

5D4N SAIGON, VUNGTAU ISLAND, CUCHI TUNNELS & MY THO

DAY 1: Arrive Ho Chi Minh - NGUYEN HUE STREET - CAFÉ APARTMENT (XX)

The appointed tour guide will meet & greet customers at Tan Son Nhat international airport and immediately transfer for hotel check in, assemble guests at hotel's lobby by 1630 hours then escort guests for guided walking tour to **NGUYEN HUE STREET + VISIT CAFÉ APARTMENT**. Walking distances and durations from Benthan Ward area are approximately 01KM or 15 minutes. We will spend here for 02 hours; appointed tour guide will escort guests by walking and return to hotel, 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 Comittee, 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 meters 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 walking. Guests may extend further durations here and return to hotel individually.



傍晚4.30左右,于酒店大厅集合。导游将带领您步行前往阮惠街。阮惠街邻近市政厅、圣母大教堂、歌剧院、百年邮局还有书街。这边就是一个很大的长方形徒步区,旁边有商场、高级酒店、餐厅以及各式各项的 混合小店。街的两边都有咖啡馆,你可以坐下来尝试喝一杯越南咖啡。

接着,步行前往咖啡公寓。位在胡志明市第一区的咖啡公寓,已经成为越南必去的文青景点,由原本的老旧 住宅改装而成,每个个室都是一间咖啡厅,从日式咖啡、越南咖啡到义式咖啡你都可以在这些小方格中找 到。在这里寻找一间你喜欢的咖啡厅,享受午后的时光。(电梯费、饮料和膳食自费)

备注:

从滨城市场区步行至阮惠街和咖啡公寓约1公里或10分钟路程。整个行程约2小时左右。结束后,导游会带领 您步行返回酒店。

行程大约在傍晚6:30结束,到导游指定的集合点并步行返回酒店。您也可以选择逗留更久,并自行返回酒店 (请通知导游)。酒店位于滨城市场区,距离滨城美食街和滨城夜市只需步行路程。滨城美食街自2015年12 月开始营业,这里有很多越南菜,价格非常实惠,售价约2-5美元。这个美食街干净整洁,适合游客。

Day 2 : Ho Chi Minh – Vungtau Beach Resort – Ho Chi Minh (Breakfast/Lunch)

VUNG TAU was initially called Cape Saint Jacques by French colonists, is a city in <u>Southern Vietnam</u>, about 125km from <u>Ho Chi Minh City</u> (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. Niet Ban Tinh Xa ~ located at Nui Nho Mountain @ Small Mountain, this pagoda is known by many names, including the Temple of Nirvana and the Pagoda of the Reclining Buddha. It was built in 1969 and took six years to complete. There is a 21-metre flag tower in the front. The architectural details and workmanship are outstanding, including a marble overlaid 12-metre high Buddha image. Thich Ca Phat Dai Pagoda ~ this famous pagoda was built in 1957, originally as a small temple. Later, in 1961, it was renovated and enlarged. Featuring a six-meter tall Buddha, it is now one of the largest pagodas in town and an important attraction. Upon dinner complete, return to Ho Chi Minh City and tour programs end.

早餐后,驱车2小时前往头顿,曾是美军度假圣地,也有越南芭堤雅美称的秀丽海滩。首先,游览保大皇行 宫,保大皇原名阮福永瑞,是越南历史上的末代君主,称号先后为安南国王、越南皇帝以及南越国家元首。 保大的行宫在越南有四处,分别在头顿、大叻、芽庄和海防。头顿的保大皇行宫又名白宫,是一座位于山坡 上的白色的建筑,进门中间是以两颗硕大的象牙为背景装饰的会客厅,二楼是起居室,南面窗户正对着南中 国海。这里陈列着皇帝用过的餐具和会客室里的各种展品及工艺术品。接着,游览耶稣山,这里的耶稣雕像 高28米,有一座129级台阶的楼梯可以一直上到雕像的颈部,从这座雕像俯瞰到的景色相当壮观。越南市民 深受昔日殖民统治的影响,天主教在越南的地位举足轻重。位于头顿市耶稣山迎山岭的耶稣像与巴西里约热 内卢的耶稣像一样,是目前世界上少有的大型耶稣雕像。雕像于1971年由美国建造,当时正值越南战争时 期,雕像也有保卫头顿市安全的用意。然后,游览头顿灯塔,建于1907年,位于一座小山头上,是经焚烧后 重建的。灯塔搞十八米,直径有三米左右。灯塔平台处还有四座卡农炮,在旧时这里的人们就是用这些装备 来抵御外敌的。站在灯塔上可以俯瞰整个头顿的景色,很漂亮。接着,参观臥佛寺,这里因寺内有一座巨大 的卧佛而得名,寺内建筑宏伟壮观,让人肃然起敬。最后,游览胜三神庙,庙宇的风格体现了中国风,屋顶 用的是"阴阳"风格的砖瓦,砖瓦的形状犹如"双龙戏月"。庙中的建筑也是按照五行的顺序进行排列的,柱子上 的龙雕刻的栩栩如生活灵活现。结束后,驱车返回胡志明市,自由活动。

DAY 3: Ho Chi Minh – CU CHI TUNNEL – CITY TOUR

(Breakfast, Lunch)

Tour program highlights of for the day ~ CUCHI TUNNELS, approximately 40KM northwest of Ho Chi Minh City and durations takes 90 minutes; we will 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. CUCHI 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 Saigon. We will continue Saigon city tour and 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. Notre Dame Cathedral ~ built in 1877 this is Saigon's architectural treasures, built with materials from France. Within short walking distances arrive Saigon Central Post **Office** ~ was built in year 1886–1891 by renowned French architect Gustave Eiffel, of Eiffel Tower fame, the vaulted roof and arched windows lend a classic look reminiscent of European Railway stations. Lastly, shopping bargains @ Saigon Square Market & Ben thanh Market ~ best tourists' attractions in HCMC. 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. Guests may enjoy free time for shopping activities here. Tour guide and transport services will end here. Guests will self arrange dinner and return hotel by short walking distances in Ben thanh area.

