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ITINERARY IN BRIEF

Option 01	Saigon Street Eats Evening Private Tour
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Option 08	Le Jarai Mekong Delta Boat Trip Full Day Private Tour



SUGGESTED ITINERARY**Day 01: 03 Dec (Mon)***Street Eats - Snails***SAIGON STREET EATS EVENING PRIVATE TOUR**

This evening get set for a culinary adventure in the heart of Saigon, where the locals go to eat. Meet your guide at your hotel and be transferred to the corner of Nguyen Dinh Chieu alley, well known for its abundance of street food. From here, start your leisurely walk and observe these small pop up restaurants, a nightly feature that all but disappear during the day. Sink your teeth into the flavours of the South, from sampling freshly grilled beef wrapped in tender and peppery wild betel leaf to the classic Vietnamese sandwich and even a rice paper pizza! Snack on a scrumptious banh xeo, a savoury crepe, fresh spring rolls and some local shellfish - a rustic delicacy in Saigon. Finish things off with a taste of one of the city's most popular dishes, broken rice. In the past, it was the rejected rice grains that made up this 'poor man's rice dish' however it is now enjoyed by many! The rice is served with roasted pork, pickled veggies and a steamed egg cake drizzled with spring onion oil. Once you've had your full of incredible dishes, continue onward to a local night spot for a drink and chat, as the city's nocturnal side awakens.

Please note:

- * Walking distance is approx. 1.7km
- * Duration: 6.00 PM - 9.00 PM
- * Pick-up and drop-off point at hotels in district 1, 3, 5 in Saigon.
- * Please inform your local guide about any food allergies you may have.
- * In case food stall/ restaurant are closed, you are guided to sample alternative food stall.
- * Black out date: Lunar New Year period (Exactly dates will be updated on yearly basis)

Inclusions:

- * Transportation for pick-up and drop-off at your hotel
- * Local English-speaking guide
- * All food mentioned in the itinerary
- * One bottle of water, one beer and one juice

Exclusions:

- * Travel insurance
- * Visa
- * Services & meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- * Tips and gratuities

Meals: Nil**PRICE PER PERSON: 21 USD**

Day 02: 04 Dec (Tue)



Central Post Office In Ho Chi Minh City

AFTERNOON SAIGON CITY WITH ARTIST HALF DAY PRIVATE TOUR

Your guide will meet you at your hotel and driven to the city's Central Post Office, which was designed by the renowned French architect Gustav Eiffel.

Next, stroll toward the Saigon River along Dong Khoi Street, which figured prominently in Graham Greene's famous Vietnam novel, *The Quiet American*, to the Saigon Opera House, a commanding building completed in 1901. Shelled during World War II, it was used to shelter French citizens fleeing North Vietnam in 1954, the year Vietnam earned its independence from France.

The tour continues with a stop at the Reunification Palace, where a North Vietnamese tank crashed through the gates in 1975 to end a war that killed an estimated 58,000 Americans and three million Vietnamese. Then pay a visit to Ben Thanh Market for a glimpse at the city's bustling commercial heart. Following with the trip will be a traditional Vietnamese musical instruments' lessons, where professional Vietnamese music teachers come and show you how to play the instruments with elegant style. This will be the perfect time for you to learn and understand more about the art side of the city.

Please note:

* Estimated pick-up time: 01.30PM - Estimated duration: 4hrs

* The booking will be confirmed upon the artist's availability

Meals: Nil

PRICE PER PERSON: 27 USD

Day 03: 05 Dec (Wed)



Ho Chi Minh City By Night

LEISURE EVENING PRIVATE TOUR

Spend your evening with the expertise services from the top-rated services and skilled hands for one hour foot massage. After the relaxing massage, you will enjoy dinner at a local restaurant with variety of dishes where you can taste and see the ideas of how Saigon by night comes alive with the unique flavour and interesting concepts. Following with dinner, this will be the perfect time for you to sit and sip in traditional Vietnamese coffee. There will be live music comes together with the drinks and you can free your souls with the rhyme. This can enhance better knowledge of how Saigonese or every persons in the city spend their free time at night.

Please note:

* Estimated pick-up time: 17.00pm - 22.00pm - Estimated duration: 5hrs



Meals: Dinner**PRICE PER PERSON: 54 USD****Day 04: 06 Dec (Thu)****MORNING HIDEAWAY SAIGON HALF DAY PRIVATE TOUR**

FITO Museum

Get off of the tourist track to experience the local life of bustling Ho Chi Minh City. Learn about Vietnamese and Chinese communities as you travel to Cho Lon, one of the world's largest and oldest Chinatowns. Start with a visit to the iconic Binh Tay Market, famed for its warren of food stands and grand Sino-French architecture. Learn about the everyday life of the fruit and vegetable sellers. Afterwards hop on a cyclo and pass through the chaotic backstreets where everything from spare motorbike parts to religious artefacts are frantically traded! Later, venture through the famous Hao Sy Phuong Alley to explore a hidden peaceful piece of busy Saigon, witness the simple life of the local people as well as admire the special architecture of the local houses there. Continue with a visit to FITO museum, where traditional Vietnamese ways of providing medicines comes alive. This tour offers you the opportunity to seek through a mixture of cultures and ways of life.

