

Vietnam Adventure on Bike from North to South 16 days

Trip overview

Our Vietnam Adventure on Bike from North to South tour takes you from the vibrant capital of Hanoi to the bustling metropolis of Ho Chi Minh City, passing through iconic destinations such as Sapa, Halong Bay, Hue, and Hoi An.

This 16-day biking journey through Vietnam promises not only an exciting experience but also a deep immersion into the country's rich history and diverse landscapes. If you are a young traveler longing for a chance to travel off the beaten track, hesitate no more and join us!

- **Durations:** 16 days
- **Trip outline:** Hanoi - Sapa - Halong Bay - Hue - Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City - Mekong Delta
- **Price from:** US \$1919/person
- **Tour inquiry:** <https://besttratetours.com/vietnam-tours/vietnam-adventure-on-bike-from-north-to-south-16-days.html>

Trip outline

day	Activities	Accommodations	Meals
Day 1	Hanoi Arrival	Hotel in Hanoi	NA
Day 2	Hanoi Biking City Tour Half Day - Hanoi to Sapa Bus	Hotel in Sapa	Breakfast, Lunch
Day 3	Sapa - Trekking to Y Linh Ho - Lao Chai - Ta Van	Hotel in Sapa	Breakfast, Picnic Lunch
Day 4	Trekking to Cat Cat - Sin Chai - Lao Cai - Hanoi	Hotel in Hanoi	Breakfast, Picnic Lunch
Day 5	Halong Bay - Overnight On Board	Cruise in Halong Bay	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 6	Discover Halong Bay - Hanoi	Hotel in Hanoi	Breakfast, Brunch
Day 7	Hanoi - Flight to Hue	Hotel in Hue	Breakfast
Day 8	Half-day Cycling to Thuy Bieu Village	Hotel in Hue	Breakfast, Lunch
Day 9	Motorbiking Adventure To Hoi An Via Hai Van Pass	Hotel in Hoi An	Breakfast, Picnic Lunch
Day 10	Discover The Local Village By Bike	Hotel in Hoi An	Breakfast, Lunch
Day 11	Half-day Cycling To Hoi An Countryside	Hotel in Hoi An	Breakfast

Day 12	Hoi An - Da Nang - Flight to Ho Chi Minh City & Vespa City tour	Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City	Breakfast
Day 13	Half-day Biking trip to Cu Chi Tunnel	Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City	Breakfast, Lunch
Day 14	Mekong Discovery On A Bike	Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City	Breakfast, Lunch
Day 15	Ho Chi Minh Free day	Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City	Breakfast
Day 16	Departure	NA	Breakfast

Itinerary

Day 1: Hanoi Arrival

Morning

Our tour guide will wait and welcome you when arriving at Noi Bai International Airport.

You will be transferred directly to the hotel in Hanoi. After a long flight, spend time for leisure and relaxation.

NOTE: Hotel check-in is at **14:00**, you can check in earlier by paying a surcharge if you want to.

Afternoon/ Evening

You will have *optional* choices to watch cultural shows such as Water Puppet Show and Vietnamese Cooking Class or Foodie Tours, which are presented through links below:

Hanoi Street Food Walking Tour	FROM US \$29 /pax
Hanoi Cooking Class Half Day	FROM US \$48 /pax



Meals: NA

Accommodation: Hotel in Hanoi

Day 2: Hanoi Biking City Tour Half Day - Hanoi to Sapa Bus

Morning

Begin your Hanoi adventure with a convenient hotel pick-up by a friendly driver. You'll be transferred to a local bike store where you can choose a bicycle suited to your comfort and riding style.

Your first stop is the iconic **Long Bien Bridge**, a symbol of Hanoi's resilience. Pause to admire panoramic views of the Red River and absorb the bridge's rich historical significance.

Cycle along the tranquil paths around West Lake and visit **Huu Tiep Lake**, where the wreckage of a U.S. B-52 bomber lies - an evocative reminder of the city's past.

