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# TIMELESS VIETNAM, CAMBODIA & BANGKOK JOURNEY

VISITING: HA NOI, HA LONG, HUE, HOI AN, HO CHI MINH, SIEM REAP, ANGKOR HISTORICAL PARK, ANGKOR WAT TONLE SAP LAKE, BANGKOK

### **DAY 1- MALTA - VIETNAM**

Meet the tour manager at Malta International Airport for your flight to Vietnam.

### DAY 2 - HANOI

Upon arrival at Noi Bai Airport in Hanoi, you will be welcomed by the guide and transferred to your 4\* Lan Vien Hotel. Meals: Dinner

### DAY 3 - HA NOI

The colonial capital city Hanoi is a unique Asian city with tree-lined boulevards, French colonial architecture, peaceful lakes and oriental pagodas and temples. This full day tour takes you around Hanoi's most interesting sights visiting the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, the simple house-on-stilts and the One-Pillar pagoda near Ba Dinh Square, where the most solemn ceremonies of Hanoi take place. The Tran Quoc Pagoda which is located on an islet of West Lake and the Temple of Literature, the very first high school of Vietnam scholars.

In the afternoon, you will visit the Ethnology Museum, where you can learn about the hill tribal culture of Vietnam and later proceed to Hoan Kiem Lake for a short Cyclo tour. Late afternoon you will enjoy a unique fascinating show of Water Puppetry, a traditional stage art of Northern Vietnam.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

### DAY 4 - HA NOI - HA LONG

Depart for Halong Bay,you go through the scenic countryside. The wonderous Halong Bay is truly one of Vietnam's most impressive scenic sights. Heading out of the town you embark on a boat for an exploration of the legendary Halong Bay. This exciting five hour cruise will provide you a fantastic view of the picturesque scenery blending with the sky and some 3,000 limestone islands rising amazingly from the clear and emerald water. The limestone karsts formations are littered with beaches, grottoes and beautiful caves. Along the way you will anchor for a leisurely swim in a secluded cove and an enjoyable visit to one of the many hidden grottoes beneath towering cliffs. Stay overnight on the Paloma Cruise. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner.

### DAY 5 - HA LONG - HA NOI - HUE

Waking up and starting your day with Tai Chi on the sundeck while complimentary tea & coffee are served. Breakfast and light lunch served onboard. Continue cruising around the bay. Disembark and transfer to Airport for your flight to Hue. Upon arrival transfer to The 4\*Eldora Hotel. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

### DAY 6 - HUE

Today you will visit the Great Enclosure of Royal Citadel, the complex of Noon Gate, Royal Palace, and Temples build in 1802. In the afternoon visit the charming Lady Pagoda (Thien Mu Pagoda) where you will enjoy a great view of the Perfume River and surrounding area. Thien Mu Pagoda is considered the symbol of Hue, and of Buddhism in Vietnam. Visit the tombs of the emperors of the Nguyen dynasty the tomb of King Minh Mang (1843) and tomb of King Khai Dinh (1885). Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner.

### DAY 7 - HUE - HOI AN

Depart Hue for Da Nang through the Hai Van tunnel which is the greatest tunnel in

En route, photo stop at the top of Cloud - Ocean pass and Lang Co fishing village and later stop at marble carvers' village. Once in Hoi An, explore the ancient town with a walking tour through the narrow winding streets of the Ancient Quarter visiting Chua Ong Pagoda, Chinese Assembly Halls, the 200- year old Tam Ky ancestral house, and the Japanese Bridge. After the tour there will be free time to shop or relax. Check in at The 4\*Hoi An Riverside Resort. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

### DAY 8 - HOI AN - DA NANG - HO CHI MINH

Time at leisure and later transfer to Da Nang Airport for flight to Ho Chi Minh. Check in at The 4\*Liberty Riverside Hotel. Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

### DAY 9 - HO CHI MINH - CU CHI

Depart to Cu Chi tunnels. The tunnels were part of an underground network that was built by the Vietcong during the American War. It reached from the southern tip of the Ho Chi Minh trail near the Cambodian border to the Saigon River. You will have the opportunity to creep into a tunnel to experience how the Vietcong lived and fought during this time. Explore Ho Chi Minh City - Oriental Pearl with an exciting tour to the main attraction sites of the city, the Reunification Palace formerly the Independence Palace of the South Vietnamese president. The old Opera House, the neo-Romanesque Notredame Cathedral and the Central Post Office. Later proceed to Cho Lon (China Town) to explore the highlights of this fascinating area, beginning with a brief visit to Binh Tay Market. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

