

# 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 HANOI STREET FOOD TOUR WITH AMERICAN CHEF DINIEL HOYER**

**Tour code:** HAN -  
**Tour type:** Culinary & Cultural  
**City:** Hanoi Capital  
**Time:** Half day (Time: 09:45 – 14.30h.)

#### **Overview:**

One of the best ways to discover and understand Vietnamese culture is via its amazing food. In Hanoi, from markets to food stalls, street food is everywhere. Follow American Chef Diniel Hoyer to small alleys and hidden corners, visit local market, local café and eat like a local. You will discover the places that most guidebooks neglect to mention and you will see life as it typically goes on in Hanoi.

#### **Itinerary:**

9:45-10 am. Pick up at the hotel; meet Daniel who will take you to see some of the markets and establishments that are frequented by the Vietnamese locals. Most of the tour will be outside of the tourist areas that are listed in the guidebooks.

10:15 am. Drive to either the **Chợ Hôm or Chợ Châu Long** market to learn about and taste some of the ingredients used in the local cuisine and to watch the buying and selling rituals of a Vietnamese market. Daniel will introduce you to some of the vendors, explain about the ingredients for sale and assist you with purchasing items to take home. Many photo opportunities will be available in this bustling, vibrant and colorful scene.

11:30 am. Enjoy a Vietnamese Cà Phê (coffee) or Trà (tea) with the locals at Daniel's favorite, Cafe Thọ (or Cafe Xe Co near Truc Bach Lake if we go to Châu Long), one of the many sidewalk cafes in the historic French Quarter. Here Daniel will give an overview of the Vietnamese food scene,

particularly in Hanoi, and discuss the daily life and culture of Vietnam from a well-informed expat's perspective

- 12 noon Drive (or walk) to Truc Bach lake for a snack of Phở Cuốn, a grilled beef and rice noodle roll with fresh herbs, along with several other favorite local snacks.
- 1:15 pm. Lunch with Daniel at one of Hanoi's bún chả establishments, to enjoy traditional grilled pork and rice vermicelli noodles with fresh herbs, greens and crispy spring rolls (nem rán) like true Hanoi people.
- 2:15 pm. Transportation back to your hotel

This is a sample itinerary and is typical of the street food tour. Daniel may change the locations to take advantage of the season or one of his latest discoveries. The itinerary can also be customized for private tours to suit guest's particular interests and dietary restrictions. The times are also flexible.

For evening tours, some of the locations and food selections will change since certain foods are only available at specific times and locations.

(Single pax bookings are accepted but tours require minimum 2 pax to operate-Maximum 8 pax per tour group)

#### **Rate is net in USD per person**

<b>Group</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>5-6</b>	<b>7-8</b>
<b>Price</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>89</b>

**Included:** Private transportation with English or French speaking guide/Entrance fee & mineral water/ Street food as mention in program