

VIETNAM BUDDHIST CULTURAL PILGRIMAGE TOUR

HO CHI MINH CITY - TAY NINH - CHAU DOC - CAN THO

5 DAYS 4 NIGHTS | Tour code: SGN02

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Ho Chi Minh City: The largest economic and cultural center in Southern Vietnam, serving as a convenient starting point for exploring the Southern Vietnam and Mekong spiritual-cultural route.



Ba Den Mountain - Tay Ninh: A prominent spiritual destination in Southern Vietnam, known as the “roof of Southern Vietnam”. Guests take the cable car to the summit area, worship at the Tay Bo Da Son Buddha Statue, visit the Buddhist cultural space and enjoy panoramic views of Tay Ninh from above.



Ba Chua Xu Temple - An Giang: A region famous for the rich spiritual life of Southern Vietnam, combining Buddhist culture, folk beliefs and Mekong river culture. This is a distinctive highlight of the Southern itinerary.



Tra Su Cajuput Forest - An Giang: A prominent ecological site in An Giang with the typical wetland ecosystem of the Mekong Delta. Guests can take a boat/sampan ride through the forest, enjoy nature, observe water birds and relax in a peaceful green space.



Can Tho: The center of the Mekong Delta, known for river culture, Cai Rang Floating Market, fruit gardens and the distinctive local life of the Mekong region.



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SUMMARY ITINERARY

DAY	PROGRAM	MEALS	HOTEL
Day 1	Arrival in Ho Chi Minh City - Light city tour - Vegetarian dinner	Dinner	Ho Chi Minh City
Day 2	Ho Chi Minh City - Tay Ninh - Ba Den Mountain - Ho Chi Minh City	Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner	Ho Chi Minh City
Day 3	Ho Chi Minh City - Chau Doc - Sam Mountain	Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner	Chau Doc
Day 4	Chau Doc - Tra Su Cajuput Forest - Can Tho	Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner	Can Tho
Day 5	Can Tho - Cai Rang Floating Market - Airport departure transfer	Breakfast / Lunch	-

DETAILED ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN HO CHI MINH CITY - CITY TOUR

Morning:

Arrive at Tan Son Nhat International Airport. A Chinese-speaking guide and private vehicle will welcome the group at the airport and transfer to downtown Ho Chi Minh City.

Depending on the actual flight schedule, the group may have lunch at a local restaurant or transfer directly to the hotel.

Check in at the hotel and rest. Standard hotel check-in time is from 14:00 to 15:00. Early check-in is subject to the hotel's actual room availability and is not included in the quotation unless confirmed in advance.

Afternoon:

Enjoy a light visit to several highlights in downtown Ho Chi Minh City:

- **Vietnam Quoc Tu Pagoda:** A suitable stop to begin a light spiritual journey in Ho Chi Minh City.
- **Independence Palace:** A landmark associated with Vietnam's modern history.
- **Notre-Dame Cathedral and Central Post Office:** Representative architectural landmarks in the city center.
- **Ben Thanh Market:** A long-standing commercial icon of Ho Chi Minh City, suitable for sightseeing and light shopping.

Evening:

Enjoy dinner at a local vegetarian restaurant.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 2: HO CHI MINH CITY - TAY NINH - BA DEN MOUNTAIN - HO CHI MINH CITY

Morning:

Have breakfast at the hotel.

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The vehicle and guide pick up the group and depart for Tay Ninh. On the way, the guide will introduce the Southeast region of Vietnam, the cultural and religious life of Tay Ninh, and the significance of Ba Den Mountain in Southern Vietnam's spiritual journey.

Arrive at Ba Den Mountain tourist area and take the cable car to visit the summit area.

After taking the cable car, visit the main highlights on the summit of Ba Den Mountain:

- **Tay Bo Da Son Buddha Statue:** An iconic spiritual landmark on the summit of Ba Den Mountain.
- **Buddha Relic Area:** A solemn worship space for visitors and Buddhists.
- **Prajna Sutra Pillar:** A Buddhist cultural highlight on the mountain summit.
- **Maitreya Buddha Statue:** A symbol of joy, peace and good fortune.
- **Buddhist culture exhibition area:** A place where visitors can learn more about Buddhist values in a modern exhibition space..

The group will have time for Buddhist worship, prayers for peace and souvenir photos.

Afternoon:

Have lunch at a restaurant on the mountain or at a local restaurant.

After lunch, the group may continue visiting the temple area at Ba Den Mountain if time permits, or depart back to Ho Chi Minh City.

Evening:

Have dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight in Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 3: HO CHI MINH CITY - CHAU DOC - BA CHUA XU TEMPLE - TAY AN PAGODA - THOAI NGOC HAU MAUSOLEUM

Morning:

Have breakfast at the hotel.

