



Uncover the Spirit of Cambodia & Vietnam



PREMIUM ESCORTED TOUR

ESCORTED BY JUDY TIERNEY

21 day tour | Departing 21 April 2018

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE...

- Two night cruise of the world famous Halong Bay, on board the luxurious Aclass Stellar
- Three nights cruising the islets and lesser known areas of the mighty Mekong River
- Participate in the festivities of the Full Moon Lantern Festival in Hoi An
- Experience the aromas and tastes of authentic Vietnamese cuisine in a hands on cooking class
- Enjoy a traditional Cambodian theatre show
- Wander the ruins of Angkor Wat, a UNESCO World Heritage Protected Site
- Immerse yourself in the history of the Vietnam and Cambodian wars



Escorted by Judy Tierney

Judy worked for ABC television and radio for almost 30 years. She compered and was a correspondent for national programs including This Day Tonight, The National, Nationwide, 7.30 Report, Australian Story and Stateline. Judy has lived and worked in London, Kuwait and the United States.



KNOWS TRAVEL

SATURDAY 21 APRIL
TASMANIA – SINGAPORE

Today we depart Tasmania to fly to Singapore, where we will overnight.

SUNDAY 22 APRIL **B**
SINGAPORE – HANOI

Today we will fly from Singapore to Hanoi to begin our adventure. In Hanoi, we will be met by our local guide and transfer to our hotel to enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure. This evening we have the option to visit the Hanoi Night Market, which attracts crowds of epic proportions to the transformed city centre.



MONDAY 23 APRIL **B,L,D**
HANOI

This morning we will embark on a guided Hanoi city tour, including the Vietnamese Women Museum, the historic Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum compound, viewed from the outside, and the Temple of Literature. Also enjoy a short cyclo ride in the bustling Old Quarter of 36 streets and 36 wares. Lunch is at KOTO, an Australian-funded establishment aimed at helping Hanoi street kids. We enjoy our afternoon at leisure and then meet again this evening to enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

TUESDAY 24 APRIL **B,L,D**
HANOI - HALONG BAY

Today we depart Hanoi for Halong Bay. Board the Aclass Stellar for a two night cruise. We will spend the afternoon cruising emerald waters, among gigantic rocky limestone islands, savouring a fresh seafood lunch and dinner on board.

WEDNESDAY 25 APRIL **B,L,D**
HALONG BAY

After breakfast this morning, we will board a smaller boat for some further cruising of this magnificent area, and take part in some sea kayaking. In

the afternoon, we will jump back on board the main boat and enjoy dinner together.

THURSDAY 26 APRIL **B,L**
HALONG BAY - HANOI

We continue to cruise Halong Bay this morning as we enjoy a leisurely breakfast and lunch on board. After lunch, we will disembark the boat and return to Hanoi on our private coach, and spend the evening at leisure.

FRIDAY 27 APRIL **B,D**
HANOI – HUE

Today we transfer to the airport for our flight to Hue. We will meet our local guide on arrival and transfer to our hotel to check in. This afternoon we will embark on a wonderful guided city tour of Hue. Explore the Imperial Citadel at the centre of the Complex of Hue Monuments inscribed by UNESCO as a World Heritage site. Enter through the towering main gate and appreciate the magnificent architecture and gardens while your guide explains the events and the intrigue surrounding the former royal court. Despite being heavily bombed during the Vietnam War, there are some incredibly well-preserved sections intact and others which are being carefully restored. Continue to visit the Tu Duc Royal Tomb, the most impressive of all the royal mausoleums, built by Emperor Tu Duc between 1864 and 1867. Interestingly, Tu Duc had 104 wives and countless concubines but left no heirs to the throne. While the complex does include a tomb, together with pavilions and temples, no one knows exactly where Tu Duc was buried as all 200 servants who buried the king were beheaded to keep his final resting place a secret from grave robbers. This evening enjoy dinner with Hue traditional music performance at Ben Xuan Garden House Theatre.

