



VIETNAM NORTHERN HIGHLIGHTS

Tour Code: INS-PA08

Duration: 5 days/4 nights

Accommodation: Included

Meals: Included

Transportation: Private transfer

OVERVIEW:

Join us for this exciting tour come and explore the twisting alleys of Hanoi's Old Quarter, the wonderful street food, the crazy traffic! Then head out to the world famous Halong Bay to experience a few peaceful days on the water, cruising around the stunning limestone cliffs and hidden grotto caves.

ITINERARY:

Day 1 | Arrive Hanoi

Upon arrival, meet your guide and driver then transfer to hotel. The rest of the day is free for you to enjoy at your leisure. In the evening, enjoy a unique traditional "Water puppet" show, followed by your welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

Hanoi, The capital of Vietnam welcomes you with very special oriental beauty which lies in the lovely and friendly smiles from the locals you meets. During your time here, you would stay at a very comfortable hotels in the city centre. It is located near the Old Quarter, therefore you could find it easy to explore the vibrant life of the true Hanoi, go shopping and visit many cultural sites during your visit.

Accommodation: In Hanoi

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 | Hanoi City Tour

Today you will visit some beauty-spots which are regarded as the heart and the soul of Hanoi such as Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, his House on stilts, One-pillar pagoda. Next stop will be the Temple of Literature- dedicated to Confucious and is the former first National University of Vietnam. Lunch at local restaurant. Afternoon discover the 54 traditions of Vietnam through a visit to the Ethnology museum. Tonight, you discover the Old Quarter by Electric car.

*Accommodation: In Hanoi
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch*

Day 3 | Hanoi / Ha Long Bay

This morning we drive for about 4 Hrs including a half way rest stop, before we reach Halong Bay then embark on our vessel and start our fantastic cruise to explore the magnificent rock formations and grottos that this area is famous for. After lunch, board a rowing boat to visit one of the floating fishing villages in the bay. In the late afternoon, maybe take an optional kayak trip to discover more of this area or just enjoy relaxing and watching the sunset. A seafood dinner will be served onboard. A spa service is available.

Halong Bay is a UNESCO World Natural Heritage site which one should never miss on your journey to Vietnam. It has a vast landscape of beautiful limestone kast mountains, riddled with caves, beautiful beaches and inlets it's a truly magnificent place to visit..

*Accommodation: on Ha Long Bay
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner*

Day 4 | Ha Long Bay – Hanoi

Early morning enjoy a cup of tea or coffee then join the Vietnamese Tai Chi class on the sundeck and catch the first rays of the sunrise for another beautiful day on the bay. Continue your cruise among the breathtaking scenery, a visit to one of the most beautiful limestone cave, and open your eyes, your mind and your ears to the surrounding nature. At 9.30 check-out, have a delicious brunch before disembarking. Around 11:00 meet your driver at the pier then enjoy the transfer back to Hanoi.

*Accommodation: In Hanoi
Meals: Brunch*



Day 5 | Hanoi – Departure

Breakfast then free time until departure. Hotel check-out time is at 12:00.

Accommodation: N/A

Meals: Breakfast

INCLUSIONS:

- Accommodation in a double or twin share room with daily breakfast
- Overnight cruise on board a wooden boat in Halong Bay (non-private boat)
- Private air-conditioned vehicle during all tours and transfers.
- Local Experienced English speaking guide where mentioned
- Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary
- Meals as specified in the itinerary
- Electric car
- 1 bottle of Water, 1 soft drink and tissues/day/person

EXCLUSIONS:

- International airfares and departure taxes
- Vietnam visa (a visa is compulsory and must be arranged in advance)
- Meals, if not specified in the itinerary
- Travel insurance (we highly recommend that you purchase adequate insurance)
- Gratuities for guides and drivers
- Personal expenses, such as laundry, telephone, drinks, etc.
- All other services not mentioned in the itinerary

