ESSENCE OF VIETNAM LUXURY GOLF TOUR

6 MAY - 20 MAY 2023 | 15 DAYS | 7 ROUNDS OF GOLF | FULLY ESCORTED



Military history and chaotic street scenes resonate most when visualising Vietnam. Look deeper to find friendly, welcoming people inviting you to discover their wondrous homeland. Vietnam is exotic and compelling with lush mountains, a pristine coastline, buzzing cities and fascinating cultural sites. These provide stunning backdrops for Nicklaus, Player, Norman and Montgomerie golf courses.



This luxury tour celebrates three uniquely distinct cities. While **Ho Chi Minh City** will enthrall you with its energy and sophistication, **Hanoi** will dazzle you with its culture and flavours, and the elegant and graceful port of **Hoi An** will totally charm you. We visit one of Vietnam's most prized treasures, the spectacular **World Heritage-listed Halong Bay**, along with **Long Tan**, **Nui Dat** and the infamous **Cu Chi tunnels**.

The best golf courses have been handpicked for you including **The Bluffs Ho Tram, Vietnam's #1 golf course**, which you'll have the chance to play twice. Smiling caddies will be there to pamper you. For **nongolfers**, this tour serves up a smorgasbord of delights that include the **Mekong Delta**, **Hue and Duong Lam Ancient Villages**. The golfers will envy your tales of discovery.

Fully escorted by an experienced Go Golfing host and charming local guides who passionately share their stories. This tour to Vietnam combines magnificent scenery, exotic cuisine, luxury and magical experiences that you will crave long after the tour has finished.





DAY 1: SATURDAY 6 May HANOL

Welcome to Hanoi! On arrival you'll be greeted at Hanoi International Airport and transferred to your 5-star hotel for the next 4 nights. You'll find something deliciously decadent about Hotel de L'Opera with its theatrical decor and French colonial architecture. Situated in the heart of the city, the hotel overlooks the **Opera House** and is a stone's throw away from fabulous shopping, dining and attractions. Tonight, meet the crew and Go Golfing host to bond and cheer to our upcoming adventures over a sumptuous welcome dinner and drinks.

Hotel: Hotel de L'Opera Hanoi

DAY 2: Sunday 7 May HANOI

After breakfast it's time for our opening round!



NATURALLY PICTURESQUE: Sky Lake Golf Club

Surrounded by mountains, this course shows off Vietnam's natural beauty. Undulating fairways wind through a series of lakes to provide a thrilling experience with spectacular views. There's luxury beyond the course as you'll find your first introduction to Vietnam caddies will have you wanting to pack them up and take them with you!

Non-golfers enjoy a full day of sightseeing in rural Hanoi. Visit Duong Lam Ancient Village, a heritage protected agricultural village, before we enjoy a freshly made Vietnamese lunch. You'll then continue to visit Van Phuc Silk Village, Vietnam's prime silk weaving village.

(B,NGL, D with Drinks) Hotel: Hotel de L'Opera Hanoi

Insider's Tip: To mingle with the locals, grab a 'bia hoi'. This classic light draft beer is traditionally sipped curbside, and won't set you back more than one U.S. dollar.



DAY 3: Monday 8 May HANOI

A PRIVATE ISLAND: Kings Island Golf Resort

On its own private island, the 36-hole Kings Island Golf Resort lies on the shore of the Dong Mo reservoir. You'll feel like an A-List celebrity as you arrive by speedboat. The majestic Ba Vi mountain range provides a stunning backdrop to the man-made lake and Red River Valley stretching into the distance. With water in play on 13 holes, strategic shotmaking with a focus on keeping your ball in play will help you post a winning score.

