

Northern Splendor 5 days 4 nights



HANOI - - NINH BINH - HALONG BAY

The Offer

- Embark on an unforgettable 5-day adventure through Northern Vietnam, discovering the vibrant energy of Hanoi, the captivating landscapes of Ninh Binh, the unique artistry of Quang Phu Cau Incense village, and the breathtaking beauty of Halong Bay. This meticulously crafted tour blends captivating history, serene natural beauty, and authentic cultural experiences, offering a journey that will leave you with unforgettable memories. Immerse yourself in the rich history and vibrant culture of Hanoi, explore the stunning landscapes of Ninh Binh known as “Ha Long Bay on land,” experience the artistry and tradition of Quang Phu Cau village, and indulge in the awe-inspiring beauty of Halong Bay during an enchanting overnight cruise.



Highlights

- Visit Temple of Literature, Hoa Lo Prison
- Visit Quang Phu Cau Incense village and see incense making, incense-dyeing family and incense factory
- Visit Hanoi Train Street
- Visit Hoa Lu ancient capital, Trang An and take a boat trip and enjoy Mua Cave and enjoy panoramic view
- Kayak and swim in Lan Ha Bay and enjoy sunrise and breakfast on board. Visit Caves and islets.



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Day 1 Ha Noi arrival - Half day city tour

Upon the arrival, you are met at the Noi Bai airport and transferred to the hotel by our driver (early check in is included). Relaxing at hotel!

- 12h45: Our Tour guide and our bus pick up at your hotel and go to the restaurant.
- 14h00 – 14h15: Visit Temple of Literature – the first university of Vietnam. The Temple of Literature (Van Mieu Quoc Tu Giam) is one of the most attractive tourist spots in Northern Vietnam. The Temple of Literature was founded in 1070.
- 15h15: Keep going to visit Hoa Lo Prison. The prison was built by the French, from 1886 to 1901. When Vietnam was still a part of French Indochina. The French called the prison Maison Centrale. The prison was called “A Hell on Earth” and now the prison is like a war museum for those who want to understand more about the war against France of Vietnamese people.
- 16h30: Our bus take you back to the Hotel and check-in. Overnight at the hotel in Hanoi.

Inclusion:

- Accommodation: Hotel in Hanoi with early check in
- Meals: Breakfast, Lunch
- Tour guide: English speaking guide
- Transfer: Private airport transfer/ Group car for tour



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Day 2 Quang Phu Cau Incense village

- 12h00 – 12h30: Get picked up at your hotel by your tour guide
- 13h30: Make a quick visit to Chuong village, which has been well-known for the craft of conical hat for over 300 years. We are going to meet a local artisan, quick observe how conical hats are being made.
- 14h00: We depart for the Quang Phu Cau Incense village, which has been producing incense for more than 100 years. We will take a walk to the center of the village, see how people are making incense at family scale.
- 14h20: We are going to stop at a family who specializes in dyeing the incense stick, visit their drying yard and take some cool photos of the incense bundles.
- 15h20: Say goodbye to the incense-dyeing family, we will be having a factory tour at the biggest incense factory in the town. You will have a chance to see how incense is made from scratch by visiting every production section of the factory, as well as learn more about life of manual worker in the countryside. It is also a chance for you to shop some incense for souvenir at the place it is produced.
- 16h00: Time to go back to the city center. First place to be dropped off will be the Hanoi Train Street. If you do not want to be dropped off there, please stay inside the bus.
- 17h00 – 17h30: Get drop off at your hotel. End of your services.

Inclusion:

- Accommodation: Hotel in Hanoi Meals: Breakfast
- English speaking guide for tour Transfer: Group car



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Day 2 Hoa Lu - Mua Cave - Trang An

- 7h30 – 7h45: Our tour guide will pick you up from your hotel. We take you to Ninh Binh province which is far from Hanoi city about 120km.
- 9h30 : Have a short break for 20 minutes to relax.
- 10h30: The first destination in this trip is visit Hoa Lu ancient capital. This is the first capital of Vietnam. Coming to visit Hoa Lu, you will learn about why the capital was moved to Hanoi nowadays. You are impressed on an outstanding architecture when entering temples of King Dinh and King Le, the first and second emperors of ancient Vietnam, built in the 17 century. Try to feel ancient atmospheres in Hoa Lu ancient capital.
- 11h45: Have buffet lunch in the restaurant with a lot of local foods goat meat, fried rice... Vegetarian food is always available in the buffet lunch.
- 13h00: Visit Trang An which was recognized by UNESCO as The world Heritage Site in 2014. Trang An has the wonderful tunnel cave system so that Kong's Movie Group chose this place for New Version of Kong in 2016 – “ Skull Island “. Boat trip to visit Trang An to see the amazing beauty of this landscape with many caves such as: Sang Cave (Light Cave), Toi Cave (Dark Cave), Nau Ruou Cave (Cooking Wine Cave), green river and natural view.



