

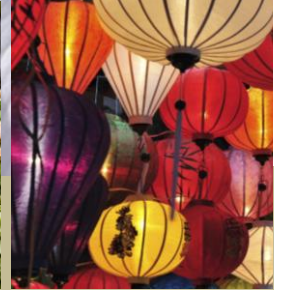
Hosted by
Judith Salmon
& Karen Atkins

Heavenly Hoi An

Heart & Soul of Vietnam

Journey begins 14 January 2012

Returning 21 January 2012



Fly/Stay Package \$3,900 per person twin-share

Join a small group of art and cultural enthusiasts as we observe the religious and secular celebrations associated with the advent of Tet – Lunar New Year in Vietnam. In Hoi An we will be immersed in the heart of contemporary Vietnam and the spiritual soul of an ancient civilisation. This is a holiday to stimulate our senses, activate our imaginations and introduce us to different ideas and people. We will return home feeling relaxed and inspired.

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Saturday, 14 January 2012

Fly to Vietnam with Vietnam Airlines. You will be met at Da Nang airport by our Pacific World representative & transferred to Hoi An, a colourful and bustling ancient town and UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Check into Life Heritage Resort & tonight, get to know your fellow travellers over a light meal by the pool.

Meals: Light Dinner

Sunday, 15 January 2012

Today we explore the Old Quarter of Hoi An and experience Vietnamese culture first hand. Visit merchants, pagodas, the famous Japanese Covered Bridge and Temples as well as a well preserved two hundred year old merchant house.

Lunch at a local restaurant.

Hoi An is a haven for the fashion conscious. After lunch we will visit Yaly Couture and be introduced to Hoi An's finest tailors.

Tonight, we will experience gourmet Vietnamese cuisine.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Monday, 16 January 2012

Enjoy a fascinating market tour, then journey by boat along the picturesque river to famous Red Bridge Restaurant & Cooking School to cook Vietnamese cuisine with our private chef.

After lunch we will join a lantern making workshop via quaint little country roads surrounding Hoi An.

Meals: Breakfast & Lunch

Tuesday, 17 January 2012

Morning tour by boat to ceramic village outside Hoi An where we enjoy a hands-on creative experience supervised by local artisans and Karen Atkins. Visit Chu Tanh Pagoda on our return to Hoi An.

After lunch, Judith Salmon presents an historical overview of Vietnam's complex past.

Mid-afternoon, Karen Atkins hosts the first of her creative workshops. Karen's workshops will inspire us to draw, paint, collect and collate cultural memorabilia, design postcards and fashion our visual diaries. Karen will also be our personal stylist at the tailors!

Meals: Breakfast

Wednesday, 18 January 2012

Morning visit to Reaching Out Handicrafts.

The remainder of the day is free for optional activities... guided by Judith.

For those interested, private tours to Marble Mountain, My Son or Da Nang Museums can be arranged.

Meals: Breakfast

Thursday, 19 January 2012

Today we will complete our creative responses to the Hoi An experience – sketching, photography, writing, collecting our best memories to take home.

Free afternoon for relaxing.

Tonight we say farewell. Reminisce on the week we've had with dinner at a special restaurant in Hoi An.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Friday, 20 January 2012

Free morning. Transfer to airport for your flight back to Australia

Inclusions:

Return, economy class flights with Vietnam Airlines
6nts Life Heritage Resort Hoi An, Superior Garden Room
Transfers by private air-conditioned coach
Sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary
Cold towels and water during our tours
Meals as outlined in the itinerary
Professional English Speaking Guide Escort
Tour Director Judith Salmon & Host Karen Atkins
Vietnam Visa

The single room supplement is \$506

Business class upgrades are available on request

For information & bookings

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