

# Pilgrimage to Perfume Pagoda & Spiritual Hanoi: 6-Night Sacred Journey

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Destination  
**Vietnam**



Duration  
**6 Nights 7 Days**



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**Rs. 28,900 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

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## Overview

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Discover the spiritual heart of northern Vietnam with this carefully curated Vietnam tour package. This 6-night, 7-day Vietnam Pilgrimage tour package blends the bustling sacred streets of Hanoi with the serene river and mountain sanctuary of the Perfume Pagoda (Chùa Hương). Perfect for travelers seeking a reflective spiritual escape, this Vietnam Pilgrimage package features guided visits to iconic temples, pagodas, and meditation experiences.

### Highlights:

- Perfume Pagoda (Huong Tich Cave & Thien Tru Pagoda) – scenic boat ride on the Yen Stream
- Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum & One Pillar Pagoda – important spiritual and historical landmarks in Hanoi
- Temple of Literature – Vietnam's first university and center of Confucian learning
- Traditional Water Puppetry – a classic cultural performance in the Old Quarter
- Hands-on cultural visits: Bat Trang Pottery Village, Tran Quoc Pagoda, Quan Thanh Temple

This itinerary is optimized for those searching for a Vietnam tour package, Vietnam Pilgrimage tour package, Vietnam Pilgrimage package and 6 and 7 Vietnam Pilgrimage tour package seekers.

Note: Comfortable walking shoes and modest clothing for temple visits are recommended.

### ✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ 6 nights accommodation in Hanoi (3–4-hotels) with daily breakfast
- ✓ All transfers and transportation as per itinerary (air-conditioned vehicle)
- ✓ Professional English-speaking guide for all included tours
- ✓ Entrance fees, boat ride on Yen Stream, and cable car (where applicable) for Perfume Pagoda
- ✓ One guided meditation session at a local monastery
- ✓ Traditional Water Puppet show ticket
- ✓ Selected meals as specified (usually 3–4 meals)
- ✓ Local taxes and service charges
- ✓ Special: This Vietnam Pilgrimage tour package includes culturally immersive experiences and spiritual site access.

### ✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ Exclusions:
- ✗ International flights to/from Vietnam
- ✗ Visa fees and travel insurance
- ✗ Meals and drinks not specified in the itinerary
- ✗ Personal expenses, gratuities, and optional activities (e.g., Ninh Binh day trip if chosen)
- ✗ Single room supplement (if applicable)
- ✗ Any government-imposed entry or site closures
- ✗ Note: Confirm opening times for certain government-managed sites (e.g., Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum) in advance.

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

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### **Arrival & Gentle Introduction to Spiritual Hanoi**

Arrive at Noi Bai International Airport and transfer to your hotel in Hanoi. Settle in and refresh. In the late afternoon, enjoy a relaxed cyclo or walking orientation through the Old Quarter, circle Hoan Kiem Lake, and visit Ngoc Son Temple. Welcome dinner with an introduction to the pilgrimage itinerary.

Tip: Try light, modest clothing for temple visits; many sites require covered shoulders and knees.

Day

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### **Hanoi Spiritual Landmarks & Cultural Evening**

Explore Ba Dinh Square and the key spiritual and historical sites: Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, Presidential Palace, and the iconic One Pillar Pagoda — an important Buddhist symbol. Continue to the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's historic center for Confucian learning and scholarly pilgrimage. In the evening, attend a traditional Water Puppet performance in the Old Quarter.

Important: Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum is closed on Mondays and Fridays — schedule subject to government hours.

Day

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### **Full-Day Pilgrimage to the Perfume Pagoda (Chua Huong)**

Depart early for the Perfume Pagoda area in My Duc. Begin with a scenic boat ride along the Yen Stream to the base of the pagoda complex. Visit Thien Tru Pagoda, and either climb the scenic steps or take the cable car to the mountaintop Huong Tich Cave — the heart of the pilgrimage. Explore nearby grottoes, shrines, and enjoy panoramic views. Return to Hanoi in the evening.

Note: The boat ride is approximately 45–60 minutes each way depending on water levels. Bring a light rain jacket in the wet season.

