

Something for the entire family on this 14 day tour. Begin your exploration with the rush of Ho Chi Minh City and day tours to the Cu Chi Tunnels and the Mekong Delta. Parents and kids alike will love the coastline of Nha Trang and the charm of Ancient Hoi An. Visit Hue before ending with the spectacular Halong Bay and Hanoi.

Starting Point Instructions

As you have an arrival transfer as part of this tour, a driver will await you holding a sign with your name when you exit the airport terminal. Please note most drivers don't speak English.

Arrival Complications

We don't expect any problems but if for any reason you are unable to commence your group trip as scheduled, please contact your starting point hotel, requesting that you speak to or leave a message for your trip leader. If this is unsuccessful, please refer to our Emergency Contact person & phone number. If your airport transfer has not made contact within 30 minutes of clearing customs and immigration, we recommend that you make your own way to the Starting Point Hotel. Should this occur, please apply to your travel agent for a refund of the transfer cost on your return.

Starting Point Hotel – Grand Hotel

8 Dong Khoi St
Ho Chi Minh City
Vietnam
Tel: +84 8 823 0163
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Finishing Point Instructions As you have a departure transfer as part of this tour, a driver will collect you from the finishing point hotel 3 hours before your departure flight. If your airport transfer has not made contact within 30 minutes before the appointed time, we recommend that you make your own way to the airport. Should this occur, please apply to your travel agent for a refund of the transfer cost on your return.

Finishing Point Hotel - Zephyr Hotel

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Day 1 Ho Chi Minh City

Today you can check into your hotel and spend the day exploring the streets of Ho Chi Minh. Look for the Wide Eyed Tours welcome note at reception, on it your tour leader will have arranged a time to meet with you to run through the tour itinerary. After the group meeting, walk around the lake to sample some of Ho Chi Minh's best at a well known Vietnamese restaurant.

Day 2 Ho Chi Minh City

This morning is an early start to first go and visit the former Viet Cong stronghold at Cu Chi where the tunnel system provides a valuable insight into the tenacity and resourcefulness of the Vietnamese people. Back to HCM city, lunch followed by an orientation tour by cyclo of the main attractions. Your hotel is centrally located to the city's main shopping district and Ben Thanh Market, so there is much for you to explore and discover during the afternoon.



Important Note:

When traveling with Wide Eyed tours we hope to give you as much information as possible before your departure and we recommend that you read our Important Messages document which can be downloaded from our website. This will help you prepare and have a great journey in Vietnam

CULTURE SHOCK RATING?

Light

The trip includes 3 to 4 star accommodation. Days of being on the move are well interspersed, communication with the outside world is ever-present and a wide variety of food is commonly available.

Physical Rating

This trip has been planned with the family in mind and kids and parents can participate in all activities. There are not too many challenges on this tour.

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Day 1 HCMC	Grand Hotel
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Day 4 Nha Trang	Whale Island
Day 5 Nha Trang	Whale Island
Day 6 Hoi An	Hoi An Hotel
Day 7 Hoi An	Hoi An Hotel
Day 8 Hoi An	Hoi An Hotel
Day 9 Hoi An	Hoi An Hotel
Day 10 Hue	Asia Hotel
Day 11 Hue	Overnight train
Day 12 Hanoi	Zephyr Hotel
Day 13 HCMC	Zephyr Hotel
Day 14 Home	

Day 3 Ho Chi Minh City

Today it's off to the fascinating Mekong where you get to see how life is dependant on the river for survival. Taking a boat cruise on the mighty Mekong allows for numerous photo opportunities. Another highlight is you will also get to sample an array of tropical fruits that are grown locally. Back on the bus for the drive back to HCM city where you will have time to freshen up before tonight's dinner.

Day 4 Whale Island

This morning you transfer to the train station early to take the '5 star train' from Ho Chi Minh to Nha Trang. The 8 hour journey in comfort allows you to take in the scenery while being looked after by the attentive service staff. After transferring to Whale Island, there is time to settle in. There is little planned except lie back & relax or go for a swim!

Day 5 Whale Island

Today is a relax day; try your hand at scuba diving with the highly qualified Rainbow Divers crew or just snorkel.

Day 6 Hoi An

Today you will take the boat back to the main land and drive onto Cam Ranh airport. Just over an hours flight to Da Nang before transferring to Hoi An. A short orientation tour followed by free time.

Day 7 Hoi An

Free day for you to make the most of what Hoi An has to offer. Enjoy the local sea food and relax on the beaches or lounge by the pool.

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Day 9 Hoi An

Today is a look into how food is prepared and made with a cooking demo (included) that includes a visit to the local market. The afternoon is free for you to have that last minute outfit made up!

Day 10 Hue

You will leave Hoi An and head north through coastal rice paddies to the fishing village of Lang Co, after taking the scenic mountainous route over the spectacular Hai Van Pass. In the afternoon, you will arrive at the Vietnam's former capital and take a look at the Citadel.

Day 11 Hue

Breakfast at the hotel before setting off to the Citadel. After lunch you will visit one of the Nguyen Emperors' tombs, the famed Thien Mu Pagoda and also enjoy a dragon-boat cruise on the Perfume River. In the afternoon its back on the train to Hanoi.

Day 12 Halong Bay

After arrival in Hanoi, you will have breakfast before setting off to Ha Long Bay for the day. On the boat you will eat an array of fresh sea food whilst cruising through some of the thousands of limestone karsts within this World Heritage site. There is an opportunity to swim in the bay's emerald waters, explore caves with incredible formations of stalactites and stalagmites and enjoy the tranquility of this bay of wonders. Later, it's back to the harbor for your return journey back to Ha Noi. Settle in time then off to dinner.

Day 13 Hanoi

This morning involves a city tour including visiting Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum and the old French built prison followed by lunch. After lunch it is free time for any last minute shopping.

Day 14

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight.

Accommodation:

3-4 star hotels (10 nights), resort (2 nights), sleeper train (1 night). Breakfast is included in all hotels where you have stayed the previous night.

All group meals are included while on tour!

Included Activities

Halong Bay boat trip includes meals & entrance fee; Imperial Citadel, Tomb, and Perfume River boat trip in Hue; orientation tour including sight-seeing ticket in Hoi An; in HCMC, Cu Chi Tunnels, cyclo tour, War Remnants museum, day tour to Mekong Delta, including boat tour. All transport is included for these activities. All transport and meals included. All flights during the tour are included. Nanny(s) included. Bring along USD100 for optional activities not included in the trip.

Arrival & Departure transfer included.