Vietnam/Cambodia Highlights 7-Day Tour (CITVC1)

Hanoi – Ha Long – Siem Reap (Angkor Wat) – Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Day 1: Arrival in Hanoi (D)
After your arrival in Hanoi, you will be greeted at the airport and escorted to your hotel to check in. After a group dinner, you will have the evening free for leisure.

Hanoi Accommodations: Melia Hanoi (5-Star) or equivalent [http://www.meliahanoi.com.vn/]

Day 2: Hanoi – Ha Long City (B/L/D)
After breakfast, you will take a tour of both the old and new sections of Hanoi. The stops on your city tour include Hoan Kiem Lake, One Pillar Pagoda, Ngoc Son Temple, Ba Dinh Square, and Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum. After lunch, you will proceed by coach to Ha Long City and check in to your hotel there. In the evening, you can choose between two leisure activities (at your own expense): enjoy a water marionette show at Royal Park or explore the casino at the Royal Halong Hotel.

Ha Long Accommodations: Ha Long Dream Hotel (4-Star) or equivalent [http://www.halongdreamhotel.com.vn/]

Day 3: Ha Long City – Siem Reap (B/L/D)
In the morning, you will enjoy a leisure cruise on Ha Long Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The bay covers a total area of 1,553 square kilometers and includes over 3,000 limestone islets of different sizes, 989 of which have been given names. Ha Long Bay’s central zone, densely packed with stone islands, grottoes, and caves, is world famous for its spectacular scenery. Your tour will take you to two famous island caves, Thien Cung Grotto (“Heavenly Palace Grotto”) and Dao Go Cave (“Wooden Stakes Cave”), which boast an array of strange and fascinating limestone formations. Your lunch on the boat will be highlighted by fresh local seafood. Afterward, you will return to Hanoi to take a flight to Siem Reap, Cambodia. After your arrival, you will be escorted to dinner and your hotel.

Siem Reap Accommodations: Royal Angkor Resort (5-Star) or equivalent [http://www.royalangkorresort.com/]

Day 4: Siem Reap (B/L/D)
After breakfast, you will visit Angkor Wat (literally “City Temple”), one of the world’s great architectural wonders: it is the world’s largest religious building and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Along with other temples in the area, it was built during the reign of the Khmer Empire, which began in 802 AD. Afterward, you will take a tour of Banteay Srei (“Citadel of Women” or “Citadel of Beauty”), a Hindu temple consecrated in 967 AD. The temple is famed for its many bas-relief carvings of smiling apsaras—beautiful, supernatural dancers that might be called “nymphs” or “celestial maidens” in English. Next, weather permitting, you can enjoy a stunning view of the sunset from Bakheng Hill, the location of the temple known as Phnom Bakheng. Today’s lunch and dinner will be buffet-style meals, and you will also take in a captivating apsara show during your visit.

Ho Chi Minh City Accommodations: Sofitel Plaza (5-Star) or equivalent [http://www.sofitel.com/gb/hotel-2077-sofitel-saigon-plaza/index.shtml]

Day 6: Ho Chi Minh City (B/L/D)
Your day will begin with breakfast in your hotel. Today you will take a city tour whose highlights include the General Post Office building, admired for its French Colonial architecture; the War Museum, and the Notre Dame Cathedral. If time permits, you may also visit Thien Hau Temple, Vietnam’s oldest Chinese temple, and Cholon, Vietnam’s largest Chinatown area. Today you will also travel by coach to the Cu Chi Tunnels, built by Viet Minh rebels during the war for independence against the French Empire and
then expanded by Viet Cong forces during the Vietnam War. At the height of their construction, there were over 250 kilometers of tunnels spread over several levels. Your tour will take you underground, through different sections and levels. You will also visit the nearby Ben Duoc Temple, built in honor of those who fought in the tunnel. In the evening, you will enjoy a dinner of roast pig during a show boat cruise on the Saigon River.

Day 7: Ho Chi Minh City – Origin (B)
After breakfast today, you will be escorted to the airport for your flight back to your point of origin or to the next destination on your extended itinerary. (Depending on your flight schedule, you may have free time after breakfast.)

Please note: The schedule on any given day may be adjusted to suit local conditions, but all of the listed attractions will be visited.

Tour Fare: $1499* + international air ticket   Departure Date: every Friday

* This price includes the listed flights between Vietnam and Cambodia, land transportation, meals (as noted on the itinerary), hotels, tour guides, and all of the attractions listed on the itinerary but does NOT include any other air tickets or the additional charge for single occupancy; the base price per traveler assumes that hotel rooms are shared by two people. Departure is guaranteed as long as a minimum of two tour participants join the tour.

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