

Vietnam Gorgeous Safari

17 – 25 September 2016

Sample Itinerary

Day 1 - Saturday 17th September

Depart Australia on early morning flight to Vietnam (note: flight times vary from city to city). You will need to be at the airport at least 3 hours before departure. If travelling from interstate please allow time to transfer from the domestic to international terminal.

Arrive Danang - pick up by hotel bus and travel to beautiful Anantara Hoi An Resort (formally Life Resort) on the river at Hoi An (5 minutes walk from town). Refresh with a welcome drink, read your program of beauty/body treatments and check into room. You can top up with a complimentary fruit basket in your room, order room service or dinner in Anantara Hoi An Resort cafe. We think a shower and bed is the best thing after all that travelling.

Day 2 – Sunday 8th September

6.30-10.00am - Communal Breakfast

Breakfast is available in a pretty open-air restaurant high among the palm trees and overlooking the river. You can watch the world go by as you enjoy one of the loveliest breakfast spreads of Western style and Vietnamese – including pho. On the first morning we have breakfast together – Mandy will run through information and schedules that will help you to get the most out of your time in Hoi An.

Your day will then be a busy whirl of beauty and body treatments, fittings with the tailor and shopping for beautiful linen, ceramics, silk lanterns, shoes, jewellery etc....

12.00-2.00pm - A light spa lunch can be taken at your leisure. Take some time to laze by the beautiful pool or in an armchair by the river.

6.00pm - Dinner tonight will be a special event hosted by Anantara Hoi An Resort. Style workshop with Mandy....sharing with us all those tips & tricks every girl wants to know! Direction with your hair, make up & personal colour palette... style & image!

Day 3 - Monday 19th September

6.30am-10am

Buffet breakfast

Spa treatments throughout the day or shopping/fittings or sight seeing.

12.00-2.00pm - A light spa lunch can be taken at your leisure.

5.30pm - Tonight we go to a special Simple Vietnamese Dishes class by the legendary Ms Vy at one of her iconic restaurants 'The Market'. Ms Vy gives you the cultural background to Vietnamese eating and will demonstrate delicious easy recipes you can make at home.

Day 4 – Tuesday 20th September

6.30am-10am

Buffet breakfast

Today is a day of leisure or a chance to finish those final fittings and grab those last minute gifts. Or, as Hoi An is a World Heritage listed town, so you may like to spend time exploring.

12.00-2.00pm - A light spa lunch can be taken at your leisure.

5.00pm

Meet at Anantara Hoi An Resort 'Heritage Bar' to travel a short way out of town to the elegant and contemporary Red Bridge Restaurant. A picturesque journey where you can watch Vietnamese life waft by – tropical gardens and small duck farms, people fishing and little huts. If it's light enough we go via boat otherwise by minibus.

Day 5 – Wednesday 21st September

Early morning departure for Quy Nhon

An **early** start this morning - we'll board a comfortable bus for our journey to the beautiful Avani Quy Nhon Resort and Spa in Quy Nhon. This will be a great way to see some of the amazing Vietnamese countryside. We'll take a tasty food hamper along with us for a progressive picnic along the way, accompanied by a coffee stop along the way, arriving at Quy Nhon around 1pm.

Avani at Quy Nhon is one of the most beautiful places in Vietnam. This beach resort is completely secluded from civilisation with only an authentic fishing village and the rolling surf to distract you. You will have a large, comfortable ocean view room and access to all resort facilities – daily yoga and Thai Chi classes, basket boating any time or grab an art bucket for some creative time.

The spa complex is set amongst gardens overlooking the sea. Massages are in pavilions set high above the water, there's a spa pool with water that gushes into it from a mountain stream, a series of lovely rooms where all sorts of treatments are available...and all with the sound of rustling palm trees and the waves. Until you've tried a 4 handed massage - you've never really relaxed. It's simply heaven!

Check in at the Avani Quy Nhon Resort & Spa with welcome drink, have an introduction to the spa facilities and enjoy a head and neck massage to relax you after travelling.

Each person has a schedule of beauty and body treatments, which may include the following:

- Dry Sand and Salt therapy
- Life Shower treatment
- Body scrub or neck shoulder and back massage
- 4 hands energizing full body massage
- Stress relieving Scalp Massage

(Additional treatments can be purchased). You can also take a rainfall shower, lemongrass steam bath or dry sand and salt therapy (buried in warm sand) any time. Bookings essential.

7.00 pm - Poolside dinner at Avani Quy Nhon

Day 6 – Thursday 22nd September

6.30- 10.00am

Buffet breakfast. Time to enjoy – Thai Chi, yoga, your spa schedule &/or stylist session, swimming or lazing

12.00-2.00pm - Spa lunch served at your leisure 'Senses Restaurant'

6.30pm – Cocktails on the beach followed by a sumptuous **Beach BBQ Banquet** (weather permitting)

Day 7 – Friday 23rd September

6.30am-10.00am

Buffet Breakfast. Free time to enjoy – Thai Chi, yoga, your spa schedule &/or stylist session, swimming or lazing

12-2.00pm – Spa lunch served at your leisure 'Senses Restaurant'

6.30pm - Cocktails at the 'Cham Bar' Poolside and a show and tell session where we bring along or wear our favourite purchase thus far! It's so much fun to see what everyone else has bought! Followed by dinner poolside 'Senses Restaurant' a good time to exchange each other's details and get those last minute group photos!

Day 8 – Saturday 24th September

An early start today as we depart for Phu Cat Airport for our flight to Ho Chi Minh City. We have arranged for share rooms in a centrally located 4.5* hotel. Transfer to hotel, deposit luggage and freshen up. Your day is free for shopping and exploring. Check out of hotel for transfer to airport and overnight flight back to Australia or further afield.

Day 9 -Sunday 25th September

Morning Arrival in Australia

Please note that times (apart from flight times) as detailed above are to give an idea only.

Costs: \$4985 – No single supplement! Land content only package \$3585.00

Includes: Accommodation, Return economy class airfares on Singapore Airlines, airport taxes and government charges, internal flight Quy Nhon to Ho Chi Minh City. All transfers, all lunches, most dinners and all treatments at both resorts. Business Class upgrade available.

Excludes: Visa (\$95) and Insurance (\$120 approx.) (The travel agent can arrange both). Gratuities AUD35 and dinner in Hoi An (approx. AUD35 each plus drinks).

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Special Requirements: Please advise Gourmet Safaris of any special requirements such as Special Meals, Medical Requirements etc., as soon as possible. If you get motion sickness it is imperative that you bring with you motion sickness pills as we have two internal flights and travel by coach and boat in Hoi An.

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