

## <u>08 Nights /09 Days – Indo – China Jewels – Cambodia & Vietnam</u>

## Day 01 Arrive – Sieam Reap

Overnight at Sieam Reap

Welcome to Cambodia today. Upon arrival you are met and are transferred to your hotel. Check in and the rest of the day is free for you. Overnight in Siem Reap.

#### Day 02 Sieam Reap

Overnight Sieam Reap

An early breakfast later we visit Angkor Thom, the last and most enduring capital city of the Khmer empire. It was established in the late twelfth century and it covers an area of 9 km², within which are located several monuments from earlier and later eras. In the afternoon we visit Ta Prohm built in the Bayon style; It has been left in much the same condition in which it was found: the photogenic and atmospheric combination of trees growing out of the ruins and the jungle surroundings have made it one of Angkor's most popular temples with visitors. Next, see the stunning Angkor Wat, the last state temple and capital city of the Khmer empire. It is the largest and best-preserved temple at the site, it is the only one to have remained a significant religious centre since its foundation first Hindu, dedicated to Vishnu, then Buddhist. The temple is the epitome of the high classical style of Khmer architecture. View sunset at Phnom Bakhaeng (900 AD). Overnight in Siem Reap.

#### Day 03 Sieam Reap – Phnom penh (350 kms – 6 hrs drive)

Overnight at Phnomh penh

This morning following breakfast it's time to depart to Phnom Penh by road trip taking an approximate 7 hrs including stops through many stunning landscapes. Some of the stops include one at the Sambor Prei Kuk temples (7-8 centuries) near Kampong Thom, a picturesque town on the banks of the Stung Saen River. Continue to Phnom Penh where you are transferred to your hotel. Your evening is spent in the city night life district at bars, clubs and other venues filled with warm atmosphere. Overnight in Phnom Penh.

#### Day 04 Phnom Penh – Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Overnight at Saigon

Start the morning enjoying a city tour to have a general view of the capital of Cambodia. The visit includes the National Museum which houses the world's foremost collection of ancient Khmer archeological, religious, and artistic artifacts from 4th-13th centuries. See the stunning Silver pagoda which derives its name from the fact that its floor is made of more than 5,000 silver blocks weighing more than 6 tons. Continue the visit in the Cambodia's Royal Palace complex where French influence can be seen in the formal gardens which enhance the palace. End the city tour on a small hill crowned by Wat Phnom pagoda which marks the legendary founding place of the Phnom Penh city. Before lunch, transfer to Phnom Penh airport for a short flight to Ho Chi Minh City, formerly called Saigon; it is the largest and busiest city in Vietnam. Upon arrival you are met and are transferred to your hotel. Today, the half day sightseeing tour will take you around the city to get a view of a developing city. See places of interests such as Notre



Dame Cathedral, The Central Post Office, Reunification Palace, the City Hall and the Opera House. Overnight in Saigon.

## Day 05 Saigon

**Overnight Saigon** 

In the morning, the second half day city tour will take you to the bustling China Town with the visits to Binh Tay market, Thien Hau pagoda and the FITO museum specializing in traditional medicine. In the afternoon, enjoy bargain shopping at Dong Khoi Street and at the bustling Ben Thanh market. The wide range of retailers propose local products at bargain price including silk, jewelry, wood carving, tailors and arts & crafts. In the evening, enjoy a stunning show with Vietnam most beautiful Ao Dai (traditional dresses). Overnight in Saigon.

## Day 06 Saigon – Hanoi (by flight)

Overnight Hanio

This morning it's time to transfer to the airport for your flight to Hanoi, Vietnam's capital city of tree-lined streets, colonial houses and centuries-old temples. Upon arrival you are met and are transferred to your hotel. A brief rest later, its time for a city tour featuring both cultural and historical highlights, comprising Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum (closed on Monday & Friday) and his house on stilts, the One Pillar Pagoda, the Temple of Literature, the Ethnology Museum, the Quan Thanh Temple, the Tran Quoc Pagoda and the old quarters which is filled with bustling retailers of interest. The sight seeing day ends with a pedicab ride (1 hour) and a water puppet show. This ancient and unique form of theatrical performance was created during the Ly Dynasty (1009-1224), it is a must see during your visit to Hanoi. Overnight in Hanoi.

## Day 07 Hanoi – Ha long Bay (200 kms – 4 hrs drive)

Overnight Ha long bay

Breakfast at hotel before heading out to Ha Long Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. In Ha Long you will board your luxury boat for an overnight cruise amongst the more than 3,000 limestone islands rising majestically out of the turquoise bay. You pass grand rock formations and quaint fishing towns, and sample a delicious lunch of freshly caught fish and seafood. In the afternoon you can choose from several interesting activities: a cooking demonstration with chef on board, an optional traditional massage, or a refreshing swim. End the day with a spectacular set-menu gastronomic dinner Overnight on board.

## Day 08 Ha long Bay – Hanoi (200 kms – 4 hrs drive)

Overnight at Hanoi

Start the day with calming Tai Chi, often accompanied by an amazing sunrise and the quiet breath-taking beauty of the bay's landscape. The cruise passes beautiful spots such as Trong, Trinh Nu and the Me Cung Caves, and you will have a chance to explore Surprise Cave before having buffet brunch on board. Back at the dock, where you will be met and transferred to our hotel. Overnight in Hanoi.



# Day 10 Departure – Hanoi

After breakfast check out hotel and we transfer you to Hanoi airport for departure. End of the services.