- 15h30: Get on the bus to go to Mua Cave (Dancing Cave). Walk up almost 500 steps, you can reach to the top of Lying Dragon Mountain, have an amazing panoramic view of Tam Coc from here.
- 16h30 – 17h00: Get on the Bus to return to Hanoi.
- 19h30: Arrive to Hanoi and get drop off at the Hotel. Overnight in Hanoi.

Inclusions:

- Accommodation: Hotel in Hanoi
- Meals: Breakfast, lunch
- Tour guide: English speaking guide for tour
- Transfer: Group car



Day 4 Halong bay - Sung Sot Cave - Titop Island

Timeline:

- 08:15 – 08:45: Hotel or private address pick up with our shuttle bus. Short break half way.
- 11:45 – 12:00: Arriving Tuan Chau marina, transferred by tender of La Pandora cruises.
- 12:45 – 13:00: Welcome aboard the cruise. Refresh with our welcome drink. Meet the captain, crew in the cruise briefing, safety instruction.
- 13:00 – 13:15: A special lunch in Vietnamese cuisine of fresh seafood and an assortment of appetizing favorites are served while sailing through Islets of Con Vit.



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- 16:00: The Cruise sails through Lan Ha Bay. The area is surrounding of extraordinary limestone karsts landscapes. We progress to Ong Cam Area of Lan Ha Bay- a separate part of Ha Long Bay. This is a quiet tourist paradise in Vietnam, enjoy kayaking and/or enjoy swimming in the crystal-clear waters of the Bay.
- 17:30: Back to La Pandora Cruise, drop anchor for staying overnight. Enjoy cooking demonstration (teaching you how to make our specialty, Spring rolls) and the complimentary Sunset Party on the sundeck with local wine and fresh fruit.
- 19:00: Dinner is served in the restaurant. Enjoy delicious local food prepared and served for you by our wonderful onboard catering staff. After dinner, retiring to your cabin or join the fishing excursion, watch a movie, have a drink at the bar, wifi access or play exciting games. Overnight on board

Inclusion:

- Accommodation: on cruise
- Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner
- English speaking guide on boat
- Transfer: Limousine shuttle bus





Day 5 Halong bay - Hanoi departure

Timeline:

- 06:00: Enjoy sunrise and admire the never-ending miraculous scenery of the Bay.
- 06:30: Light breakfast, coffee and tea served.
- 07:15: Visit Dark & Bright Cave and islets by local rowing boats which is a wild and mysterious beauty in the middle of the World Heritage.
- 09:15: Back to our La Pandora Cruise, relax before checking out.
- 10:00: Lunch is served on board
- 11h35: We return to the quayside in the south of the bay, where our visitors disembark in Tuan Chau Marina. And leave for Ha Noi on our shuttle. Transfer to the airport to take flight back home. Trip ends.

Inclusion:

- Accommodation: No
- Meals: Breakfast, brunch
- Tour guide: English speaking guide on boat
- Transfer: Limousine shuttle bus/ Private airport transfer



INCLUSIONS	EXCLUSIONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hotel in twin/triple sharing room basis with daily breakfast • Private airport transfer/ Group car for tour • Meals as indicated • Complimentary Mineral Water on tour (01 bottle / pax / day) • Entrance fees, boat trips and excursions • Excellent English speaking guide • Government taxes and service charges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travel Insurance • International air tickets • Personal expenses (laundry, telephone, drinks, tip...). • Tipping for tour guide and driver • Others not mentioned nor specified above • Surcharge for holidays: 2 Sept, 24 Dec - Christmas, 31 Dec, 27 Jan -1 Feb 2025 • Domestic flights • Vietnam E-Visa fee • Single Supplement.

Hotel list

	3 STAR	4 STAR
HANOI	Ha Noi Sky Hotel – Deluxe room	La Casa Hotel - Deluxe room
HALONG	La Pandora Boutique Cruise – Ocean Suite	Amanda Cruise- Deluxe





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Policy

Policy for children

- Child under 4 years old sharing room with two (2) adults without extra bed: Free of charge.
- Child from 4 – 6 years old sharing room with two (2) adults without extra bed: 50% of charge.
- Child from 7 – under 9 years old sharing room with two (2) adults without extra bed: 75% of charge.
- Child from 10 – under 12 years old sharing room with two (2) adults without extra bed: 85% of charge.
- Child from 12 years old and above: 100% of charge.

Cancellation policy for tours and Tour packages reservations

- No Show: 100 % charge.
- 1 – 7 days: 50 % of the tour price.
- 8 – 14 days: 30 % of the tour price.
- 15 – 29 days: 10 % of the tour price.
- 30 days up: No charge.



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