Next, enjoy a rare cultural experience as you meet a welcoming local Hanoi family. Learn about their daily life and customs with insights from your knowledgeable guide.

Continue your journey through Hanoi's historic heart, passing landmarks such as the Flag Tower, Hanoi Opera House, Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, Presidential Palace, Ba Dinh Square, Tran Quoc Pagoda, and Truc Bach Lake.

Venture into one of Hanoi's most unique living spaces - the Reunification Train Track, where locals reside just inches from the railway.

Wrap up your cycling tour with a delicious local lunch, featuring signature dishes like egg coffee and traditional Vietnamese cuisine.

Finally, your guide and driver will escort you back to your hotel, leaving you with unforgettable memories of Hanoi's charm.

NOTE: You will pass by attractions without visiting inside.

Afternoon

You will embark on a scenic journey from Hanoi to Sapa by bus, passing through breathtaking landscapes of northern Vietnam. As the bus travels along the winding mountain roads, you will witness stunning views of rice fields and misty valleys.

Upon arrival in Sapa, you will be transferred to your hotel for check-in. After settling into your room, you can take some time to relax and acclimate to the fresh mountain air. If you feel up to it, a short walk around the town will give you a glimpse of Sapa's charming streets.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Sapa

Day 3: Sapa - Trekking to Y Linh Ho - Lao Chai - Ta Van

Morning

At **09:30**, you will join our guide and begin the exciting adventure 13-km down-hill trekking tour. You will travel through small trails of rock and gravel, which lead to an opening view of the beautiful terrace fields.

Start the tour to **Y Linh Ho village**, settled down by the beautiful Muong Hoa River.

Continue the journey to the Black Hmong village of [Lao Chai](#), where you can spend time exploring the neighborhood, interacting with the locals, and learning about how they live in the mountainous region.



After a busy morning, relax in a local restaurant by the river for a warm lunch.

Afternoon

You will trek to [Ta Van village](#) to visit the Zay people, a fairly small minority group of about 38.000 people, and hear their stories about life in the mountain.

Return to Sapa by car to rest after such a long day. Free at leisure the rest of the day.

Overnight at a hotel in Sapa.

Meals: Breakfast, Picnic Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Sapa

Day 4: Trekking to Cat Cat - Sin Chai - Lao Cai - Hanoi

Morning

Have a delicious breakfast at the hotel then get ready to be picked up by our tour guide for the adventurous trekking trip at around **09:00**.

Take a walk down to the southwest of Sapa to visit [Cat Cat Village](#) of the Black Hmong, one of the more well-known ethnic villages of Sapa.



Enjoy the stunning waterfall here, and look at the vestige of a hydroelectric power station that the French constructed. After that, you will have a picnic lunch by the side of the river.

Afternoon

Continue to trek 3 km to **Sin Chai Village**, located at the foot of Fansipan Mountain to enjoy the stunning landscapes of the mountain and meet the friendly locals here.

Come back to the main road to get the transfer back to Sapa town on a jeep. Have a short rest, then check out.

Say goodbye to Sapa and transfer to Hanoi by sharing a limousine. Stay overnight in Hanoi.

Meals: Breakfast, Picnic Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Hanoi

Day 5: Halong Bay - Overnight On Board

Morning

Have breakfast at your hotel and then transfer to Halong Bay, one of the seven Wonders of the World.

11:00 - 12:00: Arrive at the pier, you will feel the warm welcome by the boat crew, then get on the cruise to check in your cabin.

Enjoy a delicious seafood lunch while the boat sailing among the majestic limestone mountains of the bay.

Afternoon

Discover the beauty of Halong Bay with enjoyable activities like cave exploration, kayaking, and swimming in the sea, offering simple yet delightful ways to experience the stunning scenery of this UNESCO World Heritage Site.



Get back onboard around **17:30** and join Happy Hour at sunset or take part in a Vietnamese cooking class, where you can learn to prepare traditional dishes and savor the flavors of Vietnam.

Evening

Savor a delicious dinner then relax or take part in nighttime activities such as squid fishing, karaoke, board games, etc. Spend overnight on board.

