

# Vietnam Flavors Experience & Beach Relax 11 days

## Trip overview

Discover Vietnam's gastronomic wonders and coastal beauty on this Vietnam Flavors Experience and Beach Relax tour. With a perfect mix of cultural exploration and seaside serenity, this tour promises an unforgettable experience for food enthusiasts and beach lovers alike.

After your gastronomic adventures, unwind on the sun-kissed beaches of Phu Quoc, soaking in the coastal beauty and tranquility. Let's get started and make experiences that will last a lifetime!

- **Durations:** 11 days
- **Trip outline:** Hanoi - Halong Bay - Da Nang - Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City - Phu Quoc
- **Price from:** US \$1519/person
- **Tour inquiry:** <https://besttratetours.com/vietnam-tours/vietnam-flavors-experience-beach-relax-11-days.html>

## Trip outline

day	Activities	Accommodations	Meals
Day 1	Hanoi Arrival	Hotel in Hanoi	Dinner
Day 2	Hanoi City Tour by Mortobike	Hotel in Hanoi	Breakfast, Lunch
Day 3	Hanoi - Halong Bay - Overnight on Cruise	Halong Bay Cruise	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Day 4	Halong Bay - Hanoi - Fly to Da Nang - Hoi An	Hotel in Hoi An	Breakfast, Brunch, Dinner
Day 5	Hoi An Cooking Class and Street Food Tour	Hotel in Hoi An	Breakfast, Lunch
Day 6	Hoi An - Da Nang - Fly to Ho Chi Minh City	Hotel in Ho Chi Minh	Breakfast
Day 7	Full day Cooking Class with Ho Chi Minh City tour	Hotel in Ho Chi Minh	Breakfast, Lunch
Day 8	Ho Chi Minh City - Phu Quoc	Hotel in Phu Quoc	Breakfast
Day 9 - 10	Phu Quoc Free day	Hotel in Phu Quoc	Breakfast
Day 11	Phu Quoc - Fly back to Ho Chi Minh City	NA	Breakfast

## Itinerary

## Day 1: Hanoi Arrival

### Morning

Arrive at Noi Bai International Airport, where our guide will greet you and transfer you to your hotel in Hanoi. After check-in, take some time to rest or explore the city at your own pace - wander the Old Quarter, try local snacks, or enjoy a relaxing stroll around Hoan Kiem Lake.

**NOTE:** Hotel check-in time is **14:00**. For guests who want to check in earlier, there will be a surcharge.

**Meals:** Dinner

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Hanoi

## Day 2: Hanoi City Tour by Motorbike

### Morning/Afternoon *(depending on the tour availability)*

**08:00:** After breakfast, meet our tour guide at the hotel to start the Hanoi City Tour and explore its long-lasting culture on a motorcycle.

Travel to the historical **Long Bien Bridge**, a must-see destination. Here, you can take your time enjoying the view and shooting good pictures.

Cross the iconic **Chuong Duong Bridge**, which is remarkable for being the first central bridge to be designed and constructed entirely by Vietnamese workers.

Continue to [Hanoi Opera House](#), a signature project built by the French government in the early years of the 20th century

Drive to the beautiful and tranquil Hoan Kiem Lake in the heart of Hanoi's old quarter and visit **St. Joseph's Cathedral** - a Roman Catholic cathedral built 120 years ago, inspired by Notre Dame de Paris.

Take a look at **Hoa Lo Prison**, which was used by the French colonists for political prisoners.

The next stop is West Lake, considered to be the largest freshwater lake in Hanoi with many historical places of interest, one of which is **Tran Quoc Pagoda** - Vietnam's oldest religious structure on an island in the middle of the lake.



Visit **Huu Tiep Lake and The B52**, an important site where the Vietnamese military achieved a stunning victory during the Vietnam War. Additionally, you will observe the routines of the Hanoians by visiting a nearby market

Witness the [Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum](#) from the outside, which is a sacred place built to keep Ho Chi Minh's body remaining after passing away.

