

## The Offer

Ready to discover Vietnam's natural beauty and rich culture? Step into lush rice fields and walk through ancient temples and narrow streets to experience ancient traditions, exotic landscapes and unique culture. This 10-day package includes visits to Hanoi, Hoi An and Ho Chi Minh City in a small group, with a maximum of 20 travellers.

Vietnam's culture is a fresh mix that surprises in its balance. The traditional Vietnamese style found in Hanoi's beautiful West Lake and temples across the country elegantly combines with the French influence in the Hanoi Opera House or the Notre Dame Cathedral in Ho Chi Minh City. All this against the natural backdrop of stunning Ha Long Bay or the Marble Mountains of Da Nang. You can also enjoy those influences in the country's delicious cuisine, arts and their way of life.

History plays a big part in this country's culture: from millennia-old traditions to recent events that have shaped the nation, stunning sites are peppered everywhere along your itinerary, from the ancient Japanese Bridge in Hoi An to the war-era Cu Chi tunnels.

It doesn't matter what time of year you visit; this place will stay with you forever. From unforgettable sites like Hanoi's eerily beautiful Hoan Kiem Lake (Sword Lake) and the golden beauty of Buu Long Pagoda in Ho Chi Minh City to the city's striking, brutalist-era buildings, Vietnam surprises at every turn.

This experience includes return international flights, 2 internal flights, 7 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation, an overnight cruise in beautiful Ha Long Bay, 11 meals and more.

Want more? A 13-day extension itinerary is also available, taking you to the stunning Ninh Binh Province.

Tour Only Package: Enjoy this package with the freedom of adding your own international arrival and departure flights.

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# The Map



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# The Itinerary

## **Itinerary 1 - Standard Itinerary**

## Day 1 Depart Australia (or New Zealand) - Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

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Overnight: Muong Thanh Grand Saigon or similar Meals included: In-Flight

### Day 2 Cu Chi Tunnels Tour

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The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Overnight: Muong Thanh Grand Saigon or similar Meals included: Breakfast

## Day 3 Ho Chi Minh City - Da Nang - Hoi An

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Finish the day back at the hotel for an evening at leisure.

Overnight: Hoi An Rosemary Boutique Hotel & Spa or similar Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 4 Hoi An Free Day

Today, enjoy a day free at leisure to explore this fascinating town. Alternatively, you can take the opportunity to join an optional tour (not included).

Optional Activity: Ba Na Hills & Golden Bridge Full-Day Tour

Early this morning, you will be picked up from the hotel and will travel to Ba Na Hill Station on the outskirts of Da Nang. Take a cable car to Sun World Ba Na Hills to enjoy fantastic views. You will visit an old French cellar (Debay Ancient Wine Cellar), a flower garden - Le Jardin D'amour, Linh Ung Pagoda, a wax

statue museum and the iconic Golden Bridge. Afterwards, enjoy free time exploring this resort park and enjoy lunch. In the afternoon, return to Hoi An, where you may enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. Optional tour prices are listed on the Important Info section.

Overnight: Hoi An Rosemary Boutique Hotel & Spa or similar Meals included: Breakfast

## Day 5 Hoi An Free Day

Spend the day exploring the city on your own or alternatively choose one of the optional activities listed below (not included).

Optional Tour: Discover My Son UNESCO World Heritage Listed Site

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Overnight: Hoi An Rosemary Boutique Hotel & Spa or similar Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 6 Hoi An - Da Nang - Hanoi

After breakfast, return to Da Nang International Airport (approximately 50 kilometres) for your flight north to Hanoi (approximately one and a half hours). Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel for check-in.

Later this afternoon, join a walking tour to discover real life in Hanoi. Visit a local market and mingle with the vendors, stroll around the picturesque West Lake and enter Quan Thanh, a sacred Taoist temple and Cua Bach Parish Church, a Roman Catholic church built in the early 20th century by the French administration and one of the most beautiful in Hanoi. Return to your accommodation, where you may enjoy the remainder of the evening at leisure.

Overnight: Flower Garden Hotel or similar Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 7 Hanoi - Ha Long Bay

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Enjoy a lunch before participating in some afternoon activities such as swimming, relaxing on a remote beach, climbing to the top of a lookout for fantastic panoramic views, or taking a boat into a secluded bay. Cruise further into the bay to visit a Pearl Farm before watching a traditional Vietnamese cuisine cooking demonstration, followed by dinner on board. Drop anchor in the late evening for an overnight stay among the dramatic limestone peaks.

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Please note: Dinner may be enjoyed before the show depending on the water puppet performance.