Please note:** Estimated pick-up time: 08.30am - 12.30pm - Estimated duration: 4hrs*

Meals: Nil**PRICE PER PERSON: 20 USD****Day 05: 07 Dec (Fri)****MORNING SAIGON WITH ART AND LOCAL HALF DAY PRIVATE TOUR**

Fine Art Museum

Today, wake up with wonderful motivations and switch your mind set to become creative artists. Start your adventure with a visit to Ho Chi Minh Museum of Fine Art. The French-inspired mansion stood out with its architectural designs together with all the best piece of artworks inside the museum. Indulge yourself into the art world and set free your souls into the colour and the curves of the paintings. From here, continue on your journey to a local artist's house where she turned her house into an art gallery. Talk to the artist and discover her story with the greatest passions in helping out her students, especially young children; to chase up their dreams and paint their lives. You will have a chance to get your hands on with colourful and freestyle paintings on the glass bottles. This will be your souvenirs to take home. After that, there will be homemade lunch with authentic Vietnamese dishes to finish the trip.

Please note:

- Estimated pick-up time: 8.45 - 13.15 - Estimated duration: 4.5hrs
- Fine Arts Museum is closed on Mondays. The alternative is Couleurs by Rehahn Fine Art Photography Gallery

- The booking will be confirmed upon the artist's availability.
- Please advise in advance if you have any special dietary requirements

Meals: Lunch

PRICE PER PERSON: 32 USD

Day 06: 08 Dec (Sat)



Cu Chi By Speedboat

CU CHI BY SAIGON RIVER HALF DAY PRIVATE TOUR (RIVER - ROAD)

Escape the congestion of Ho Chi Minh City and head out into the countryside, a far cry from the frenetic urban sprawl of downtown Saigon. As you journey down the Saigon River by speedboat, watch the city fade into the background, replaced by scenes of rural Vietnamese life and enjoy a selection of traditional Vietnamese fruits.

You will eventually find yourself at the Cu Chi tunnels, the infamous underground city for Viet Cong soldiers during the Vietnam War. Central to the Viet Cong's strategic war operations, including the famous 1968 Tet Offensive, it is still complete with a hospital, kitchen, and schools. Remember to look out for "mantraps" - large camouflaged holes dug deep into the ground, that ensnared enemy soldiers with bamboo spikes. The Cu Chi experience can be emotionally draining for some visitors, but it does offer a fascinating look into the hardship and trauma of the war.

Next, you will head through the countryside to a cricket farm, where crickets are raised to eventually become tasty snacks. Considered a delicacy by many, local lore also says that hungry soldiers ate them to beef up their nutrient-poor diets. During your stop at the farm you'll be able to witness crickets at various stages of their lifecycle, as well as have the opportunity to sample them wrapped up in tasty spring rolls.

After a long day out, relax and enjoy a delicious lunch break at a local Vietnamese restaurant before making your way back to your hotel, arriving midafternoon.

Please note:

** Starting time at 7.00 - 7.30 am; Finishing time around 2pm - 2.30 pm*

** Pick-up and drop-off point at hotels in district 1, 3, 5 in Saigon*

** Black out date: Lunar New Year period (Exactly dates will be updated on yearly basis)*

Meals: Lunch

PRICE PER PERSON: 80 USD

Day 07: 09 Dec (Sun)

MEKONG RURAL LIFE FULL DAY PRIVATE TOUR



Cai Be

Set off from Ho Chi Minh City today for the charming delta town of Cai Be, famous for its rustic floating communities. During your car journey into the delta region, stop for a stretch and wander at a local Cao Dai Temple, home to a religion that blends Confucianism, Buddhism, Taoism and a bit of Christianity! Set off a bit further by car to arrive at the gateway to Cai Be's floating markets.

By boat, float past a mass of rickety river vessels where water-bound locals spend much of their time between fishing and selling their wares on land. Though the floating market here is not nearly as busy as day's past, you might still spot locals tossing watermelons or pineapples between their boats! Continue onward through a maze of narrow canals, leading to a local family producing rice paper. Using age-old traditional methods, the family here can show you firsthand how they create their Vietnamese culinary staple.

Continue the day with a leisurely cycle around the village, stopping to visit a family who use coconut leaves to thatch house roofs and two others that weave hyacinth products and make net rice paper. Then take a sampan to enjoy the charming Mekong scenery before enjoying a late lunch in a local house. For a special twist, watch a demonstration of how to make a favourite Vietnamese specialty - banh xeo, or a Vietnamese savoury pancake! Your tour ends with a gentle ride aboard the boat back to Cai Be and your onward drive to Saigon.