Finish your sightseeing tour with authentic Vietnamese cuisine and enjoy Hanoi's fresh taste. Return to your hotel after that

**NOTE:** Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum is viewed from the outside. The above itinerary is subject to change based on the day's weather and traffic conditions.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Hanoi

## Day 3: Hanoi - Halong Bay - Overnight on Cruise

### Morning

Have breakfast and pack your luggage.

Our driver will pick you up and head to Ha Long Bay with a 2-day cruise tour around a World Heritage of outstanding natural beauty.



**11:30 - 12:00:** Arrive at the pier. The boat crew will warmly welcome you on board with a welcome drink.

Enjoy a seafood feast during lunch while admiring thousands of limestone islands that rise from crystal-clear water.

### **Afternoon**

You'll join various amusing activities such as visiting a cave, kayaking, or swimming in the cool sea.

**17:30:** Get back to the junk to relax. You can have fresh cocktails at the Sunset party or join a Vietnamese cooking class to make spring rolls.

Have a tasty dinner on board with many Vietnamese and International dishes.

Stay overnight on the luxury cruise. Feel free to take part in various night activities such as squid fishing, and card games.

**NOTE:** The specific schedule depends on each cruise.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Halong Bay Cruise

## **Day 4: Halong Bay - Hanoi - Fly to Da Nang - Hoi An**

### **Morning**

Practice Tai-chi lessons in the early morning and witness the amazing sunrise. Then, enjoy your breakfast with tea and desserts.

The cruise takes you further into the bay to explore more caves for the last sightseeing tour. You may go kayaking or swimming, too.



Back to the main dock for transferring to Hanoi. Brunch will be served on the way.

**11:00 - 12:00:** Harbour arrival. Get in the car and go to Noi Bai Airport for the flight to Da Nang.

### **Afternoon/ Evening**

Upon arrival at Da Nang Airport, our friendly driver will be waiting to greet you and transfer you to your hotel in Hoi An. Once you check in, take some time to relax and unwind, soaking in the peaceful charm of this ancient town at your leisure.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Brunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Hoi An

## **Day 5: Hoi An Cooking Class and Street Food Tour**

### **Morning**

**08:00:** Your guide and driver will pick you up at your hotel by car or minivan. Now it's time to have a trip to explore the countryside of Hoi An.

Stop for a visit at a local market along the way. Here, you can take a look at Hoi An's vibrant and colorful lifestyle of the local people.

**09:00:** Take a round bamboo boat to the cooking school at **Cam Thanh fishing village** where you can witness local fishermen working as we paddle into the green coconut forest waterways to catch purple crabs, and take photos.



Then you can join the cooking class around **10:00**. With the help of a chef, become familiar with the customary methods of preparing and cooking Vietnamese cuisine from the ground up.

Enjoy a tasty lunch with what you cooked. Then you can have a short rest before being transferred back to Hoi An

### **Afternoon**

Join us for a 3-hour walking street food tour through Hoi An Ancient Town, where you'll sample a variety of local delights.

- Bun Cha Ta: Try famous spring rolls and egg coffee, a perfect combination of crispy rolls and creamy coffee.
- Central Market: Explore the bustling market and enjoy banh mi and steamed dumplings.
- Cao Lau: Taste the signature Cao Lau, a dish with fresh ingredients and a unique sauce.
- Quang Noodles: Enjoy rustic, chewy noodles in a flavorful broth.
- White Rose Dumplings: Savor these delicate dumplings filled with seasoned shrimp and pork.
- Fried Wontons: Delight in Chinese-inspired fried wontons with a Vietnamese twist.

End the tour with crème caramel, Che Chuoi (banana with coconut milk), and sponge cake.

**NOTE:** Dishes may vary, allowing for a diverse and adaptable culinary journey.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Hoi An

## **Day 6: Hoi An - Da Nang - Fly to Ho Chi Minh City**

### **Morning**

Have breakfast at the hotel and enjoy your remaining time in the beautiful Hoi An. Then, transfer to Da Nang Airport to take a flight to Ho Chi Minh City.

