



Vietnam *Adventure*

with Chelsea Winter

29 November 2025 | 8 Days / 7 nights

Unlock Vietnam on this captivating journey through the charming streets of Hanoi, the stunning beauty of Halong Bay and the timeless appeal of Hoi An. Savour authentic street food, master Vietnamese cooking, explore Saigon's vibrant culture and cruise the peaceful Mekong Delta. This thoughtfully-crafted journey blends history, culture and breathtaking landscapes for an unforgettable experience.

Your best trip starts *here*.



Trip escorted by
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Highlights

Discover the highlights of Hanoi

Walk with a Local Expert through Hanoi's Eat Street Old Quarter and taste some of the local delicacies

Enjoy a two-day, one-night cruise on iconic Halong Bay

Explore historic Hoi An and gain a cultural insight into organic farming in nearby Thanh Dong Village

Experience the art of Vietnamese cooking with a private, hands-on cooking class

Explore Vietnam's largest city, Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Experience the unique lifestyle, culture and traditional handicrafts in the heart of the Mekong Delta. Take a traditional boat and cruise the bustling riverbanks

Dining Highlights

7 breakfasts • 2 lunches • 6 dinners

DAY 1: 29 NOVEMBER 2025

Arrive Hanoi

Welcome to Vietnam. Upon arrival at Noi Bai Airport, after clearing all customs procedures, please proceed to exit gate and look for your guide who will be waiting at a designated time. Depending on your arrival flight, we can organise a private transfer for you at an additional cost. Tonight enjoy a welcome dinner with your fellow travellers at Sen Tonkin restaurant. **(WD)**

Hotel: Silk Path Hotel Hanoi or similar

DAY 2: 30 NOVEMBER 2025

Explore Hanoi

Explore Hanoi, the "Paris of the East", with its yellow ochre colonial buildings, tree-lined boulevards and scenic lakes. Visit the historic landmarks like the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda and Temple of Literature before weaving through bustling streets of the lively Old Quarter on a cyclo tour.

In the afternoon, embark on a street food adventure, savouring local favourites like Pho Ga, Banh Mi, Com cake and Vietnamese egg coffee.

(B, Street food)

Hotel: Silk Path Hotel Hanoi or similar

DAY 3: 01 DECEMBER 2025

Halong Bay

This morning drive to Tuan Chau and set sail on a breathtaking Halong Bay cruise adventure past Hoa Cuong fishing village, Soi Sim Beach and Coconut Three Island. Explore Dark & Bright Cave by bamboo boat with locals or kayak through by yourself. Enjoy free time in Ho Dong Tien or spend it swimming and kayaking. Discover the Vietnamese cuisine of traditional spring rolls and learn how to toast 'Vietnamese style' with the local rice wine.

Spend the evening relaxing at leisure, perhaps enjoying movie night, squid fishing or pampering yourself at the beauty spa. **(B, L, D)**

Cruise Ship: Paradise Elegance Cruises

DAY 4: 02 DECEMBER 2025

Halong/Hanoi - Danang/Hoi An

Start the day with a sunrise Tai Chi session on the sundeck, followed by an optional visit to the stunning Surprise Cave. Enjoy a hearty international breakfast before disembarking and returning to Tuan Chau Island to Hanoi airport for your flight to Danang and transfer to Hoi An. **(B, D)**

Hotel: Allegro Hoi An or similar

DAY 5: 03 DECEMBER 2025

Hoi An

Start the day at Thanh Dong, Hoi An's first organic farm, where you'll don traditional farmer attire and experience daily farm life—harvesting vegetables, learning about chemical-free farming and enjoying cassava with green tea. A relaxing foot massage completes the visit before returning to Hoi An for a guided walking tour of its UNESCO-listed ancient town. Explore its well-preserved merchant houses and 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge.

In the afternoon, join a cooking class at the renowned Red Bridge Cooking School, beginning with a visit to Hoi An's central market to select fresh ingredients. A scenic boat ride takes you to the school, where you'll tour the herb garden before the hands-on cooking session. Conclude the experience by savouring your own creations in a picturesque riverside setting. **(B,D)**

Hotel: Allegro Hoi An or similar

DAY 6: 04 DECEMBER 2025

To Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

After breakfast, fly to Vietnam's bustling commercial hub, Saigon. Take a walking tour along historic Dong Khoi Street, admiring French colonial landmarks like the Continental Hotel, Opera House and Notre Dame Cathedral. Visit the Central Post Office, designed by Gustav Eiffel, and explore the former Presidential Palace. Gain insight into Vietnam's history at the War Remnants Museum before browsing the vibrant Ben Thanh Market.

After checking in at your hotel, enjoy a Vietnamese set-menu dinner at ST25 by KOTO. **(B,D)**

Hotel: Novotel Saigon Centre Hotel or similar

DAY 7: 05 DECEMBER 2025

Mekong Day Tour

Discover the enchanting Mekong Delta, just two hours from Saigon, where lush paddies and warm hospitality await. Cruise on the traditional Mekong Queen, savour fresh local fruits and explore riverside life, including rice businesses and a 19th-century house. Meet local artisans crafting traditional products and glide through serene canals on a sampan. Enjoy a home-hosted lunch featuring Mekong specialties before returning to Saigon. In the evening, enjoy a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers at Mandarin Saigon, a renowned restaurant known for its elegant ambiance and beautifully presented Vietnamese cuisine. **(B,BMG, FD)**

Hotel: Novotel Saigon Centre Hotel or similar

DAY 8: 06 DECEMBER 2025

Farewell

Say farewell to Vietnam today as you make your way to the airport for your journey home. **(B)**

Meal Key: (WD) Welcome Dinner, (B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner, (BMG) Be My Guest Meal, (FD) Farewell Dinner



Terms & Conditions

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED: Airfares (other than internal Vietnam airfares as specified in the itinerary), passports and applicable visa fees, charges imposed by third parties, laundry, phone calls, items of a personal nature, beverages, meals and sightseeing not detailed on the itinerary, excess baggage, travel insurance. Travel Insurance is highly recommended. Ask your travel agent for further details.

PRICE: The advertised price is in New Zealand dollars, per person twin share.

DEPOSIT: A non-refundable deposit of \$1000 is required within 5 days of booking.

FINAL PAYMENT: The balance of monies due for the trip must be paid by 01 August 2025. Payments after this date may incur a late fee payment.

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AMENDMENTS: Fees may apply to any change made to your booking once confirmed.

REFUNDS: No refund is available if cancellations occur after the trip has commenced or in respect of any sightseeing, accommodation, meals or any other services not utilised.

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ROOMING ARRANGEMENTS: All pricing is based on twin share accommodation. If a single room is required, the appropriate single supplement will need to be paid. Single rooms are limited and subject to availability. Triple rooms may be available on request.

Price Information

Taste of Vietnam with Chelsea Winter

8 days / 7 nights

Priced from **\$5,899*** (per person, twin share)

Additional **\$1,031*** single supplement (limited & subject to availability)

Excludes international and NZ domestic flights.

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