Day

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### **Pagodas, Lakes & Local Craft: Tran Quoc & Bat Trang**

Morning visit to Tran Quoc Pagoda on West Lake — one of Hanoi's oldest Buddhist temples. Continue to Quan Thanh Temple, a Taoist-Buddhist site with a giant bronze statue. After a local lunch, travel to Bat Trang Pottery Village for a hands-on workshop where you can try pottery making and shop for artisanal souvenirs. Evening at leisure in the Old Quarter.

Tip: Bring a small reusable bag for purchases — Bat Trang offers fragile ceramics.

Day

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## Monastic Visit & Guided Meditation Session

Spend a reflective morning at a local monastery or meditation center near Hanoi for a guided meditation, chant listening, and explanation of Buddhist practices and pilgrimage traditions. The afternoon offers a curated visit to smaller, historically significant pagodas (options include Phu Tay Ho or local village temples) with your guide discussing ritual significance.

Note: Meditation session is beginner-friendly. Inform us in advance if you have mobility restrictions.

Day

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## Optional Excursion or Free Day – Ninh Binh (Tam Coc) Option

Today is flexible: relax and explore Hanoi's markets and cafes, or take an optional full-day excursion to Ninh Binh (ancient capital of Hoa Lu) to visit Tam Coc by sampan, Bich Dong Pagoda, and Hoa Lu temples – an outstanding addition for those who want to extend their spiritual route. This optional day is available as an add-on and suits travelers looking for the extended 6 and 7 Vietnam Pilgrimage tour package experience.

Important: Optional excursion is subject to additional fees and early start times.

Day

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## Departure – Farewell to Spiritual Hanoi

After breakfast, enjoy free time for last-minute shopping or a short visit to any nearby temple. Transfer to Noi Bai International Airport for your departure flight. Our team will assist with your transfer and final farewells.

Tip: Check flight times and allow 3 hours for international departures from Hanoi.

## ? Frequently Asked Questions

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### ? What is the best time to visit Vietnam?

Vietnam's best time depends on your region preferences. November to April is generally ideal, offering cooler, drier weather. Northern Vietnam (Hanoi, Ha Long Bay) is pleasant from November to March but can be chilly in December-January. Central Vietnam (Hoi An, Da Nang) enjoys perfect beach weather from February to August, while September-November brings heavy rains and potential typhoons. Southern Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh City, Mekong Delta) is great November-April with sunny, dry conditions. Avoid September-October in Central Vietnam due to monsoons. For mountain areas like Sa Pa, October-November and March-April offer clear views and comfortable temperatures. Summer (May-August) is hot and humid nationwide but still manageable with proper preparation.

## ❓ **How can I reach Vietnam from India?**

Flying is the most convenient option with multiple daily flights from major Indian cities. Direct flights operate from Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, and Bengaluru to Hanoi (HAN), Ho Chi Minh City (SGN), and Da Nang (DAD). Flight time is typically 4.5–6 hours for direct routes. One-stop connections via Bangkok, Singapore, or Kuala Lumpur offer more scheduling flexibility. Major airlines include VietJet, Vietnam Airlines, IndiGo, and regional carriers. Book early for better fares, especially during peak season (November–February). Phu Quoc and Nha Trang airports serve beach destinations directly. Compare prices across different entry points as sometimes flying into Da Nang or Phu Quoc can be cheaper than Hanoi or Ho Chi Minh City.

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## ❓ **Do Indian citizens need a visa for Vietnam?**

Yes, Indian citizens require a visa for Vietnam. The easiest option is applying for an e-visa online through the official government portal. E-visas are typically processed within 3–5 working days and allow single or multiple entries for up to 30 days. Ensure your passport has at least 6 months validity and blank pages. Print your e-visa approval letter and carry it during travel. Visa on arrival is available at major airports but requires pre-approval letters from travel agents. Tourist visas can be extended once inside Vietnam if needed. Always verify current visa requirements before travel as policies can change. Apply early to avoid last-minute complications, especially during peak travel seasons.