### DAY 10 - HO CHI MINH - CAI BE

Drive to Cai Be in the heart of Mekong Delta, with a stop in Tan An town overlooking the picturesque flat rice fields. On arrival, take a boat cruise around the Cai Be floating market. Disembark and wander into small villages to visit the green orchards and discover the peaceful countryside life here. Back to Ho Chi Minh city for overnight. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

### DAY 11 - HO CHI MINH - SIEM REAP

Transfer to Airport for flight to Siem Reap. Welcome to Cambodia - Kingdom of Wonders. Check in at The 4\* Tara Angkor Hotel. Visit the Angkor Silk Farm which is a fascinating farm/workshop where you can see the entire silk creation process

including growing the food for the silk worms, breeding the worms, silk extraction, spinning and refinement, traditional ikat dying, pattern creation, and looming. Experience the Kongkear Angkor (Angkor Gondola)a unique Khmer traditional boat service in Siem Reap. Have dinner with Apsara dance at local restaurant and also enjoy the night market and pub street. Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

### DAY 12 - ANGKOR HISTORICAL PARK

You will start the day with the infamous

and treasured legacy of Angkor Wat. The masterpiece and holy grail of the temples of Angkor, Angkor Wat is the world's largest religious building and an insurmountable legacy left by Suryavarman II. You will continue your visit Ta Prohm, which is an Angkorian treasure of Tombraider fame. In the afternoon you commence your exploration of Angkor Thom, known as the 'Great City', and you will enter through the Victory Gate, Elephant Terrace where adjacently sits the Terrace of the Leper King. Proceed through the forest to Preah Palilay and afterwards you will proceed to Phimeanakas and finally to Bayon. Later visit Bakheng Hill, an iconic temple setting where you will admire the sun set over this ancient land, with views across the great Tonle Sap Lake, the West Baray, and of course, Angkor Wat. Meals: Breakfast,

### DAY 13 - SIEM REAP - BANGKOK

After breakfast you will visit Wat Thmey, Killing Field, the wat contains a unique glass-walled stupa containing the bones of victims of the Khmer Rouge. Some of the bones were recovered from a nearby well while others are the remains of soldiers who died on a nearby battlefield. Les Chan tiers Ecoles Artisans D' Angkor is a workshop that teaches the unique craft of wood and stone carving in the traditional and style of classic Cambodian artistry. Transfer to airport for flight to Bangkok. Upon arrival Embark Grand Pearl Cruise for an International Buffet dinner where you can admire a shining Bangkok along Chao Praya river at night. Check in at The 4\* Berkeley Hotel. Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

### DAY 14 - BANGKOK

Today visit the Royal Grand Palace, one of the most important landmarks in Bangkok built in 1782. Explore the magnificent Wat Phra Kaew, Thailand's most sacred temple with the revered Emerald Buddha, and other key attractions such as the Coronation Throne Hall, Royal Reception Hall, Royal Funeral Hall, the Golden Chedi, and the Royal Pantheon. Alternatively, you will visit Wat Pho houses the highly revered giant Reclining Buddha. In the afternoon you will have time at leisure for shopping After dinner transfer back to the airport for flight to Malta. Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

### **DAY 15 MALTA**

Arrival in Malta.











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BOOK	BEFORE 31 MAR	AFTER 30 MAR
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TWIN SHARING	€ 3149	€ 3349
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### **OUR PACKAGE INCLUDES**

- RETURN INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS MALTA/HANOI/ BANGKOK/MALTA
- ONE WAY FLIGHT FROM HANOI TO HUE/FROM DA NANG TO HO CHI MINH/FROM HO CHI MINH TO SIEM RIEP/SIEM RIEP TO BANGKOK
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- 12 NIGHTS IN 4\* ACCOMMODATION
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- ALL EXCURSIONS AS PER ITINERARY
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- COMPREHENSIVE GUIDED SIGHTSEEING
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