胡志明市 - 古芝 - 胡志明市

早餐后,前往古芝参观古芝地道,是胡志明市三大遗迹之一,距离胡志明市约六十五公里。越战时是越军第 二十五师的地下本部,如同一个地下村落。古芝地道开始挖掘于20世纪40年代抗法战争时期,在后来的越战 中急剧扩展,总长达到250公里,成为一座功能齐全的地下城市。地道共分三层,最下层深达8米。地道内有 水井、粮仓、会议室、宿舍,如同一座大军营。

午餐后,参观战争遗迹博物馆,博物馆的前身是美军情报中心,现在已是越南唯一一家被列入联合国教科文

组织60家和平博物馆名录的博物馆。馆内展示了大量在越战期间的屠杀事件照片,和重型武器合影留念。接着,游览统一宫,了解越南近代史的好去处,欣赏传统工艺磨漆画等珍贵展品。然后,外观红教堂-圣母大教堂,胡志明市的著名地标,两座高耸的钟楼很显目,宗教氛围浓郁。步行至中央邮局,胡志明市法殖民时期的第一座邮局,华丽气派,法式风情浓郁。行程结束于西贡广场和滨城市场,你可在这里自由购物,自行回到酒店。

DAY 4: Ho Chi Minh - Mytho - Ho Chi Minh

Breakfast at the hotel, depart early morning for **Mytho**, approximately 70KM away from Ho Chi Minh City. We will drive pass the beautiful landscape of rice field on the journey. Upon arrival at Mytho tourists' jetty, we will 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, entertainment by local villagers on performance of traditional folk songs, also experience sampan boat ride under the shadow of the sea coconut palms then return to the main boat. Continue boat ride to Ben Tre village and visit local home industries to watch the process of producing coconut candies and rice paper for Vietnamese rolls. Enjoy lunch serves at local restaurant then return to Ho Chi Minh City, tour programs end.

早餐后,前往美托,位于美丽的湄公河三角洲的入海口处,距离胡志明市约七十公里。抵达美托游客中心码 头后,乘船前往游览泰山岛。泰山岛位于湄公河上,面积达12平方公里,又称龙岛。岛上出产龙眼、菠萝、 芒果、波罗蜜、椰子等水果,品嚐越南蜜糖茶,还能聆听到传统乐器伴奏的越南乡间民谣。由岛的另一端可 搭乘独木舟穿梭于三角洲水道间,很有情趣。来到民风纯朴的槟椥,被越南人称为"椰子宝地"。在一个宁静 的乡村停留,短途步行至村内,观察当地人的日常生活,参观椰子糖制作工厂以及米纸皮制作。午餐后,返 回胡志明市。行程结束,自由活动。

DAY 5: Depart SAIGON (Ho Chi Minh City) – Airport

(Breakfast)

(Breakfast/Lunch)

Assemble as per agreed schedule at hotel's lobby for transfer services to airport and flight home. 早餐后, 自由活动, 办理退房后送机。



PACKAGE INLCUSION

- ✓ FOUR nights' accommodation based on twin sharing as above mentioned hotels in SAIGON + daily buffet breakfast.
- One lunch will serve at local restaurants in Cuchi, My Tho, and Vung Tau, total 03 x lunch.
 Mekong Delta Authentic Cuisines: Deep Fried Elephant Ear Fish + Dinasoar Dragon Egg + River Prawns.
- Ho Chi Minch City tour include visit to landmark attractions: War Remnant Museum, Re-unification Palace, Notre Dame Cathedral, Saigon Centre Post Office, guided walking tour to Nguyen Hue Street + Visit Café Apartment, free time for shopping activities at Saigon Square Market and Benthanh Market.
- ✓ My Tho attractions include 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, entertainment by local villagers on performance of traditional folk songs, also experience sampan boat ride under the shadow of the sea coconut palms then return to the main boat. Continue boat ride to Ben Tre village and visit local home industries to watch the process of producing coconut candies and rice paper for Vietnamese rolls.
- Vung Tau attractions include visit to Bach Dinh Villa Blanche, Statue of Jesus, Vung Tau Light House, Niet Ban Tinh Xa ~ located at Nui Nho Mountain @ Small Mountain, Thich Ca Phat Dai Pagoda.
- ✓ 01 bottle of filtered drinking water serves daily on coach. Tour commentaries by local tour guide will conduct in ENGLISH / MANDARIN language.

PACKAGE EXCLUSION

- Comprehensive Travel Insurance i-e RM35/pax
- All kinds of personal and incidental bills such as telephone bills, laundry services, room services, tour activities and meals not mentioned in tour programs, etc

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