



REALISTIC ASIA

EXPLORING

VIETNAM



SEPTEMBER 5 - 15, 2026

OUTLINE ITINERARY

DAY	DATE	PROGRAM
1	5 Sep 2026	Hanoi Arrival – VIP Fast-Track & Welcome Dinner
2	6 Sep 2026	Hanoi City Tour by Vespa Scooter – Hotel Inspection
3	7 Sep 2026	Bavi Eco Tour
4	8 Sep 2026	Hanoi – Halong Bay
5	9 Sep 2026	Halong Bay – Hanoi – Hoi An
6	10 Sep 2026	A Champa Cultural Researcher Kieu Maily & Hoi An Ancient City Walking Tour
7	11 Sep 2026	Hotel Inspection & Free At Leisure
8	12 Sep 2026	Hoi An – Danang – Saigon – Hotel Inspection
9	13 Sep 2026	Saigon – Mekong Delta – Tan My Authentic Village
10	14 Sep 2026	Saigon Half Day City Tour & Heritage Wheels and Cocktail Crafting By Luxury Vintage Car and Farewell Party
11	15 Sep 2026	Saigon & Departure

EDUCATIONAL FEE PER ADVISOR: US\$ 2,300 for single occupancy accommodations. (See below for full inclusions.)

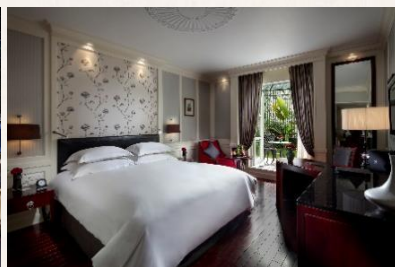
SELECTED HOTELS

DESTINATION	CHECK IN – CHECK OUT	HOTEL	ROOM TYPE
HANOI	Sep 5 - Sep 8	SOFFITEL LEGEND METROPOLE HANOI https://www.sofitel-legend-metropole-hanoi.com/	Premium Room
HALONG BAY	Sep 8 - Sep 9	LYRA GANDEUR CRUISE https://lyracruises.com/vn/lyra-grandeur/	OASIS SUITE
HOIAN	Sep 9 - Sep 12	MOIRE HOI AN VIGNETTE COLLECTION https://www.ihg.com/vignettecollection/hotels/gb/en/hoi-an/dadho/hoteldetail	Premium River View
SAIGON	Sep 12- Sep 15	THE REVERIE SAIGON http://thereveriesaiagon.com/	Deluxe

Please note: Check-in room at 14:00 // Check-out room at 12:00 noon (Except Early check-in or Late check-out mentioned in the program)

DETAILED ITINERARY

DAY 1 – SEP 5 2026: HANOI ARRIVAL – VIP FAST-TRACK SERVICE & WELCOME DINNER (D)



Welcome to Vietnam! As soon as you leave the plane, an immigration officer will meet you at the end of the jet bridge or at the terminal entrance, holding a signboard with your name(s). The officer will assist you with immigration procedures using the priority lane, escort you to the luggage claim area, and introduce you to your guide, who will be waiting outside the terminal.

Your guide and driver will then transfer you to your hotel, where you can rest after the flight.

19:00: Enjoy a welcome dinner at a Michelin-starred restaurant.

Overnight: *Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi*

DAY 2 – 6 SEP 2026: HALF-DAY HANOI CITY TOUR BY VESPA SCOOTER (B/L)



Explore the charming city of Hanoi, often referred to as the “*Paris of the East*,” from the back of a Vespa scooter. Admire its yellow-ochre colonial buildings, tree-lined boulevards, and scenic lakes as you ride through the city.

Visit the historic **Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum**, an imposing monument of marble and granite built to house the preserved body of the beloved revolutionary leader Ho Chi Minh, affectionately known to the Vietnamese as “*Uncle Ho*.” Continue to the **One Pillar Pagoda**, a Buddhist temple built in 1049, constructed of wood in the shape of a lotus blossom and set atop a single stone pillar. It is considered by many to be one of Vietnam’s most iconic pagodas.

