



VIETNAM AT A GLIMPSE

10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS



What makes Chaka unique on this tour

- You will benefit immensely from your own private English speaking guide in each location
- Your touring is all done in a private car (together with your driver and private guide) allowing for a relaxed itinerary with no crowds to worry about
- Our tours includes what we consider to be the worthwhile sightseeing in each place by having this pre-booked and pre paid you save time and money and have the better holiday
- We do all the paperwork for your visa allowing you to simply collect on arrival at the airport in Vietnam.

Want to see the Real Vietnam? – let us tailor make you something that takes you off the tourist trail.

To get the best from a visit you do need to visit the North, Central and South of this diverse country. This program allows you to do this whilst combining culture, history and soft adventure offering a unique perspective of Vietnam's diversity. The itinerary also includes visits to the two major urban cities of Hanoi and Saigon. Enjoy the picturesque sceneries of the North before you spend time relaxing on the beautiful beaches in the central coastline ending your visit in vibrant Saigon in the South.

Outline Itinerary

Day 01: HANOI ARRIVAL

Arriving in Hanoi – Pick up & transfer to Hotel. Free at leisure. O/n in Hanoi.

Day 02: HANOI CITY TOUR (B)

Today, start your excursion to visit the granite and concrete mausoleum (closed on every Monday and Friday; Oct. & Nov.) where Ho Chi Minh lies in state visit the government buildings and see his office and work environment, his famous house on stilts together with underground escape tunnel. You can also stop at the One Pillar Pagoda. One of the most interesting temples in Hanoi is the Temple of Literature, called "Le Pagoda des Corbeaux" by the French, because of the huge flocks of crows gathering in the mango trees near the entrance. Afternoon, visit Historical Museum, continue to take one hour cyclo

(trishaw) in the Old quarter, visit Sword lake with Ngoc Son temple, enjoy the Water Puppet show this evening. Overnight in Hanoi.



Day 03: HANOI - HALONG BAY (B, L, D)

After breakfast, proceed to Ha Long. On arrival, you will be taken out to your Junk by small boat. A welcome drink is served as you set sail into the mystical beauty of Halong Bay a UNESCO World Heritage site. Lunch on board – seafood. A fantastic cruise in the Bay this afternoon, visit Dinh Huong Island, Ga Choi Island, Sail Island, visit Sung Sot Cave and a swim at Titov Beach. Relax and enjoy sunset. Dinner – seafood. Overnight on board the Junk

Day 04: HA LONG BAY – HANOI (B, Brunch)

Light breakfast on board (cake, tea, coffee, milk). A morning cruise to visit Man's Head Island, Tortoise Island, visit Luon Cave by small bamboo boat. Enjoy brunch on board. Check-out. Transfer back to Hanoi. On the way, stopover at Bat Trang ancient ceramics village. O/n in Hanoi.

Extension to visit Sapa is highly recommended! Ask us for details to tailor make this

Located in Vietnam's remote north west mountains, Sapa is famous for both its fine, rugged scenery and also its rich cultural diversity. Its lush, deep river valleys, in the shadows of Vietnam's tallest peak Mount Fansipan, are home to Blue H'mong and Red Dao communities, who continue to maintain their strong traditions and warmly welcome visitors to their homes. Sapa is also famous for its street market, which attracts villagers from the surrounding hills and is particularly busy on Saturdays. The unique embroidery, jewellery and clothes of the H'mong and Dao are good buys here, and the sight of dozens of minority women in their traditional clothing is a memorable part of any stay in Sapa.

Day 05: HANOI - HUE (B)

Transfer to the airport for your domestic flight to Hue. Arrival in Hue – Pick up & transfer for a Morning take a boat trip on the Perfume river to Thien Mu pagoda & former King Minh Mang tomb. Back to the boat Station, continue to visit the Imperial citadel, former King Khai Dinh's Tomb. O/n in Hue

Day 06: HUE - DANANG – HOIAN ANCIENT TOWN (B)

Depart for Danang – Stopover to visit the Champa Museum and photo stop at the Marble Mountain. The Marble Mountains hid the 'Viet Cong' during the Vietnam war and the natural caves are now Buddhist sanctuaries. You will see traditional stone-carving workshops located at the foot of Marble Mountain.