Check out from the hotel and depart for Chau Doc, An Giang, one of the most distinctive spiritual and cultural regions of the Mekong Delta.

Have lunch at a local restaurant en route.

Afternoon:

Arrive in Chau Doc and visit the Sam Mountain area, home to many prominent religious and cultural landmarks of Southern Vietnam.

Expected sightseeing points:

- **Ba Chua Xu Temple on Sam Mountain:** A famous pilgrimage site in Chau Doc, closely connected with the folk belief life of Southern Vietnam.
- **Tay An Pagoda:** A pagoda with unique architecture combining Vietnamese cultural influences and distinctive regional architectural elements.
- **Thoai Ngoc Hau Mausoleum:** A memorial site dedicated to Thoai Ngoc Hau, a historical figure who made major contributions to the development of An Giang.

Note: The Chau Doc route is a general spiritual-cultural journey combining Buddhism, folk beliefs and local history. It is not a deep Buddhist pilgrimage route.

Evening:

Have dinner at a local restaurant.

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Check in at the hotel and overnight in Chau Doc.

DAY 4: CHAU DOC - TRA SU CAJUPUT FOREST - CAN THO

Morning:

Have breakfast at the hotel.

The vehicle and guide take the group to visit Tra Su Cajuput Forest, a prominent ecological site in An Giang with the typical wetland ecosystem of the Mekong Delta. Visitors can experience a boat ride through the cajuput forest, enjoy nature, observe water birds and relax in a peaceful green space.

This stop helps balance the journey between spiritual-cultural elements and the natural landscape experience of Southern Vietnam.

Afternoon:

Have lunch at a local restaurant.

After lunch, depart for Can Tho, the center of the Mekong Delta.

Arrive in Can Tho, check in at the hotel and rest.

If time permits, the group may enjoy a light visit to:

- **Ninh Kieu Wharf: A tourism symbol of Can Tho.**
- **Can Tho pedestrian bridge: A pleasant place for walking and enjoying views of the Hau River in the late afternoon or evening.**
- Or freely explore the local night market.

Evening:

Have dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight in Can Tho.

DAY 5: CAN THO - CAI RANG FLOATING MARKET - AIRPORT DEPARTURE TRANSFER

Morning:

Depart early to visit Cai Rang Floating Market, one of the most famous floating markets in the Mekong Delta. Visitors will board a boat to experience trading life on the river and learn about floating-market culture and typical Mekong local life.

After the floating market program, return to the hotel for breakfast and rest.

Check out from the hotel. Standard check-out time is 12:00.

If time permits, the group may visit:

- **Binh Thuy Ancient House: A representative ancient house in Can Tho.**
- Or a seasonal local fruit garden.

Afternoon:

Have lunch at a local restaurant.

Transfer to Can Tho Airport or return to Ho Chi Minh City for departure from Tan Son Nhat Airport, depending on the actual flight schedule.

End of program.

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Important notes for the program

The actual itinerary may be affected by objective factors such as traffic congestion, storms, peak travel periods, cable car operation, boat operation at sightseeing sites, etc. Therefore, if guests have an important appointment after the tour, please inform us in advance so that we can advise and arrange the program more appropriately.

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TOUR PRICE

Tour prices will be updated after confirming the number of guests, hotel category, meal standard, departure date and compulsory services at sightseeing sites.

Hotel level	10pax +1 FOC	15 pax +1 FOC	20 pax +1 FOC	25 pax +1 FOC	30 pax +1 FOC
3 Star Hotel	390 USD	340 USD	320 USD	305 USD	295 USD
4 Star Hotel	455 USD	400 USD	375 USD	360 USD	355 USD

NOTES

- Tour price does not include compulsory tips for the guide and driver: estimated at USD 3 per guest per day or as stated in the official quotation.
- The price does not include early check-in or late check-out. Standard check-in time is 14:00 - 15:00 and standard check-out time is 12:00.
- The itinerary may change depending on flight schedule, weather, traffic conditions, operating regulations at sightseeing sites and the group's actual requirements.
- Vegetarian meals can be arranged upon request; however, the vegetarian standard must be confirmed in advance: basic vegetarian, Buddhist vegetarian, vegan, or strict vegetarian without eggs, milk or five pungent spices.
- The Chau Doc - Sam Mountain route is a general spiritual-cultural route combining Buddhism, folk beliefs and local history.
- If the group travels from Can Tho back to Ho Chi Minh City on the final day, the flight from Tan Son Nhat Airport should be arranged in the evening to reduce traffic risk.
- The quotation does not mean that hotel rooms, vehicles, restaurants or services are reserved. All services are subject to availability at the time of booking confirmation.

