

# 3DAYS \_ HOCHIMINH STOPOVER

## Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh – Cu Chi tunnels– Ho Chi Minh)

### 1. OVERVIEW

The bustling metropolis of Ho Chi Minh City is now a thriving mix of people, color and activity. This 3 day stopover will take you to the historic sites of War Remnants Museum and Reunification Palace to learn more about Vietnam War. And the Ben Thanh market will be a perfect way to finish the trip.

### 2. ITINERARY IN BRIEF

DAY	ITINERARY
1	HOCHIMINH – ARRIVAL
2	HA HOCHIMINH – CITY TOUR – CUCHI TUNNELS
3	HOCHIMINH – DEPARTURE

### 3. THE TOUR

#### DAY 1: HOCHIMINH ARRIVAL

Arrive in Ho Chi Minh City, welcome by our guide and transfer to hotel for check in. Ho Chi Minh City formerly named Saigon is the largest city and economic center of Vietnam always bustled with activities of modern life. It is where businesses converge and shoppers indulge themselves into unlimited choices. However the city also carries with it a rich historical legacy in contrast with its dazzling glamor. Afternoon, take a half-day city tour to visit **Saigon Notre-Dame Basilica**, a neo-Roman cathedral built by the colonial French with materials entirely imported from Marseilles, Saigon Central Post Office, which was designed and constructed in the early 20th Century by the famous French architect Gustave Eiffel. Welcome dinner at local restaurant

**Meals: Dinner (Viet Heritage restaurant)**

**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Ho Chi Minh (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

#### DAY 2: HOCHIMINH – CITY TOUR – CUCHI TUNNELS

Morning, take a half-day tour to the **Cu Chi Tunnels**, 75 km Northwest of downtown Ho Chi Minh City, which were once a major underground hideout and resistance base of Viet Cong forces during the two wars against the French and later on Americans. The tunnels, entirely hand-dug, formed a highly intricate network of interlinked multilevel passageways at times stretched as far as the Cambodian border and totaling over 120 km in length. Its complexity was beyond imagination containing meeting rooms, kitchens, wells, clinics, schools, depots, trenches and emergency exits all aimed for guerrilla warfare. The tunnels were deep and strong enough to withstand destructive bombings and self-contained enough to outlast prolonged sieges. Back to Ho Chi Minh City and spend time at leisure. Lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon, take a half-day city tour to visit the **War Remnants Museum**, which features an extensive collection of exhibits including weaponry, photos and documentation on Vietnam's wars

with the French and Americans, and the **Reunification Palace** the South Vietnam President's residence and symbol of the Southern Administration's reign until end of April 1975.  
Dinner on Indochina traditional Boat cruise

**Meal: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner (Liberty 4 restaurant/Indochina Cruise)**  
**Accommodation: Overnight at hotel in Ho Chi Minh (3\*, 4\* or 5\*)**

### DAY 3: HOCHIMINH – DEPARTURE

Free at leisure until transfer to airport for departure flight.

**Meal: Breakfast**

#### **4. EXTENSION TOURS:**

Add-on beach relaxation or tours to neighbor countries; Laos, Cambodia and Thailand or Myanmar

**5. PRICE:** All rates are per person sharing DBL or TWN/FB Basis, in US dollar, net and non-commissionable.

**Date valid: 01 Oct 2015 - 30 Apr 2016 & 01 Oct 2016 - 31 Dec 2016:**

Description	2 pax	3-4 pax	5-6 pax	7-9 pax	Single Supp
First class -3*	227	199	156	137	45
Superior – 4*	262	234	191	172	72
Deluxe – 5*	338	310	266	247	130

**Date: 01 May 2016 – 30 Sep 2016**

Description	2 pax	3-4 pax	5-6 pax	7-9 pax	Single Supp
First class -3*	223	195	152	133	42
Superior – 4*	257	229	186	167	68
Deluxe – 5*	318	290	247	228	115

#### **WHAT IS INCLUDED**

- Accommodation in a twin or double room with daily breakfast
- Lunch or dinner as specified in the itinerary
- Services of a driver and private air-conditioned vehicle during all tours and transfers.
- Experienced English-speaking guide during all tours and transfers
- Vietnam visa approval letter on arrival as complementary (for foreigners who need visa)
- Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary
- Mineral water is available as complementary

#### **WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED**

- International & Domestic flight tickets
- Meals, if not specified in the itinerary
- Gratuities for guides and drivers
- Visa stamping fee at the airport (45US\$ in Vietnam paid by cash at the airport)
- Travel insurance (we highly recommend that you purchase adequate insurance)
- Personal expenses, such as laundry, telephone, drinks, etc. All other services not specified in the itinerary

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**LIST OF HOTELS USED:**

<b>Place</b>	<b>First Class (3*)</b>	<b>Superior (4*)</b>	<b>Deluxe (5*)</b>
<b>Hanoi</b>	<b>Kingston hotel</b> <i>Or Similar</i>	<b>Golden Central Hotel</b> <i>Or Similar</i>	<b>New World Saigon</b> <i>Or Similar</i>

**Tour Policy & Notes:**

- Infant below 2 years old sharing same room with parents is free of charge.
- Child below 12 yrs old sharing same room with 1 ADL is charged for 90%.
- Child below 12 yrs old with extra bed and sharing same room with parents is charged for 65%.
- Child below 12 yrs old No extra bed & sharing same room with parents is charged for 55%
- Tipping for guide and driver (suggestion):
  - Group from 2 – 4 pax: USD 5/ pax/ day
  - Group from 5 – 9 pax: USD 4/ pax/ day
  - Group from 10 – 15 pax: USD 3/ pax/ day
  - Group above 15 pax: USD 2/ pax/ day
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**Surcharge for Chinese new year:**

- Surcharge for booking during Lunar New Year from **06.Feb – 12Feb 2016:**
  - US\$25/ pax/ day for FIT booking from 1-4pax
  - US\$15 / pax/ day for FIT booking from 5-9pax
  - US\$10 / pax/ day for GIT booking from 10pax up