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## ❓ **What are the best local transportation options in Vietnam?**

Vietnam offers diverse transportation options. For intercity travel, domestic flights connect major cities affordably and quickly. The scenic Reunification Railway runs along the coast from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City – book soft sleeper berths for overnight journeys. Luxury buses and minivans provide comfortable intercity connections. Within cities, use Grab (ride-hailing app) for reliable, app-based pricing. Traditional taxis are widely available but negotiate fares beforehand. Scooter rentals are popular but only for experienced riders – traffic can be chaotic. Cyclos (three-wheeled rickshaws) offer charming short rides in old quarters. For coastal areas and islands, boats and ferries are essential. Train journeys offer beautiful countryside views and are perfect for meeting locals.

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## 🔍 **Where should I stay in Vietnam's major cities?**

In Hanoi, stay in the Old Quarter for atmosphere and walkability to attractions, or the French Quarter for upscale hotels near Hoan Kiem Lake. Hoi An's Ancient Town offers charming boutique hotels within walking distance of lantern-lit streets, while An Bang Beach area provides resort-style accommodations. Da Nang's beachfront hotels along My Khe Beach offer ocean views and easy access to attractions. In Ho Chi Minh City, District 1 is ideal for first-time visitors with proximity to major sights and restaurants. For beaches, Phu Quoc's Long Beach has the best resort selection. Book accommodations well in advance during peak season (November–April). Consider homestays in rural areas like Mekong Delta or Sa Pa for authentic cultural experiences.

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## 🔍 **What are the must-visit attractions in Vietnam?**

Ha Long Bay is Vietnam's crown jewel – take an overnight cruise among limestone karsts with kayaking and cave visits. Hanoi's Old Quarter offers street food tours and water puppet shows. Hoi An Ancient Town enchants with lantern-lit streets, tailor shops, and nearby An Bang Beach. The Imperial City in Hue showcases royal Vietnamese history along the Perfume River. Ho Chi Minh City features the War Remnants Museum and Cu Chi Tunnels for historical insights. Ninh Binh, dubbed 'Ha Long Bay on land,' offers boat rides through karst landscapes. Phong Nha-Ke Bang National Park houses spectacular caves including Paradise Cave. Sa Pa provides mountain trekking among rice terraces and ethnic villages. The Mekong Delta offers floating markets and rural cycling experiences.

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## 🔍 **What Vietnamese dishes should I definitely try?**

Pho (pronounced 'fuh') is Vietnam's signature noodle soup – try both Hanoi and Saigon styles. Bun cha, grilled pork with herbs and noodles, is a Hanoi specialty famously enjoyed by Obama. Banh mi, crusty baguettes with various fillings, make perfect quick meals with excellent vegetarian options. Fresh spring rolls (goi cuon) offer healthy, herb-packed bites with peanut dipping sauce. Bun bo Hue delivers spicy beef noodle soup from the former imperial capital. Hoi An's cao lau noodles are unique to that town. Don't miss banh xeo (crispy crepes) and com tam (broken rice dishes). For drinks, try egg coffee in Hanoi and coconut coffee in Saigon. Vietnamese coffee culture is exceptional – the slow-drip phin filter creates incredibly strong, flavorful coffee perfect with sweetened condensed milk.

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## ★ **Traveller Reviews**

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**Aditi Sharma**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Beautiful Vietnam Trip

I recently booked a 10-day Vietnam tour package and it was amazing! The landscapes are breathtaking and the service was top-notch. Highly recommend!



**Rahul Mehta**

★★★★☆ 4/5

### Amazing Culture of Vietnam

The cultural experiences in Vietnam were delightful. From the bustling markets to serene countryside, we saw it all!



**Sita Joshi**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Memorable Halong Bay Cruise

The Halong Bay cruise included in our package was simply stunning. The views were surreal and the food was delicious!



**Vikram Singh**

★★★★☆ 4/5

### Vietnam Trip Balancing Adventure and Relaxation

This tour package offered a perfect mix of adventure and relaxation. The trekking in Sapa was exhilarating!



**Preeti Nair**

★★★★★ 5/5

### City Tours were Informative

Our guided city tours were very informative and engaging. We learned so much about Vietnam's history and heritage. Kudos to the tour guides!

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