

THE BEST OF VIETNAM'S MOUNTAINS 5 DAYS



Code: NVM05

Routes: Hanoi – Ha Giang – Quan Ba - Dong Van – Meo Vac – Yen Minh – Bao Lac – Ba Be

Duration: 5 Days/4 Nights

Features: This is one of the most exciting and spectacular adventures in Vietnam's mountains. The northwest is still very untouched by tourism and offers a captivating blend of dramatic landscapes and colourful hill tribes. This adventure takes you through a stunning, remote regions on Vietnam.

Day 1: Hanoi - Ha Giang- Quan Ba



We depart from your hotel at 7:30 AM, hitting the roads up north and stop en route for some quick sightseeing and coffee breaks. The lunch stop is in Tuyen Quang town before we continue to Tam Son hill town in the Quan Ba district. We arrive there around 5:30 PM to 6:00 PM. Dinner and overnight at the homestay nearby Tam Son town.
Driving Distance: 450 km

Inclusion: Transfer, guide, permit, lunch, dinner & homestay.

Day 2: Quan Ba, village trek – Yen Minh – Dong Van



Early breakfast at homestay and at 8:00 AM, we start our morning trek from village to village. We pass through paddy fields and waterfalls. Then, we walk 30 minutes down to the valley to the Lung commune (altitude difference of roughly 400 m). Visit the hemp shop in the village before having lunch at a local stall.

At 1:30 PM, we start our beautiful ride through stunning landscapes of limestone mountains, valleys and hidden villages. This afternoon, we will also pay a visit to the infamous Vuong palace before hitting the road to Dong Van town. Arrival at around 5:30 PM. Check in the guest house before doing some leisure walks and have dinner.

Note: Quan Bas Sunday market is worth an arrangement!

Driving Distance: 155 km

Trekking Distance: 8 km (about 4 hours)

Inclusion: Transfer, guide, permit, all meals & guesthouse.

Day 3: Dong Van – Meo Vac – Bao Lac



Enjoy your morning walk on your own in Dong Van and have breakfast at 9:00 AM, then depart for another paradise visit through the Geographical Park of Dong Van, the Ma Pi Leng peak, the Nho Que river and Meo Vac town. Meet lots of hill tribes en routes.

Have lunch in Meo Vac before we head to Bao Lac for the evening. Arrive in town around 5:00 PM. Dinner and overnight in a guesthouse.

Driving Distance: 100 km

Inclusion: Transfer, guide, permit, all meals & guesthouse.

Day 4: Bao Lac – Ba Be



Have breakfast at 7:00 AM, then depart to Bao Lac for the Ba Be lakes today. It will be a longer drive than yesterday but it will be worth it with its beautiful mountains and rural villages. Have lunch en route and continue hitting the roads to Ba Be. We arrive at the lakes around 2:00 PM. Check into the homestay, then do a boat trip for 2 hours in the lakes. Dinner and overnight in one of the houses on stilts of the Tay people.

Inclusion: Transfer, guide, permit, all meals & homestay.

Day 5: Ba Be – Tea plantation then onto Hanoi



Early risers can capture many good photos of the local life. Breakfast is served by the locals at 7:00 AM.

Check-out and say goodbye to your host by 8:00 AM. Then, continue your journey to a tea plantation, where we also have lunch at a local



house. Enjoy their homemade tea and ride back to Hanoi. We arrive back to your hotel around 4:00 PM. The trip ends here.

Driving Distance: 250 km

Inclusion: Transfer, guide, breakfast, lunch.

Inclusion: See inclusive items listed after each day

Exclusion: Visa, insurance, drinks, personal expenses, others not mentioned in details, tips are welcome!

LEGAL ASPECTS

Booking Terms & Conditions: Tour itinerary and tour prices are subject to change without prior notice. Please [click here](#) for more information.

ORGANISATION

Tour guide: English speaking guides.

ACCOMMODATION

Guesthouse: We use guesthouses with twin-shared rooms (Please inform us if you want to have a room with a double bed). The check in (if not stated otherwise) is at 2:00 PM, and the check out is at 12:00 PM (noon). An early check in is subject to availability.

TRANSPORT

Car / Van Quality: New air-conditioned cars or vans depending on the group size.

FOOD

Meals: Vietnamese meals. If you have any allergies, special requests or if you are on a special diet please let us know. We will arrange it for you in advance.

SUSTAINABILITY

Please Travel Responsibly: The small things you do will make a [big difference](#).



PREPARATION OF THE CUSTOMER

Seasonal Preparation: Yearly

If you decide to travel in Vietnam in its summer months, please review our travel tips and notes for summer travel, which we will send you along with this itinerary.

What to bring: Passport, change of clothes, sunglasses & hat, toiletries, sun-block, insect repellent, camera, flashlights, proper hiking boots/shoes, personal first aid kit & medicine, small VND notes for buying drinks. If you feel the need, you can bring along a luggage lock for your belongings.

TREKKING INFORMATION

Route: The trekking route can be changed due to external circumstances such as weather (the rain season between June and August). Your Footprint travel consultant will assist you with any changes. This tour requires great flexibilities on itinerary, timing, weather conditions, etc. Many of the roads in this region are surfaced, many are dangerous cliff-hangers that are regularly wiped out by landslides in the wet season.

Trekking time: The trekking time is approximate and depends on the weather and the walking speed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This itinerary and supplementary information has been compiled in good faith and was accurate at the time of writing.