NOTE: The detailed itinerary will be provided depending on each cruise.



Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Cruise in Halong Bay

Day 6: Discover Halong Bay - Hanoi

Morning

You can get up early to witness the stunning sunrise of Halong Bay or exercise in a Tai Chi class. Have breakfast on the cruise at around **07:00**.

Continue your exploration of the bay by visiting a cave, kayaking, or swimming in the emerald water, allowing you to delve into the natural wonders of Halong Bay and create unforgettable memories amidst its serene beauty.



Then, visitors will return to the main ship, check out, and then have brunch. Relaxing while the boat returns to the harbor.

11:00 - 11:30: Disembark. Say goodbye to the crew then board the shuttle bus to Hanoi.

Afternoon

Return to your hotel in Hanoi for a rest. You can go shopping or explore the beautiful Hanoi Old Quarter at night.

Meals: Breakfast, Brunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Hanoi

Day 7: Hanoi - Flight to Hue

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel then check out. Our driver will pick you up and transfer you to the airport for your flight to Hue.

Arrive at the airport in Hue. Travel to your hotel, check in, and be free for the rest of the day.

Hue is a cultural heritage city, it has a long history and tradition with unique values and identities. You can take a city tour to the Imperial Citadel of Hue, visit [Truong Tien Bridge](#) at night, Dong Ba market and so much more.



For anyone who wants to explore Hanoi at night, you can try the below **optional** suggestions:

Hanoi By Night Foodie Vespa Tours	FROM US \$85 /pax
Decoding the Imperial Citadel of Thang Long	FROM US \$38 /pax

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Hue

Day 8: Half-day Cycling to Thuy Bieu Village

Morning

Wake up early, have breakfast at the hotel, and be picked up by our tour guide at **08:00** then join a half-day cycling tour to explore peaceful Hue city:

Go to Toa Kham Wharf for a cruise on the romantic [Perfume River](#). You will stop at **Thien Mu Pagoda**, an iconic temple symbolizing the rich cultural heritage of Hue, and immerse yourself in the symbol of the city.



Continue cruising to Hue Ecologde, and visit **Thuy Bieu Eco-village**, an authentic village representing the countryside of Hue.

Get on the bike then visit handicraft families including the incense-making family, the joss paper-making family, and the paper painting family to learn about the daily life of local people here.

Relax by stepping foot into medicinal herb water which is a traditional therapeutic practice.

Afternoon

Go back to the hotel in the City Center and spend time relaxing. Overnight in your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Hue

Day 9: Motorbiking Adventure To Hoi An Via Hai Van Pass

Morning

Have breakfast at the hotel and pack your luggage. Around **08:00**, you will be picked up by our tour guide at your hotel then travel by motorcycle from Hue to Hoi An.

The first stop is the fishing village and paddies fields along the lagoon. Then, pay a visit to **Elephant Waterfall** where you can enjoy swimming moments, leisurely relaxation, and even a refreshing dip in the cool waters, surrounded by the area's enchanting natural beauty.

Stop at **Lang Co Beach** where you can take photos of the beautiful white sand and have lunch there.



Afternoon

13:30: Travel over the **Hai Van Pass** - the stunning borderline between Hue and Da Nang City. Crossing the crooked, zigzag road, you will be rewarded at the top of the Pass, which is surrounded by clouds on one side against a stunning vast sea stretching to the horizon.

Arrive at the gorgeous Hoi An in the early evening. Check-in at your hotel and take time to relax.

Meals: Breakfast, Picnic Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Hoi An

Day 10: Discover The Local Village By Bike

Morning

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel and start the adventurous biking tour in the countryside of Hoi An. At **08:00**, you will be picked up by our driver from your hotel, then ride over the bridge to the peaceful countryside of **Cam Kim Island**.

Cycle through the lush scenery of rice paddies and farmland on the way to the island. Stop along the way, you will have a chance to chat with farmers and get to know more about their daily lives.



