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Intro

#### Go on the Ultimate North Vietnam Adventure

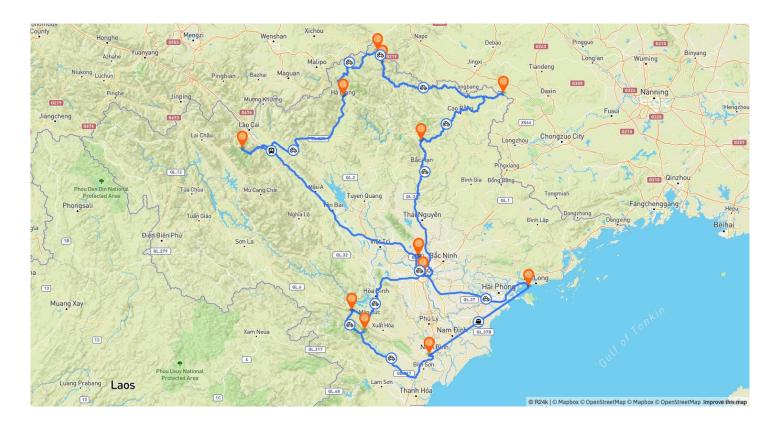
This 21-day adventure tour through North Vietnam is designed for the intrepid traveler seeking authentic experiences.

Your journey begins in Hanoi, where you'll cycle through the bustling streets, soaking up the vibrant city atmosphere. From there, venture to the mountainous region of Sapa, home to remote villages and diverse hill tribes. Trek through the stunning Muong Hoa Valley, marveling at the terraced rice fields that cascade down the mountainsides.

Conquer the legendary Ma Pi Leng Pass, one of Vietnam's most scenic mountain passes, and visit the breathtaking Ban Gioc Waterfall, a natural wonder shared with neighboring China. Explore the peaceful Ba Be Lake by boat, and cycle through the Mai Chau Valley, interacting with local villagers in the charming Cha village.

No North Vietnam adventure is complete without a cruise through the iconic Halong Bay. Witness the breathtaking beauty of thousands of limestone karsts dotting the emerald waters.

This tour offers a unique opportunity to experience the diverse landscapes, rich culture, and warm hospitality of Northern Vietnam.





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DAY 1: Noi Bai Airport - Hanoi

## Welcome to Hanoi, the heart of Vietnam!

After landing, meet your driver at Pillar 10 in the airport. Enjoy a 40-minute drive to your hotel, immersing yourself in the city's vibrant atmosphere. Witness the true essence of Hanoi. Marvel at the endless stream of scooters, the bustling markets, and the tantalizing aroma of grilled pork chops. Check into your hotel and explore the neighborhood or simply relax in your room.

At 6:00 PM, embark on a culinary adventure. Our guide will lead you through the narrow streets of the Old Quarter, revealing the hidden gems of Hanoi's street food scene. Learn about the history and culture behind each dish as you savor the city's unique flavors. Return to your hotel around 9:30 PM, satisfied and full of unforgettable memories.

Tour type: private

Accommodation: \*\*\*\*

Included meals:

Peridot Gallery Classic Boutique Hotel

Premier Deluxe

## Included today:

- SUV Noi Bai Airport to Hanoi
- ✓ Hanoi Old Quarter Street Food Tour













DAY 2: Hanoi

## Discover Hanoi on Two Wheels: A Surprising Adventure

You might think, "Who bikes in Hanoi?" But cycling through this bustling city and its surrounding countryside is surprisingly easy and rewarding. Join our 4.5-hour bike tour and uncover hidden gems. Explore famous landmarks while venturing off the beaten path. Discover narrow alleyways where locals have been serving delicious food for generations. Witness a train track running through people's front yards and find peaceful oases in the countryside. Our guide will meet you at your hotel lobby around 8:00 AM. Cycle past iconic landmarks like the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum and the Old Quarter gates. Pedal through narrow alleyways, past B52 Lake, and along the scenic West Lake. Cycle through the "Banana Plantation," a serene area filled with lush greenery. Cross the iconic Long Bien Bridge and return to the Old Quarter. End your morning adventure with a delicious lunch. You'll be back in the city by 1:00 PM, free to explore at your own pace.

