

# Itinerary

# 2FOR1: 9 Day South Vietnam & Beach Escape

\*IMPORTANT NOTE: Any extra nights, optional tours or other amendments, will not be visible on this itinerary.

# DAY 1: Arrive Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Your holiday to Vietnam begins now! On arrival you will be picked up at the airport and transferred to the hotel. The rest of day is at leisure to relax after your flight.

MEALS: None

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): California Hotel Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Winsuites Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City

# DAY 2: Cu Chi Tunnels Tour

After breakfast at the hotel you will be picked up at around 7:45 AM to visit the Reunification Palace, the former palace of President Thieu and his predecessors. This building now is a museum and venue for official Government receptions. The next stops are the two landmarks of the city, the Central Post Office and the Notre Dame Cathedral. The Cathedral was built between 1863 and 1880 with materials imported from France, it is also referred to as Basilica of Our Lady of The Immaculate Conception.

We will then continue to visit the War Remains Museum, where the Vietnam War crimes are displayed. This is the most popular museum in Vietnam with approximately half a million visits annually.

Lunch today will be at a local restaurant.

After lunch we will visit Cu Chi Tunnels. Cu Chi is a network of more than 120 km under the ground and were built by the sweat and blood of Vietnamese guerrillas to hide and fight against the rival forces. You will be introduced to many kinds of booby traps used during the Vietnam War. We will take time to explain the methods of creating, maintaining and living in these tunnels as well as the special technique of hiding smoke, invented by the guerrillas. The visit also includes visiting different types of underground halls and secret meeting rooms. You will spend an hour experiencing the tunnels with a guide.

Afterwards, enjoy tea and cassava (guerrilla's food during the war). Before finishing the tour, you can watch a short (15 minutes) documentary about the tunnel. Return to Ho Chi Minh City.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): California Hotel Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Winsuites Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City

#### DAY 3: Mekong Delta Day Tour

This morning you will be picked up from your hotel from your hotel after breakfast to depart for My Tho.

On arrival at My Tho we will visit Vinh Trang pagoda. Then we will take a leisurely boat ride along the river where you can see the stilt houses, fruit plantations and fishing villages along the river bank.

Proceed to Tortoise islet, where we will have lunch in the orchard garden.

We will then take a boat ride to An Khanh in Ben Tre to visit a family business which epitomises the idyllic rural lifestyle. Taste the delicious coconut candy & observe the pastoral life as you roam through the fruit plantation and village.

We will then enjoy cruising on a hand-rowed sampan under the shadow of the water coconut trees along natural canals. Then enjoy seasonal fruit & honey tea to the sound of "Southern Vietnamese folk music", performed by locals.

Meet the bus and return to Ho Chi Minh City.

**MEALS:** Breakfast, Lunch

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): California Hotel Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Winsuites Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City

## DAY 4: Ho Chi Minh City Free Day

Today you will have a free day to relax and explore Ho Chi Minh City at your own leisure. Remember to check out Ben Thanh Market during the day and also the night market on the streets outside where you can shop for souvenirs and clothes. Check out the tourist quarter in Bui Vien and Pham Ngu Lao Street at night for vibrant night life.

MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): California Hotel Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City

**OVERNIGHT (4 Star):** Winsuites Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City

#### DAY 5: Ho Chi Minh City ~ Nha Trang

You will be picked up from hotel and dropped off at the airport for the short flight (45 minutes) to the beach town of Nha Trang. On arrival, you will be picked up and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

MEALS: Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT (3 Star):** Liberty Central, Nha Trang

**OVERNIGHT (4 Star):** Liberty Central, Nha Trang

DAY 6: Nha Trang Free Day

Today is free to do as little or as much as you like. Either relax in your resort, lounge on the beach or explore Nha Trang on your own.

MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Liberty Central, Nha Trang

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Liberty Central, Nha Trang

#### DAY 7: Nha Trang Free Day

Another day at your own leisure in this vibrant seaside town. We suggest you take an island hopping tour around the local islands for a spot of snorkelling and swimming in the clear blue waters.

MEALS: Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT (3 Star):** Liberty Central, Nha Trang

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Liberty Central, Nha Trang

### DAY 8: Nha Trang Free Day

Another day in paradise to relax and top up your tan. There are plenty of things to see and local in the local area, your hotel concierge can help you with suggestions and organise shorts tours if you are interested. Alternatively, relax by the pool or beach and sip cocktails!

MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT (3 Star): Liberty Central, Nha Trang

OVERNIGHT (4 Star): Liberty Central, Nha Trang

#### **DAY 9: Departure**

Your Vietnam tour has come to an end. After breakfast and check out you will be transferred to Nha Trang International airport in time for your onward flight. We hope you enjoyed your holiday to Vietnam with us!

MEALS: Breakfast