Free time for beach, relax in Hoi An. O/n in Hoi An.

Day 07: HOIAN - MY SON - HOIAN TOUR (B)

Drive to Myson for a half day tour of the holy land of the Cham people from the 4th century. Come back to Hoi An - Take a half-day walking tour of this quaint town, visiting ancient merchants' houses, a Hokkien temple, the 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge, and the colourful riverside market. Visit to a family-run business making traditional lanterns. Have a chance to design your own lantern. O/n in Hoi An.

Day 08: DANANG – HOCHIMINH CITY (B)

Transfer to the airport for domestic flight to Ho chi minh. On arrival – enjoy a city tour to visit the very moving War Remnants museum, Re-Unification Palace, the former palace of President Thieu and his predecessors still left in the same condition it was when he was in residence! ,a short drive will take you to the Notre Dame Cathedral. In deference to the Chinese heritage, you will also visit Thien Hau Pagoda, and Cholon, or “Big Market,” Saigon’s colourful large Chinatown (Binh Tay market for shopping) & Ben Thanh Market. O/n in Ho chi minh.

Day 09: SAIGON – CU CHI TUNNELS – TAY NINH (B)

Your day begins with a visit to the famous Cu Chi Tunnels, well-known under American War Time – an underground network of 200km long. During the world of independence, Vietnamese guerillas built the labyrinth of narrow tunnels virtually underneath U.S. bases, using them to hide during bombing raids and to stage surprise attacks.

You will leave the tunnels in time to drive to Tay Ninh, a hot bed of anti-colonial resistance against the French. At noon, the visitor to Tay Ninh’s major attraction, The Holy See of the Cao Dai religious sect, will have the chance to witness the daily ceremony in the surreal temple of the Cao Dai. Return to Ho Chi Minh City. O/n in Hochiminh City.

Day 10: HOCHIMINH – DEPARTURE (B)

Free until transfer to the airport for departure flight back home Prices from

	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star	Luxury
Per person Sharing	£ 490	£ 625	£ 790	£ 1,350
4 night add on in Sapa	£200	£235	£295	n/a

Extensions to the Mekong River Delta and Angkor Wat in Cambodia and they are highly recommended!

Mekong River Delta Extension

The “rice bowl” of Vietnam, the Mekong Delta is an idyllic landscape carpeted in a dizzying variety of greens. It’s a water world where boats, houses & even markets float upon the endless rivers, canals & streams that flow through the life – giving arteries. Battling with nature & the seasons, the people produce one of the most bountiful rice harvests on earth. The uniquely southern charm with its welcoming introduction to life along the river is the real draw, and visitors can explore quaint riverside towns, sample fruits traded in the colorful floating markets or dine on home-cooked delicacies before overnight as a home stay guest or on a traditional boat.

	3 Star	4 Star	4 Star +
Per person Sharing	£110	£125	£155

Angkor Wat Extension

Angkor complex is the soul of Khmer (90% of Cambodian Population). Angkor is the Khmer art and civilization. Angkor complex consists of more than 100 monuments which spread over an area of more than 400 square kilometers. Angkor is one of the worlds most famous, and in our opinion totally

underrated tourist sights in the Orient and another world heritage site. They were built between 7th and 13th century by Khmer kings when the Khmer civilization was at the height of its extraordinary creativity. Its magnificent architecture is evidence of the Khmer's strong belief in Hinduism and Buddhism.

	3 Star	4 Star	4 Star +
Per person Sharing	£ 125	£ 135	£ 175

Included in the price:

- Full private A/C car transfers as program
- Accommodation at hotel in twin sharing only
- Tours & entrance fee with English speaking guide
- Entrance fee & Boat trip
- Meals as indicated (B) breakfast (L) Lunch (D) dinner
- Domestic air ticket Hanoi-Hue
- Visa fee processing

Does not include:

- Personal expenses/ tips/ travel insurance
- Drinks or meals not mentioned
- International air ticket – we can provide this
- \$25 per person Visa fee payable on collection at airport

Tailor made specialists

Andrew Lockhart our most experienced travel consultant has been to Vietnam and would love to discuss your holiday with you and can easily make alterations to suit your individual requirements including providing flights

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