Tour type: small group

Accommodation: \*\*\*\*

Peridot Gallery Classic Boutique Hotel

Premier Deluxe

Included today:

Hanoi Half Day City Bicycle Tour (AM start)

Included meals:

















DAY 3: Hanoi - Ta Van

#### A scenic journey to Sapa

Your adventure begins at 6:30 AM, as our comfortable bus picks you up from your hotel. Enjoy the scenic drive to Sapa, with two convenient stops along the way for a rest break. Arrive in Sapa around 1:00 PM. Your local guide will meet you at the bus station and take you to your charming eco-lodge. The rest of the day is yours to explore! Relax in the peaceful surroundings of Sapa, discover the local markets, or simply enjoy the breathtaking mountain views.

Accommodation: \*\*\*\*

Included meals:

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Laxsik Ecolodge

□ Deluxe Double / Twin Balcony

## Included today:

- ✓ Limousine 28 seat 1 way: Hanoi to Sapa
- ✓ Transfer naar Ta Van













DAY 4: Ta Van

## Discover the Hidden Beauty of Muong Hoa Valley

Meet your local Hmong guide at 9:00 AM and begin your journey into the heart of Sapa. Your knowledgeable guide will share fascinating insights into the daily life and culture of the local people. Hike through the picturesque Muong Hoa Valley. This 10-kilometer trek offers stunning views of terraced rice fields, traditional villages, and towering mountains. Discover hidden gems off the beaten path. Visit remote villages where few tourists venture, gaining a unique perspective on local life.

Tour type: private

Accommodation: \*\*\*\*

Laxsik Ecolodge

Deluxe Double / Twin Balcony

Included today:

1 Day Trek















## Relax and Recharge in Muong Hoa Valley

After yesterday's adventure, enjoy a more leisurely day exploring the depths of Muong Hoa Valley. Discover the home of the Red Dao minority and admire their vibrant traditional clothing. Marvel at the stunning landscapes as we venture deeper into the valley. Admire the cascading waterfalls and lush greenery. Return to your accommodation for a refreshing break. After lunch, we'll embark on a scenic 5-hour drive to Ha Giang Province.

Discover the Enchanting Beauty of Ha Giang Renowned for its majestic mountains and emerald rice terraces, Ha Giang Province offers a breathtaking landscape. Over the next few days, you'll encounter a diverse tapestry of ethnic minorities and their traditional villages. Experience the warmth and hospitality of the local people.

Tomorrow venture into Cao Bang Province and explore the stunning Ba Be National Park. This 6-day tour will showcase the best of Northeast Vietnam.

Tour type: private

Accommodation:

Sun Hotel

**Paper** Double

Included today:

1 Day Trek

✓ Private 7 seat Car Ta Van to Ha Giang

Included meals:

















DAY 6: Ha Giang - Dong Van

## A Scenic Journey Through Northeast Vietnam

Your adventure begins early this morning as your comfortable limousine bus picks you up around 6:30 AM. Arrive in Ha Giang and meet your local guide. After a delicious lunch, we'll embark on a scenic drive towards Yen Minh. Discover breathtaking viewpoints like Quan Ba Heaven's Gate and the Twin Mountains. Along the way, explore charming ethnic minority villages and learn about their unique cultures. Visit the Hmong King's Palace for a glimpse into the region's history.

Tour type: private

#### Accommodation:

Privé kamer met eigen badkamer

# Included today:

- ✓ 6D5N Northest by car 2 pax (luxury)
- ✓ Nho Que River Tickets





Included meals:















DAY 7: Dong Van - Meo Vac

## Conquer the Legendary Ma Pi Leng Pass

Today, you will embark on a thrilling adventure to the iconic Ma Pi Leng Pass. At a dizzying 1,500 meters, this engineering marvel is a testament to the ingenuity of the local ethnic minorities. Prepare to be awestruck by the breathtaking panorama. The sweeping vistas will leave you breathless. After conquering the pass, embark on a scenic boat tour along the Ngo River (weather permitting). Let the majestic cliffs envelop you as you glide through this tranquil waterway. Discover the charming town of Meo Vac, where you'll spend the night. Immerse yourself in the local culture, savor delicious cuisine, and reflect on today's unforgettable experiences.

