



Angkor Wat, Siem Reap

# grand tour of indochina 27 days

**FROM \$6,111 PER PERSON TWIN SHARE - 27 DAYS - FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE**

*From price includes: Tour Cost \$5,680, Airline Fuel Surcharge \$245, Tipping \$156 and Cambodia Departure Tax \$30 (subject to change)*

Encounter breathtaking scenery, diverse cultures, captivating history and gracious people on this 'Grand Tour of Indochina'.

Vietnam will fascinate you with bustling Saigon and the mighty Mekong River. Relax in delightful Hoi An and the charming town of Sapa, where you explore minority villages and cruise overnight on a junk boat in spectacular Halong Bay.

Laos has some of the most stunning landscapes which are dominated by beautiful mountains and cascading waterfalls. You will be immersed in history as you tour some of the country's oldest temples.

In Cambodia you will find architectural wonders such as the magnificent Angkor Wat and the beauty and serenity at Ta Prohm.

Embrace this unforgettable journey of discovery through three of the most charming countries in Asia, and you will be rewarded with lasting memories.

## inclusions

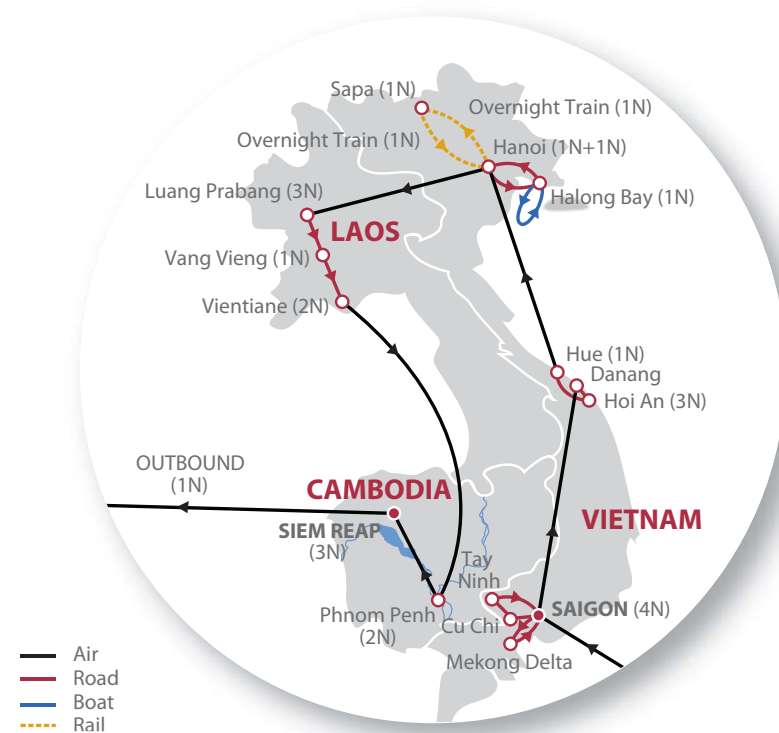
International airfares, all transportation in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, accommodation, all meals, entrance fees, guides and daily tours, taxes and charges, Sydney, Melbourne, Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia departure taxes and visas for Australian passport holders

## price guide

- ✈ 27 Days, Fully Inclusive Twin Share
- From \$6,111 per person** - Departing Sydney and Melbourne with Vietnam Airlines
- From \$6,311 per person** - Departing Brisbane and Adelaide with Vietnam Airlines
- From \$6,304 per person** - Departing Perth with Singapore Airlines
- Adelaide passengers** may require a stopover in Sydney at an additional cost. Contact reservations for details

- 🏠 Single Hotel Supplement - From \$930
- 🚤 Single Halong Bay Cruise Supplement - From \$75
- 🚗 Land Only (Saigon to Siem Reap) - From \$5,769 (includes tipping)

★★ Medium Paced Tour (see pages 8-9)



### DAY 1: AUSTRALIA TO SAIGON

Fly with Vietnam Airlines to Saigon for a four-night stay.

