

TOURS ESCAPE FROM HANOI

1. OVERVIEW:

Said to be the Vietnam's heart and soul, Hanoi is actually over one thousand years old. Witnessing the ups and downs of the history, the wealth of the culture and tradition here is undeniable. The charming capital never ceases to amaze its visitors while still keeping its true identity. Ancient pagoda and temples, historical monuments, tree-lined boulevards and lakes, the French architectures, all give the city a definite charm. Do not miss the chance to enjoy a cyclo tour around the Old Quarter, the unique water puppet show or amazing street food. Make sure to visit as many as possible and enjoy every moment you have because they all offer delights, fun, education at different turns.

HALF DAY THAY & TAY PHUONG PAGODA

Tour code: HAN-H

Tour type:Cultural & ExplorationCity:Hanoi CapitalTime:Morning or afternoon (08.30 - 12.30h. or 13.00 - 17.00h)

Overview:

Approximately 30km west of Hanoi, Thay and Tay Phuong pagodas are set amid stunning limestone outcrops loom up from the green paddy fields and clinging to the cliffs. These two sites are about 20 minutes apart from each other by road.

Itinerary:

You will be picked up at your hotel by private car with an English speaking guide and taken to visit **Thay and Tay Phuong Pagoda.** The driving time is approximately 1 hour from Hanoi. The two pagodas are about 30km west of Hanoi in Ha Tay province and 20 minutes apart from each other by road.

Thay Pagoda was built in the 17th century, and is very famous for the 18 statues of La Han coated with lacquer paint. It is dedicated to Thich Ca Buddha and processes a statue of the 12th century monk Tu Dao Hanh, the master in whose honour the pagoda is named. To another side is a status of King Ly Nhan Tong, who believed to have been a reincarnation of Tu Dao Hanh.

After that we visit **Tay Phuong Pagoda** which was first built in 18 century but the earliest construction here dates from the 8th century. This one is located at the foot of Thay Mountain and has a neat setting and Thay Pagoda. At first, it was a small pagoda managed by Priest Tu Dao Hanh. The pagoda was initially built according to Sino-Vietnamese character Tam - this character is formed by 3 hyphens parallel to each other. Return to your hotel in the afternoon.

Note: Please ask our experts about tour to Ba Vi National Park in case you love eco tour and explore to further area.

Rate is net in USD per person

Group	1	2	3-4	5-6	7-9	10-12	13-14	15+1
Price	77	42	30	18	17	12	9	10

Included: Private transportation with English speaking guide/ Entrance fee & mineral water