### **Afternoon**

Land at Tan Son Nhat International Airport, where our driver will be waiting to transfer you to the hotel in the city center.

Check-in and be free to explore the city on your own, which is famous for its bustling and vibrant nightlife.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Ho Chi Minh

## Day 7: Full day Cooking Class with Ho Chi Minh City tour

### Morning

**07:30:** Start your tour at your hotel and arrive at **HCM Agricultural Villages** for a fun farming tour.

**08:30:** Visit the agricultural villages and walk around to explore the place. Here, you can take a look at the various areas of cow, buffalo, fish, prawn, chicken, and duck.

Head to the big herbs, spices, vegetables, and mushroom areas in the garden and become a real Vietnamese farmer in a traditional hat called "non la" and pick some ingredients for the next culinary class.

Participated in a Cooking Challenge at **10:00**. Let's practice your skill by cooking 3 dishes and 1 dessert, and enjoy what you made.



End the class with some certificates, recipes, and souvenirs from the instructor. You can give your emails and have a chance to update recipes monthly.

### Afternoon

**13:30:** Get ready for a fantastic tour of the well-known attractions in Ho Chi Minh City:

Visit **Cho Lon Market** and **Chinatown**. This place has several authentic Chinese restaurants and many examples of classical Chinese architecture. Continue to discover the Great Temple.

Stop at the [War Remnants Museum](#) to learn realistically about the brutal effects of war in Vietnam and the crimes of the colonial army during the war.

Witness the outstanding **Notre Dame Cathedral** from the outside. All the building materials for Notre Dame Cathedral came from France.

**NOTE:** The cathedral is not open for guests as it was renovated.

The last stop is the [Central Post Office](#), which is considered the largest post office in Vietnam and a great example of French architecture.

**17:30:** End trip. Go back to the hotel after an active day.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Ho Chi Minh

## Day 8: Ho Chi Minh City - Phu Quoc

### Morning

Free at leisure to explore the city until the driver takes you to the airport to fly to Phu Quoc.

### Afternoon

After arriving at Phu Quoc airport, you will be transferred to the hotel for check-in and rest.

You will have time for yourself for the rest of the day. Take this chance to go to the gorgeous beaches of this pearl island.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Phu Quoc

## Day 9 - 10: Phu Quoc Free day

Fulfill your energy with breakfast at the hotel.

Let's make the most of your leisure time for many available activities such as swimming, walking, and snorkeling.



You can go to some famous attractions like Phu Quoc National Park, Vinpearl Safari, Rach Vem fishing village, Sao Beach, and more to take pictures.

Don't miss the chance to witness the spectacular sunset on this stunning island. Truong Beach with its 20 km long coastline, is one of the most perfect spots to see the sunset.

If you are adventurous, you can go to the surrounding islands such as Thom Island, and Roi Island.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Phu Quoc

## Day 11: Phu Quoc - Fly back to Ho Chi Minh City

Have breakfast at the hotel's restaurant. Enjoy your last day in Phu Quoc.

Prepare your belongings. Check out the hotel, heading to the airport back to Ho Chi Minh City. The tour ends here.

**NOTE:** Check-out time is **12:00**, you can request late checkout with an additional fee.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** NA

# Booking Policy

## Inclusion

- Overnight in shared Twin/ Double room with Air-condition (AC) at hotel.
- All transport during tour on air - conditioned vehicle as per itinerary (including airport pick up & see off)
- All in-tour stationed local English speaking guide.
- Meals as indicated in the program
- Entrance fees as per itinerary
- 4 domestic flights Hanoi – Da Nang and Danang – Ho Chi Minh City, Ho Chi Minh- Phu Quoc, Phu Quoc- Ho Chi Minh

## Exclusion

- Hotel EARLY check in & LATE check out
- Peak season surcharge & compulsory dinner at the hotel (if any)
- International flight to or from Vietnam with taxes
- Vietnam Visa (above 6 months passport Valid & 3 clear-page require)
- 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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