



# Travellers Escape

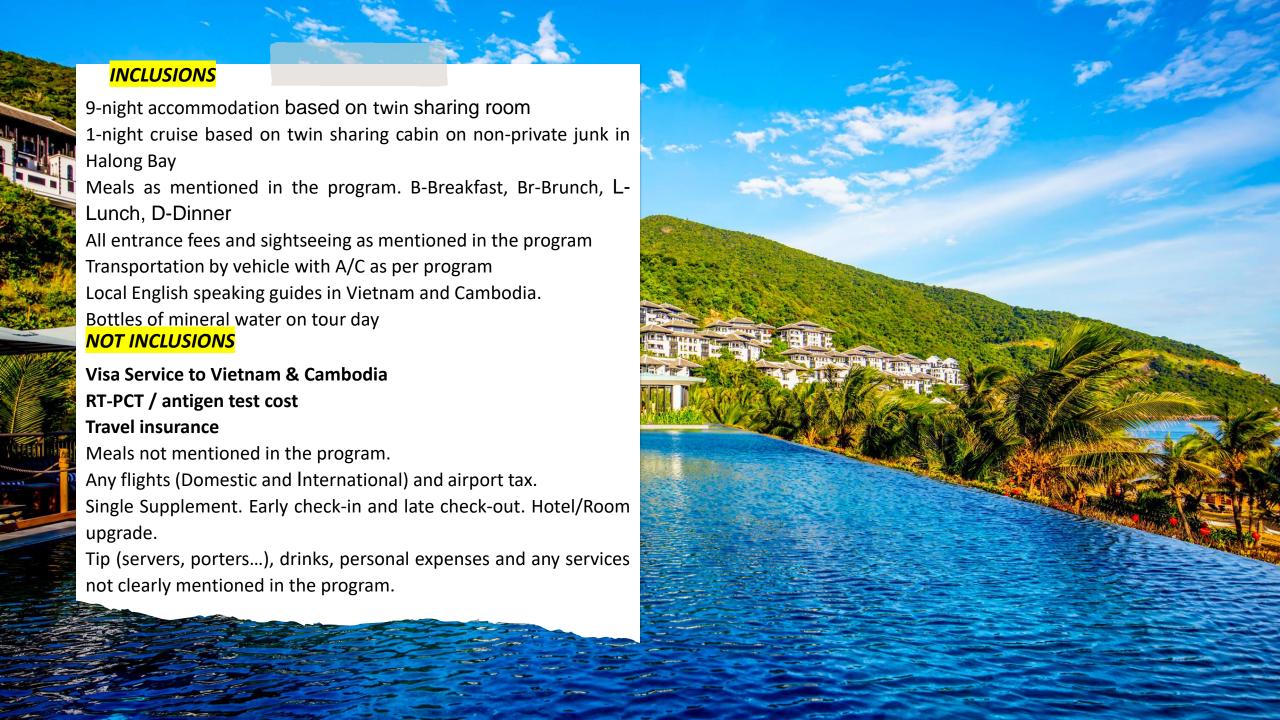
Escape The Ordinary

VIETNAM & CAMBODIA PREMIUM
10 NIGHTS 11 DAYS











#### DAY 1: HANOI – ARRIVAL – CITY TOUR

Welcome to Hanoi, the capital city of Vietnam.

Upon arrival, greeted by the local tour guide and transfer to downtown. Check in your hotel.

Afternoon, visit **Ba Dinh Square** – the biggest square in Hanoi where all the biggest cultural, political events of the cities, especially demonstrations, take place. Start our visit at the Complex of Ho Chi Minh including **Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum** (from outside only as it closes in the afternoon), **Ho Chi Minh's house-on-stilts**, his **fish pond** and the **One-Pillar Pagoda**. Then, the **Temple of Literature** which is considered as the first university of Vietnam.

Later, we have an overall view of the capital by cyclo in 1 hour, which wanders around the Old Quarter of Hanoi and the Hoan Kiem Lake (the "Sword" Lake). From here wandering on the narrow streets of the Old Quarter to experience the daily life of the local people. Transfer back to your hotel.

Overnight in Hanoi.

Please note: the standard check in time is 14:00 – 15:00pm. Early check in is not included and subject to hotel availability.