Nearby, visit **Ho Chi Minh's House**, a simple wooden residence set in a tranquil environment where he lived and worked. Some of his personal belongings are on display, and visitors can walk up the steps to view his bedroom.

Proceed to the **Temple of Literature**, Vietnam's first national university, built in the late 11th century. This picturesque complex is a fine example of well-preserved traditional Vietnamese architecture and is featured on the back of the 100,000 Vietnamese dong banknote.

Enjoy the Vespa ride back to the city centre to visit **Hoan Kiem Lake** (literally, "*Lake of the Returned Sword*"), named after a magical sword once used by a legendary Vietnamese emperor to defeat the Chinese Ming Dynasty. Situated on an island in the middle of the lake is **Ngoc Son Temple**, accessible via the classical **Huc Bridge**.

Conclude the tour with a visit to the famed **Old Quarter**, known for its "*36 streets of 36 wares*," named after the original 36 artisan guilds dating back to the 13th century. Explore the fascinating maze of backstreets lined with narrow houses known as "*tunnel*" or "*tube houses*," traditionally built to avoid taxes based on the width of their street frontage—offering a wonderfully eclectic glimpse into daily Hanoi street life.

Return to the hotel and enjoy free time at leisure.

Overnight: Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi

NOTES

Availability: Morning, Afternoon

Suggested departure times: 08:30 or 14:00

Tour duration: 4 hours

DAY 3 – SEP 7 2026: HANOI – BA VI ECO TOUR (B/L)



Ba Vi is a rural, mountainous area located west of the bustling city of Hanoi. Its stunning natural scenery, combined with the warmth of local communities, makes Ba Vi a truly authentic destination. Escape the noise and crowds of the city and immerse yourself in a peaceful, nature-focused excursion.

After breakfast at the hotel, drive to **Ba Vi National Park**. Upon arrival at **Ri Village**, begin your experience at your host's home with a welcome drink. Meet **Mr. Duoc**, a Vietnam War veteran and tea farm owner, who will share historical stories drawn from his personal experiences.

Follow Mr. Duoc to his expansive tea plantation and learn how tea leaves are harvested. This green and tranquil setting offers beautiful views of the surrounding countryside. You may assist in picking tea leaves and learn how to select the finest parts of the tea

plant to produce Vietnam's traditional tea. Continue the process at his small workshop, where most of the production is still done by hand.

Next, enjoy a short ten-minute drive to **Moc Village** to visit another host family, where you will take part in a fun vegan cooking class with **Mrs. Chin**. She will demonstrate how to prepare several Vietnamese dishes, followed by lunch featuring the dishes you helped create.

After lunch, stroll around the village and visit local families to gain insight into rural life and learn how tofu, conical hats, and other local products are made. Enjoy a leisurely cycling trip through beautiful paddy fields, with opportunities to interact with local farmers along the way.

Conclude your countryside experience with a traditional herbal foot bath in warm water, following age-old recipes of the Muong ethnic minority, perfect for relaxing tired feet after cycling.

Return to Hanoi and transfer back to the hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Overnight: *Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi*

NOTES

Suggested departure time: 08:00

Duration: *Approximately 8.5 hours*

DAY 4 – SEP 8 2026: HANOI – HA LONG BAY (B/L/D)



Pick-up time: 08:30

Pick-up location: Hotel lobby

After breakfast, enjoy a scenic three-hour drive to **Ha Long Bay**. Discover one of Vietnam's most iconic landscapes, with thousands of limestone islands rising from the emerald sea and sculpted over time into dramatic shapes.

Upon arrival at the jetty, board the Lyra Grandeur Cruise, which features modern and comfortable suites, less-crowded routes through **Ha Long Bay and Lan Ha Bay**, and a strong commitment to sustainability.