Non-golfers enjoy a day at leisure. (B) Hotel: Hotel de L'Opera Hanoi

DAY 4: Tuesday 9 May HANOI



HIGHLIGHT: Full day Hanoi sightseeing

We have a full day to explore Hanoi, also known as the "Paris of the East". There, you'll experience a delicious mix of East and West, where Vietnamese tradition converges with a powerful French influence to produce a unique, enchanting city with an atmosphere all its own. Highlights include Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum's complex, and Army Museum. After lunch at a local restaurant, we'll make our way to the Hoa Lo Prison (Hilton Prison) and Museum of Ethology. Finally, we'll have the opportunity to wander through Hanoi's Old Quarter before our group dinner.

(B,D) Hotel: Hotel de L'Opera Hanoi





Vung Vieng Floating Fish Village





DAY 5: Wednesday 10 May HALONG BAY

HIGHLIGHT: Halong Bay 5-Star overnight cruise

After breakfast we travel to **Halong Bay** for our **overnight 5-star cruise**. A World Heritage site, Halong Bay's spectacular scatter of islands is a vision of ethereal beauty. It will be yours to admire as you cruise amongst towering limestone pillars and tiny islets. Along the way, we'll anchor for a swim in a secluded cove and visit one of the many hidden grottoes beneath towering cliffs.

(B,L,D) Cruise: Ancora Cruises

Insider's Tip: Halong Bay means "descending dragon" and legend has it the islets were created out of emeralds cast down from dragons defending the land.

DAY 6: Thursday 11 May DA NANG

This morning we wake up to the gentle rocking of Halong Bay's waters.

HIGHLIGHT: Vung Vieng floating fishing village

We visit **Vung Vieng floating fishing village** and enjoy lunch before getting back to the harbour for our flight to **Da Nang**. This is where we check into the luxury **Pullman Beach Resort** located right on the stunning white sands of Da Nang beach.

(B,L) Hotel: Pullman Hotel Beach Resort

DAY 7: Friday 12 May DA NANG

This morning you are free to enjoy the hotel's facilities or explore the surrounding area before we make our way to our third round.

TWILIGHT GOLF: Ba Na Hills Golf Club

This evening, you'll get to enjoy a beautiful round of twilight golf at Ba Na Hills, a course to impress even the fussiest golfer. Opened in March 2016 and designed by former World #1 and current tour player Luke Donald, it is set at the foot of the mountains and boasts the longest layout in Vietnam - 7,800 yards to be exact!

Non-golfers will visit Vietnam's largest **Goddess of Mercy** statue standing tall above Da Nang. The views from here are stunning.

Tonight, we'll all dine together at the golf club.

(B,D) Hotel: Pullman Hotel Beach Resort

DAY 8: Saturday 13 May DA NANG

One of the best memories you can bring home is immersing yourself in the local culture as we make our way to historic **Hoi An**. Once a major port, it boasts the grand architecture and beguiling riverside setting that befits its heritage. Tonight, you'll get to choose your experience from these two options:

Option 1: Take part in a fun-filled **Vietnamese cooking class**, during which you'll discover some of the secrets of Vietnamese cooking followed by a divine dinner. (Dinner included).

Option 2: Witness 400 years of Hoian history at the **Show of Hoi An Memories**, a spectacular outdoor show on a large scale. The Hoai River and the banks of Old Quarter form the stage as 500 performers take audiences for a ride to a 16-17th Century trading port and celebrate the identity of Vietnam through a world of dance and colour. (Dinner not included).

(B, D option 1) Hotel: Pullman Hotel Beach Resort





Incense Stick Village





DAY 9: Sunday 14 May DA NANG

ELITE COURSE: Montgomerie Links

Today we tee off at Colin Montgomerie's only Asian creation and in Asia's top ten most elite courses. The site has an amazing beachscape, the perfect backdrop for this links. Moving boldly over whispy Casuarina pines and sand dunes it gives you the feeling of being in Scotland without the cold!

Non-golfers, today you'll travel back in time to Vietnam's regal past with a full day of sightseeing in **Hue**, the former imperial capital. You'll visit the **incense-stick village**, **Tomb of Khai Dinh**, and **Huong Pagoda**. Enjoy local Hue cuisine over lunch followed by a visit to Hue Imperial City (The Citadel).