Tour type: private

Accommodation:

O Chau Meo Vac Boutique Homestay

Privé kamer met eigen badkamer

















## Discover the Enchanting Beauty of Cao Bang Province

Today, we will embark on a scenic journey to Cao Bang, one of Vietnam's most picturesque provinces. Marvel at the majestic Ban Gioc Waterfall, a natural wonder that will leave you speechless. Along the way, visit a vibrant local market in Bao Lac. Explore the colorful stalls and interact with members of the Black Lo Lo and San chi ethnic minorities. Arrive at your cozy homestay in Cao Bang and relax after a day of exploration.

Tour type: private

Accommodation: \*\*\*

Lan's Homestay

Privé kamer met eigen badkamer

Included meals:

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DAY 9: Ban Gioc - Ba Be

#### Witness the Majestic Ban Gioc Waterfall

Today, we'll explore the breathtaking Ban Gioc Waterfall, one of Vietnam's natural wonders. Straddling the border with China, this cascading waterfall is a sight to behold. Admire the stunning landscape of rice fields and towering limestone mountains. The waterfall's thundering waters plunge over 60 meters, creating a mesmerizing spectacle. After lunch, we'll journey to Ba Be Lake. Relax and unwind in a cozy homestay nestled in this picturesque region.

Tour type: private

Accommodation:

Ba Be Jungle Houses

四 Kingsize Bed Balcony

















## **Explore the Natural Beauty of Ba Be National Park**

Today, we will take a boat trip on the majestic Ba Be Lake, one of the world's largest natural lakes. Cruise through a breathtaking landscape surrounded by towering limestone cliffs and lush greenery. Visit Puong Cave, a fascinating natural wonder inhabited by thousands of bats. Discover the charming villages of the Tay minority along the lake's shores. Take a leisurely walk and immerse yourself in local culture. During the warmer months, enjoy a refreshing swim in the crystal-clear waters of Ba Be Lake. Return to your homestay at the end of the afternoon, ready to rest and recharge.

Tour type: private

Accommodation:

■ Ba Be Jungle Houses

四 Kingsize Bed Balcony

Included meals:

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DAY 11: Ba Be - Hanoi

## **Enjoy a Leisurely Morning**

Relax and unwind after your adventure. After a leisurely lunch, we will continue the tour and drive you back to Hanoi. Along the way, we'll make a few scenic stops to enjoy the countryside.

Tour type: private

Accommodation:

Peridot Gallery Classic Boutique Hotel

Premier Deluxe

Included meals:

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## Cycling through the Mai Chau Valley

Today, we will have a scenic journey to Mai Chau, a picturesque valley renowned for its breathtaking landscapes. Arrive in Mai Chau around noon and enjoy a delicious lunch. Explore the vibrant culture of the White Thai minority. Join your guide on a bike tour through the valley, visiting charming villages like Nà Thia, Chiếng Sũi, Cha Village, Cha Long, Tong Dau, and Vĩn Village. Witness the idyllic rural lifestyle. Observe farmers tending to their rice fields, raising fish, and caring for their cattle. Experience firsthand the daily life of a local family. Visit Mr. 2i2p's home, where four generations live together. Return to your accommodation in the late afternoon and relax after a day of exploration.

Tour type: private

Accommodation:

四 Superior Double / Twin

## Included today:

- 7 seater car Hanoi to Mai Chau
- Cycling tour after lunch

Included meals:

















DAY 13: Mai Chau

#### Enjoy a Relaxing Day in Mai Chau

Today, take a break and unwind in the peaceful surroundings of Mai Chau Valley. Explore the nearby villages, hike through the lush rice fields, or simply relax by the river.

For the adventurous, we offer half-day or full-day trekking options. Discover hidden trails and breathtaking viewpoints in the surrounding countryside.

