



7 days' sample itinerary to Vietnam



Day 1

Arrive in Hanoi

Immerse yourself in the tradition, heritage and the modern hustle bustle of Hanoi. Try out the local cuisines – take a food tour to really experience the local delicacies. The night life in Hanoi is very vibrant. Save some energy to head out in the night.

Day 2

Hanoi

Take time to see the historical sites in central Hanoi. The Imperial Citadel of Thang Long - A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Hoan Kiem Lake – a freshwater lake and Ngoc Son nearby will be a great day's plan. You could also include The Temple of Literature (built in 11th century) and Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum Complex in Ba Dinh Square.



Day 3

Ninh Binh and Trang An

Located in the Red River Delta, Trang An is a scenic area near Ninh Binh renowned for its boat cave tours. It is an UNESCO World heritage site. The area is famous for its magnificent Karst scenery surrounding the Tam Coc village. Ninh Binh was the capital of Vietnam for three major dynasties in ancient times. Walking through here, you will be transported to a different time.

Day 4

Ha Long Bay

Halong Bay is world famous for its spectacular limestone islands. From Hanoi, reach Tuan Chau Island, from where you can embark on a 4-hours long journey to the Bay. Also, make a visit to Dau Go Island to see the Cung Grotto.



Day 5

Da Nang

From Hanoi, take one of the daily flights to Da Nang. Go up on a cable car ride at the Ba Na Hill Mountain to enjoy breath-taking views from the top. Walk through the amazing Golden Bridge to connect with verdant nature. You can also go for a ride at the Alpine Coaster – but only if you can handle giant roller coasters. If you prefer nature over entertainment parks, go to Cham Island – a great spot for snorkelling.

Day 6

Hoi An

A day for yet another UNESCO World Heritage Site and one that you won't forget for very long. From historic sites like Ong Pagoda, Chinese assembly halls and old houses in the lanes, to the extremely picturesque Japanese Bridge, the town will keep your cameras working. The best experience is at the night when the town markets are lit with lanterns for a truly old-world charm. This experience is even special on each full moon night.



Day 7

Ho Chi Minh city

Earlier known as Saigon, or Sài Gòn in Vietnamese, was merged with the surrounding province in 1976 and renamed Ho Chi Minh City to celebrate the reunification of north and south at the end of the Vietnam War. The city's namesake comes from Ho Chi Minh, the communist revolutionary leader who is credited with uniting the country. Befittingly, the city is a modern cosmopolitan urban area with glimpses of its past and French connections in places like Saigon Opera House.

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