vietnamese catholic.



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Second stop is **Quang Tri citadel** memorial site known for its 81-day fighting between North Vietnamese Army and South Vietnamese Army from June 28 to September 16 in blazing summer of 1972 before the Paris peace talk in Jan 1973. There are thousands of soldiers K.I.A still lying beneath the ground of the citadel's 4 sq km. This battle is compared to Battle of Pittsburg Landing in American Civil War.

Arrive Dong Ha City - the capital city of Quang Tri Province.

Have lunch and short rest before continue our trip.

Afternoon, drive northern to visit **Hien Luong bridge** (aka DMZ bridge, Freedom bridge, Peace bridge or bridge of No Return) at historic 17th parallel. Here you will see frontline flagpole, border police memorial, 17th parallel museum and walk across the bridge to see the National Aspiration for Reunification on the southern bank of the Ben Hai river.



Followed by visit to **Vinh Moc tunnel** - an underground village housing civilians and soldiers during the hard time of American bombings. At Vinh Moc tunnel, you will have ample time to watch a documentary (if requested), take a look at the museum and then go underground to experience the village underneath with family rooms, maternity room, meeting room, air vent, exits to the sea, ...

Drive back to Hue city for dinner and accommodation.

Overnight in Hue.

DAY 8: November 4th, 2019 HUE - MISSION DAY - CITY TOUR. (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

8h30 - 11h00: **the second wheelchair delivery in Hue City.**

Contact person: Mr Xuan Nguyen - Rep of WCF in Vietnam

Cell phone: 0942828080

Cơ sở Bảo Trợ Trẻ Em Xuân Phú tỉnh Thừa Thiên Huế

Add: Số 45 Lê Viết Lượng - Tp Huế

Lunch at local restaurant.

City tour with visit **Minh Mang** and **Tu Duc Royal Tomb**; **The Forbidden City**, **Dong Ba Market**

Dinner and overnight in Hue.

DAY 9: November 5th, 2019 HUE - HANOI. (B/--/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning transfer to Phu Bai Airport for flight **VN1542 (10h25 - 11h40)** to Hanoi

Arrive at Noi Bai International Airport. Experience the country's vibrant color on the drive into the capital city of Hanoi. Check in hotel.

Afternoon:

- City tour with visit to **Temple of Literature** - built in the 11th century as Vietnam's first university, **Hoan Kiem Lake with Ngoc Son Temple**, **Lacquerware Workshop**.
- Take two hrs cyclo tour around **the Old Quarter of Hanoi**
- Street food tour around the Old Quarter

Dinner and overnight in Hanoi.



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DAY 10: November 6th, 2019 HA NOI - MISSION DAY. (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

- Morning: **The third wheelchair delivery in Hanoi**

Hanoi RedCross - Hội Chữ Thập Đỏ Hà Nội

Add: Cung Trí Thức - Địa chỉ: Tầng 7 Cung Trí thức Thành phố - số 1 Tôn Thất Thuyết, phường Dịch Vọng Hậu, quận Cầu Giấy, Hà Nội

Tell: Ms Đinh Minh Phúc - 0913015299

- Afternoon: visit to an orphanage

HaCau Orphanage

Add: 84 Khu Cầu Đơ 4, P. Quang Trung, Hà Đông, Hà Nội

Tell: 024 3382 1165 / Mrs Trần Thục Ninh: 0395885357

Lunch and dinner at local restaurant.

Overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 11: November 7th, 2019 HANOI - HA LONG BAY/LAN HA BAY (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

8h00 - 10h00: Visit to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA)

Address: 53 Tran Phu, Ba Dinh District, Hanoi

Contact person: Lieutenant Corneal Adam Points

Cell number +84988491221

Then continue with Halong Cruise tour

10:15 take the new highway to Got Ferry Terminal, Cat Hai Town, Haiphong City. You will travel on the longest bridge in Southeast Asia and be greeted at our lounge before boarding.

12:15 Board **the Heritage Cruises 5*** and enjoy a welcome drink as you receive a cruise briefing, safety instructions and check in to your suite. Lunch is served at L'Indochine Restaurant.

12:40 Cruise to Da Chong islet, where you can see a heritage lighthouse built by the French more than 100 years ago. After lunch, cruise to Gia Luan Lagoon where limestone karst formations rise out of the sea. This quiet bay is untouched and remote, as not many cruise ships visit.

15:00 The cruise vessel approaches the **Ba Trai Dao** or Three Peach beaches in Lan Ha Bay, a natural frontier between the provinces of Halong and Haiphong. This secret hideaway has beaches, caves and coves, plus the spectacular natural beauty of about 400 islands. Guests can try kayaking or simply swim in the clear waters of the bay.

17:30 Back on Heritage Cruises, enjoy life aboard the vessel or in your suite, and with cocktail in hand watch the sunset over the Gulf of Tonkin. Activities include afternoon tea and wine tasting, and the chef will lead a Vietnamese cookery class.



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19:30 A memorable dining experience will be offered at the restaurant, with local food in an intimate and romantic setting.

21:30 Enjoy evening views of the bay at the bar on the top deck. Try your hand squid fishing, or watch a movie in the restaurant. The bars are open until late.



DAY 12: November 8th, 2019 LAN HA BAY - HANOI (B/L/D)

6:00 Start the day with a session of Vovinam on the sundeck, followed by a light breakfast. Then take the bamboo boats to explore the **Dark and Bright Cave**.

9:30 Return to the ship for checkout.

10:00 Enjoy brunch while cruising back to harbour.

11:35 Return to Got Harbour and relax at our lounge.

Bus pick up and drive back to Hanoi.

Followed by city tour with visit to **HoLo Prison Museum** - later known to American prisoners of war as the "Hanoi Hilton", was a prison used by the French colonists in Vietnam for political prisoners and later by North Vietnam for prisoners of war during the Vietnam War.

Dinner and overnight in Hanoi.

DAY 13: November 9th, 2019 HANOI - DEPARTURE. (B/--/--)

Breakfast at hotel.

Then free for own activities until transfer to Noi Bai Airport for flight back home.

Home sweet home!

Tour price included:

- 11 nights hotel at 5star in TWN/DBL shared room with daily buffet breakfast;
- 01 night on cruise on Ha Long Bay;
- Meals as mentioned, noted as B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner; -- = no meal (*to include one meal at Koto Restaurant - a not-for-profit restaurant providing career training and guidance to disadvantaged children and teens*)
- Private A/C land transportation with 01 bottle of mineral water/pax/day;
- Entrance fees and sightseeing as specified;
- Boat cruise in Halong Bay;
- Boat cruise to visit Mekong River;
- Royal Dinner in Hue;
- Local English speaking tourguides.

Tour excluded:

- Personal expenses (single room, beverages, laundry, phone calls, overweight luggages fee, souvenirs etc.);
- Tourist insurance of all types; [tips at 3-5USD/person/day](#) for local guides and drivers;
- Domestic & International air tickets and other cost that is not mentioned.