Overnight: Flower Garden Hotel or similar Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

## Day 9 Depart Hanoi

Today brings to an end your Vietnam journey. At the appropriate time, receive a transfer to Hanoi's Noi Bai International Airport for your onward flight to Australia.

#### Please note:

- Standard check-out time is 11:00, and luggage storage is available at the hotel if you have a flight departing later in the evening.
- Some travellers may depart the morning of day 9 and arrive in the evening of day 9.

Tour Only Package: Your adventure concludes at the end of the tour. Please make your own arrangements for your onward journey.

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

#### Day 10 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)

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## Day 9 Hanoi - Hoa Lu - Tam Coc, Ninh Binh

This morning you will depart to Tam Coc, in the Ninh Binh province, enjoying the beautiful scenery along the way. Upon arrival, your guide will take you to Hoa Lu, the ancient royal capital of Vietnam. Here you will visit the Dinh King and Le King temples from the 10th Century, learning about the heroic histories of these two kings during the Chinese wars. Afterwards, continue to Tam Coc where you will enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch, enjoy a bamboo boat ride on the Hoang Long River to see Tam Coc (three caves). It takes approximately two hours to go up and down the river and along the way you witness local fisherfolk, village life, and of course, the striking limestone karst formations that Tam Coc is famous for.

In the early evening, arrive at the hotel where you will enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight: The Reed Hotel or similar Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

#### Day 10 Trang An Grotto - Bich Dong Pagoda

After breakfast, drive to the Trang An - Ecotourism Complex. The site features worldwide value for geological, geomorphological, archaeological and aesthetic tectonics, which has been honoured by UNESCO as a Natural World Heritage site. Here, enjoy another 2-hour bamboo boat journey to admire its outstanding beauty known as "Ha Long Bay on land".

Enjoy a lovely lunch at a local restaurant with many traditional dishes and Vietnamese tea before continuing to Bich Dong Pagoda and returning to the hotel for the evening.

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## **Itinerary 2 - Ninh Binh Extension**

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## Day 11 Ninh Binh - Phat Diem Church - Hanoi

After breakfast, return back to Hanoi with a stop at Phat Diem Church along the way to admire its architectural beauty.

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Meals included: Breakfast

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## **Tour Inclusions**

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Enjoy small-group touring with a maximum of 20 travellers

Experience the welcoming hospitality and culture of Vietnam

Discover the ancient town of Hoi An on a guided walking tour

Learn about the history of the Vietnam War at the Cu Chi Tunnels

Sail among the tranquil waters and limestone islands of Ha Long Bay

Enjoy time at leisure in Hoi An, a UNESCO World Heritage-listed town

Discover life in Hanoi on a guided walking tour

#### **FLIGHTS**

Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply (Excludes Tour Only Package)

2 internal flights, from Ho Chi Minh City to Danang and from Danang to Hanoi

## **CRUISE**

Overnight cruise in Ha Long Bay

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

7 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation

#### **DINING**

Enjoy 11 meals, including daily breakfast

## **ESSENTIALS**

English-speaking tour guides

Airline taxes and surcharges

#### **TRANSPORT**

Transportation by private air-conditioned vehicles

#### **TRANSFERS**

Return airport transfers (Excludes Tour Only Package)

#### **NINH BINH TOUR EXTENSION**

All of the above, plus the following:

Visit the 10th-century Dinh King and Le King temples in Hoa Lu, the ancient royal capital of Vietnam

Enjoy two bamboo boat rides at Tam Coc and Trang An to admire the remarkable beauty of Ha Long Bay on land

Visit the picturesque Bich Dong Pagoda

Three additional nights of premium 4-star hotel accommodation

5 additional meals, including two Vietnamese lunches

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## **Booking Information**

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

### **Our Policies**

#### **Cancellation & Refund Policy**

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

## • we act as your booking agent;

TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- each booking is unique; our Travel
   Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.
- changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible; once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel
   Offer carefully before placing your order.
- Travel Offers are a package; our Travel
   Offers have been curated into package
   offerings and must be used as a package
   - individual components cannot be used
   independently of the full package
   offering.
- our Travel Offers are generally nonrefundable: in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please click here.

#### **General Terms & Conditions**

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our <u>Terms & Conditions</u>, <u>Privacy Policy</u> and <u>Cancellation Policy</u>.

#### Offer Essentials

This Travel Offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 21st November 2026.

Minimum group size 10, maximum group size 20 per vehicle.

This Travel Offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

#### **Departure Dates & Surcharges**

See checkout for live dates and availability.

#### **Single Traveller Supplement**

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies.

