



Taste Trekking Vietnam

a very tasty holiday adventure!

Hanoi

Street food

Meet the
locals

Wander the
old quarter

Hoi An

Ancient
UNESCO
town

tailors

fishing

Halong Bay

Be truly
amazed
by this
natural
wonder!

Ho Chi Minh City

Coffee

pastries

Traditional
BBQ

Banh mi



Our Itinerary

Day one: Arrive in Hanoi

We will pick you up from the airport and transport you to a hotel in the heart of the old quarter – great for taking in the heaving atmosphere that is Hanoi. Our local guide will offer advice and assistance if you wish – otherwise take it easy. We will celebrate the first night with Bia Hoa & a street food crawl to discover the delicious snacks of Vietnam w' a local expert living in Hanoi. (Dinner)

Day two: Hanoi

After breakfast of Pho w' the locals we will head off for a day w' the Corleau's. We will head to the local market with our chef, Didier Corleau (Former Chef of the Metropole Hotel, now owner of La Verticale & Madame Hein) He has a fabulous mix of French & Vietnamese. We will cook traditional Vietnamese w' Didier's wife Mai in their home- absolutely gorgeous! Dinner tonight is at La Verticale w' Didier. This is an amazing restaurant. Cocktails & then feast! (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)



Day three: Hanoi to Halong Bay

After breakfast we jump on our bus and go to the insanely gorgeous Halong Bay where we will get on our junk and head to Cua Van floating village. Here we see fishermen living on the water and take a small boat around the village to buy our ingredients that we will cook for our lunch. Our chef will take us through a cooking lesson aboard the junk and we can explore the most amazing bay by catamaran or simply laze on board. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)



Day four: Hanoi to Danang to Hoi an

Morning is spent swimming, kayaking & lazily eating breakfast. Add in an early lunch before our trip back to the airport for an afternoon flight from Hanoi to Danang. We will check into our hotel then head out for cocktails and dinner at a local restaurant. I suggest if you want clothes or shoes made to go and get yourself measured up tonight. Check out your Taste Trekkers gig guide for suggested tailors & shoemakers. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)



Day five: Hoi An

After breakfast we will head into town to meet our guide for a trek to a local herb & vegetable co-operative & then to the local market. We will then head off to our cooking class with a local family. The afternoon is yours to relax & explore. (Breakfast, Lunch)

Day six: Hoi an

This morning we meet for an eco fishing tour-chug around the river system and learn to row a round boat. We throw some nets and the boys on board will cook us lunch. Dinner tonight is with Duc from Mango Mango. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day seven: Hoi an to Ho Chi Minh City

Morning transfer to Danang for flight to Ho Chi Minh City. After check in, we will get some lunch locally and then we will set off on a half-day tour including the Ben Thanh markets, cho lon and the Notre Dame (great Vietnamese coffee in the park opposite with the students). Dinner tonight is at a French style restaurant. Stop and have a foot massage on the way home – you will never have another like it! (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day eight: Ho Chi Minh City

This morning we are up and at hands on cooking class in a private home. This is great as you get to experience a local's cooking techniques in his home. This will include a trip to the local neighborhood market (with delicious bananas in sticky rice or che) and then lunch. The afternoon is free for you to explore. Dinner tonight is at a traditional BBQ restaurant with drinks at a local bar. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day nine: Ho Chi Minh City to home

After breakfast at the hotel, we will all say our final goodbyes and set off home. There will be a mid-morning transfer to the airport to catch your flight home. (Breakfast)





Deets & Dots

Check out our hotels..

Hanoi

Medallion Hotel (<http://www.medallion-hanoi.com/>)

Hoi an

Ha An Hotel (<http://www.haanhotel.com/>)

Ho Chi Mihn City

The Majestic (<http://www.majesticsaigon.com.vn/>)

How much?

group size: 10 – 12 (minimum 8 – max 12)

price per person: \$3800 AUD

Single Supplement: \$450 AUD

Included in the price:

- Flights within Vietnam specified in tour
- accommodation
- private pick up and transfer (A/C Van)
- english speaking local trek guides except on free days
- cooking classes and demos
- meals specified in program
- internal/domestic air tickets
- entrance permission and visiting fees

Not including

- flights from Australia and Vietnam
- airport taxes
- visa arrangement and visa cost
- travel insurance
- personal expenses (drinks, tips, souvenirs, laundry etc)
- lunches and dinners not specified in itinerary

