

# 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.

### **HANOI HALF DAY HOA LO PRISON, MUSEUM & TEMPLES TOUR**

**Tour code:** HAN-H01

**Tour type:** Historical & Cultural

**City:** Hanoi Capital

**Time:** Morning or afternoon (08.30 - 12.30h. or 13.00 - 17.00h)

#### Overview:

This is a tour on the war history trail. If Hoa Lo museum portrays a different side of the horror stories via prominently displayed shackles hanging on the walls then Museum of History showcase Vietnam's history with variety of display covering every period. The tour ends with a Cyclo ride around the famous Old Quarter.

#### Itinerary:

You will be picked up at your hotel by private car with an English speaking guide and taken to visit some prominent museums of Hanoi. Start first with **Hoa Lo museum**, which is the leftover of the French Central Prison built in 1896 to detain Vietnamese dissidents. The museum offers much interesting information on the French justice system, which resorted to unforgiving punishments to crack down political opposition. During the Vietnam War, Hoa Lo was referred to as Hilton Hanoi by the shot-down American pilots imprisoned here. Move on to the **Museum of Vietnamese History**, which chronologically presents a clear picture of the country's civilization since the pre-historic time throughout feudal dynasties via assorted displays and artifacts of cultural and ethological significance.

Next, visit **Hoan Kiem Lake "Returned Sword Lake"**, the center point of Hanoi and home to a rare endangered giant turtle species and the **Ngoc Son Temple** located on an islet in the lake before touring the city's Old Quarter by Cyclo.

**Note:** You can change tourist attractions to replace as the list below;

- (1) Temples: Ngoc Son Temple, Tran Quoc Temple, Quan Thanh or Phu Tay Ho Temple
- (2) Museums: the Museum of Vietnamese History, the Museum of Vietnamese Women or Museum of Vietnam Ethnology (Except Monday)
- (3) Cyclo tour: Water puppet show or Thang Long Royal Citadel (NEW)

**Rate is net in USD per person**

Group	1	2	3-4	5-6	7-9	10-12	13-14	15+1
Price	50	29	22	15	14	11	9	10

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