### DAY 2: SAIGON

Visit the Reunification Palace, War Remnants Museum, Notre Dame Cathedral, the Central Post Office, Cholon (Chinatown), Binh Tay Wholesale Market and Thien Hau Pagoda.

### DAYS 3-4: SAIGON

Today we explore the Mekong Delta, visiting Thoi Son Island and the Vinh Trang Pagoda. Tomorrow we visit the famous Cu Chi Tunnels led by a Cu Chi War Veteran and continue to Tay Ninh where we experience the midday service at the head temple of the unique Cao Dai religion.

### DAYS 5-7: SAIGON TO HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to Hoi An, stopping en route at the Cham Museum, Marble Mountains and China Beach. Tomorrow we undertake a walking tour of Hoi An. Visit an old merchant's home, the Japanese Covered Bridge, Hoi An Market and a local Chinese pagoda. The afternoon and the following day are free at your leisure.

### DAY 8: HOI AN TO HUE

Drive over the Hai Van Pass to Hue. This afternoon take a cyclo ride to the Imperial Citadel. Visit Thien Mu Pagoda before enjoying a boat trip on the Perfume River. This evening partake in a cooking class.

### DAY 9: HUE TO HANOI

This morning we visit the UNESCO World Heritage listed Royal Tombs of Tu Duc and Khai Dinh before flying to Hanoi. This afternoon visit the Ethnology Museum and enjoy a performance of the famous Water Puppets this evening.

### DAY 10: HANOI TO SAPA

Today we visit Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where we see the Humble House on Stilts and One Pillar Pagoda and later drive around Hoan Kiem Lake. This evening we board our overnight train to Sapa.

### DAYS 11-12: SAPA

Arrive in Sapa early this morning. Over the next two days explore different minority villages by foot. On the second night we board our overnight train back to Hanoi.

### DAYS 13-14: HANOI TO HALONG BAY TO HANOI

Arrive in Hanoi this morning and travel to Halong Bay. Spend the night onboard a junk boat relaxing and watching the sunset over the bay. Tomorrow we continue cruising before we return to Hanoi.

### DAY 15: HANOI TO LUANG PRABANG

Fly to Luang Prabang, Laos. Enjoy a walking tour of the town, visiting Wat Xieng Thong and Wat Visoun. Later we climb Phousi Hill for a panoramic view of the city.

### DAYS 16-17: LUANG PRABANG

Rise early this morning to view Takbat, a Buddhist ceremony. Cruise the Mekong River to the Pak Ou Caves, visiting Tham Ting and Tham Phoum caves en route. Return to Luang Prabang stopping along the way at Ban Xang Khong. Tomorrow we visit the National Museum before we continue on to Kuangsi Waterfalls, visiting a H'mong and Khmou village en route. We also stop at Ock Pop Tok Weaving Centre. In the evening we witness a Baci Ceremony.

### DAY 18: LUANG PRABANG TO VANG VIENG

Drive to Vang Vieng, visiting Phoukhoun, Ban Houn Xay and Kasi en route. Stop at Pathang and enjoy a boat ride on the Nam Song River, then continue to Vang Vieng.

### DAYS 19-20: VANG VIENG TO VIENTIANE

Today we visit Tham Chang Cave before driving to Vientiane. Tomorrow visit Thongkhankham Market, Wat Si Saket, Wat Phra Keo, That Luang Stupa and the Patuxai Victory Monument. Later visit Talat Sao and the Buddha Park before we enjoy a traditional Lao dance show this evening.

### DAY 21: VIENTIANE TO PHNOM PENH

Fly to Phnom Penh, Cambodia. This afternoon we see the majestic Silver Pagoda, Emerald Buddha and the National Museum.

### DAY 22: PHNOM PENH

Today we visit the Apsara Association, where underprivileged children are taught traditional dance and music. Also visit the emotional Killing Fields and Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocidal Crimes. Later enjoy free time at the Russian Markets.

