5D4N CENTRAL VIETNAM: Hoi An, Danang, My Son, Ba Na Hills & Monkey Mountain

Departure dates to enjoy <u>both</u> LANTERN FESTIVAL & Dragon Bridge Fire & Water Show: Feb 4, Mar 4, Apr 5, May 3, Jun 1 & Jul 1



DAY 1: DANANG ARRIVAL - HOI AN (L/D)



11.50am arrival in Danang airport. Transfer for lunch. Visit **Cham Museum**, an elegant colonial building holding the finest Cham Kingdom sculptures in the world. Go for short **walking tour** of Danang city around **Catholic Church**, **Cho Han Market** and **Riverside walk area**. Transfer to Hoi An for dinner. Then visit **Hoi An Night Market**. Check in hotel. **Overnight in Hoi An**.

DAY 2: Hoi An – My Son - Hoi An (B/L)



Hoi An, known as Faifo to early Western Traders, was one of Southeast Asia's major international port from 17th to 19th century. This beautifully preserved historic town is a **UNESCO World Heritage** site. Morning, **walking tour of Hoi An**

includes **Tan Ky old house**, **Japanese Covered Bridge** (constructed in 1593 by Japanese community of Hoi An to link the Town with the Chinese Quarter), **Fukien Association temple**, **Ceramic Museum** and **Chua Ong Temple**. Lunch in Hoi An.



Afternoon, visit **UNESCO World Heritage** site of **My Son**, with abandoned Hindu temples of the ancient Cham Kingdom. From 4th to 14th century AD, the valley at My Son was a site of religious ceremony for kings of the ruling dynasties of Champa, as well as a burial place for Cham royalty and national heroes. Return to Hoi An for **dinner on your own budget**.



<u>IF LANTERN FESTIVAL DAY:</u>

Then free time to walk around town to **enjoy Lantern Festival at night**, when the streets of Hoi An's Old Quarter will be closed to traffic, electric supply to street lights cut, locals hang traditional lanterns in front of their houses and you can join revelers to **float cardboard lanterns down the river**. The Lantern Festival is celebrated every evening of 14th day of every Lunar month to welcome the 15th day which is a holy day of prayers and religious observances in Buddhism. **Overnight in Hoi An**.

DAY 3: Hoi An - Ba Na Hills - Danang (B/L/Seafood Dinner)



Morning, check out and transfer for day trip to **Ba Na Hills** (including return Cable Car ticket), a hill station founded in 1919 by French colonists and located in the Truong Son Mountains west of Danang. Being above 1500 metres above sea level, it has a view of the East

Sea and the surrounding mountains. Visit some old **French villas, the suspension bridge, Nui Chua & the Mountain Peak** (at the height of 1,487m), **Golden Hand Bridge, Linh Ung Pagoda** and **Sakyamuni Buddha's monument.** Lunch will be at Ba Na Hills.



Visit **My Khe Beach**, a long stretch of fine sand beach; popular with American soldiers during the Vietnam war.

Enjoy **Seafood dinner** at a seaside restaurant.



IF SATURDAY or SUNDAY: Enjoy Danang Dragon Bridge Fire & Water show

Enjoy **Danang Dragon Bridge Fire & Water show**, a weekend must see spectacle of Danang. **Overnight in Danang.**

DAY 4 : Danang - Monkey Mountain - Marble Mountain - Danang (B/L)



Morning, visit **Son Tra Peninsula** aka **"Monkey Mountain"** (after its population of Red Shanked Douc monkeys), covering **Man Thai Fishing Village**

(stop for photos), **Linh Ung Pagoda**, **Monkey Passage** (if you are lucky, you might see Red Shanked Douc monkeys swinging by) and **Ban Co Peak** with **Statue of Confucius**.



NOTE: Due to narrow and rough road for the final 3km to reach Ban Co Peak, group will change to 7 seaters (after visiting Linh Ung pagoda) with max limit of 5 paxs per vehicle.

Back to Danang city for lunch. Then transfer to **Marble Mountains** area; five stone hillocks rising from the surrounding rice fields and are said to each represent one of the five elements of the universe. You will go up **Thuy** "Water" Mountain (return elevator ticket included) to visit temples and

enjoy views. Then stop at a marble carving workshop. Next, visit Son Tra Night Market. Dinner on your own. Overnight in Danang.

DAY 5: DANANG DEPARTURE (B)

After breakfast, transfer to Danang Airport for 12.20pm flight home.

RATES: per person, twin sharing, for Malaysian passport holders, FEB to JULY 2023 travel Not valid for Apr 30 – May 1 (Vietnam Unification Day & Labour Day) dates

3 STAR HOTEL OPTION:	Hoang Trinh Hotel, Hoi An (heritage zone) or similar Truong Son Tung 2 Hotel, Danang (beach area) or similar	
4 paxs: USD 406	5-6 paxs: USD 374	7-9 paxs: USD 341
10-12 paxs: USD 299	13 or more: USD 287	Sgl. Supp.: USD 75
4 STAR HOTEL OPTION:	Lantana Hotel, Hoi An (heritage zone) or similar Le Hoang Hotel, Danang (beach area) or similar	
4 paxs: USD 456	5-6 paxs: USD 423	7-9 paxs: USD 390
10-12 paxs: USD 348	13 or more: USD 342	Sgl. Supp.: USD 108

Rates & itinerary subject to changes in foreign exchange rates, unforeseen surcharges, weather, local conditions, etc. Malaysian Ringgit amount will be calculated according to prevalent Public Bank's FOREX Telegraph Transfer rate.

INCLUSIVE:

- Hotel accommodation with daily breakfast according to 3 or 4 star option selected
- 4 lunch and 2 dinners (including 1 sea food dinner)
- Airport transfers and transportation: 4 to 8 paxs: 16 seater van; 9 paxs or more: 25 seater bus

Note: Within Hoi An Ancient Town heritage area, 25 seater or bigger buses are not allowed to enter the area from 11am to 1.30pm and from 4pm to 9pm; therefore within these hours, paxs will move around within the area by foot.

Note: due to narrow and rough road for the final 3km to reach Ban Co Peak of Son Tra Peninsula, group will change to 7 seaters (after visiting Linh Ung pagoda) with max limit of 5 paxs per vehicle.

- Entrance fees for attractions as specified in the itinerary
- Return cable car ticket for Ba Na Hills
- Return elevator ticket for Thuy "Water" Marble Mountain
- Sightseeing with local experienced English speaking guide
- Mineral water with 2 x 500ml bottles/day/person (except last day)

EXCLUSIONS:

- Air tickets, airport taxes & fuel surcharge
- 1 dinner in Hoi An and 1 dinner in Danang; on own budget
- Compulsory Guide & Driver tipping, recommended minimum: 4-6 paxs: USD 5 /traveler/day 7 or more: USD 3 /traveler/day
- Malaysian passport holders don't require visa to visit Vietnam. Other nationalities to be advised.
- Travel insurance can be arranged separately for Malaysians As of July 6, 2022; no need for Malaysian travelers to pre-register with Vietnam authorities nor do any Covid testing before entry to Vietnam. However, it is compulsory for your travel insurance to have **medical coverage**, **including for Covid**, **of minimum USD 10,000**.
- Expenses of personal nature like activities not part of itinerary (like purchase of lantern in Hoi An), drinks during meals, tipping for hotel staff/restaurant staff/etc., laundry surcharges, mini bar charges, etc.