

Essential Central Vietnam 6 Days / 5 Nights

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2024 Tour Program

Day 1 (Arrive Hue):

Arrive at Phu Bai Airport in Hue where you will meet your guide and be driven to your hotel. The rest of your day is free.

Hotel: Saigon Morin Hotel (4 Star) (or similar)

Day 2 (Hue):

Full Day: Perfume River Cruise, Ancient Citadel and Dong Ba Market Tour

Depart hotel: 8:30am **Finish:** 5:00pm approx.

After breakfast, meet your guide and board a river boat to cruise upstream to **Thien Mu**, a tranquil pagoda on the banks of the Perfume River. From there, a vehicle will be waiting to take you to **Emperor Minh Mang's Mausoleum**.

After lunch at a local restaurant, take a tour of Hue's **Ancient Citadel**, once the seat of the emperors of the powerful Nguyen Dynasty that ruled Vietnam from approximately 1800 to 1945. You will begin with a stroll around the area between the Citadel's massive walls and the defensive moat, now filled with lotus flowers. Then enter via the **Noon Gate** to wander around the **Thai Hoa Palace**, the Pavilion housing the Nine Urns of the Nguyen rulers, and the remains of the royal palaces. In 1968, the Citadel was the scene of fierce fighting as the Vietnam War gained momentum. Your guide will point out evidence of this fighting that remains today. After, visit the **Museum of Antiquities** and the bustling **Dong Ba Market**.

Return to your hotel with the rest of your evening free.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Saigon Morin Hotel (4 Star) (or similar)

DAY 3 (Hue):

Full Day: De-Militarised Zone Tour

Depart hotel: 7:00am **Finish**: 5:30pm approx.

As this excursion covers a large area of the wartime 'De-militarised Zone', better known as the DMZ, our guide and driver will meet you at your hotel at seven o'clock to drive

Price (Per Person):

2 Persons (1 Room): \$1,560 3 Persons (2 Rooms): \$1,350 4 Persons (2 Rooms): \$1,210

Prices valid to: 31st Dec. 2024

To: Hue

From: Da Nang

Duration: 6 Days

Departs: On request

Departure: Guaranteed

Inclusions:

- Airport transfers
- Hotel pick-ups/Drop-offs for tours
- Hotel (4 Star) 5 Nights
- Meals as indicated
- Experienced, English-speaking guide
- Comfortable, air-conditioned vehicle with driver
- All touring as per program
- Entrance fees as per program



DAY 3 (Cont'd):

north to Quang Tri Province. Your visit will include the battle sites of **Khe Sanh Base**, **Hien Luong Bridge** and **Ben Hai River**, as well as the **Old Citadel of Quang Tri** and the **Vinh Moc Tunnels** (these are more authentic and easier to enter than those in Cu Chi.)

You will also visit **Van Kieu**, an ethnic minority village before returning late afternoon, to your hotel in Hue.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Saigon Morin Hotel (4 Star) (or similar)

DAY 4 (Hue to Hoi An):

Depart hotel: 9:00am **Finish**: 4:00pm approx.

Leave Hue and travel towards Da Nang and on the way, cross the **Hai Van Mountain Pass**. Visit the remnants of the **Old French Fort** and take in the magnificent views including Lang Co Beach and Da Nang spread out before you to the south.

In Da Nang, visit the remarkable Hindu statuary in the **Cham Museum**. Before proceeding to Hoi An, drive-by **Nam O Beach** where the American soldiers first came ashore in March 1965, and **My Khe (China) Beach**, a popular R&R location for American soldiers.

After lunch, you will have a guided tour of the **Ancient Town of Hoi An**. Visit the **Japanese Covered Bridge**, the **Assembly Hall**, the **Old House of Tan Ky** and the **Hoi An Traditional Arts Performance House**.

Check into your Hoi An hotel with the your evening free.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Hoi An Central Boutique Hotel (4 Star) (or similar)

DAY 5 (Hoi An):

Full Day: Ba Na Hills, Golden Bridge, Lady Buddha Statue, Marble Mountains

Depart hotel: 7:30am **Finish**: 5:00pm approx.

Your guide will pick you up from your hotel in Hoi An and drive to the **Ba Na Hills**. Take the cable car to the first stop and visit the famous **Golden Bridge with Giant Hands**, the **Flower Garden** and the **Linh Ung Pagoda**.

Take the cable car back down to the car and drive to lunch at a local restaurant. In the afternoon, travel to the giant **Lady Buddha Statue**. Located overlooking the sea, on the Son Tra Peninsula in Da Nang, it is the tallest of its type in Vietnam. Then, visit the magnificent **Dragon Bridge** before your last stop at the **Marble Mountains**.

Exclusions:

- All travel to Hue & from Da Nang
- Passport & Visa expenses
- Meals and services not mentioned
- Comprehensive travel insurance
- Personal expenses (e.g. telephone, internet, laundry, drinks, souvenirs etc.)
- Tips to Guides and Drivers



DAY 5 (Cont'd):

Return to your Hoi An hotel with the your evening free.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Hoi An Central Boutique Hotel (4 Star) (or similar)

DAY 6 (Depart Hoi An):

Your day is free as you wish until your driver picks you up from your hotel to take you to the airport at Da Nang, in time for your onward flight.

Meals: Breakfast