### DAY 23: PHNOM PENH TO SIEM REAP

Fly to Siem Reap where we visit Prasat Kravan, Sreah Srang, Banteay Kdei and East Mebon before watching the sunset from the summit of Pre Rup.

### DAY 24: SIEM REAP

Drive to the fortified city of Angkor Thom. Start at the South Gate, continue to the Bayon, the Elephant Terrace and the Terrace of the Leper King. This afternoon visit the magnificent Angkor Wat.

### DAY 25: SIEM REAP

**August to February - High water season**  
Cruise on Tonle Sap and visit a floating village then continue to Ta Keo and Ta Prohm.

### March to July - Low water season

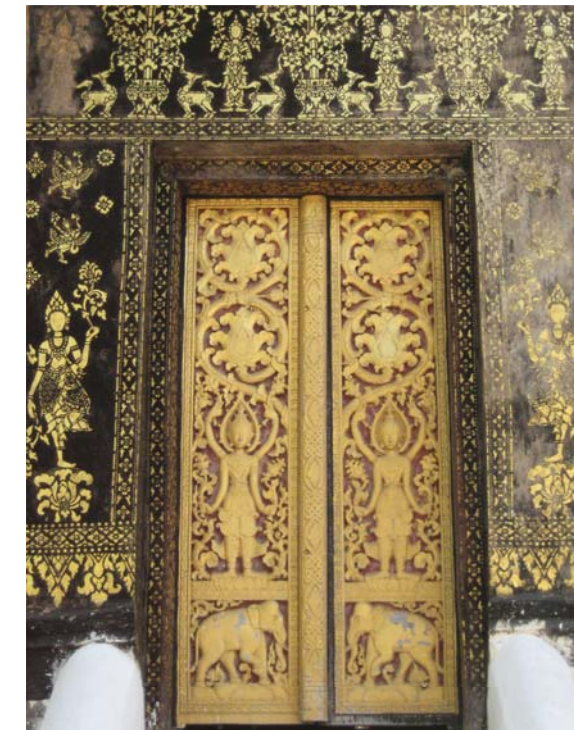
Visit Banteay Srei, Ta Keo and fabulous Ta Prohm.

### DAY 26: DEPART SIEM REAP

Enjoy the morning at leisure before transferring to Siem Reap airport to board our overnight flight to Australia (via Saigon).

### DAY 27: ARRIVE AUSTRALIA

Arrive home this morning.



## departures

TOUR CODE	DEPART SYD/MEL	ARRIVE SYD/MEL	TWIN SHARE PRICE
<b>2011</b>			
VGT1102*	26 Jan	21 Feb	\$6,111
VGT1104*	02 Feb	28 Feb	\$6,111
VGT1106	16 Feb	14 Mar	\$6,111
VGT1108	09 Mar	04 Apr	\$6,111
VGT1110	23 Mar	18 Apr	\$6,111
VGT1112	27 Apr	23 May	\$6,111
VGT1114	11 May	06 Jun	\$6,351
VGT1116	07 Sep	03 Oct	\$6,351
VGT1118	21 Sep	17 Oct	\$6,451
VGT1120	05 Oct	31 Oct	\$6,351
VGT1122	19 Oct	14 Nov	\$6,351

## 2012

VGT1202*	25 Jan	20 Feb	\$6,351
VGT1204	08 Feb	05 Mar	\$6,351
VGT1206	22 Feb	19 Mar	\$6,351
VGT1208	07 Mar	02 Apr	\$6,351
VGT1210	21 Mar	16 Apr	\$6,351
VGT1212	11 Apr	07 May	\$6,451
VGT1214	02 May	28 May	\$6,351

**Important note:** Above prices include airline fuel surcharges, tipping and Cambodia departure tax of \$431 (correct as at 30 July 2010 and subject to change). Please note the tipping amount of US\$140 (AU\$156) is payable on arrival in Vietnam. Cambodia departure tax amount is specified on your invoice and needs to be paid in cash (USD) at the airport when exiting Cambodia.

\*Departure coincides with Tet New Year.