Special note:

- * Please bring a raincoat, mosquito repellent and be prepared for wet/rainy weather during wet season or hat/ sun-cream/ sunglasses for high temperatures during summer season.*
- * Normal clothes with comfortable shoes for pedaling.*
- * The order of activities might fluctuate during wet/rainy season.*
- * The cycling is leisurely and does not require high level of fitness.*
- * Duration of cycling is around 30 minutes exclusive of stops at local homes.*
- * This tour is not suitable for the elderly, young children, pregnant women, and any other individual that has limited physical capacity.*
- * Walking route is available as an alternative for those either unable or uninterested in cycling, but a walking alternative must be booked as a private excursion. In the event of a walking alternative, some local home visits will be replaced by similar visits to other places.*

Meals: Lunch

PRICE PER PERSON: 50 USD



Day 08: 10 Dec (Mon)

LE JARAI MEKONG DELTA BOAT TRIP FULL DAY PRIVATE TOUR



Le Jarai Cruise

This morning depart from your hotel and drive approximately two hours to Ben Tre, and a gateway to the delta. Here, you will board a small boat to start your sightseeing around the waterways of Mekong Delta. Known also as the rice bowl of Vietnam because of its large rice production, the area has also diversified into activities related to aquaculture, rearing of animals, cash crops and fruit trees.

Visit brick factory and board a small boat and meander through the canals and waterways and stop at a small homemade coconut processing plant to see how coconuts have been turned into oil, candy and woven mats that are later sold in the market. After the boat trip you will have a short walk to a local village to see mat weavers at work, before jumping on the deltas version of a tuk tuk and travelling down the country roads to the pier. Here you will board the beautiful teak boat Le Jarai to continue your cruise along the river. While onboard join in the demonstration of Vietnamese cooking before sitting down to a sumptuous three-course lunch of Mekong specialities. After lunch relax on the top deck and take in the scenery back to Ben Tre, where on arrival you will transfer back to Ho Chi Minh city arriving late in the afternoon.

** Estimated pick-up time:07.00AM - Estimated duration: 9hrs*

Meals: Lunch

PRICE PER PERSON: 100 USD

Tour includes:

- Meals as mentioned
- English speaking guide
- Tours and transfers as mentioned by air-conditioned vehicle
- Sightseeing fees and permits during guided time
- Boat cruises mentioned (group join-in for Halong and Mekong)
- Service charge and current government VAT tax

In Asia, check-in time is usually 2pm and check-out time is 12pm. This is subject to individual hotel regulations. early or late service is subject to availability, often with a surcharge.

Tour excludes:

- VISA - Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam visa must be arranged for non-ASEAN citizens
- Please make sure you have 6 months passport validity. We can help for visa on arrival if request.
- VISA stamp fee at the arrival airport (US\$45.00 pay at custom check-in)
- Early/late check in/out service at hotels (surcharge if request)
- Tips and gratuities
- Services and meals if not mentioned in itinerary
- All drinks, including water, soft drink and alcohol on all included or optional excursion



- Laundry, telephone calls and expenditure of a personal nature
- Travel Insurance (Compulsory)

Travel Insurance

We will do everything possible to ensure a safe and enjoyable trip. However, all travel involves some degree of risk and we strongly recommend that you take out appropriate travel insurance for your adventure. Your insurance protection should include cover for cancellation, medical and repatriation expenses, personal injury and accident, death and loss of personal baggage and money and personal liability. Evidence of such insurances should be produced to Buffalo Tours on request. Insurance cover offered by credit card companies or reciprocal medical cover agreements are often not comprehensive.

IMPORTANT NOTES (please read carefully):

- This is a quotation only, pricing and availability of services is subject to change and cannot be confirmed until booked.
- This quotation is valid until 13 Nov 2018. Any bookings made after this date are subject to change, as local economic conditions require.
- Please note that the majority of 3 star hotels in Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos are not of the same standard as 3 star hotels in the West. We use the best 3 star hotels where possible but with last minute bookings and bookings during peak season we cannot guarantee they are of an international 3 star standard. We therefore encourage you to upgrade to 4 star hotels where possible. For this reason we refer to hotels as standard, superior and deluxe.
- Please bear in mind that you will have to carry your luggage when you are trekking so we recommend that you bring a small rucksack. For accommodation in homestays please bring your own towel and note that some homestays do not have western style toilets and shower facilities. Accommodation is 'dorm' style with mattresses and mosquito nets.
- The overnight sleeper trains used on this trip are the comfortable available although they cannot be compared to European standards. Please note that whilst we always endeavor to secure soft sleeper berths on overnight trains there may be occasions when we are unable to do this due to circumstances beyond our control. In these situations we will secure the best available class.
- The traveling times mentioned within this dossier are approximations only. These times will vary according to weather, road, traffic or any other prevailing conditions.
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