

Tour TCV - Southeast Asia Discovery (17 days)

Hanoi, Halong Bay, Hue, Danang, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City, Siem Reap, Chiang Mai and Bangkok

Limited to 10 – 20 Guests each Group

Tour Inclusions

- * All intra-Asia flights (including airport taxes and airline fuel surcharges)
- * Ground transfers for all included tour programs
- * Deluxe and superior first class hotels
- * Comprehensive guided group sightseeing and shore excursions
- * Fully escorted by a professional bilingual tour director
- * Locally guided by well-selected guide in each city
- * 32 meals (daily full Western buffet breakfast, most lunches & dinners)
- * Group baggage handling (including tips for bellhops)

Included Tour Highlights

- Hanoi:** Ho Chi Ming's House, Mausoleum, the One Pillar Pagoda, Temple of Literature, Hoa Lo Prison, the Old Quarter of Hanoi and Water Puppet Show.
- Halong Bay:** Cruise on Halong Bay.
- Hue:** Boat ride on the Perfume River, Thien Mu Pagoda, Imperial Citadel, Tombs of Tu Due and Tombs of King Khai Dinh.
- Danang:** China Beach and Cham Museum.
- Hoi An:** Walking tour in the Old Town.
- Ho Chi Minh City:** The Reunification Palace, Nore Dame Cathedral, Central Post Office, the War Remnants Museum and Cu Chi Tunnels.
- Siem Reap:** Angkor Wat, Banteay Srei Temple, Ta Prohm, Angkor Thom (including Bayon Temple).
- Chiang Mai:** Handicrafts Village, Wat Pharthat Doi Suthup and Elephant Training Camp.
- Bangkok:** Grand Palace, Emerald Buddha Chapel, Royal Pantheon, Coronation Throne Hall, Royal Reception Hall, Royal Funeral Hall, Temple of Reclining Buddha, Temple of Arun, boat trip on Chao Phaya River and Thai Dinner Show.

Hotel Accommodations

- Hanoi Sofitel Plaza Hanoi (5 star)
Halong Bay Traditional wooden junk (deluxe)
Hoi An Vinh Hung Resort (4 star)
Hue Hotel Huong Giang (4 star)
Ho Chi Minh City Hotel Equatorial (5 star)
Siem Reap Sokha Angkor Resort (5 star)
Chiang Mai Chiang Mai Plaza (4 star)
Bangkok Century Park Hotel (4 star)

2012 Tour Dates: Departure Return Departure Return
11/5 11/21 11/26 12/12

Tour Prices: \$4,438

The prices do not include transpacific airfare. We will assist you with more flexible air arrangements at the lowest cost possible. You may choose our standard air, or take our custom air arrangement for a specific airlines and the most direct routes. For details, please contact ChinaPlus.

The prices are for per person double occupancy (two persons share one standard room). \$1,500 single supplement will apply to single occupancy.

Day 1: Los Angeles / Hanoi, Vietnam

Your journey begins with a flight to Hanoi, capital of Vietnam.

Day 2: Arrive Hanoi

Upon arrival in Hanoi, transfer to your beautiful **Sofitel Plaza Hanoi** (5 star) located by the West Lake.

Day 3: Hanoi

City tour includes a visit to the Ho Chi Ming's House and Mausoleum; the One Pillar Pagoda, the Temple of Literature, the Hoa Lo Prison, known as the "Hanoi Hilton" during the Vietnam War, the old quarter of Hanoi and Water Puppet Show. B, L, D



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Day 4: Hanoi / Halong Bay

Excursion to Halong Bay, a World Heritage Site and known as the "Bay of the Descending Dragon". We will cruise the magnificent Halong Bay with 3,000 islands and islets and surrounded by a fairytale landscape of limestone cliffs, secret grottoes, and hidden caves. Seafood lunch is served on board. Overnight at a **Traditional Wooden Junk** (deluxe) with a classic beauty. B, L, D

Day 5: Halong Bay/ Hanoi / Hue

Drive back to Hanoi, and fly to Hue, the former imperial capital of Vietnam. Stay in centrally located **Hotel Huong Giang** (4 star). B, D

Day 6: Hue

In the morning, we will take a boat ride on the Perfume River and disembark at the Thien Mu Pagoda. Then proceed to the Imperial Citadel, where the emperors once lived with their families. After lunch, we will tour the Tombs of Tu Due (ruled 1847 – 1884) and Tombs of King Khai Dinh (ruled 1916 – 1925), where the contrast between Oriental and Occidental architectures is shown. B, L

