

## 5 DAYS HANOI – HALONG ON CRUISE – NINH BINH

### DAY 1: ✈️ Hanoi Arrival - Explore Hanoi (DINNER)

Arrive at **Noi Bai International Airport**, welcome by our guide and transfer to your hotel for check-in. We will take off from the hotel for Hanoi city guided tour attractions covering **Tran Quoc Pagoda, Ba Dinh Square, President Palace, Ho Chi Minh mausoleum, One-Pillar Pagoda, Hanoi Old City Gate, Phung Hung Street Hoan Kiem lake, Ngoc Son temple, The Huc Bridge, St. Joseph's Cathedral, Hanoi Opera House and Hanoi Old Quarter** ~ The 36 Ancient Streets; en-route we will sample Hanoi delights at local eating outlets, like **Pho** (Vietnam noodle with beef or chicken broth), **Banh Mi** (Vietnam baguette), **Egg Coffee** (Hanoi style coffee). Enjoy free time for shopping activities at local markets, souvenirs, local handicraft items, coffee powder, cashew nuts and etc. Later gather and meet as per the agreed schedule and venue for dinner arrangement at a local restaurant, and enjoy authentic Vietnam cuisine of Hue Province at Net Hue Restaurant. Transfer the guests back to the hotel.

### DAY 2: Hanoi - Halong Bay Overnight Cruise (B/L/DINNER)

La Casta Cruise program coordinator will meet up guests at the hotel's lobby around 09.00 AM and start tour programs for the day. We will drive on the Hanoi to Hai Phong new expressway to Tuan Chau Marina Harbour the journeys are approximately 150 KM and durations will take 2.5 hours. Upon arriving at **La Casta Cruise** check-in lounge, guests may take a short break for refreshment while waiting for the cruise porters to load-unload the luggage on board.

The cruise manager will welcome guests to embark on the cruise, follows by introducing the cabin crew, cruise facility, safety equipment, programs, and activities for the day. The cruise will start cruising to the famous **Halong Bay** and you will amaze by these limestone karst formations rising up out of the sea in an impressive manner. While cruising through Con Vit islet (Duck Islet), Thumb islet and Gia Luan Harbour where belong to Cat Ba island national park. Lunch (set menu) ~ Vietnam cuisines will serve while continuing cruising to **Lan Ha** and passing by **Da Chong isle** where you can see a lighthouse built by the French 100 years ago. All guests may enjoy swimming and kayaking at **Ba Trai Dao (Three Peaches) beach**, the reason for this name is because there is a bow-shaped sand beach that embraces 3 mountains shaped like peaches. This is a secluded sea, as not many cruise ships use the route. Continue cruising and anchor at the Tra Bau area, the guests may continue swimming or just relax at the jacuzzi pool on the cruise sun deck. Guests may participate in cooking classes demonstrated by the chef on-board and learn how to make Vietnam Spring Roll. Enjoy dinner buffet menu, and later also squid fishing with the cabin crew or relax on the sun deck to view the blanket of stars night.







**DAY 3: Halong Bay - Hanoi (B/LUNCH)**

Guests may join Tai Chi Class starts from 0615-0645 AM. Breakfast will serve while continuing cruising to the Ao Ech area. The guests may enjoy self-kayaking or take a sampan boat paddle by the local villager to explore the local village and the magnificent view of the bay. Enjoy brunch served and return to Tuan Chau Marina Harbour for shuttle transfer service to Hanoi.

**DAY 4: Hanoi – Ninh Binh Province (B/L/DINNER)**

Today we will travel to Ninh Binh Province the journey is approximately 100 KM away from Hanoi and the driving duration takes 90 minutes. The appointed tour guide will lead us to explore local tourist attractions covering **Hoa Lu Ancient Capital of Vietnam** in the 10th century. We will visit 2 temples built on the ground of the old royal palace, one is dedicated to **King Dinh Tien Hoang**, and the other is to King Le Dai Hanh. The visit offers a chance to know more about part of the feudal dynasties and historical periods in Vietnamese history.

Continue driving to Bich Dong is a pagoda on nearby Ngu Nhạc Mountain dating to 1428, comprising three structures: **Hạ, Trung, and Thượng Pagodas**, in ascending order. Guided tours generally cover historical points and end with a pleasant view from the top. Next, we will cycle from here to **Tam Coc** approximately 03 KM away, guests who do not wish to cycle along the journey may follow the coach transfer services too. Enjoy authentic Vietnam cuisine served at a local restaurant in Tam Coc.

Next, continue the journey to **Trang An** approximate 05 KM away, here you will enjoy two hours of sampan boat ride paddled by local villagers. While rowing through Trang An grotto in the quiet, fresh air of the highlands, with only the sound of birds and the oars stirring the clear water and surrounded by magnificent forested mountains upon which graze white goats, visitors enjoy a heaven on earth. In the late afternoon return to Hanoi for dinner arrangement at a local restaurant, and transfer the guests back to the hotel.

**DAY 5: ✈ HANOI DEPARTURE (BREAKFAST)**

Free at leisure and then transfer to the **Noi Bai International Airport** for your departure flight for the next destination.





## INCLUSION & BENEFITS:

- 4 nights accommodation in a twin or double sharing room with daily breakfast
- Lunch or dinner as specified in the itinerary
- Services of a driver and private air-conditioned vehicle during mentioned tours.
- Experienced English or Chinese speaking guide during mentioned tours.
- Sharing cruise in Halong bay: inclusive of cabin fees, entrance fees to local attractions, swimming and kayaking activities, and cruising on the northeast coast of the Gulf Of Tonkin covers Ha Bay and Halong Bay and meals arrangement include (01B+02L+01D)
- Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary
- Tipping Fees

## EXCLUSION:

- Meals, if not specified in the itinerary
- Travel insurance (RM81/pax Superior & RM116/pax Premier)
- Personal expenses, such as laundry, telephone, drinks, etc.
- All other services not specified in the itinerary

## NOTE:

- All hotels mentioned in the tour program are Local 3-4 stars rating and are located in the heart of Hanoi's Old Quarter
- On Day (03) upon return from Halong Bay, we are suggesting our guests to self arrange dinner because there are too many choices of restaurants available around the hotel.
- The timing of sightseeing points shall be fixing by local operator due to traffic and weather conditions, however all points must cover unless amendment or cancellation make by clients themselves (Non-refundable for any cancellation that made by clients)
- Small deviations in the tour program are sometimes necessary, depending on weather, road conditions, flight schedules and room availability.
- Supplement charge for room rate in peak dates depends on the hotel category used. Compulsory gala dinner on X'mas, New Year's Eve & Lunar New Year's Eve to be advised upon booking.

