

AMAZING NORTH OF VIETNAM 6 DAYS 5 NIGHTS

Routing: Ha Noi - Ninh Binh - Mai Chau - Ha Long - Ha Noi

Tour Style: Nature, Culture & History Tour

Tour Start: in Ha Noi / **Tour End:** in Ha Noi

Trip duration: 6 Days 5 Nights

Overview

Discover the beauty of Northern Vietnam on a 6-day journey through Hanoi, Ninh Binh, Mai Chau, and Halong Bay. This itinerary combines cultural heritage, breathtaking landscapes, and authentic local experiences—from ancient temples and peaceful countryside to a scenic overnight cruise on the bay.

Highlights

- Explore Hanoi's cultural landmarks, including Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum (outside), Temple of Literature, and the Old Quarter
- Visit the ancient capital of Hoa Lu and enjoy a sampan boat ride through the stunning caves of Tam Coc
- Experience nature and local life in Mai Chau, with bamboo forest hiking, ethnic village visits, and Da River boat trip
- Discover traditional villages and Go Lao Waterfall in a peaceful mountain setting
- Cruise through the UNESCO-listed Halong Bay with kayaking, cave exploration, and onboard activities
- Enjoy a memorable overnight stay on a cruise with sunset party, cooking class, and squid fishing

Tour Summary

Day	Trip Summary
1	ARRIVAL IN HANOI
2	HANOI – HOA LU TAM COC – NINH BINH (B, L)
3	NINH BINH – MAI CHAU HIDEAWAY (B, L, D)
4	MAI CHAU – HANOI (B, L)
5	HANOI – HALONG BAY (B, L, D) NIGHT ON CRUISE IN HALONG BAY
6	HALONG BAY – HANOI - DEPARTURE (BRUNCH)

Trip Details

DAY 1 : ARRIVAL IN HANOI

Arrival airport in Hanoi. Pick up and transfer to the hotel. You'll start at Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum (outside from Ba Dinh square), visit the Literature Temple and Quoc Tu Giam. We'll also see Vietnam's first university, constructed in 1070 - its gardens and well-preserved architecture will offer a relaxing glimpse into Vietnam's past. We will take you past Hoan Kiem Lake to see the peaceful waters. Visit Hanoi's old quarter.
Night at a hotel in Hanoi.

DAY 2 : HANOI – HOA LU TAM COC – NINH BINH (B, L)

Breakfast at a hotel. Depart from Hanoi, about 2 hours on the bus through National Road No 1. It is time to stretch my legs at Ninh Binh. Arrive at the ancient capital of Hoa Lu, visit the temples of King Dinh and King Le Arrive at Tam Coc wharf Sampan boat trip through the caves (90 minutes including rowman) Then we return to Tam Coc wharf for a short break.
Night at hotel in Ninh binh.

DAY 3 (03 Nov 2025): NINH BINH – MAI CHAU HIDEAWAY (B, L, D)

8h AM: Depart from Ninh Binh, over 3 hours on the car through National Road 21 & No 6. It is the time to stretch the legs, you will have a short visit and hiking 1 hours at to discover the authentic bamboo forest of northern part of Vietnam, then back to

the car continue to Suối Lớn village. Enjoy the landscape along Da river like the Halong bay on mountain. Arrive at Mai Chau Hideaway resort, check in your room and admire the exceptional panorama view to Black river (Da river).
 Afternoon: Take a boat trip on Da River as the biggest lake of Vietnam to visit Ngòi Hoa Bay. Upon arrival, you are greeted by fresh mountain air and the tranquility of this secluded bay. You can also visit local ethnic villages, where the Muong and Dao communities live.
 Back to Mai Chau hideaway for dinner and overnight.