Visit a local family in **Duy Vinh** and learn about their traditional sedge mattress weaving.

End the trip by cycling to the local house and savoring a Vietnamese traditional meal for lunch.

Afternoon/ Evening

Transfer back to your hotel in Hoi An. Spend leisure time relaxing or you can explore the colorfulness of Hoi An ancient town by yourself.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Hoi An

Day 11: Half-day Cycling To Hoi An Countryside

Morning

Around **07:45**, our guide will wait for you at your hotel then get on a bike for a cycling tour to discover the natural countryside of Hoi An.

Start by exploring the small passageway and alleyways in Hoi An, and drop by the iconic **Japanese Covered Bridge**, a well-preserved 18th-century wooden bridge with a distinctive arched design and intricate carvings, for photo shooting.



Visit a local family making Banh Dap using traditional methods. These small savory rice flour bowls are a common breakfast staple in the countryside. Then, stop to discover one of Hoi An's most beautiful villages, and visit a local house to learn about the tradition of family chapels.

Continue riding to witness green paddy fields and vegetable farms along small canals and waterways toward a boat-building site.

The final stops include a traditional mat-weaving shop and a family distillery that produces local rice wine. You may have a chance to see families gathering to clean the fishing nests between journeys at sea.

After a fun time cycling, you will board a local ferry before getting back to your hotel.

NOTE: The trip is around 20km riding on flat and small roads.

Afternoon/Evening

Take a nap, you are free for the rest of the day. In case you do not know what to do, you can join some of our **optional** shows and learn about the culture of Hoi An:

Hoi An Memories Show Ticket	FROM US \$24 /pax
Teh Dar Show Ticket at Hoi An Lune Center	FROM US \$30 /pax

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Hoi An

Day 12: Hoi An - Da Nang - Flight to Ho Chi Minh City & Vespa City tour

Morning

Have fun on your final day in Hoi An. After being picked up from the hotel, you will head to the airport in Da Nang to catch a domestic flight to Ho Chi Minh City and then travel to your hotel.

Afternoon

Discover the bustling lifestyle of Ho Chi Minh City on a Scooter. Our tour guide will come and pick you up at **12:00** and travel on the off-the-beaten path of Saigon.

Starting from the city center, we ride through the busy streets and visit the famous and thought-provoking **Burning Monk Memorial Statue**, a poignant and powerful tribute commemorating an iconic moment in Vietnam's history.

Then, soak up the local culture at a fresh flower market and then a bright and vibrant fabric market.

Zoom through Saigon traffic to the captivating Chinese district, visit a traditional medicine shop, an ancient Buddhist temple, and a hidden Chinese pagoda.

Travel to the heart of Saigon to see some classic city landmarks. Begin your exploration by marveling at the French architectural splendor of the historic [Saigon Post Office](#), an iconic landmark that stands as a testament to Vietnam's colonial past.



Next, continue your journey to discover the beauty of the **Notre Dame Cathedral**, a magnificent Gothic-style church with twin spires soaring into the sky, exuding grandeur and spirituality amidst the vibrant streets of Saigon.

Note: *The Cathedral is temporarily closed for renovation.*

End with a short history lesson outside the striking [Independence Palace](#). Let our local guides show you their city, their Saigon.



Evening

End the adventurous Vespa tour around **16:30**. Drop off at your hotel. Let's explore the vibrant city at night and have dinner on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City

Day 13: Half-day Biking trip to Cu Chi Tunnel

Morning

Start an exciting day with a visit to [Cu Chi Tunnel](#), an underground defense system created by Viet Cong during the Vietnam War, which has an important part in the national reunification.

07:15: Meet your guide and get on a private van to be whisked away from crowded Saigon for a morning of scenic biking in the north of the city.

Upon arrival near the Cu Chi, you will get on comfortable, well-maintained bikes with the guidance of a charming, well-spoken local guide.

Head off through peaceful villages on quiet back roads, trails, and pathways, and see agricultural landscapes and the daily life of the southern Vietnamese people.