(B,LNG) Hotel: Pullman Hotel Beach Resort

Insider's Golf Tip: Although the course doesn't officially have a signature hole, the stunning par-5 12th is truly memorable. Playing slightly uphill to a bunker-riddled fairway, the hole is framed by the clubhouse in the background and has been described as the best par-5 in Vietnam.

DAY 10: Monday 15 May DA NANG

GREG NORMAN DESIGN: BRG Da Nang Golf Resort

Situated on the fledgling central coast of Vietnam, this course was built amid 150 hectares of dunescape, similar to what the world's top links courses are carved from. Australia's great white shark Greg Norman has created a course that you would love to play every day

Non-golfers have a day at leisure to explore the treasures of Da Nang. Discover the Marble Mountains or relax at My Khe Beach, considered the most beautiful beach in Vietnam.

(B) Hotel: Pullman Hotel Beach Resort

(B) Hotel: The Grand Ho Tram Strip

Insider's Golf Tip: Make sure you take time out after playing your second shot to the 4th green to go and look at the brightly coloured little prayer pagoda. There is also one behind the 13th green, you never know it may help your score!

DAY 11: Tuesday 16 May HO TRAM

This morning, we bid farewell to Da Nang and fly to **Ho Chi Minh City** and transfer to **Ho Tram**. This small beach town is blissfully undeveloped with its pristine beaches, sparkling waters, famous mud baths and hot springs, and luscious rainforests. On the way, commemorate ANZAC with a visit to **Long Tan** and **Nui Dat battlefields**.

DAY 12: Wednesday 17 May HO TRAM

After breakfast, we step out onto the hotel's own golf course.

VIETNAM'S #1 COURSE: The Bluffs Golf Club

Situated on a coastal plateau, this Greg Norman creation is a unique links-style par-71 course on a rugged site swept by gentle sea breezes. Golfers can expect sensational rolling dunes and breathtaking ocean views that make for an awesome experience. A thrill-fest from start to finish, The Bluffs has certainly earned its place as #7 in Asia.

Non-golfers enjoy a day at leisure. (B) Hotel: The Grand Ho Tram Strip





Cu Chi Tunnels





DAY 13: Thursday 18 May HO CHI MINH CITY

SECOND ROUND: The Bluffs Golf Club

Today we play our second round at The Bluffs. You'll have the chance to perfect your round now that you are familiar with this spectacular course - game on!

Non-golfers enjoy a day at leisure.

After golf, we make our way to Ho Chi Minh City where we check into the Sheraton.

(B) Hotel: Sheraton Saigon

DAY 14: Friday 19 May HO CHI MINH CITY

Today, You'll get to choose your experience between these two options:

Option 1: Take a **tour of Ho Chi Minh City** where you'll discover the timeless alleys, incense-infused temples, and chic designer malls beneath its sleek 21st-century skyscrapers. Then, it's off to the **Cu Chi Tunnels**, the underground passageways used by Viet Cong soldiers during the Vietnam War.

Option 2: You'll explore the **Mekong Delta** (Caibe - Vinhlong) by boat, Vietnam's 'rice basket", with its watery landscape of green fields, colourful floating markets and quaint riverside villages. For lunch you'll enjoy a local delicacy named "elephant-ear fish" before your transfer back to the hotel.

Tonight, we toast our victors and new friendships over a **celebratory dinner**. The evening includes beverages

(B,L,D with Drinks) Hotel: Sheraton Saigon

DAY 15: Saturday 20 May HO CHI MINH CITY

After breakfast, enjoy your last day in Ho Chi Minh City for last minute shopping or sightseeing before you are transferred to the international airport for your flight home or onward journey. (B)

PEOPLE LOVED

"The tour was amazingly well organised, friendly and flexible, and accommodation was exceptional - 10 out of 10!"