DAY 4 (04 Nov 2025): MAI CHAU – HANOI (B, L)

Morning, enjoy breakfast at a restaurant. Transfer to Go Lao Waterfall that is 4km from the resort 4km. Then back to the resort, free time at leisure. After lunch, we reach to visit Van village (lunch en-route). You will have a short walking to explore the Van Village, located at the foot of Pu Van Mountain, is home to the Thai ethnic people. The Thai people here primarily make a living through rice cultivation, animal husbandry, and traditional crafts such as weaving and basketry. Van Village still retains many of its pristine, rustic features, from its landscape to the simple lifestyle of the Thai people. Then reach to Hanoi.
 Night in Hanoi

DAY 5 (05 Nov 2025): HANOI – HALONG BAY (B, L, D) NIGHT ON CRUISE IN HALONG BAY

Depart for the world famous Ha Long Bay, Ha Long Bay is a stunning limestone archipelago stretching over some 1500 square kilometers and comprising nearly 3000 islets.
 Warm welcome aboard with refreshing drinks and a brief introduction to the cruise itinerary.
 Enjoy a scenic voyage through majestic limestone formations, shaped by nature over millions of years.
 Visit remarkable natural sites, with options for kayaking, swimming, or exploring hidden caves.
 Savor a gourmet lunch and dinner featuring fresh local seafood and authentic Vietnamese cuisine.
 In the late afternoon, join exciting onboard activities:
 Sunset party on the sundeck with drinks & breathtaking views.
 Traditional Vietnamese cooking class – learn how to make signature dishes.
 Squid fishing at night for a fun hands-on experience.
 Spend the night in a deluxe cabin with ocean views, falling asleep to the gentle waves.

DAY 6 (06 Nov 2025): HALONG BAY – HANOI - DEPARTURE (BRUNCH)

Start your morning with Tai Chi on the sundeck, embracing the fresh sea breeze and golden sunrise.
 Enjoy a light breakfast, followed by a visit to another scenic highlight of the bay.
 Immerse yourself in nature's tranquility or take part in more activities like a bamboo boat ride.
 Return to the cruise for a hearty brunch while sailing back towards the harbor.
 Disembark with unforgettable memories of this magical journey.. Meet the tour guide and driver then transfer to the airport for our departure flight at evening time. End of services

INCLUSIVE

- Accommodation in twin/double room with daily breakfast at the below indicated room types (see hotel category list below) (check-in and check-out around noontime)
- 2Days/1Night cruise on board a cruise in Ha Long Bay (double/twin cabin on shared boat).
- Services of a driver and private air-conditioned vehicle during all tours and transfers
- Experienced English-speaking guide during day tour.
- Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary
- Meals (B/L/D) (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner) as indicated in the program
- Boat trip in Ninh Binh, Hoa Binh
- 01 bottles of mineral water per person per day on days of sightseeing .

EXCLUSIVE

- Early check-in or late check-out
- International & Domestic flight tickets
- Meals (other than mentioned in the program)
- Additional transfer required due to any emergency situation
- Visa - as per country requirements

- Offering tips and expressing gratitude for guides and drivers is recommended at a rate of 5 USD /client /day for guides and 2 USD per client /day for drivers. Feel free to adjust the amount based on your satisfaction with their services.
- Travel insurance (we highly recommend that you purchase adequate insurance)
- Optional excursions and activities

LIST OF HOTELS USE

City	Hotel 3*	Hotel 4*	Hotel 5*
HA NOI	LA DOLCE VITA HOTEL SUPERIOR www.ladolcevita-hotel.com	THANG LONG OPERA SUPERIOR http://theghotel.com.vn/	APRICOT HANOI HOTEL CANVAS http://www.apricothotels.com
NINH BINH	LALITA BOUTIQUE HOTEL & SPA NINH BINH Deluxe https://lalitahotel.com/	NINH BINH LEGEND HOTEL Superior http://ninhbinhlegendhotel.com	EMERALDA RESORT NINH BINH Deluxe www.emeraldaresort.com
MAI CHAU	MAI CHAU HIDEAWAY LAKE RESORT SUPERIOR www.maichauhideaway.com		
HA LONG	SYRENA CRUISE Deluxe www.syrenacruises.com	V'SPIRIT CRUISE Junior Suite Balcony http://www.vspiritcruises.com/	ALISA PREMIER CRUISE Junior Balcony Suite https://www.paradisecruise.com