Accommodation:



Mai Chau Ecolodge

의 Superior Double / Twin

Included meals:

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DAY 14: Mai Chau - Pu Luong

# Discover the Pristine Beauty of Pu Luong Nature Reserve

Your guide will pick you up around 10:30 AM for a scenic journey to Pu Luong. This stunning nature reserve boasts breathtaking rice terraces, lush forests, and meandering streams. Immerse yourself in the vibrant culture of the White Thai ethnic minority who call this region home. Arrive at your eco-lodge around noon and enjoy a delicious lunch. Relax in the comfortable surroundings, surrounded by picturesque rice terraces. You will go on a leisurely 5-6 kilometer hike with your local guide. Explore the hidden gems of Pu Luong, guided by knowledgeable locals who know the area like the back of their hand. Experience the tranquility and natural beauty of this unspoiled destination. Pu Luong offers a truly unforgettable experience, far from the crowds of mainstream tourism.

Tour type: private

Accommodation: \*\*\*\*

Pu Luong Treehouse

□ Valley View Bungalow Double

#### Included today:

- 7 seat car Mai Chau to Pu Luong
- Half Day Trekking (After lunch)

Included meals:

















DAY 15: Pu Luong

## Adventure in Pu Luong Nature Reserve

This trek offers a unique opportunity to experience the full beauty of Pu Luong. Explore terraced rice fields, discover hidden villages, hike through lush forests, and learn about the reserve's rich biodiversity. Your local guide will lead you on a journey through the valley. Start at the charming village of [17]i, nestled amidst natural palm forests. Hike through the forest for

approximately 6 kilometers and marvel at the majestic Kho Muong Cave. Admire the stunning stalactites and stalagmites that adorn the cave's interior, home to four species of bats. Enjoy a refreshing break in a local orange orchard (seasonal). Return to the village by foot and hop in your waiting vehicle for a comfortable ride back to your accommodation.

Tour type: Private

- Note: 1: Tourism in Pu Luong is still relatively undeveloped and guides generally do not speak English or only speak a little. However, they know the area like no other and will show you the most beautiful spots.
- Note 2: The walk is usually about 10km after which we will use a car to take you back to the accommodation. However, for the avid hiker, the trek can also be extended. A full route is about 24km.

Accommodation: \*\*\*



Pu Luong Treehouse

□ Valley View Bungalow Double

#### Included today:

- Full Day Trekking Trekking with lunch
- Car back to the hotel





Included meals:













DAY 16: Pu Luong - Tam Coc

#### To Halong Bay on dry land

After yesterday's adventure, enjoy a leisurely morning at your accommodation. For the adventurous, we offer optional trekking or rafting activities. Explore the surrounding countryside or experience the thrill of whitewater rafting.

After lunch, embark on a scenic drive to Tam Coc. This picturesque destination is often referred to as "Halong Bay on Land," with its stunning rice fields and towering limestone formations.

Accommodation: \*\*\*



P Deluxe Balcony Double / Twin

Included today:

7 seat car Pu Luong to Tam Coc



















DAY 17: Tam Coc

# Scenic Bike Tour Through Tam Coc

Your guide will pick you up at 8:30 AM for a leisurely 25-kilometer bike ride through the picturesque countryside. Pedal along tranquil paths, surrounded by lush rice fields and towering limestone formations. Cruise through the enchanting landscape of Tam Coc on a 1.5-hour boat ride. Marvel at the towering karsts and serene beauty of this natural wonder. Explore Ancient Temples and Breathtaking Vistas Visit the historic Thai Vi Temple and the serene Bich Dong Pagoda. Climb to the Hang Mua Viewpoint for panoramic views of the surrounding countryside.

#### Tour type: private

• Note: It is possible to do this tour on an electric bike. We need to order this in advance so please let us know in time if you would like to use one. Extra cost: €10 per bike.