After boarding, enjoy a welcome drink and safety briefing. Following check-in to your cabin, savor a delicious lunch as the vessel cruises through the bay, passing breathtaking limestone formations.

Later, the cruise will stop at **Frog Lagoon**, one of the bay's most unspoiled areas. Here, you may enjoy kayaking or swimming for a closer view of the limestone cliffs. The cruise also offers waterslides for additional fun and relaxation.

Return to the ship and enjoy some free time before dinner. You may participate in a cooking demonstration led by the cruise chef or relax at the pool and jacuzzi on the top deck.

Overnight: *On board Lyra Grandeur Cruise*

Meals: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

DAY 5 - SEP 9 2026: HALONG BAY - HANOI - HOI AN (B/BR)



Wake up to the sunrise over Halong Bay, with breakfast (or brunch on some boats) served as the vessel cruises slowly back toward the port.

Disembark and transfer back to Hanoi Airport for your onward flight to Danang. Upon arrival at Danang Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel in Hoi An for check-in and free time at leisure.

Overnight: *Moire Hoi An Resort*

DAY 6 - SEP 10 2026: TALK WITH CHAMPA CULTURAL RESEARCHER KIỀU MAILY & HALF-DAY HOI AN WALKING TOUR (B/L)



Talk with Champa Cultural Researcher Kiều Maily

A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the ancient town of **Hoi An** is remarkably well preserved, with some streets closed to motorbikes and strict controls on building alterations.

Before beginning your guided walking tour, enjoy an engaging conversation with **Kiêu Maily**, a Champa cultural researcher. Originally a broadcaster and writer based in Ho Chi Minh City, Kiều Maily developed a deep connection with ancient Hoi An and has since dedicated herself to promoting the traditional culture of the **Chăm people**. She was

born and raised in a Chăm ethnic community in the hot, sandy **Phước Nhon Village**, Phan Rang City, Ninh Thuận Province.

Today, you will have the opportunity to interact with her and explore the **Champa Amaravati House Hoi An**, a Chăm cultural experience centre. The Champa Amaravati House offers lively performances and authentic Chăm cuisine, allowing you to immerse yourself in the art and traditions of Champa culture. Historical stories behind the exhibits and performances are shared by Chăm artists themselves, creating an intimate and meaningful cultural exchange.

Hoi An Ancient City Walking Tour

Continue with a visit to **Hoi An Ancient City**. Known historically as “*Faifo*,” Hoi An was once a thriving trading port that attracted Chinese, Japanese, Dutch, Portuguese, Spanish, and other international merchants. Today, this World Heritage town is celebrated for its well-preserved architecture, pedestrian-only streets, and distinctive local cuisine, offering visitors a vivid glimpse into its illustrious past.

Stroll through Hoi An’s narrow lanes on a guided walking tour, visiting atmospheric highlights such as:

- Historic merchant houses showcasing Chinese, Japanese, and Vietnamese architectural influences
- The 400-year-old **Japanese Covered Bridge**, originally built in the 1590s by the Japanese community to connect their quarter with the Chinese area across the stream
- The **Assembly Hall of the Chaozhou Chinese Congregation**, renowned for its intricate woodcarvings
- The vibrant local market, filled with stalls offering regional specialties, including silk that can be tailored into custom garments within a day or two

After the tour, return to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Overnight: *Moire Hoi An Resort*

NOTES

Suggested departure time: 08:30

Duration: Approximately 4.5 hours

DAY 7 – SEP 11 2026: HOI AN HOTEL INSPECTION & FREE AT LEISURE (B)



Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, followed by free time at leisure. Later, take a short excursion to inspect selected hotels in Hoi An. After the inspections, the remainder of the day is free at leisure.

Overnight: *Moire Hoi An Resort*

NOTES

Suggested departure time: 10:30

Duration: Approximately 2 hours

DAY 8 – SEP 12 2026: HOI AN – DANANG – SAIGON & HOTEL INSPECTION (B)



After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy free time at leisure until your transfer to Danang Airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City.

Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for inspection. Then, return for check-in and enjoy free time at leisure.

Overnight: *The Reverie Saigon*

DAY 9: 13 SEP 2026: SAIGON – MY THO – TAN MY AUTHENTIC FLOATING VILLAGE (B/L)



Depart from Saigon for a 1.5-hour drive to My Tho, located in the Mekong Delta, exchanging cityscapes for lush rice paddies and fruit orchards.

At the pier, embark on a motorboat excursion starting with a visit to **Tan My Floating Village**. Then, continue deeper into the countryside by rowing boat through smaller canals, enjoying the peaceful atmosphere.

Visit a fishing village and enjoy a sampan experience. You will have the opportunity to take a bike or buggy ride around the local village, visit a mushroom farm, and sample tropical fruits at a grapefruit orchard. Meet a local weaving artisan.

Enjoy some homemade sweets with hot tea, followed by a home-hosted lunch with a local family. Then visit a rice wine workshop.

Return to the mainland. The cruise ends in My Tho City before driving back to Saigon. Free time at leisure.

Overnight: *The Reverie Saigon*

NOTES:

Suggested departure time: 08:00

Tour duration: approximately 8.5 hours.

DAY 10 – SEP 14 2026: SAIGON HALF-DAY CITY TOUR & HERITAGE WHEELS AND COCKTAIL CRAFTING BY LUXURY VINTAGE CAR & FAREWELL DINNER AT MICHELIN RESTAURANT (B/L/D)



With over eight million inhabitants and four million motorbikes, Saigon is truly a city that never sleeps. Despite its modernity, the city maintains a strong connection to its past.

Your city tour includes visits to Saigon's most iconic landmarks, such as **Notre Dame Cathedral**, a red-brick edifice with twin spires constructed from materials imported from France (entrance permitted only when no services are in progress). Then head across the square to the **Central Post Office**, completed in 1891.

Continue to the former **Presidential Palace**, once the headquarters of the Saigon Government during the American War, followed by a visit to the **War Remnants Museum**, which offers a vivid perspective of the war through Vietnamese eyes. *(Please note: some displays are graphic.)*

Experience Saigon's famed street coffee culture while your guide shares insights into daily life and gives you a brief Vietnamese language lesson before returning to your hotel.

NOTES:

Suggested time: 08:00

Duration: 3–4 hours

18:00 – HERITAGE WHEELS & COCKTAIL CRAFTING BY LUXURY VINTAGE CAR + FAREWELL DINNER

Embark on a classic vintage car for an exciting cocktail journey through Saigon, exploring the city's vibrant nightlife and unique cocktail culture. Ride in a 1950s–1970s luxury vehicle for an atmospheric tour of the city.

Stop at an elegant cocktail bar for a hands-on mixology session, where you'll learn to craft your own signature cocktail using local ingredients under the guidance of professional bartenders.

Continue to a second cozy bar that captures the essence of Vietnamese flavors, inspired by traditional herbs and local spirits. Enjoy home-brewed cocktails paired with lotus-based snacks while learning about the cultural stories behind each drink.

Then transfer to a Michelin-listed restaurant for a farewell dinner featuring signature dishes prepared by a master chef.

Overnight: *The Reverie Saigon*

NOTES:

Suggested time: 18:00

Duration: 3 hours

One cocktail per person per stop, with snacks included

Food allergies should be advised in advance

DAY 11 – SEP 15 2026: DEPARTURE (B)



After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy free time at leisure until your transfer to the airport for your onward flight home.