#### DAY 2: HANOI – HALONG – OVERNIGHT ON CRUISE (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel then check out. Morning, take the cruise's shuttle bus to Halong Bay, the pride of the Gulf of Tonkin, a Natural World Heritage as designated by UNESCO in 1994 and 2006. The road will pass by the Red River delta with green paddyfields and rural villages, where hard-work farmers are busy with their farming jobs, ploughing buffaloes or planting seedling. Upon arrival in Halong, check in the overnight cruise to discover the magnificent beauty of this "Descending-dragon" bay, created by thousands odd-shaped limestone rocks and karst grottoes. After a lunch on board, we can visit the Grottos, stop for swimming or kayaking, passing floating houses and approach islets to enjoy their beauty in close distance. Back to the cruise, enjoy cooking demonstration before having dinner. Evening attend activities on the boat or relax at your own leisure. Overnight on the cruise.

Please note the program may be little varied upon the cruise you choose.

#### DAY 3: HALONG BAY - HANOI (B/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, transfer back to Hanoi by the cruise's shuttle bus. Check in hotel. Your time at leisure. Overnight in Hanoi.

#### DAY 4: HANOI – DANANG – HOIAN ANCIENT TOWN (B)

Breakfast at hotel then check out. Transfer to the airport with driver only (no guide) to board a flight to Danang. Upon arrival, welcomed by the local tour guide and transfer to check in hotel by the beach (The normal check in time is 14:00-15:00).

Afternoon, transfer to Hoian Town. You take interesting walk over the tile-roofed Japanese Bridge, visit taciturn **Chinese Assembly Halls**, enjoy the attractiveness of **ancient houses** or listen to folk music of Central Vietnam at old club-houses. Later we can stop at shrines or stroll into the market located by Thu Bon river, where you may find the same feelings of the artists, who see the rooftops of Hoian a magical old world of Oriental feel and source of inspiration. This is also a wonderful town to shop for lanterns, soft silk, raw silk, or get your clothes tailored within a day. Transfer back to Danang. Overnight in Danang.

#### DAY 5: DANANG - BA NA HILL - DANANG (B)

Breakfast at hotel

Morning transfer to **Ba Na Hill**, one of the most spectacular landscape of Danang City. You will take a **cable car** to the summit of mountain (at 1487m of sea level). Start visiting Ba Na Hill with many different attractions: **Funicular, Debay ancient wine cellar & Le Jardin D'Amour, Linh Ung pagoda, Thich Ca Buddist statue**, etc.

This afternoon you continue to join activities and games in **Fantasy Park**. Later walk to the summit of the mountain at the height 1487m – the highest one of Ba Na Mountain, visit **Bell Tower**, **Nghinh Phong tower** and **Golden Bridge**, to take beautiful photos of the mountain and Da Nang city. Late afternoon, taking the cable car back to foothill. Transfer back to your hotel. Time at leisure. Overnight in Danang

Please note: Wax Museum, cotton animal game and carnival skill at Fantasy Park is not included in my quotation, joining them will be at your own account.

#### DAY 6: DANANG - SAIGON - CITY TOUR (B)

Breakfast at hotel then check out. Transfer to the airport with driver only (no guide) to take a 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 (normal check in time is 2pm).

Start city tour at the War Remnants Museum, one of the most famous historical attractions in Saigon. Coming to the War Remnants Museum, you can learn a part of how Vietnamese had struggled and fought for their independence, freedom, and peace of the nation and the locals' perspective of the Vietnam War. The exhibits, such as weapons, documents, and photographs, display in the museum are firm evidence of war crimes in Vietnam and speak for the heroic actions of the former Vietnamese generation.

We then visit the **Reunification Palace**, the witness of the fierce Vietnam War ended in 1975. The grand building today is a Museum and Hall of official receptions. Nearby the Palace are the **Notre Dame Cathedral** (view from outside only), built between 1877 and 1883 and colonial-styled **Central Post Office**, one of the city's major landmarks. Late afternoon, visit **Ben Thanh market**, a symbol of Saigon. Have shopping time there. Overnight in Saigon.

#### DAY 7: SAIGON – CU CHI TUNNELS – FREE AFTERNOON (B)

Breakfast at hotel.

Morning drive to **Cu Chi Tunnels** – the network of over 200km 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 & 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. Return to Saigon.

Afternoon is your free time at leisure or own sightseeing/shopping arround the town. Overnight in HCMC.

#### DAY 8: SAIGON - SIEM REAP - CITY TOUR (B)

Breakfast at hotel then check out. Transfer to the airport with driver only (no guide) to take a flight to Siem Reap. Upon arrival, welcomed by the local tour guide and transfer to the down town. Check in your hotel (normal check in time is 2pm).

