

VIETNAM & Angkor Wat

DEPARTURE MONTHS

February, March, October & November

Check approachtours.com for departure dates.



DAYS 1-3 • GOODBYE CANADA, XIN CHÀO HANOI!

Enjoy a private car ride to the airport. Fly to Hanoi where you'll meet your Group Guru and fellow travellers. It's a long way to Asia – but don't worry, in-flight entertainment helps time fly by! Upon arrival our luxury coach will be ready to bring you to your hotel. Settle in, enjoy a nice shower and join us for a meal. A restful night of sleep awaits! (D)

DAY 4 • R&R & HANOI, VIETNAM

Enjoy a leisurely start and a welcome drink at your hotel. In the afternoon, you will stretch your legs with a walking tour of the peaceful Hoan Kiem Lake, the Temple of the Jade Mountain, as well as the Temple of Literature, which housed Vietnam's first national university. Embark on a pedicab tour around the Old Quarter of Hanoi, before watching a traditional water puppet show in the evening. Overnight in Hanoi. (B,L,D)

DAY 5 • NINH BINH & HIDDEN LANDSCAPES DAY TRIP (192 KM)

Bring your camera, you're in for an amazing day trip! Visit the ancient capital of Hoa Lu where you will discover Ninh Binh, also referred to as "Ha Long Bay on land". It features a network of waterways punctuated by spectacular limestone formations rising from rice paddy fields. You will also visit the temples of Kings Dinh and Le before setting off on a row boat for an unforgettable ride through the spectacular landscapes hidden throughout the Van Long Reserve. Overnight in Hanoi. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 • EXPLORING HANOI

Explore Hanoi's many landmarks, such as the West Lake and its 1,500-year-old Buddhist temple, the Trăn Quốc Pagoda, Ho Chi Minh mausoleum and stilt house, and the One Pillar Pagoda. Enjoy an afternoon of free time or join us on a visit to the Hilton Hanoi Museum, a historical site of the one of the largest prison complexes in Indochina. Overnight in Hanoi. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 • 1ST DAY OF HA LONG BAY CRUISE & OVERNIGHT ONBOARD (160 KM)

Take in the lush scenery and rich farmland of the Red River Delta on your way to Ha Long Bay. Once there, board our boat and sail the tranquil emerald waters to discover an enchanting landscape with nearly 3,000 islands, islets and karst reefs full of caves. You will also explore the picturesque Luon Cave by row boat, and the stunning beach on Titop Island. Partake in a cooking demonstration onboard before having dinner as you watch the sunset over Ha Long. Overnight on the boat. (B,L,D)

DAY 8 • 2ND DAY OF HA LONG BAY CRUISE & HELLO HUẾ (FLIGHT)

Rise and shine to a morning stretching session with a Tai Chi class directly on the boat. Explore the Sung Sot Cave, one of the most beautiful caves in the bay, before returning to Hanoi for your afternoon flight to Huế. Overnight in Huế. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 • DONG BA MARKET, PERFUME RIVER, & TRADITIONAL MUSIC

Start your day with a visit to the Imperial Citadel, then stroll through the Dong Ba Central Market where Huế specialties are sold. After lunch, visit Emperor Tu Duc's mausoleum, considered one of the most beautiful and grandiose works of architecture of the Nguyen Dynasty. End the afternoon with a stop at a village where locals weave Vietnam's iconic conical reed hats. End the day with traditional songs while cruising on the Perfume River. Overnight in Huế. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 • OCEAN CLOUD PASS & EXPLORING HÔI AN (140 KM)

Enjoy magnificent villages and coastal views while driving through the Ocean Cloud Pass on your way to Hội An. Once in Hội An, stretch your legs during



HANOI



NINH BINH

a guided walking tour and explore the historic town that was once a prosperous seaport in the 16th to 18th century. Thanks to its rich heritage, more than 844 historical buildings have been certified as a UNESCO world heritage site. You will visit former merchants' houses, the 400 year-old Japanese Covered Bridge and the colourful market. Overnight stay in Hôi An. (B,L,D)

DAY 11 • TRADITIONAL VIETNAMESE VILLAGE, GARDENING & COOKING LESSON

We'll make our way to the village of Tra Que, then enjoy a short bike ride to a village farm, where you will learn about the history of the village, the cultivation of certain local vegetables and their use in traditional Vietnamese medicine. Get your hands dirty with local villagers as they prepare their land for cultivating, followed by a private cooking lesson with a local chef renowned for their traditional spring rolls (don't forget to wash your hands in between!). In the afternoon, return to Hôi An for free time and an overnight stay. (B,L,D)

DAY 12 • HÔI AN STREET FOOD TOUR

Take the day to explore the winding streets and stunning beaches of this charming coastal town before a street food tour in the evening. Overnight in Hôi An. (B,L,D)

DAY 13 • HO CHI MINH CITY EXPLORATION (FLIGHT)

