

# VIETNAM CULTURAL DISCOVERY EXPEDITION 2026


HANOI • HA LONG BAY • DA NANG • HO CHI MINH

7 Nights | 8 Days | NEP 2020 Aligned Experiential Learning

## DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN HANOI




- Arrival at Hanoi Noi Bai Airport
- Meet & Greet services by local guide
- Transfer to hotel in Hanoi
- Overnight stay at Hanoi (3 nights)

 **NEP 2020 Learning:** Introduction to Vietnamese culture, colonial history

## DAY 2: NINH BINH – LAND OF CAVES & RIVERS



- Transfer to Ninh Binh (Ancient Capital)
- Tam Coc Boat Ride (through limestone karsts)
- Bich Dong Pagoda (Cave Pagoda) exploration
- Hoa Lu Ancient Capital exploration
- Return to Hanoi

 **NEP 2020 Learning:** Geography, ancient Vietnamese kingdoms, limestone formations, rural traditions

## DAY 3: HA LONG BAY – UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE



- Full day Ha Long Bay cruise experience
- Surprising Cave exploration
- Titop Island beach & viewpoint hike
- Luon Cave Lagoon kayaking or bamboo boat
- Return to Tuan Chau Harbor
- Overnight stay at Hanoi



**NEP 2020 Learning:** Marine geology, UNESCO heritage preservation, biodiversity

## DAY 4: HANOI TO DA NANG FLIGHT



- Transfer to Hanoi Airport
- Flight to Da Nang (Central Vietnam)
- Transfer to hotel in Da Nang
- Overnight stay at Da Nang (2 nights)



**NEP 2020 Learning:** Vietnamese geography, regional diversity

## DAY 5: BA NA HILLS – GOLDEN BRIDGE EXPERIENCE



- Transfer to Ba Na Hills cable car station
- Walk on the iconic Golden Bridge (Hands of God)
- Linh Ung Pagoda visit
- Fantasy Park theme park attractions
- King Peak summit views
- Return to Da Nang



**NEP 2020 Learning:** Modern engineering marvels, French colonial architecture, Buddhist culture

## DAY 6: DA NANG TO HO CHI MINH FLIGHT



- Flight to Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)
- Transfer to hotel in Ho Chi Minh
- Overnight stay at Ho Chi Minh (2 nights)



**NEP 2020 Learning:** Urban development, economic hub of Vietnam

## DAY 7: CU CHI TUNNELS & CITY TOUR



- Cu Chi Tunnels exploration (Vietnam War underground network)
- Reunification Palace (Independence Palace)
- Notre Dame Cathedral (French colonial architecture)
- Jade Emperor Pagoda
- Ben Thanh Market (optional shopping)
- Overnight stay at Ho Chi Minh



**NEP 2020 Learning:** Vietnam War history, resilience, colonial heritage, religious harmony

## DAY 8: DEPARTURE



- Transfer to Ho Chi Minh Airport
- Departure for return journey
- Memories of Vietnamese cultural immersion



## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Ha Long Bay Cruise - UNESCO World Heritage Site with 1,600 limestone islands
- ✓ Cu Chi Tunnels - Historic Vietnam War underground network
- ✓ Ancient Capital Hoa Lu - 10th-century Vietnamese kingdom
- ✓ Buddhist Heritage - Linh Ung Pagoda, Jade Emperor Pagoda
- ✓ Golden Bridge at Ba Na Hills - Iconic architectural marvel
- ✓ Tam Coc Boat Ride - "Ha Long Bay on Land" through rice paddies
- ✓ French Colonial Architecture - Notre Dame Cathedral, Reunification Palace
- ✓ Three Major Cities - Hanoi (capital), Da Nang (coastal), Ho Chi Minh (economic)

## NEP 2020 LEARNING OUTCOMES

-  Vietnam War History & Conflict Resolution
-  UNESCO World Heritage Appreciation
-  Ancient Vietnamese Kingdoms & Dynasties
-  Modern Engineering & Architecture
-  Urban vs Rural Life Comparison
-  Colonial Heritage & Independence Movements
-  Geological Formations - Karst Landscapes
-  Religious Harmony - Buddhism, Catholicism, Taoism
-  Cultural Traditions - Boat rowing, conical hats
-  Southeast Asian Geography & Biodiversity



Rich History - Ancient kingdoms to modern nation



Rice Terraces - Agricultural heritage



Waterways - Rivers, bays, and delta life



Colonial Architecture - French influence



Spiritual Heritage - Pagodas and temples



Traditional Arts - Water puppetry, conical hat making




Culinary Culture - Pho, spring rolls, coffee





Dragon Symbolism - Vietnamese mythology

 **Flights:** Not included

 **Group Size:** 25 students minimum

 **Accommodation:** 7 nights (3★ Hotels)

 **Meals:** All meals included (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

 **Special:** 1 Teacher FREE per 15 students

### **Inclusions**

- ✓ 7 nights accommodation at 3★ hotels
- ✓ English-speaking guide throughout
- ✓ Ha Long Bay cruise experience
- ✓ Cu Chi Tunnels entrance
- ✓ 2 mineral water bottles per day
- ✓ Private 45-seater bus with AC
- ✓ All entrance fees and excursions
- ✓ Cable car rides at Ba Na Hills
- ✓ E-visa for Vietnam included

### **Exclusions**

- ✗ Domestic & International airfare
- ✗ Travel insurance
- ✗ Beverages during meals
- ✗ Personal expenses (laundry, phone)
- ✗ Compulsory tipping (USD 3/day)

## **Important Notes**

- Students and adults can participate in this cultural immersion program.
- Tour cost not applicable during blackout dates (peak seasons, public holidays, Tet Festival).
- Timings may vary depending on traffic conditions.
- Comfortable walking shoes recommended for Cu Chi Tunnels.
- Modest clothing required for pagodas and temples.

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