This afternoon, we visit we visit Wat Bo, a highly respected pagoda founded in the 18th century, contains very unique wall paintings of the Reamker (Ramayana) that are said to be from late 19th century. Continue to visit the "Les Artisans d'Angkor – Chantiers Ecole" the Finest Authentic Khmer Arts and Crafts. End our visits at one of the city's lively open markets, Psar Chars, also called the "Old Market", where anything and everything is for sale. Overnight in Siem Reap.

#### DAY 9: SIEM REAP - ANGKOR TEMPLE (B)

After breakfast, we explore South Gate of Angkor Thom known as Big Angkor, 3km2 walled and moated royal city and was the last capital of the Angkorian Empire, The famous Bayon Temple was an architectural muddle, in part because it was constructed in a somewhat piecemeal fashion for over a century. Terrace of the Elephants is an impressive, two and a half meter tall, 300 meter long terrace wall adorned with carved elephants and gradual that spans the heart of Angkor Thom in front of Baphuon - huge temple mountain in the heart of Angkor Thom, Royal Palace Area and Phimeanakas - impressive rite and sandstone pyramid. Terrace of the Leper King is at the north end of the Terrace of the Elephants, a double terrace wall with deeply carved nag as, demons and other mythological beings. Last visit Ta Prohm temple which is a wonderful combination of human genius and natural beauty! Giant trees have grown here for centuries!

This afternoon, we overland to visit the highlights of the Grand Circuit including: Preah Khan - meaning The Sacred Sword, this temple was also built by Jayawarman VII and is famous for its immensely long cruciform corridors and delicate carvings. Neak Pean - This temple is a delicate highlight of Khmer art. Built by Jayawarman VII, this temple is the perfect representation of the heavens on earth. Ta Som was a small classic Bayon style monastic complex consisting of a relatively flat enclosure. East Mebon was built in the 10th Century by Rajendravarman; this temple was situated on a small island in the middle of the Oriental, or Eastern, Baray. Last visit Pre Rup was built in the 10th Century by Rajendravarman. Overnight in Siem Reap.

#### DAY 10: SIEM REAP - ANGKOR TEMPLE - FLOATING VILLAGE (B)

After breakfast, we visit Chong Kneas Floating Villages, located 10 kilometers south of Siem Reap. Take a ride in a traditional wooden boat on the Tonle Sap, the "Great Lake" of Cambodia and the largest in Asia. Here we will see plenty of examples of the Khmer way of life on the Tonle Sap.

This afternoon we visit Angkor Wat temple, the Cambodia's ancient temple is one of the wonders of the oriental world. Masterpieces of decorative details as well as of architectural style, its awe-inspiring ruins survive as testament to the spectacular achievements of Southeast Asia's greatest civilization. It is a replica of the universe according to the Hindu mythology. It is composed by the Mount Meru, surrounded by the continents and the oceans. Its extraordinary bas-reliefs, describe some Khmer epics and myths. Angkor Wat's five famous towers rise into the sky, a geometrical arrangement of numerous galleries, adorned with beliefs and the stone images of celestial Apsara dancers, as well as portals, chambers and courtyards. Enjoy sunset at Phnom Bakheng which rises almost 70 meters above the plain where the rest of the temples are located, which gives a magnificent views of Angkor. Overnight in Siem Reap.

#### DAY 11: SIEM REAP - DEPARTURE (B)

Breakfast at the hotel. Time at leisure until check out time and transfer to the airport with driver only (no guide) for the departure flight back to your sweet home.

Please note: Normal check-out time at hotel is 12:00.

### **BRANDS WE WORKED WITH**







































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## **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- Visa Service
- Visa Approval Letter to Vietnam is USD 30/pax Visa On Arrival (to be arranged by Travellers Escape).
- Visa stamp fee to Vietnam is USD 45/pax (paid by guests upon arrival) for single entry in one month – can be booked with Fast track service.



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### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

- ➤ If cancellations are made 30 days before the start date of the trip, 25% of total tour cost will be charged as cancellation fees
- ➢ If cancellations are made 15 -30 days before the start date of the trip, 50% of total tour cost will be charged as cancellation fees
- ➤ If cancellations are made 0-15 days before the start date of the trip, 100% of total tour cost will be charged as cancellation fees
- PLEASE NOTE: We charge 2.9% of the total amount of booking as our service fee in case of any cancellation over and above the above cancellation charges