10-Day Package: \$61513-Day Package: \$780

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

#### **Child Policy**

- No child discounts are offered. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 8 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

## **Flights**

Flight information for options excluding Tour Only Package

#### **Departure Dates and Surcharges**

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### **Departure Cities**

Melbourne, \*Sydney, \*Brisbane, \*Adelaide, Perth or \*Auckland.

### **Departure City Surcharges**

• Sydney & Perth: \$50 per person

Brisbane: \$200 per person
Adelaide: \$400 per person
Auckland: \$650 per person.

## International Flight(s)

• Cabin Class: Economy Class

Please note: We cannot accommodate oneway flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

### Internal Flight(s) Used

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Route: Ho Chi Minh City to Da Nang, Da Nang to Hanoi

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#### **Internal Flight Information**

Baggage allowance per person: 1 x 20kg of checked baggage

1 x 7kg of carry-on baggage

### **Preferred Airline Surcharge**

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Singapore Airlines: \$300 per person

#### Please note:

- Preferred airlines are subject to availability.
   If we are unable to fulfil your request, the above extra cost will be refunded.
- On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed, subject to aircraft configuration.
- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.
- Preferred airline refers to the marketing carrier and could include codeshare partners.

## **Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options**

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

### Arrive Early

Ho Chi Minh City - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

## Stay Behind

Hanoi - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

#### Please note:

## • Exclusions:

This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

#### • Cancellations & Changes:

Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

## • High-Season:

A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

#### • + 60 days:

You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date.

Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability.

Additional costs may apply.

### • Estimated dates:

Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.

 High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

28th March 2025 - 27th April 2025 16th June 2025 - 20th July 2025 15th September 2025 - 12th October 2025

1st December 2025 - 19th December 2025

20th December 2025 - 4th January 2026 5th January 2026 - 31st January 2026 3rd April 2026 - 20th April 2026 26th June 2026 - 17th July 2026 18th September 2026 - 9th October 2026 12th December 2026 - 18th December 2026

19th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027 4th January 2027 - 26th January 2027

### **Stopover Packages**

- Singapore
- Hong Kong Includes:
- 2, 3 or 5 nights in 4-star accommodation

- Daily breakfast
- Return airport transfers
   For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

#### Please note:

- When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used.
- When selecting to Arrive Early for your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your fly out date from home will take place before the stopover.
- When selecting to Stay Behind after your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your stopover will take place before your final flight home.
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.
- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.
- Blackout dates apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

Hong Kong Rugby 7's: 27 March - 1 April 2025

Singapore Grand Prix: 2 October - 8 October 2025

Christmas and New Years Eve: 22 December 2025 - 2 January 2026 Hong Kong Rugby 7's: End March to beginning April 2026 (Dates TBC) Singapore Grand Prix: 1 October - 9 October 2026

Christmas and New Years Eve: 18 December 2026 - 3 January 2027

## Flight Class Upgrades

Business or Premium Economy Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

### Please note:

 Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).





 On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed, subject to aircraft configuration.

### **Missed Flights**

If you fail to arrive for any of the flights included in your package, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Please note: If purchasing the Tour Only Package, internal airfares within your tour are still included.

## **Tour Only Package**

- Your holiday may be shorter, as travel days for flights are not included in the Tour Only Package.
- The Tour Only Package does not include return international airfares or airport transfers.
- You will need to arrange your own transportation to the accommodation at the start of the tour.
- At the conclusion of the tour, you will be responsible for booking your own onward travel.
- We strongly advise against booking any pre or post-tour travel arrangements until TripADeal confirms that the tour has met the required number of travelers. If you choose to book before confirmation, we recommend opting for refundable reservations or having backup plans in case the tour does not proceed.

<u>Click here for full Tour Only Terms and</u> Conditions

### **Accommodation**

### **Accommodation Used**

4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Ho Chi Minh City: Muong Thanh Grand Saigon or similar
- Hoi An: Hoi An Rosemary Boutique Hotel
   & Spa or similar
- Hanoi: Flower Garden Hotel or similar

 Ninh Binh: The Reed Hotel or similar (Extension package only).

### No Star Rating

Ha Long Bay Cruise: Le Journey Cruise or similar

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

#### **Extra Nights**

Not available.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

### **Maximum Room Capacity**

2 people.

## **Triple Share**

Not available.

#### **Bedding Configuration**

Twin or double (subject to availability).

## **Optional Tours/activities**

- Day 4: Ba Na Hills, Golden Bridge Da Nang Full Day Tour - \$170 per person.
- Day 5: Discover My Son, a UNESCO World Heritage Listed site - \$80 per person.
- Day 5: Explore a local market and join a cooking class - \$60 per person.
- Day 8: Watch a Water Puppet performance followed by a Vietnamese dinner - \$60 per person.

