

**Experience the best of Vietnamese cuisine in this exciting culinary journey from Hanoi to Saigon.**

**Day 1** — On arrival in Hanoi you will be met by your private driver and guide and transferred to your hotel. Remainder of day is free to relax at leisure.

**Day 2** — Full day city tour, including a stop at Mai Anh Restaurant (the best little Pho stall in Hanoi – where you will learn how to make Pho (Vietnamese Noodle Soup) street style.

Dinner at Au Lac House, a wonderful restaurant set in a colonial building.

**Day 3** — Today you will enjoy a private half day cooking class at a private home of a Hanoi resident in the heart of Hanoi's Old Quarter. After visiting a local market to buy the day's ingredients, learn how to prepare and cook true northern Vietnamese cuisine before sitting down to enjoy a delectable meal.



**Day 4** — Transfer to Halong Bay for an overnight cruise on a traditional Vietnamese style junk. You are welcome to visit the galley to watch the chefs preparing your evening meal – please note space is very limited!

**Day 5** — Complete your cruise and return to Hanoi Airport for the short flight to Danang, from where you transfer to the picturesque port town of Hoi An.

**Day 6** — Morning walking tour of Hoi An visiting ancient temples, merchant houses and local markets. Afternoon at leisure. Dinner at The Mango Rooms.

**Day 7** — Today cycle out to Tra Que farming village, where you can participate in local farming activities and learn about local life. The villagers will show you how they prepare their typical lunches and you are invited to join them. Return to Hoi An and transfer to the airport for the flight to Saigon.



**Day 8** — Morning exploring Saigon with your guide. We do not include the rather boring sites included on most city tours but take you to small back street markets and art galleries know only to the locals and that you would not find yourself.

Dinner at the Temple Club.

**Day 9** — Depart early for the Mekong Delta; the day includes some cycling (easy level) and transfers on various style of local boat. You will visit local cottage industries dotted around the delta before checking in with a local family, where you will help them prepare the evening meal.

**Day 10** — Wake early and visit the floating markets – genuine local markets not like the tourist traps in Bangkok! From here spend the day heading back to Saigon with various stops en route.

**Day 11** — Free day to do any last minute shopping. (Optional tours in Saigon can be arranged such as half day cooking school, spa treatments, visit the Cu Chi Tunnels etc) This evening have dinner at Quan An Ngon – where you will find the best street food in the city brought together under one roof!

**Day 12** — You will be transferred to the airport today in time for your flight back to Australia.



**Prices will depend on travel date, hotel choice, room category and number of people travelling. Please note that all our itineraries are flexible and can be altered to suit your requirements.**