

7 - 17 Feb 2023 (11-days) Northeast Vietnam (Hoang Su Phi, Ha Giang, Ba Be Lake and Hanoi)

Trip Cost per person Rm3000 (16-18pax), Rm2900 (19pax and above) EXCLUDES FLIGHTS**

Based on 1 USD = Rm 4.41 Maybank 25JUN. Final adjustments will be made to cost based on USD exchange rate in Jan 2023.

Flight Details as follows - tickets to be bought after group forms.

1 Nov 2022 Rm702 (no checked baggage)

7FEB23 TUE KULHAN AA 1205 1420 3:15HRS

17FEB23 FRI HANKUL AA 1450 1910

Update 10 Jan 2023. Updated itinerary with first and last night in Hanoi due to cancelation of 8AM Air Asia flight. Also sequence of places visited changed.

Update 1 Sep 2022. Yong Lee Min was on this trip with a private group in Dec 2019, pictures shown in the link above. We have 1 full day in Hanoi at the end of the trip. Members can opt to [fly in earlier or leave later](#) to utilise cheaper fares and/or spend a couple of extra days in Hanoi. Airport bus Rm7 goes every 15 min, 29km takes 40 min. Hotel in Hanoi about Rm120. Those in earlier can opt to stay at one of many Hanoi Airport hotels 2km to wait for Group. **Please contact Chung Zhen, WhatsApp +6016-484-2220 or LeeMin, WhatsApp +6016-220-9033.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE. This is meant to be a "free and easy" budget trip. Participants should be relatively fit, with a good sense of humour, and above all, have the right attitude for close travel with others through possibly some trying times. Most definitely, this is not a trip for prudes, whiners, fuss-pots, and other similiarly assorted types! Although every effort will be made to stick to the given itinerary, ground conditions may change and cause some disruption and/or deviation from the norm. Otherwise, have fun!

For the duration of the trip, we use a chartered bus. **All meals and entrance fees are included** in the cost, excluding your stay in Hanoi. The accompanying local guide has several years of experience covering this area. Its quite important participants are able to manage their own luggage, preferably backpacks or softpacks and no "giant" luggages please.



Shuttle Bus/ Qang Uyen / Scenic 1hr walk/ Homestay Huang Su Phi

Day 1 Hanoi: Fly from **KL departing 1205pm, landing 2.20pm Hanoi**. Pick up from airport to hotel. Half day free and easy around Hanoi to enjoy local sights and night markets for shopping.

Day 2 Hanoi-Hoang Su Phi: Pick up Hanoi hotel to Hoang Su Phi. Green tea rows can be seen in Tuyen Quang Province on the way. Break for lunch and keep driving to Nam Hong village with stops to see rice terraces and arrive early evening. Overnight (O/N) Hoang Su Phi Bungalow.

Day 3 Hoang Su Phi: Full day slow trek to several villages to see the livelyhood of the local Dao ethnic minority group and try a traditional homecooked meal. We will pass by Nam Khoa where we can see beautiful rice terraces in Hoang Su Phi, and back to bungalow in the early evening. O/N Hoang Su Phi Bungalow.

Day 4 Ha Thanh: Travel to Ha Giang to sightsee and have lunch. Afterwards, on to Ha Thanh Village and few hours long easy walk to experience the culture of the Tay ethnic minorities there. O/N Ha Giang Homestay.

Day 5 Dong Van: Early morning and travel to Dong Van, stopping by highlands markets on the way to visit Heaven's Gate, Twin Mountains at Tam Son town, with lunch break at Yen Minh. After lunch, we will visit Tham Ma pass, Pao story house and the Old H'Mong Palace. Afterwards, a steep but easy trek to the French fortress in Dong Van town. O/N Dong Van

Day 6 Cao Bang: Continue highland journey to Ma Pi Leng Pass, one of the most sought after scenic passes of Vietnam. We will do a three hours easy and scenic trek on the Skywalk, highland lunch at Meo Vac, and then relax on the 6 hour drive to Cao Bang. O/N Cao Bang.



Ban Gioc Waterfall/ Local Food/ Hoang su phi village walk / Local Girl

Day 7 Quang Uyen: Today, we visit the famous Ban Gioc Waterfall right on the Vietnam-China border, and take a short barge ride to the falls. Before that, we will drop by the blacksmith village after which we will have a short stop at nearby Nguom Ngao Cave, before proceeding to Kim homestay at the incense village at Quang Uyen. O/N Kim Homestay.

Day 8 Ba Be: Early morning 6.30 morning walk to see the local incense making process and have a good breakfast. Afterwards, relax on the 5 hour drive to the Ba Be Lake. On arrival, leisurely boat ride through Puong Grotto to our lakeisde homestay. O/N Ba Be Homestay.

Day 9 Ba Be: Lake cruise in the morning, stopping at attractions such as Widow Island along the way and strolling through several lakeside villages and small parks. We will be back at the lodge by early afternoon to rest and relax. In the evening, a good dinner, cultural show, and song and dance. O/N Ba Be Homestay.

Day 10 Hanoi: Early start to Hanoi to arrive around lunchtime. Half-day city tour to Hanoi's most iconic sights. Dinner can decide yourselves after exploring the area around our Hanoi Old Quarter hotel. O/N Hanoi

Day 11 Home: Last minute morning shopping and explorations before 12 noon, then bus transfer to Noi Bai airport to fly back home.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Cost cover accommodation, traveling and meals to sites mentioned above excluding Hanoi.
2. Accommodations will be in budget to mid-range hotels, local homestays and guesthouses.
3. **Not covered are flight costs estimated at Rm900**, meals Rm50 x 2 days(Rm100 estimate), tips (Rm100 estimate) and optional activities.
4. Cost is subject to change depending on fluctuations in exchange rates.
5. Non-refundable deposit of **Rm800** is payable to confirm your place.

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