

Kiwi Vietnam Tours - **Explorer Tour**

Cambodia - Vietnam Itinerary

DAY 1: AUCK-SINGAPORE

Flight from Wgtn, Chch, Auckland to Singapore.

DAY 2: SINGAPORE

Full day exploring Singapore utilising the Hop on Hop Off Tour buses. Free day.

DAY 3: SINGAPORE SIEM REAP (L,D)

Flight to Siem Reap, Cambodia. Obtain Cambodian Visa at the airport. Check into our hotel. Siem Reap is the base for exploring the fabled temples of Angkor, the ancient capital of the Khmer empire. Visit to the floating villages on Tonle Sap lake.

DAY 4: SIEM REAP (B/L/D)

Start touring with a visit to the South Gate of Angkor Thom temple, Bayon, Baphoun, the terrace of the Leper King, and the fabulous Ta Prohm temple, embraced by the roots of the enormous spong trees and gigantic creepers. In the afternoon, visit Angkor Wat temple, the most renowned Khmer temple. Buffet dinner with APSARA show at a local restaurant.



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DAY 5: SIEM REAP – PHNOM PENH (B/L/D)

We depart early to Kampong Thom and onto Phnom Penh. After lunch we visit Wat Phnom, the Independence Monument and the Russian Market.

DAY 6: PHNOM PENH (B/L/D)

This morning we visit the National Museum, Silver Pagoda and Royal Palace. In the afternoon we visit the Killing Fields and Tuol Sleung Museum. This tour is very graphic showing the result of Pol Pot and his Khmer Rouges' extermination of the Cambodian people.

DAY 7: PHNOM PENH – SAIGON (B)

Today we travel to the border, change buses and continue on to Saigon. Orientation of Saigon and dinner in local restaurants.

DAY 8: SAIGON

We then take in a short city tour of dynamic Saigon, visiting the colonial-style Old Post Office, the Notre Dame Cathedral, China Town with Thien Hau pagoda, and Cho Lon Market.

Time for shopping at the Ben Thanh Market.

DAY 9: SAIGON – MY THO

Full day excursion to My Tho and the Mekong Delta. Cruise on the Mekong River and visit Thoi Son Islet, where we enjoy tropical fruit with local tea, honey and coconut candy. We experience a sampan cruise through the small canals.



DAY 10: SGN – CUCHI TUNNELS

Travel through rural countryside to explore the Cu Chi Tunnels: the amazing tunnel system where the Viet Cong lived and operated underground during the Vietnam War. We return to Saigon to visit the War Remnants Museum. Free time for shopping.

DAY 11: SAIGON – NHA TRANG

Depart 7:30am to Nha Trang via the coast and SH 1. Stop for lunch at Ca Na Beach.

DAY 12: NHA TRANG

Boat trip to exploring the local islands before going swimming in the South China Sea.

DAY 13: QUE NHON

Visit the Po Nagar Cham Towers before heading up the coast to Qui Nhon. Overnight here in this quite town.

DAY 14: QUE NHON - HOI AN

Depart to Hoi An with a stop at the My Lai massacre memorial. Arrive in Hoi An for our 3 day R & R stop.

DAY 15: HOI AN

Today is free to shop and explore. Hoi An is famous for its clothing, art and silk markets and its magnificent Chinese and Japanese architecture. Take a walking tour of the **Old Town** to visit former merchants' houses and the 400-year-old Japanese bridge. Options of having clothes made, cooking classes, shopping & relaxing.



DAY 16: HOI AN

Half day tour to Marble Mountain and its fabulous marble art carving market.

DAY 17: HOI AN

Swim at the beach, continue shopping or relaxing at the hotel. Options of other half day tours.

DAY 18: HOI AN - HANOI

Flight from Danang to Hanoi. After checking into our hotel we take an orientation walk around Hoan Kiem Lake and the Old Quarter. Attend a short performance in the Water Puppet Theatre.

DAY 19: HANOI-HALONG BAY Early start for a day trip to visit the bay, where over 2000 spectacular islands rise out of the South China Sea. A fresh seafood lunch is served on board. Return to Hanoi.

DAY 20: HANOI

A morning visit to Ho Chi Minhs Mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda and Hoa Lu Prison. Free time in the afternoon for shopping.

DAY 21: HANOI-SINGAPORE-NZ

Depart **9:30am** to Hanoi Airport. Flight to Singapore. Evening flight to NZ

DAY 22: SINGAPORE-NZ

Arrive Auckland late morning.

This Tour Itinerary is correct at time of printing but may be subject to change given weather or road conditions in Vietnam and Cambodia.

Kiwi Vietnam Tours can arrange for you to stay extra nights in Singapore /Bangkok on the return or travel to other destinations after leaving Vietnam and Cambodia.