Start your day with a morning flight from Da Nang to Ho Chi Minh City, where you will discover the vibrant and effervescent city known as Saigon prior to 1975. Enjoy an afternoon excursion to Cho Lon (Chinatown) where you will visit the lively Binh Tây market. End the afternoon with a tour the Old Post Office, the Reunification Palace and the exterior of Notre Dame Cathedral, (previously known as the Norodom Palace). Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City. (B,L,D)

DAY 14 • CU CHI TUNNEL SYSTEM & TRADITIONAL MUSIC CRUISE (72 KM)

History buffs will be treated today. Enjoy a unique guided excursion in the Cu Chi tunnels system, an impressive network of narrow tunnels and cavities developed during the Vietnam War. See secret trapdoors, underground kitchens, living areas and meeting rooms. Feeling adventurous? You can even explore the deeper second, and even third level tunnels! For those preferring to remain above ground, there is ample opportunity to view excavated areas from above. Return to Ho Chi Minh City in the afternoon for free time. In the evening, dinner cruise with traditional music. Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City. (B,L,D)



MEKONG DELTA

DAY 15 • ISLAND OF BEN TRE & LOCAL DELICACIES (214 KM)

In the morning we depart for our cruise on the Mekong Delta where you will get a glimpse of the peaceful way of living of the local community. On the island of Ben Tre, visit a local honey bee farm and taste traditional teas made with their honey. Once on the island of Ben Tre, satisfy your sweet tooth with a visit to a coconut candy factory. Watch a performance of traditional south Vietnamese folk songs before enjoying lunch in a garden. Visit a traditional home, then return to Ho Chi Minh City for the night. (B,L,D)

DAY 16 • GOODBYE VIETNAM, HELLO CAMBODIA (FLIGHT)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Siem Reap (translated as Defeat of Siam), the historic capital of the Khmer Empire. Settle in at the hotel and meet our Cambodian guide before spending the rest of the day exploring at your leisure. Overnight in Siem Reap. (B,L,D)

DAY 17 • EXPLORE ANGKOR THOM

Your day will be fully dedicated to discovering Siem Reap – a city rife with colonial and Chinese architecture, where artisan shops, sericultural (silk) farms and rice paddies coexist. Make your way to Angkor Thom, where you will explore the ruins of the great royal city built in the 12th century by the Buddhist king of the Khmer Empire. In that location, you will visit fascinating areas such as the Bayon Temple, the Baphuon Temple, the Terrace of the Elephants as well as the Terrace of the Leper King. Your tour will end with a visit to the Ta Prohm temple. Overnight in Siem Reap. (B,L,D)

DAY 18 • ANGKOR WAT

Morning visit of the famous temple of Angkor Wat, an impressive example of the classical style of 12th-century Khmer architecture. Your guided tour will then take you to the Banteay Srei Temple, a magnificent 10th-century Hindu sanctuary carved in pink sandstone and located in the heart of a forest. Travel to Tonle Sap Lake, a vast fresh water reservoir lake where you will visit an impressive floating village and meet the locals who live there. As our awesome experience together is nearing its end, we will host a farewell dinner in the evening, complete with Apsara dancers. Overnight in Siem Reap. (B,L,D)

DAYS 19 & 20 • SIEM REAP & HOME SWEET HOME

After breakfast, enjoy some free time to explore the Siem Reap Market and to pick up any last-minute souvenirs from your Cambodian adventure. Still in awe, say goodbye to your fellow travellers who opted out of our included group flights and make your way to the airport to embark on your return flights to Canada, arriving the next day. Your driver will meet you at the airport to help you with your luggage and drive you home. What a truly amazing experience! (B,L)



20 DAYS

ALL-INCLUSIVE

\$10,995

Per person in double occupancy

Single supplement: \$1,500

2027: +\$200



Difficulty Rating:
High (details)

EVERY APPROACH TOUR INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING PERKS:

Private car service to and from your home airport

International and domestic flights

Meals and excursions that are typically sold separately

Tips for all service providers

24/7 Group Guru (in addition to tour guide and local guides)

Extensive travel insurance with Manulife Financial

TOTAL VALUE OF PERKS

\$3,483

ANGKOR THOM

THIS TOUR INCLUDES



TOUR ESSENTIALS

- International flights with Air Canada and 5 regional flights
- 16 nights in first-class hotels and 1 night on board Ha Long Bay cruise
- Dedicated English-speaking tour guide and local guides
- Carefully selected visits, including entrance fees
- Luxury coach bus transfers and luggage portorage where available
- Visas for Canadian citizens as required



FOOD & DRINK

- All 48 meals, including: 16 breakfasts, 16 lunches and 16 dinners
- Farewell dinner with Apsara dancers (included in meal count)
- Vietnamese cooking class (included in meal count)
- Welcome cocktail
- Bottled water daily (2 x 500ml)



UNIQUE MOMENTS

- Dodge scooters in the bustling streets of Hanoi
- Slowly wake up to the sunrise while floating on Ha Long Bay
- Feeling adventurous? Descend into the Vietnam War-era Cu Chi tunnel system
- Break through the forest to discover the vast and impressive temples of Angkor Wat

I WANT TO BOOK NOW!