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ITINERARY

Day 1  Arrival Ho Chi Minh – Guided Walking Tour

Upon arrival into Tan Son Nhat International Airport, meet with appointed tour guide and transfer to hotel. Check into hotel, assemble at hotel’s lobby by 1630 hours and proceed for guided walking tour to visit NGUYEN HUE STREET & CAFE APARTMENT. We will spend two (02) hours at Nguyen Hue Street & Cafe Apartment, then, walk back to hotel with tour guide. Today’s tour programs end.

Nguyen Hue Street is a broad walking promenade in the middle of District 1 city centre. This pedestrian area is flanked by some beautiful French colonial architectural wonders like the People’s Committee, the Rex Hotel and a luxury shopping mall. In front of the People’s Committee you find a statue of Uncle Ho Chi Minh and a fountain show by night. At the other end of the promenade you find the Saigon River from where you can enjoy a nice view with a breeze. Walking from one end of the street to the other takes you around ten minutes and you will find some nice bars and restaurants along the way. It is nice to walk on Nguyen Hue Street, or take a seat on one of the benches, to have a look at the daily life and routine of the locals. From Nguyen Hue street other sightseeing places are easily reached, you find the Saigon Opera House and Dong Khoi shopping street only 100 metres away. Therefore it is an ideal location to do some sightseeing and relax afterwards.

Saigon people often call Apartment Block at # 47 Nguyen Hue street in District 1 as ‘Cafe Apartment Block’ since there are a large number of coffee shops here. It would be a real pity if you walked around Nguyen Hue Pedestrian Street without stepping inside this apartment block. The apartment block was actually a housing estate, but the residents opened up some small cafe businesses right inside or put the apartments for rent for coffee shops or fashion boutiques. Each shop is decorated distinctively, leaving such strong impression on both the locals and expats.

REMARKS: Appointed tour guide will assemble guests by 1830 hours at Nguyen Hue Boulevard and escort guests return to hotel by walk. Guests may extend further durations here and return to hotel individually. Benthan Street Food Market locate nearby to Benthan Night Market, there are plenty choices of Vietnamese cuisines selling here at affordable prices range from USD 2.00 – USD 5.00. This food market is clean and suitable for tourists.

Day 2  Ho Chi Minh – Vung Tau – Ho Chi Minh

VUNG TAU was initially called Cape Saint Jacques by French colonists, is a city in Southern Vietnam, about 125km from Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon), in the Vietnamese province of Dong Nai. The journey from Saigon takes approximately 02 hours duration; its close location to Saigon and its beauty and fresh air makes it a very popular destination for weekends. VUNG TAU is a long stretch of land that extends 14KM long and 06KM wide, it has four beaches: Front Beach, Back Beach, Strawberry Beach and Pineapple Beach. There are two local mountains, Small Mountain and Big Mountain.

Visit local tour attractions in Vung Tau ~ Bach Dinh Villa Blanche ~ which was built in year 1898 and completed in 1916, during the FRENCH occupation. The villa and its surroundings were built on the edge of the large mountain overlooking the panoramic view of Front Beach. It was planned to be the residence of Paul Doumer, the French Governor of Indochina but he never stayed there, however, the villa was used as weekend getaway by other French Governors as well as by important Vietnamese heads of state. Statue of Jesus ~ located at the Back Beach on a lower slope of Small Mountain on which Bao Dai’s Villa sits, this huge hollow 32-metre statue of Jesus stands overlooking the South China Sea. It was built in the early 70’s but was completed only in 1993 due to the conflicts. It is the largest sculpture in the South of Vietnam. There is a spiral staircase inside the statue going up to the head. You can enjoy fabulous panoramic views here. Vung Tau Light House ~ Located at Nui Nho (Tao Phung)’s hill top area @ Small Mountain, first built in 1907 at a nearby location it was rebuilt and moved to its current location about five years later. The lighthouse is 18 meters high and projects light as far as 64km away and is equipped with telescopes to follow and direct ships at sea.
Day 3 Ho Chi Minh – Cuchi Tunnel – Ho Chi Minh [B/L/-]
Visit the CUCI TUNNELS, approximately 40KM northwest of Ho Chi Minh City; explore the vast network of underground tunnels from the 1940s, expanded by guerrilla Viet Cong forces during the American War. The tunnels were hiding places as well as communications and supply routes, hospitals, and living quarters. CUCI TUNNELS are approximately 250 KM stretches from Ho Chi Minh City until the Cambodian boarders. Local tour guide will bring you to explore some of the tunnels that remain unchanged and see plenty of evidence of the fierce battles that took place here. Enjoy lunch at local restaurant then return to Ho Chi Minh.

