

UNTOUCHED ROCKY MOUNTAINS

08 days / 07 nights

Hanoi – Halong – Lao Cai – Bac Ha – Xin Man – Hoang Su Phi – Vi Xuyen – Ha Giang – Tuyen Quang - Hanoi

An interesting switch from Northwest to Northeast of Vietnam with different climates and geography. By that it makes different rain forests, landscapes and cultures. Enjoy the beautiful scenerjies of from peach and plum forests to green tea field and from earth mountain to high rocky ones.

Tour Code : VNT05

Connection : Easy to combine with other trips in the North and South of China.

Itinerary in brief :

DAY 01: HANOI - HALONG CITY (D)
DAY 02: HANOI - HALONG BAY – TRAIN TO LAO CAI (B/L/D)
DAY 03: LAO CAI - BAC HA – BAN LIEN (B/L/D)
DAY 04: BAN LIEN – NA TRI – QUANG NGUYEN (B/L/D)
DAY 05: QUANG NGUYEN – HO THAU – NAM SON (B/L/D)
DAY 06: NAM SON – MOTORBIKE TAXI TO BAN NHUNG – TUNG SAN (B/L/D)
DAY 07: TUNG SAN – THUONG SON – VI XUYEN HOT SPRING (B/L/D)
DAY 08: VI XUYEN – HANOI (B)

DAY 1: HANOI – HALONG BAY (-/L/D)

Welcome to Threeland!

In the morning the tour guide of Threeland Travel will meet you at your hotel in Hanoi and transfer you to Halong, a World Heritage as designated by UNESCO in 1994, with thousands limestone islets with stopovers en route to visit the rural life of the Red River Delta's farmers (esp. in transplanting and harvest times), or the ceramic town at Dong Trieu. The transfer will take about 3hours30. Check-in your boat in Halong and have a lunch of fresh seafoods served on board. Afternoon is your relaxation and you can just relax on the sundeck and enjoy the bay's splendid seascape of thousands odd-shaped rocky islands, visit the inside-island grottoes or go swimming. Dinner (seafoods) and overnight on board.

DAY 2: HALONG BOAT TRIP – TRAIN TO LAO CAI (B/L/D)

After breakfast, we will continue to tour the Bay until reaching the Wharf of Halong again (around 11.00) and back to Hanoi. Stopover at Hong Ngoc Charity centre in Sao Do Town for a quick lunch. After arrive in Hanoi around 16.00, the guide will show you around the Sword Lake, Ngoc Son Temple and enjoy an afternoon show at 17.00 of Water Puppetry. Dinner in Hanoi before taking the night train (escorted by Threeland guide) to Lao cai stantion. Overnight on the train.

DAY 3: LAO CAI - BAC HA – BAN LIEN (B/L/D)

Upon our arrival in Lao Cai early morning (about 06.00) we will take a short break for refreshment and breakfast at Lao cai restaurant before having the car of Threeland to drive 2 to 3 hours along the winding mountainous road to Bac Ha, the "White Highland" of the Northwest. Meet our new friends from our local support team before starting our 3-hour trek to Ban Lien, the Tay family's hometown. You will have a chance to see plum and peach forests hereby and if the trek is in Spring with white apricos covering mountains, the beautiful scenery will leave you unforgettable memories. Overnight in Ban Lien.

DAY 4: BAN LIEN – NA TRI – QUANG NGUYEN (B/L/D)

This day you could see the interesting change of geographical conditions from earth mountain with peach and plum forests to rocky ones with sharp and rugged rocks. Thanks to its great geography this place had been chosen by Raid Gauloise for their big contest in 2002. After a long 7-hour trekking, we will overnight in Quang Nguyen.

DAY 5: QUANG NGUYEN – HO THAU – NAM SON (B/L/D)

Another hard day with 6-7 hour trekking thru the mountain, rain forest and villages. You will have great chance to meet typical hill-tribal people such as Tay, Nung, Dzao and H'mong. The temporary waterfalls made by sudden rains, foggy mountains and forests etc. will fascinate you by their mystery. Overnight in Nam Son, a modern village with some cold drink and hot dinner.

DAY 6: NAM SON – MOTORBIKE TAXI TO BAN NHUNG – TUNG SAN (B/L/D)

After breakfast, we will take one-hour driving by "motor taxi" (xe om) to Ban Nhung, then start trekking from here. This day we will have great chance to discover green tea mountainous fields and the routine activities of tea farmers. Tung San is famous by its green tea and we can taste a little bit this bitter special tea. Overnight in Tung San.

DAY 7: TUNG SAN – THUONG SON – VI XUYEN HOT SPRING (B/L/D)

Being located between the Natural Reserve of Tay Con Linh (Ha Giang province), the wild and narrow tracks in Tung San will challenge the trekkers by its slope, extreme descending and rocky paths. Locals here have a few chances to see foreign tourists so you could find the pure life of hill tribal people hereby. Get over to the elevation of 1,971m where you will reach Vi Xuyen hot spring for relax in the pool and massaging tub by mineral hot water. Overnight at hotel in Vi xuyen.

DAY 8: VI XUYEN – HANOI (B)

After breakfast, we will take an easy transfer to Hanoi by motortaxi. Arrive in Hanoi late afternoon. *End of services. in Hanoi.*

