Vietnam
Birds, Culture, and Landscapes

Special Features of the Tour

850 Bird Species
Cultural Sites
Unique Landscapes
Hanoi
300 Mammals
National Parks
Ho Chi Minh City

February 28 - March 14, 2020

Small Groups! Great Leaders! Interesting People!

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Tour Leaders

Nguyen Thanh Nhan
Nhan is a former national park guide at Bach Ma National Park in Central Vietnam, where he worked for ten years up until 2010. Nowadays Nhan guides clients on tours throughout Vietnam, enthusiastically sharing his knowledge of the region’s fauna, flora, and culture with them. Nhan lives with his family near Hue in Central Vietnam.

Rob Taylor
A musician and writer by profession, Rob began birding around the same time he picked up the violin at age eight. His love of music, languages, literature, and birds has led him to a lifetime of study and travel. A graduate of Holland’s Royal Conservatory, Union College, the University of Bonn, and Princeton University, he has taught foreign languages and ornithology in New York and English and music in Asia, and has binged extensively in Australia, Bhutan, Brazil, the Caribbean, Central America, China, Europe, India, Russia, Thailand, Vietnam, New Zealand, Africa, and North America. As a lyricist and librettist, he has written several new musicals, including Ace, Journey to the West, The Parenting Project, The Sandman (based on the writings of E.T.A. Hoffmann), and Bandstand, which opened on Broadway at the Jacobs Theatre in April 2017. A member of the Dramatists Guild, Rob is represented by the Gersh Agency.

Beautiful Vietnam
Home to over 850 species of birds and over 300 species of mammals, including some of the world’s rarest primates, and stretching a thousand miles down the east coast of Southeast Asia, Vietnam encompasses an amazing array of habitats and biodiversity. From spectacular Halong Bay, to rhododendron covered peaks rising above 9,000 feet, to lush rainforests and the exciting Ho Chi Minh City, this ancient land offers a unique cultural and ecotourism experience. Beginning in Hanoi and traveling from North to South, experience cultural sites, unique national parks, the Central Highlands (Dalat Plateau), lowland tropical forest, and Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) where the main tour ends.

For a longer adventure, join the extension to Cambodia’s Angkor Wat. One of the largest religious monuments in the world, Angkor Wat (“Capital of Temples”) is situated on a site measuring 402 acres. Originally constructed by the Khmer King Suryavarman II in the early 12th century as his Hindu state temple and eventual mausoleum, it was gradually transformed into a Buddhist temple towards the end of the 12th century. As the best-preserved temple at the site, it is the only one to have remained a significant religious center since its foundation. The temple is at the top of the high classical style of Khmer architecture and has become a symbol of Cambodia, appears on its national flag, and is the country’s prime attraction for visitors.

General Information
Main Tour Cost: $6,698.
With Member Discount: $5,998.
Single Room Supplement: $900.

Extension Cost: $3,945.
With Member Discount: $3,445.
Single Room Supplement: $300.

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