End the services



INCLUDED

- ✓ Door-to-door pick-up & drop-off services
- ✓ All transportation mentioned in the itinerary
- ✓ Accommodation based on double/twin share with breakfast (including 5% service fee and 10% VAT tax)
- ✓ Experienced English-speaking guides
- ✓ Meals as stated in the itinerary
- ✓ All sightseeing tickets according to the itinerary
- ✓ Tissues and water during transfers
- ✓ Service charges and government tax
- ✓ Exclusive and personalized single agent/single customer service
- ✓ 24/7 hotline support guaranteed
- ✓ No extra charge after service confirmation
- ✓ Domestic flights

EXCLUDED

- ✓ Beverage, Personal expenses, tips, and gratuities
- ✓ Travel Insurance
- ✓ Public holiday surcharge (if any)
- ✓ Early check-in and Late check-out (If not mentioned)
- ✓ Evisa to Vietnam
- ✓ Surcharge for airport transfers between 12:00 am – 05:00 am
- ✓ Other services not mentioned above

NOTE

- Rooms at hotels are available only from 14:00 on arrival day till 12:00 on departure date. A supplement will be added if early check-in or late check-out is desired.
- If one or some proposed service(s) is (are) not available at the moment of booking, we will try to find other possibilities/options or another similar service (s) in order to avoid changes to the program.



CANCELLATION

Realistic Asia must be informed in writing. Cancellation charges would be effective from the date we receive advice in writing, and cancellation charges would apply as follows:

- The 30% deposit (paid upon booking) is non-refundable.
- 60 days or less prior to the arrival date: 100% cancellation fee.
- No-show: 100% cancellation fee.

Please note that the domestic flight tickets included in the package are non-refundable.

UNUSED SERVICES

After the trip commenced, all unused services quoted in the tour package are not refundable (Accommodations, meals, sightseeing, tour, or other services which are included in the tour price)

LIABILITY

REALISTIC ASIA Co., Ltd. is not responsible for any loss, injury or damage sustained by passengers. Additional expenses incurred due to delays, accidents, natural disaster, political actions, and unrest must be borne by the passengers. Passengers are required to have full travel insurance.

CONDITION OF INSURANCE

Realistic Asia demands that all clients going on our trips hold a proper personal medical insurance. If clients do not hold insurances and refuse to sign on before departure date, Realistic Asia reserves the right not to carry out the trip.

Kindly acknowledge your acceptance of the above terms and conditions by signing and returning to Realistic Asia a copy of the present contract and of the attachment with all itineraries.



ALTERATION OF ITINERARY

Alterations to your itinerary before the booking is processed are happily processed free of charge. We want to provide the best tour possible for you. Alterations after you have received your booking confirmation letter will attract a fee of \$10 USD per request.

Realistic Asia reserves the right to modify the itinerary of the tour if air schedule or surface transportation changes, and/or events beyond its control make such alteration necessary. In this event, any of the increase or reduction of the tour cost will be calculated and charged accordingly. If the tour is to be changed at the request of the client(s), the client will be required to pay any additional cost in advance.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTATION

All clients must be in possession of a valid passport and necessary visas or permits at the commencement of travel. All such documentation is the sole responsibility of the client. Your travel advisor may assist you in applying for the necessary travel documentation upon request. Realistic Asia accepts no responsibility or liability whatsoever for the failure of clients to obtain appropriate documentation.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Clients should take into account all international travel risks and familiarize themselves with health requirements applicable to the areas they intend to visit. The client is solely responsible for checking the safety and security conditions, vaccination, and other health requirements of governments in countries visited or transited.

CUSTOMER SATISFACTION AND FEEDBACK

If you experience any dissatisfaction with the services provided by Realistic Asia (before or during your trip), please inform your local tour guide or travel advisor immediately. Prompt notification will help us address the issue quickly and prevent similar problems from occurring throughout your journey.

In the event of a complaint or claim for compensation, you must inform us by email, regular mail, or facsimile in writing within 15 days from the end of your tour. Relevant receipts and substantiating evidence must be attached to the letter of claim. Realistic Asia will not be liable for any claims made later than 15 days after the completion of your tour.



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