Vicki, Vietnam 2018

"Loved the country and the people. The golf courses were fantastic, better than expected... loved the Ba Na Hills golf course - it was a stand out. The trip was well planned, and the accommodation was great."

Kerry, Vietnam 2019

"The trip was a fantastic experience, the people and hosts were terrific. The golf courses were exceptional and the accommodation throughout was excellent and couldn't be faulted."

Chris, Vietnam 2018



INCLUSIONS



14 nights 5-star accommodation

One-way economy flight - Hanoi to Da Nang *
(One checked-in bag of 20kg + 15kg for golf clubs)

One-way economy flight – Da Nang to Ho Chi Minh City * (One checked-in bag of 20kg + 15kg for golf clubs)

7 rounds of golf, incl. shared carts & one caddie per golfer:

- 1. Skylake Golf Club
- 2. King's Island Golf Club
- 3. Ba Na Hills Golf Club
- 4. Montgomerie Links Golf Club
- 5. Da Nang Golf Resort
- 6. The Bluffs Golf Club x 2 rounds

3 lunches for golfers and 5 for non-golfers

5 dinners, inc:

- Welcome dinner with drinks
- ► Farewell dinner with drinks
- ► Halong Bay Cruise Dinner
- Group dinner at Ba Na Hills Club House

Sightseeing / Experiences:

- ► Full day tour of Hanoi
- Halong Bay overnight cruise
- Cooking class & dinner, or show of Hoi An Memories
- Visit to Vung Vieng floating fishing village
- Visit to Long Tan and Nui Dat battle fields
- ▶ Ho Chi Minh City and Cu Chi Tunnels, or Mekong Delta Boat Ride

Non-golfer inclusions:

- ► Full day tour of rural Hanoi inc. Duong Lam Ancient Village and Van Phuc Silk Village
- ► Full day Hue excursion
- ▶ Visit to Vietnam's largest Goddess of Mercy statue

Other Inclusions:

- Luxury air-conditioned coach throughout
- Airport transfers
- Commemorative polo shirt
- ▶ Individual and team competitions with prizes
- ► Fully escorted by Go Golfing's experienced host and local guides *Upgrade to business class for the 2 internal flights for AUD 320pp (subject to availability)

PACKAGE

	Early Bird Package	Package Price
Golfer - Twin Share	AUD 7,247 pp	AUD 7,497 pp
Non Golfer - Twin Share	AUD 6,035 pp	AUD 6,285 pp
Golfer - Single	AUD 9,247 pp	AUD 9,497 pp

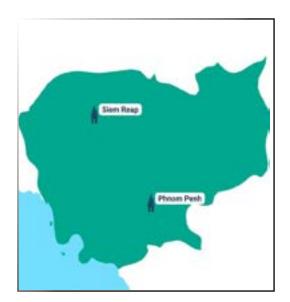
Initial deposit of AUD 1000 per person must accompany booking. Final payment (inc. optional extras) is due and payable on or before 10 Feburary 2023.

CAMBODIA TOUR

20 - 26 MAY 2023 | 7 DAYS | 3 ROUNDS OF GOLF | FULLY ESCORTED



With impressive temples, confounding history and modern golf courses, Cambodia will seduce you. You'll be transported to the ancient empire of Cambodia from rich historic sights to its modern day culture and the best golf courses in the country.



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The best golf courses in Cambodia have been handpicked for you including **Angkor Golf Course**, **Cambodia's #1 golf course**. For the non-golfers there are a number of delights that include **Floating Village**, **Banteay Srey and Les Chantiers**.

This tour will combine majestic structures, wonderful scenery, exotic cuisine and an unforgettable experience that you will remember for ever.

*Book both Vietnam and Cambodia tours and we'll fly you from Ho Chi Minh to Phnom Penh where your Cambodia tour starts - for FREE!