You'll have opportunities to stop and chat with sellers in the markets or even kids along the roadways. Photographs are encouraged as you want to capture the smiles of the locals as well as the breathtaking scenery of the region.

Our route leads us directly to the **Cu Chi**, where your guide will explain the history and significance of the tunnel network. You'll even have a chance to crawl through the historic passageways and experience the underground life that existed just a few decades ago.



The day continues after the tunnel tour with lunch at a nearby local restaurant.

Afternoon

Our private van will bring you back to your hotel in Saigon after a long active morning. Spend the day resting at leisure, unwind, and be prepared for the next day's tour.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City

Day 14: Mekong Discovery On A Bike

Morning

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel and prepare for a 25km cycling adventure to explore the lively Mekong Delta. Around **07:00**, meet our guide at your hotel. After a quick transfer, we will get to the starting point. As the bikes are set up, you may enjoy coffee or tea at a small local cafe shop.

Get on the bike and ride through the serene countryside on quiet, paved rural roads, past countless rice paddies, vegetable farms, and orchards full of locally grown fruit.



Weave along canal paths and orchard trails, across ferries, through charming villages and towns full of friendly faces. Along the way, you'll stop at a small shop to see traditional woven mats and visit a nearby cocoa plantation.

Continue riding through traditional local markets with many fresh fruits, and vegetables and recently catch fish from the region.

As we head further south, rural roads give way to concrete canal paths and the vegetation grows denser. Visit the largest wholesale market in the region as the last stop. Then, travel to a local restaurant for a delicious lunch.

Afternoon

Get on our van and return to your hotel in Sai Gon to relax. The rest of the day is spent as your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City

Day 15: Ho Chi Minh Free day

Morning

Fulfill your energy with a tasty breakfast. You are free for the whole day.

If you have enough time, you can explore Ho Chi Minh through these below **optional** suggestions:

Insight Mekong Delta Day Trip from Saigon	FROM US \$62 /pax
Cu Chi Tunnels & Ho Chi Minh City Tour Full Day	FROM US \$99 /pax
Ho Chi Minh City Tour Full Day	FROM US \$75 /pax



Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City

Day 16: Departure

Have leisure time then check out of the hotel at **12:00**. (Late check-out can be arranged with a surcharge). Our driver will pick you up for the transfer to the airport.

Goodbye and have a safe flight back home.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: NA

Booking Policy

Inclusion

- Accommodation in Twin/ Double sharing (15 nights in Vietnam)
- All transport within Vietnam (including airport pick up & see off)
- All in-tour local English speaking guide.
- Domestic Flight Hanoi - Hue, Da Nang – Ho Chi Minh
- Sharing luxury limousine Hanoi - Sapa - Hanoi
- Entrance fees as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated in the program

Exclusion

- Hotel EARLY check in & LATE check out
- Peak season surcharge & compulsory dinner at the hotel (if any)
- International flights to or from Vietnam with taxes
- Vietnam Visa (above 6 months passport Valid & 3 clear-page require)
- Passport Fees
- Travel Insurance
- Tips, laundry and gratuities
- Meals not marked on itinerary, and water during meals
- Tips for guide /driver (recommended US \$3-5 /pax /day)
- Tipping is completely up to you and should be based on your perception of the service quality

Cancellation Policy

- Cancellation received before 60 days: FREE of charge
- Cancellation received from 30 days to 59 days prior arrival date: 10% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 15 days to 29 days prior arrival date: 30% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 7 days to 14 days prior arrival date: 50% of total rate
- Cancellation received less than 7 days prior arrival date or No show: 100% of total rate

Children Policy

- The rate for children applicable for one child sharing a twin or double cabin with two adults.
- For infants (<04 years old): FOC except for domestic flight tickets.
- 04 - under 11 years old without bed: 50% adult rate.
- 04 - under 11 years old with extra bed: 75% adult rate.
- 04 - under 11 years old in twin share: 90% adult rate.
- From 11 years old: count as an adult.

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