Continue with Ho Chi Minh City Tour to visit the following attractions: War Remnants Museum, established in 1975 ~ this museum is not for the fainthearted as it houses harrowing displays of weapons and photographs from the American War; with display outside the building of various U.S. military hardware like tanks, jets, helicopters and howitzers. Re-Unification Palace, the palace was designed by Ngo Viet Thu for South Vietnam's former President Ngo Dinh Diem during the American War. The official handover of power took place here on 30 APR 1975 and the palace became a monument to that historic date. Lastly, enjoy free time shopping at Saigon Square Market & Benthan Market ~ best tourists’ attractions in Ho Chi Minh City. The market sells everything from ceramics, clothes, watches, lighters, t-shirts, coffee, handbags, shoes, conical hats, custom made suits and dresses to noodle soup and fruit smoothies.

Tour guide and transport services will be ended here; guests have to make own arrangement for dinner and go back to hotel by walk (short distance within Benthan area).

Day 4 Ho Chi Minh – My Tho Tour [B/L/-]
Early morning, depart to My Tho, approximately 70KM away from Ho Chi Minh City. We will drive pass the beautiful landscape of rice field on the journey. Upon arrival at My Tho tourists’ jetty, take a boat ride to Thoison Island. Guests may sample seasonal tropical fruits fresh from the orchards, taste Vietnamese tea mixed with honey extract from local bee hives, enjoy traditional folk songs performance by local villagers, as well as to experience sampan boat ride under the shadow of the sea coconut palms. Then, proceed to Ben Tre village by boat, to visit local home industries to watch the process of producing coconut candies and rice paper for Vietnamese rolls. Lunch will be served at local restaurant before returning back to Ho Chi Minh City. Drop-off at hotel & today’s tour programs end.

Day 5 Ho Chi Minh Departure [B/-/-]
Assemble as per agreed schedule at hotel’s lobby for transfer services to airport and flight home.

HIGHLIGHTS > Guided Walking Tour

DELICACIES > Deep Fried Elephant-ear Fish + Dinosaur Egg + River Prawns (Authentic Mekong Delta Cuisine)

Remarks:
**The above itinerary is for reference only and subject to change without prior notice in accordance to local requirement.**
**Final and correct accordance of itinerary and hotel will be based on final confirmation.**
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### High Season Surcharge (both dates inclusive)

- **1-10 Feb’19, 22-29 Jan’20 @ MYR 229/Person**
- **13-15 Apr, 27 Apr – 2 May, 31 Aug – 3 Sep, 20 Dec – 31 Dec’19, 30 Apr – 3 May’20, 29 Aug – 2 Sep’20 @ MYR 119/Person**

### Compulsory Gala Dinner


### Package Inclusions:

- Seat-in-coach transfer & tour with English Speaking Guide as per itinerary stated (on sharing basis)
- 4 Nights accommodation in Ho Chi Minh City with daily breakfast
- Boat ride cruising at Mekong River (Life Jacket included)
- Sampling seasonal tropical fruits at local orchards + entertainment of traditional folk songs by local villagers
- Admission fees & meals arrangement as per itinerary stated
- Daily bottled drinking water (per person per bottle)

### Package Exclusions:

- All international / domestic flights, taxes & fees
- All personal expenses & porterage, Travel insurance coverage, Travel visa application (if needed)
- High Season Surcharges (if applicable)
- Compulsory Gala Dinner (if applicable)
- Compulsory tipping pre-collect in Malaysia at MYR 50 per person per package (adult / child)

### Important Notes:

- Above rates in MYR are applicable for **ALL Market** and based on **minimum 2 adults** travelling.
- All rates are subject to change without prior notice in the event of drastic fuel charges / currency fluctuation.
- Itinerary is subject to change without prior notice in accordance to local requirement.
- **Child with extra bed (2-12 years old): 75% from adult tour fare**
- **Child no bed (2-12 years old): 50% from adult tour fare**
- **All guests (adult / child / FOC guest) are subject to compulsory tipping (pre-collect in Malaysia)**.
- **Upgrade to private operations surcharge (per vehicle per package): MPV (max 4pax) @ MYR 250 / High Roof Van (max 8pax) @ MYR 300 / Hyundai County Coaster (max 14pax) @ MYR 350**
- Local meal will be served at local restaurant for lunch and dinner.
- Any unutilized services are non-refundable / non-transferable and will be forfeited.
- Full cancellation charge will be liable for no-show, late cancellation/amendment.
- Reservation is subject to availability upon request.
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- **Compulsory Gala Dinner**
  - 24 Dec’19 & 31 Dec’19 & 24 Dec’20 & 31 Dec’20: TBA (subject to individual hotel’s policy)
- Reservation must make 1 week before departure with full payment.
- **Travel Period**: Immediate – Dec 2020
- **Booking Period**: Immediate – Mar 2020
- **Tour Code**: FVSS4C

T&C apply. Itinerary may vary on actual tour.


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