

6-Day Mekong Delta Waterways Adventure



DAY 1 | HO CHI MINH ARRIVAL

Upon landing at Tan Son Nhat International Airport, you will be met and greeted by our airport representative holding a sign with your name. Transfer to the hotel for check-in, and spend the rest of your day as you wish. At 6:00 PM, depart the hotel on a local motorbike for a 3-hour Saigon nightlife foodie adventure tour with your driver guide. Travel through different districts, taste all kinds of selected street food, and learn the local culture of Saigon by night through your guide's stories.

For over a hundred years, Saigon was the capital, first under French colonial rule and later under the South Vietnamese regime. Following the end of the Vietnam War, Saigon was renamed Ho Chi Minh City, though locals still refer to it by its old name. Today, Saigon is the industrial and commercial heart of the country, attracting young and seasoned professionals alike with its rapid expansion and numerous opportunities. While development is rampant, the city still retains infrastructure from its days as the colonial capital - with quaint, European-style architecture alongside newly-constructed commercial buildings.

Meals: None

Accommodation: Caravelle Saigon Hotel

DAY 2 | MEKONG DELTA WATERWAYS

This morning, take a 1.5-hour scenic transfer to Bentre - the land of coconut trees. Enjoy your private



cruise along the river, stop by a local home to taste some fresh fruit and traditional music. Walk through the garden to the sampan station for a rowing trip through small canals lined with palm trees. Experience coconut candy and rice paper making in the traditional style of a multi-generational family. Lunch at a local home with multiple authentic dishes prepared by a local chef. In the afternoon, transfer to Can Tho, where you will spend the night at a famous colonial French riverside resort.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Victoria Cantho Hotel

DAY 3 | MEKONG DELTA IN-DEPTH EXPLORATION

Depart from the hotel on an early private cruise to Cai Rang floating market, where local boats trade fruits, food, and vegetables amongst themselves from boat to boat. Stop by a pineapple boat for a break and take some nice photos of small rowing sampans going around to find needed goods to trade in the village. Back to the hotel; breakfast at leisure till check-out time.

Transfer to the pier to embark on your wooden cruise, where you will have time to relax and enjoy a cocktail on the sundeck. Lunch is served on board with the chef's selected menu while cruising to Tra On. Your choice of taking a walking tour to the village, visiting the local homes, or staying on board to enjoy the greenery and daily life of locals along the river. Dinner is served on board, and the rest of the night is at your leisure on a tranquil river.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Bassac River Cruise (Overnight)

DAY 4 | HO CHI MINH CITY

Wake up and enjoy the breeze on the sundeck; sip a cup of hot latte and watch the sunrise. Breakfast is served while your cruise continues to Cai Be, where you will disembark for a 2-day, 1-night trip on the amazing waterways of the Mekong River. Tour around Cai Be with your local guide before taking a private 2-hour transfer back to the city in the late afternoon—the rest of your day at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Caravelle Saigon Hotel

DAY 5 | CU CHI TUNNELS & HISTORY TOUR

Depart from your hotel and quickly drive out of the city in your private vehicle, passing by some of Saigon's historical sites. Experience the hustle and bustle of morning motorbike traffic as you head toward the Cu Chi district on the outskirts of the city. After a one-hour drive, you will arrive in the peaceful rural areas of Cu Chi. Next, continue your journey in a private jeep to the Cu Chi tunnels, making a brief stop at a rubber plantation along the way. A local guide will share fascinating historical insights as you walk around the old battlefield, formerly known as the free-fire zone, and explore the Ben Dinh tunnels. You will see war relics such as B-52 bomb craters, guerrilla secret entrances, termite mounds, and hidden booby traps, while also having the opportunity to interact with local guerrilla



fighters. For those interested, you can test your aim by shooting a few rounds with different types of rifles. Then, dive into the underground network to experience life as the Viet Cong during the war. Enjoy some steamed tapioca at the underground Hoang Cam kitchen before returning to your jeep. On your way to a local riverside restaurant, relax with the breezy atmosphere and enjoy chilled local beers, mineral water, or soft drinks. After lunch, you will be transferred back to the city to visit the famous Presidential Palace (outdoor), the War Remnants Museum, and take a cyclo ride through the old French quarter before heading back to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodations: Caravelle Saigon Hotel

DAY 6 | DEPARTURE

Breakfast is at your leisure. Enjoy the rest of your day till transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: N/A

Date of operations: We operate this tour on request. We highly recommend booking in advance to ensure we can provide the best service for you. This trip can be fully tailored to meet your preferred departure time, dates, group size, and travel interests.

Price per person: from US\$1,650/person; maximum group size: 16.

What's included:

- > Experienced, knowledgeable English-speaking tour guide escort
- > Private transfer on a comfortable air-conditioned vehicle
- > All admission fees and tours as described
- > Hotels & Overnight cruise/sharing basis
- > Complimentary pick up at your hotel lobby in district 1, 3, or Nha Rong port gate in district 4.

What's not included:

- > Gratuities for your tour guide & driver & services
- > Personal expenses: shopping, telephone...
- > 3.5% extra for tour payment made via Credit card or Payment link

Extra information that you need to know before you book this trip:

- > Pick up and drop off will be at hotels in districts 1 & 3, or at the Saigon port gate in district 4
- > Guest, to let our travel advisor know if there's a food allergy or special food request upon placing your booking
- > For a group request of more than 30 guests, please contact our travel experts at (+84) 901-388-555 for assistance.