Day 7: Hue / Danang / Hoi An

Leave Hue and drive to Hoi An via Danang. We will stop at the beautiful China Beach and also visit the famed Cham Museum in Danang, which houses the finest collection of Cham sculpture in the

world. Lunch in Danang. Then we will continue driving to Hoi An (UNESCO World heritage Site), a century-old town. Stay in garden-like **Vinh Hung Resort** (4 star) conveniently located by the river and the Old Town. B, L

Day 8: Hoi An

Walking tour in the morning in the Old Town. We'll walk through the narrow winding streets, souvenir stores and markets with varieties of food, vegetables, and handicrafts. The rest of day is free at leisure. B, L

Day 9: Hoi An / Ho Chi Minh City air

Fly to Ho Chi Minh City today. Sightseeing begins with city tour including the Reunification Palace, Notre Dame Cathedral, General Post Office and The War Remnants Museum. Stay at **Hotel Equatorial** (5 star) B, L

Day 10: Ho Chi Minh City / Siem Reap air

Leave Ho Chi Minh City and fly to Siem Reap. A historic city in the central plains of Cambodia. Where the spectacular temple complex of Angkor Wat (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) is located. Stay in the centrally located **Sokha Angkor Resort** (5 star). B, D

Day 11: Siem Reap

Today we will explore the stunning Angkor complex and learn more of the fascinating structures that make up this former capital and religious center of the Khmer Empire. Today's sightseeing begins with visit Banteay Srei Temple, which is renowned for its intricate decoration carved in pink sandstone. Continue to the Ta Prohm (aks Jungle Temple), one of the most popular attractions of Angkor. In the afternoon we will start with the Angkor Thom, where you will the Bayon Temple, one of the most significant temples of Angkor Wat. The highlight in late afternoon is the world-renown Angkor Wat, where you may enjoy the beautiful sunset (depending on weather). B, L, D

Day 12: Siem Reap / Chiang Mai air

Fly to Chiang Mai (via Bangkok). Stay in your centrally located **Chiang Mai Plaza** (4 star). B

Day 13: Chiang Mai

Chiang Mai has a history of 700 years and known as the "Rose of the North". Today we will drive to the teak forest and visit the Elephant Training Camp, where you will watch elephants at work – just unbelievable! (Elephant ride in the jungle as an option at additional cost). In the afternoon, we'll visit the Handicrafts Village, where you will witness local artisans making umbrellas, lacquer ware, silverware, teak-wood carving and etc. B, L



Day 14: Chiang Mai/Bangkok air

The highlight today is a visit to Wat Pharthat Doi Sutthup, where you will find Chiang Mai's most important and visible landmark, Lord Buddha. Take an afternoon flight to Bangkok. Stay in comfortable **Century Park Hotel** (4 star). B, L

Day 15: Bangkok

Today's highlights start with a visit to the magnificent Grand Palace which is the Thai royal seat of power and one of the world's most spectacular sights. We will visit the Emerald Buddha Chapel, Royal Pantheon, Coronation Throne Hall, Royal Reception Hall and Royal Funeral Hall. The remainder of the day is free at leisure (This is the chance you may want to go to a tailor, which is a well-known business in Bangkok). Traditional Thai cuisine for our farewell dinner, followed by a music and dance performance. B, L, D

Day 16: Bangkok

In the morning, we will visit Bangkok's another famous temple: Temple of Reclining Buddha. Then we will take a boat on Chao Phaya River and enjoy scenes of life by the water. We'll also visit Wat Arun (Temple of the Dawn), one of the most remarkable visual identities in Bangkok. B, L

Day 17: Bangkok / Home

Depart Bangkok and arrive home the same day. B

***Pre- or post-tour extension to Laos or Myanmar is available. Please contact ChinaPlus for details.**

*Abbreviations in the itineraries:

B – Western buffet breakfast; L – Local lunch; D- Local dinner

A few meals are not included due to time conflict with flight schedules (in-flight meals are served on some flights) or for the convenience of your own choice. For excluded meals, we will provide you with sufficient information and convenience for dining in your hotel or in local restaurants close by where various cuisines are available.

*The tour itinerary and hotel arrangements are subject to change under certain circumstances. Hotel of the same (or similar) class will be used in case of such change.

*Visa fees for Cambodia and Vietnam, travel insurance, gratuities and airport service fee in Siem Reap are not included in the list tour price. For details, please contact ChinaPlus.

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