

TOP Vietnam Veterans – 202 Sample Trip Itinerary



HANOI – HALONG BAY – MAI CHAU – HUE – LANG CO – HOI AN – QUI NHON – NHA TRANG – DALAT – HO CHI MINH CITY

(B) = Breakfast (L) = Lunch (D) = Dinner

DAY		ITINERARY	14 DAYS – 13 NIGHTS
1	Mon	ARRIVE HANOI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Airport pick-up and transfer to hotel. Lunch at a restaurant project where disadvantaged youth are trained for placement in the hospitality industry. Optional--Afternoon city tour. Dinner at a local Vietnamese Restaurant. Group get-together. Overnight in Hanoi. 	L, D
2	Tue	HANOI TO HALONG BAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Depart Hanoi for the 3.5 hour drive to the bayside town of Bai Chay. Board your boat, put your bags in your cabin and begin a memorable cruise through the remarkable limestone formations of Halong Bay. Local seafood lunch served on board. Opportunities for swimming and visiting one of Halong Bay's many limestone grottoes. Watch the sunset over Halong Bay whilst your crew prepare tonight's dinner. Group get-together. Overnight on boat. Showers are communal.	B, L, D
3	Wed	HALONG BAY TO HANOI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> After breakfast, continue cruising around Halong Bay before returning to port and driving back to Hanoi. This evening enjoy a performance of Hanoi's famed water puppets. Group get-together. Overnight in Hanoi. 	B, L, D
4	Thu	HANOI TO MAI CHAU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early departure for Hoa Binh province where we will trek through H'mong & Thai villages seeing the way of life for the local hilltribe minorities before continuing on to Mai Chau. Group get-together. Overnight in a Thai minority long house*. *Mattress, blanket and mosquito net supplied.	B, L, D
5	Fri	MAI CHAU TO HUE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will awaken early with the hilltribe family for breakfast before returning to Hanoi in time to catch the overnight sleeper train to Hue. Overnight on train. 	B, L, D

<p>6</p> <p>Sat</p>	<p>HUE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On arrival at Hue railway station transfer to our hotel to freshen up before beginning an optional city tour of this former Imperial capital of Vietnam. • Optional--Visit the city's imposing Citadel inside which is the Forbidden Purple Palace. • Lunch with the street children of Hue. • Humanitarian project: This afternoon meet with a vocational school for disabled orphans and street children. Administer medical help. Ceremony presentation of wheelchairs TOP specially made for disabled young people. • Dinner will be at restaurant located inside the Citadel area. • Group get-together. • Overnight in Hue. 	<p>B, L, D</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Sun</p>	<p>HUE TO LANG CO BEACH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This morning drive to Lang Co Beach where you will have a day of leisure. • Group get-together on beach. • Overnight at Lang Co Beach. 	<p>B, L, D</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Mon</p>	<p>LANG CO BEACH TO HOI AN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This morning drive over the spectacular Hai Van Pass to Danang before continuing to Hoi An. • Humanitarian project: This afternoon we visit a nursing home, provide support, necessities and medical assistance. • Group get-together. • Overnight in Hoi An. 	<p>B, L, D</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Tue</p>	<p>HOI AN TO QUI NHON</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This morning we begin our drive south along Highway 1 to Quang Ngai, then on to Qui Nhon to visit an orphanage. • Humanitarian project: Aid, comfort, support, and medical help to orphanage and nursing home. • Group get-together. • Overnight in Qui Nhon. 	<p>B, L, D</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Wed</p>	<p>QUI NHON TO NHA TRANG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We continue our drive south on Highway 1 to Nha Trang stopping at battlefield site near Tuy Hoa enroute. • Afternoon at leisure. • Group get-together. • Overnight in Nha Trang. 	<p>B, L, D</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Thu</p>	<p>NHA TRANG TO DALAT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This morning we drive past Cam Ranh Bay to Phan Rang where we stretch, take a break, and visit the centuries old Po Klong Garai Cham Towers en route to Dalat. • Optional—Mud baths. • Afternoon at leisure. • Ethnic mountain villagers join TOP and perform their ceremonies, music and dancing. • Group get-together. • Overnight in Dalat. 	<p>B, L, D</p>

<p>12</p> <p>Fri</p>	<p>DALAT</p>	<p>B, L, D</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This morning we will conduct charity work at a disabled orphanage • The remainder of the day free day to enjoy the sights of this cooler central highland city. • Optional—Motor-scooter the streets and back areas of Dalat. • Group get-together. • Overnight in Dalat. 	
<p>13</p> <p>Sat</p>	<p>DALAT TO HO CHI MINH CITY</p>	<p>B, L, D</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This morning leave behind the cool climate of the central highlands for a drive past tea & coffee plantations to Bao Loc. Continue past rubber plantations and stop to photograph the Lake La Nga houseboat fish farms before arriving into Ho Chi Minh City late afternoon. • Special dinner at a Vietnamese home, and a little karaoke—then you're on your own for a night on the town. • Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City. 	
<p>14</p> <p>Sun</p>	<p>DEPART HO CHI MINH CITY</p>	<p>B</p>
	<p>This morning we will be transferred to the airport in time to catch flight @ 11.25am.</p>	