#### Please note:

 Prices are based per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions

- The optional tours listed above must be purchased on checkout or over the phone before submitting your passenger information form (subject to availability).
- Some tours or shore excursions require minimum numbers to operate.

#### **Exclusions**

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Highly-recommended gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation

Please note: Return international flights and transfers to and from the tour are not included in the Tour Only Package.

## **Gratuities/tipping**

#### Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is \$10 AUD per person per day in local currency. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

## **Other Important Information**

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

### **Tour Guide**

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert

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who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

#### **Tour Leader**

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

**CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES** 

#### **Ho Chi Minh City**

Climate Type: Tropical wet and dry (Aw)

### <u>Temperature</u>

Warm year-round, with an average of 25°C to 30°C (77°F to 86°F).

Minimal variation throughout the year.

#### Rainfall

Dry Season: November to April (little to no rain, sunny skies).

Rainy Season: May to October (heavy afternoon showers, high humidity). Humidity: High year-round, particularly during the rainy season.

#### Hoi An

Climate Type: Tropical monsoon

#### Temperature

Warm: Average highs range from 24°C to 33°C (75°F to 91°F).

Cooler months: December to February (20°C to 25°C / 68°F to 77°F).

#### Rainfall

Dry Season: February to August (pleasant, sunny, less rain).

Rainy Season: September to January (frequent rain, occasional flooding). Humidity: Moderate to high, highest during the rainy season.

Typhoon Risk: Late summer to autumn, especially September to November.

#### Hanoi

Climate Type: Humid subtropical (Cwa)

#### **Distinct Seasons**

Spring (March–April): Mild and pleasant (17°C to 25°C / 63°F to 77°F).

Summer (May-August): Hot and humid (28°C to 35°C / 82°F to 95°F).

Autumn (September–November): Cool and dry (18°C to 28°C / 64°F to 82°F).

Winter (December–February): Cool to cold (10°C to 20°C / 50°F to 68°F).

#### Rainfall

Wettest Months: May to September (tropical rains, high humidity).
Drier Months: October to April.
Humidity: Very high in summer, lower in winter.

## Weather

We always suggest referring to an online source for the most up-to-date weather information for your destination/s.

#### **FLIGHTS**

## **Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points**

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings,

you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

#### **Passport Validity**

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 45 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

#### **COACH TOUR**

#### Meals

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

#### Luggage

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

#### **OTHER**

### Mobility

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

#### **Fitness Level Required**

Adventure (and spontaneity) create some of the best travel memories. Bear in mind that your home schedules and timings might not be adhered to on tour - it's all part of the fun!

A relaxed level of fitness will be required. Expect a comfortable pace of touring which will include tours of up to 1 hour walking at a time, the ability to walk up and down small flights of stairs and gentle slopes, and occasional hiking (may involve

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uneven surfaces). You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board all modes of transport without assistance.

#### Please note:

- It is expected that every traveller must be self-reliant and able to undertake all aspects of their own travel. Please speak to your booking agent about your personal circumstances and any assistance requirements to ensure this tour is right for you.
- If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/ travel.

#### Sightseeing

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

#### Shopping

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts. Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our Terms and Conditions regarding shopping for further information.

#### **Visas**

### **Vietnam**

Australian passport holders are eligible to apply online for a single entry electronic visa (e-visa), valid for up to a maximum of 90 days. Lodge your application online (for a non-refundable fee) with the Vietnamese National Web Portal of Immigration. You will be given a unique code to track your visa application status. Once your visa is granted, you must print it out and present

it at check in. Keep this e-visa print out with you at all times during your travel in Vietnam.

Some private online visa services and travel agents have scammed travellers or been involved in the public disclosure of the personal information of applicants for visas and 'visa issued on arrival' approval letters. To avoid such scams, only use official Government of Vietnam services to arrange your visa. Visa and other entry and exit conditions (such as currency, customs and quarantine regulations) change regularly. Contact the nearest Embassy or Consulate of Vietnam for up-to-date information.

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#### Important:

- Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.
- Visa rules are subject to change. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination/s you are visiting once you receive your travel documentation to ensure you have the most up to date information.
- It is your responsibility to be travel-ready and ensure that you are aware and comply with any destination or travel requirements, including the validity of all required travel documents.
- Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.

 It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.

#### **Travel Insurance**

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit <a href="https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travelinsurance">https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travelinsurance</a>

#### **Schedule Of Fees**

#### **Voluntary Changes**

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

 Changes - \$100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

#### Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

## **Supplier Fees**

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a Travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/

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accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.

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