PROPOSED HOTEL CATEGORY

Hotels may change depending on actual room availability at the time of booking confirmation. If the proposed hotel is fully booked, PYS Travel will suggest an equivalent hotel of the same category.

Hotel name	City	Level
Queen Ann Hotel or equivalent hotel	TP.HCM	3*
Sky Gem Hotel Ben Thanh or equivalent hotel	TP.HCM	4*
The Luxe Hotel or equivalent hotel	Châu Đốc	3*
Victoria Chau Doc Hotel or equivalent hotel	Châu Đốc	4*
Asia Hotel Can Tho or equivalent hotel	Cần Thơ	3*
Mường Thanh Luxury Cần Thơ or equivalent hotel	Cần Thơ	4*

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SERVICES INCLUDED

- Air-conditioned tourist vehicle as per itinerary.
- Chinese-speaking guide as per itinerary.
- Hotel accommodation according to the confirmed category, based on twin sharing or triple sharing upon request, including breakfast at the hotel.
- Meals as per itinerary, with priority given to vegetarian meals at suitable sites if confirmed in the quotation.
- Entrance tickets for sightseeing sites in the itinerary according to the official quotation.
- Ba Den Mountain cable car ticket according to the package confirmed in the quotation.
- Boat/sampan tickets at Tra Su Cajuput Forest and Cai Rang Floating Market as per itinerary.
- 01 bottle of mineral water per guest per tour day.
- Tour operation support from the PYS Travel team in Vietnam.

SERVICES NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic air tickets.
- Vietnam visa, e-visa or costs related to immigration procedures.
- Drinks during meals and any meals not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Single room supplement.
- Early check-in and late check-out charges.
- Compulsory tips for guide and driver.
- Personal expenses: laundry, telephone, minibar, excess baggage, personal medical expenses, etc.
- Personal merit offerings, incense offerings and personal ritual items at spiritual sites.
- Travel insurance.
- Additional costs arising from causes beyond control, such as natural disasters, storms or floods, flight delays/cancellations/rescheduling, accidents, medical emergencies, strikes, changes in sightseeing-site policies or other force majeure events.
- Any service not clearly stated in the Services Included section.

CHILD POLICY

- Children aged 10 and above: charged 100% of the adult tour price.
- Children from 3 to under 10 years old: charged 75% of the tour price and share bed with parents. Each room with 2 adults applies to only 1 child; the second child is charged 100% of the tour price.
- Children under 3 years old: free of charge, sharing meals and bed with parents. Each room with 2 adults applies free of charge to only 1 child; the second child is charged 50% of the tour price.
- Air tickets, if any, follow the separate policy of the airline.
- Cable car, boat, electric car tickets and services at sightseeing sites follow the separate height/age policy of each site.

RECOMMENDED ITEMS TO BRING

- Polite clothing suitable for visiting pagodas and spiritual sites.
- Comfortable shoes suitable for walking.
- Sunglasses, sunscreen, personal medication and insect repellent.
- Light jacket or umbrella depending on the weather.
- Passport and necessary immigration documents.

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- Small bag or lightweight backpack for visits to Ba Den Mountain, Tra Su Cajuput Forest and Cai Rang Floating Market.

CANCELLATION POLICY

- The cancellation policy below is for reference only and applies to FIT/small-group bookings outside peak periods. The official policy will be confirmed for each booking and according to the conditions of hotels/service suppliers.
- All cancellation requests must be submitted in writing.
- Cancellation after booking confirmation: minimum cancellation charge of 10% of the total tour value or according to supplier policy.
- Cancellation from 29 to 15 days before departure: cancellation charge may be up to 75% of the total tour value.
- Cancellation less than 14 days before departure or no-show/unused services: cancellation charge may be up to 100% of the total tour value.
- During peak seasons, holidays or for groups with special services, the cancellation policy will follow the specific conditions of each supplier.

GENERAL NOTES

- Estimated prices are based on twin or triple sharing. Single room supplement will be charged separately.
- PYS Travel does not hold hotel rooms or services before receiving booking confirmation from the customer/partner.
- Prices are quoted in USD and may change without prior notice due to fluctuations in fuel prices, supplier services, hotels, restaurants or changes in sightseeing-site policies.
- If the proposed hotel is fully booked, PYS Travel will suggest another equivalent hotel of the same category.
- Gala dinner surcharges may apply during holidays such as Christmas, New Year, Lunar New Year or peak periods in Vietnam.
- For groups requiring strict vegetarian meals, please inform PYS Travel in advance so we can check the capability of restaurants and destinations.

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