



EXOTIC JOURNEY OF NORTHERN VIETNAM

08 days / 07 nights

HANOI - SAPA – HA LONG

This program features North Vietnam including the Capital of Hanoi and the famous world natural Heritage site, Ha Long Bay.

We will also experience the uniqueness of the hill tribe people daily activities in the mountainous Northwest region that has a diverse number of ethnic groups. Take in the local culture as well as the stunning rice terrace vistas...

DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN HANOI

Arrive in Hanoi, transfer to hotel check-in.

DAY 2: HANOI STREET FOOD AND CITY TOUR (B,L)

Morning stop at Bach Ma temple and continue walking along the narrow streets to Hang Be market. Taste street foods and learn about “local cuisine culture”, such as cha que (sausage with cinnamon), banh cuon (Vietnamese rolling cakes), bun cha (rice noodles served with cha que), nem (deep fried “square-shape” spring rolls) and che (a popular dessert soup with many varieties kinds of beans). Take a rest at a local cafe. Afternoon, continue visiting the Presidential Palace (façade only), One Pillar pagoda, the Temple of Literature. Enjoy a cyclo ride through Hanoi’s Old Quarter, followed a the water puppet show.

DAY 3: HANOI - LAO CAI - SAPA (B,L,D) JOINING TOUR

Early morning, join transfer to the remote mountain of Sapa. Continue travel to Nam Cang village and check-in the tranquil Nam Cang Riverside Lodge. Lunch with local specialties. Afternoon, explore the village of Red Dao people. Enjoy local dinner and try the traditional herbal bath.

Grade: Easy/ 1.5 - 2 hours walking.



DAY 4: SAPA - HIKING DAY (B,L,D)

Breakfast in the amazing landscape. Your trek starts with an ascent to small Blue H'mong village and Red Dao village of Nam Nhiu. Picnic lunch. Afternoon, continue trekking through small dirt trail, passing the rice terraces and a pretty river before arriving back at Nam Cang village.

Grade: Moderate/ 5-6 hours walking.

DAY 5: WALK IN PURE NATURE. BACK TO THE CITY LIFE OF HANOI (B,L)

Morning walk up to the jungle to explore the beautiful surrounding nature. Visit a small house of remote located Red Dao minorities. Arrive back at Nam Cang Riverside Lodge and lunch. Then transfer back to town and depart for Hanoi. Overnight in Hanoi.

Grade: Easy / Approximately 2.5-3.0 hours walking.

** You can extend your stay in Sapa or move to Topas Ecolodge or another hotel in town.*

DAY 6: HANOI - HALONG BAY (B,L,D)

Drive to Halong Bay (with driver only). Enjoy the landscape of the Red River Delta countryside.

Get on board Halong Cruise. Relax, enjoy beautiful landscapes and experience on-board activities: visiting grottos, swimming, kayaking, cooking demonstration, or squid fishing.

DAY 7: HALONG BAY - HANOI (B)

Early risers can join Tai Chi session on sundeck. Late morning, say farewell to the crew and transfer back to Hanoi.

DAY 8: HANOI - DEPARTURE (B)

Have a leisure morning until check-out from hotel. Transfer to the airport for your departure flight.

HAVE AN ENJOYABLE TRIP!

❖ MEAL CODE B: BREAKFAST L: LUNCH D: DINNER