



ART STUDY RESEACH TOUR

(5 days and 4 nights)

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Vietnam Introduction



Vietnamese art has a long and rich history, the earliest examples of which date back as far as the Stone Age around 8,000 BCE.

With the millennium of Chinese domination starting in the 2nd century BC, Vietnamese art undoubtedly absorbed many Chinese influences, which would continue even following independence from China in the 10th century AD. However, Vietnamese art has always retained many distinctively Vietnamese characteristics.

By the 19th century, the influence of French art took hold in Vietnam, having a large hand in the birth of modern Vietnamese art.

Ho Chi Minh City

Saigon was originally part of the kingdom of Cambodia and, until the 17th century, was a small port town known as Prey Nokor. As more and more settlers moved south, it was absorbed by Vietnam and became the base for the Nguyen Lords.

Saigon was captured by the French in 1859, and named the capital of Cochinchina a few years later. The city served as the capital of the Republic of Vietnam from 1956 until 1975, when it fell to advancing North Vietnamese forces and was renamed Ho Chi Minh City by the Hanoi government.



The official government census only counts those who have official residence permits, and, today, as many as one-third of the population could be living here illegally. Some of these illegal residents lived in the city before 1975, but their residence permits were transferred to rural re-education camps after reunification. Many have simply sneaked back into the city, although without a residence permit they cannot own property or a business.

Explosive growth is evident in a slew of satellite suburbs beyond the centre and a glut of high-rise buildings, joint-venture hotels and colourful shops downtown. Downsides include the sharp increase in traffic, pollution and other urban ills, but a more openminded new generation may infuse HCMC's chaotic growth with a more globally conscious attitude.

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Mekong Delta

The Mekong Delta is the bottom half of Vietnam's two rice baskets, the other being the Red River Delta in the North . This vast delta is formed by the deposition of the multiple tentacles and tributaries of the mighty Mekong River which has its origin in the Tibetan highland plateau 2,800 miles away. From its source, the river makes its way through China, Myanmar (Burma), Laos, Cambodia and South Vietnam before flowing out into the South China Sea. The Mekong's Vietnamese name, Cuu Long, means Nine Dragons for the nine mouths that terminate the flow of this great river as it is absorbed by the sea.

The people of South Vietnam are often very proud of the richness and vastness of this land. When referring to the rice fields in this area, they often say, "co bay thang canh", meaning the land is so large that the cranes can stretch their wings as they fly. Today, the region is one of Vietnam's highest producers of rice crops, vegetables and fruits.

Tour Description



It is a practical research for tourists and those who are interested in fine art discovery. You will explore the most interesting thing during the trip by open discussion with artists and professors at the university of art and local people in the countryside where they are making handicraft. Practical research and workshop guided by our experience artist, tourist will enjoy much than they expected. It takes five days for your trip to Vietnam to find the different technology in fine art. There are many gallery shops in Ho Chi Minh City, oil painting, embroidery and so on and the most interesting in this shop, tourists will study the artist's performance and will be able to open discussion with artist. In addition, you will have chance to

visit Mekong Delta where is so different style of living and culture. Visiting village to work with local people and study how to make handicraft in coconut shell and wood. In short, art exploration to Vietnam is much impressive program, tourists will never forget through the chain of activities and discussion. Finally yet importantly, tourists will have much enjoyable life by activities and team building game and contest

Itinerary

Day 1: Welcome tourist and Hotel check in and personal time

Day 2: Arts discussion

6:00: Breakfast at hotel

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8:00: Art conference with artists and professors at University of Arts
12:00: Lunch
14:00: Field trip to visit Art shop and Handicraft made by handicapped people
18:30: Dinner – Boat dinner with Distinguished guests from General Consulate and Arts Department on Bon Sai Cruise on Saigon River

Day 3: Mekong Delta

6:00: Breakfast at hotel
8:00: Head for Ben Tre
9:30: Boat trip on Mekong River to visit village with handicraft workshop made of coconut wood and shell
12:30: Lunch at restaurant on Tortoise Island
14:00: Visit Phoenix Island
16:00: Biking activity for garden trekking
17:00: Hotel check in
18:30: Dinner with traditional music performance at fruit garden

Day 4:

6:00: Breakfast at hotel
7:30: Head for Cai Be to visit floating market
12:30: Lunch at traditional ancient house
14:00: Driving back HCMC
16:00: Hotel check in
18:30: Dinner at BBQ Garden

Day 5: HCM City Exploration

6:00: Breakfast at hotel
8:00: Art business briefing with artists in HCM City
12:00: Lunch
13:30: City tour – visit Independence Palace, War Museum, and China Town
18:30: Dinner

Day 6: Beach

6:00: Breakfast at hotel
7:30: Head for Mui Ne – relax and explore the beautiful beach
13:00: Resort check in

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13:30: Lunch

15:00: Personal time by the beach

19:00: Gala dinner by the beach

Day 7: Phan Thiet Tour

6:00: Breakfast at resort

7:30: Phan Thiet Tour - visit Champa temples

12:30: Lunch

13:30: Tour continue

18:30: Dinner and personal time

Day 8: Hue Exploration

6:00: Breakfast at hotel

8:00: Check out and drive to HCMC for flight to Hue

14:00: Hotel check in and personal time (visit Dong Ba Market)

18:30: Royal dinner

Day 9: Hue City Tour

6:00: Breakfast at hotel

8:00: Boat trip on Huong River to explore king's tomb and family to find to mysterious architecture design

12:00: Lunch

15:00: Art discussion with Association of Arts in Hue City

18:30: Dinner with Professors of University of Arts and Local Artists

Day 10: Hanoi

6:00: Breakfast at hotel

8:00: Hotel check out

9:15: Flight to Hanoi

11:00: Hotel check in

12:30: Lunch

14:00: Hanoi Tour – to visit Van Mieu and Museum

18:00: Dinner

19:00: Water puppet show

Day 11: Ha Long Bay

6:00: Breakfast at hotel

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8:00: Hotel check out
 8:30: Driving to Ha Long Bay
 12:30: Boarding on Paradise Cruise at wonder world

Day 12:

7:00: Breakfast on board
 10:30: Check out
 11:00: Driving back Hanoi
 12:30: Lunch on the way
 16:00: Hotel check in and personal time
 19:00: Dinner and tour program summary

Day 13: Flight back home

Service

<p>A. Included</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Transportation (van/ bus) - Airport pick up and send off - Domestic Air Ticket - Hotel and Home Stay Service: 3 stars standard - English speaking - Tour entertainment - Boat trip - Entrance ticket - Study document and material - Factory visit - Meal (B/ L/ D) - Gala dinner and game - Tour insurance - Service of charge 	<p>B. Excluded</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personal expenses - Shopping - VAT tax - International and Domestic air ticket - VISA fee - Other fees not listed in Included
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Price and Cancellation

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Group tour• Min: 10 people: 3000USD/ person/ full package tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 48 hrs before tour departure: 70% charge- 24 hrs before tour departure: 100% charge- Anytime after reservation: 30% charge
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