Accommodation: \*\*\*

Deluxe Balcony Double / Twin

Included today:

Tam Coc Cycling Tour

Tam Coc Nan House

Included meals:

















DAY 18: Tam Coc - Lan Ha Bay

#### Cruising through Lan Ha Bay

Today, we will go on a three-day cruise from Halong Bay to the serene Lan Ha Bay, a hidden gem with fewer crowds. Check in to your floating home and relax as we set sail. Enjoy a delicious lunch as we cruise through the picturesque landscape. Explore Hidden Caves and Pristine Islands Kayak through crystal-clear waters and explore hidden caves and secluded beaches. Experience the tranquility of Lan Ha Bay up close. At 5:00 PM, return to the boat and enjoy a refreshing drink on

the deck. Savor a delicious BBQ dinner under the starry sky. Spend the Evening at Leisure

The rest of the evening is yours to relax, unwind, or try your hand at squid fishing.

Accommodation:

Included meals:

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😕 3D2N Junior Suite Double and One Way Transportation Halong to Hanoi

Included today:

7-zits auto Tam Coc naar Halong













DAY 19: Lan Ha Bay

# Discover the Hidden Gems of Lan Ha Bay

Today, we will venture deeper into Lan Ha Bay aboard a smaller boat, exploring secluded areas inaccessible to larger vessels. Lan Ha Bay is a kayaker's paradise. Your guide will lead you through hidden caves, beneath overhanging stone bridges, and to pristine, deserted beaches. In the morning, we will visit Viet Hai Village on Cat Ba Island. This charming village, nestled amidst lush greenery and towering limestone mountains, offers a glimpse into traditional Vietnamese life.

Around 12:00 PM, we'll return to the boat for a delicious lunch. Afterward, explore the stunning Ba Trai Dao Beach. Relax on the pristine white sand, take a refreshing swim, or snorkel in the crystal-clear waters. Return to the boat around 4:00 PM and unwind with a cocktail on the deck. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM, followed by a relaxing evening at your leisure.

Accommodation: \*\*\*

Included meals:

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🖭 3D2N Junior Suite Double and One Way Transportation Halong to Hanoi











## **Start Your Day Serene**

Rise and shine at 6:00 AM and join a relaxing Tai Chi session on the deck. Enjoy the tranquility of the bay as the sun begins to rise. Indulge in a delicious breakfast at 7:00 AM while the ship cruises towards the next destination. Explore the Kong: Skull Island Filming Location Discover the breathtaking Tra Bau area, famously featured in the movie "Kong: Skull Island." Kayak through the picturesque landscape or take a refreshing swim.

Return to Hanoi Enjoy a delicious lunch onboard before arriving at the port. Your shuttle bus will take you back to Hanoi, arriving between 3:00 and 4:00 PM.

Accommodation:

Included meals:





Peridot Gallery Classic Boutique Hotel

Premier Deluxe













DAY 21: Hanoi - Hanoi (HAN)

#### **Farewell to Vietnam**

As your journey comes to an end, we hope you've created lasting memories of this beautiful country. Our driver will pick you up at the designated time to take you to the airport. Thank you for choosing to explore Vietnam. We hope to welcome you back in the future!

Included meals:



#### Included today:

SUV Hanoi naar de luchthaven Noi Bai













#### Included in the price:

- Mentioned meals in the program.
- Named hotels in the program.
- Activities as described in the program
- 24/7 assistance

#### Not included in the price:

- Meals not mentioned
- International flights
- Cambodia visa. (\$ 30, + 1 passport photo)
- Personal expenses, drinks
- Travel insurance
- Tips for guides / drivers

#### **General Information**

- No parts of this program have been reserved yet. We will start making reservations once we receive an agreement for this. If a certain room type or accommodation is no longer available at the time of booking, we will propose an alternative.
- The price may change based on the availability of the room at the time of booking and the cost of regional flights at the time of issue.
- Land transfers from destination A to destination B are carried out by local drivers. We always try to find English-speaking drivers for our guests. However, it may happen that they do not always speak English well or only a few words.
- A description of a tour is always a standard description. Actual programs may always vary slightly, depending on the (weather) conditions. However, the intention of the tours always remains the same.
- Standard check-in time is from 2:00 PM. Standard check-out time is at 12:00 PM. Early check-in or late check-out can be booked for an additional fee.
- When making reservations, we always indicate the preference for bedding (double bed or twin beds), rooms next to each other or connected by a door. In most cases (95%) we get this, but we cannot guarantee this.