SATURDAY 28 APRIL **B,L**
HUE – HOI AN

Leave Hue this morning for a private guided coach transfer to Danang via the scenic Hai Van Pass, stopping at Lang Co fishing village and viewpoint of Hai Van Pass. We will enjoy lunch at a local restaurant with Mi Quang (Quang Nam style noodle), one of the region's specialities. Continue to Hoi An with a stop at the Marble Mountains, an incredible cluster of hills, a popular pilgrimage site. In the afternoon, enjoy a guided walking tour of the old town visiting former merchant's houses, the

400 year old Japanese Covered Bridge and the market.

SUNDAY 29 APRIL **B**
HOI AN

We will spend the day at leisure to relax or wander the city. This evening we will enjoy the festivities of the Full Moon Lantern Festival. Participate in this ancient tradition as the lights of the town are shut off, and light a candle to be sent down the river as an offering to ancestors.

MONDAY 30 APRIL **B,D**
HOI AN

We will have the morning at leisure before a short private guided transfer to Hai Café, Red Bridge cooking school's meeting point, where our private cooking tour commences. We meet our chef for a brief introduction and a welcome drink, before meandering through Hoi An's central market to enjoy the sights, sounds and aromas. This is our chance to learn about how to select fresh produce and ingredients essential for Vietnamese cuisine. We get to the school by way of a 20 minute boat trip, which offers glimpses of local river life. Upon arrival, we visit the school's herb garden, before enjoying a private hands-on cooking class. We will then sit together to enjoy the product of our labour, as we look out to the beautiful views of the river!

TUESDAY 1 MAY **B,D**
HOI AN – DANANG - HO CHI MINH CITY

This morning we will transfer to the airport by private coach for our flight to Ho Chi Minh City. We will meet our local guide on arrival and transfer to our hotel. This afternoon we will enjoy a guided city tour, taking in the Presidential Palace, the Central Post Office, the Notre-Dame Cathedral for a photo, and the Ben Thanh Market. Dinner tonight will be at a local restaurant.

WEDNESDAY 2 MAY **B,L**
CU CHI TUNNELS

This morning take a 2-hour private guided coach drive to Cu Chi to visit the incredible underground tunnel network built by the Vietnamese guerrilla fighters. We will then return to Ho Chi Minh to enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

THURSDAY 3 MAY **B,L,D**
SAIGON – CAN THO – CAI BE

This morning we will transfer to Can Tho to board our cruise on the mighty Mekong River, on board the Mekong

Eyes Explorer! We will enjoy lunch on board before a guided walk to a rural village or through lush green orchards and rice paddies. This evening we return to the boat for refreshments and enjoy the sunset on the top deck.

FRIDAY 4 MAY **B,L,D**
CAI BE – SA DEC – CAO LANH

We will admire the view on a morning cruise as we enjoy breakfast. We will explore the canals of Tan Phong islet on a rowing sampan, then embark on a bicycle ride or walk in a small village along the Mekong Canals. This afternoon we will enjoy some more cruising over lunch, before visiting the ancient traders' villa and pagoda in Sa Dec. We will enjoy sunset on the top deck once again, before settling in for dinner.

SATURDAY 5 MAY **B,L,D**
CAO LANH – TAN CHAU

This morning we will enjoy another leisurely cruise as we have breakfast. Explore Tan Thuan Dong on foot or by bicycle, then enjoy a Panorama cruise towards Tan Chu with lunch on board our boat. This evening we will get together for a sunset cocktail party and dinner on board.

SUNDAY 6 MAY **B,D**
TAN CHAU – PHNOM PENH

After breakfast this morning, we will check out and transfer to Phnom Penh by speedboat. Upon arrival we will meet our local guide and transfer to our hotel. Later in the afternoon we will take a guided cyclo tour of the bustling city of Phnom Penh, followed by dinner at a local restaurant.

MONDAY 7 MAY **B**
PHNOM PENH – SIEM REAP

This morning we will visit the Khmer Rouge Killing Fields. Over a million Cambodian people were killed and buried by the Khmer Rouge regime during its rule of the country in the 1970's. After this sobering experience, we will transfer by private coach to Siem Reap. We will stop at Skun Village en route to see the tarantula eaters! The rest of the afternoon will be at leisure on arrival in Siem Reap.

TUESDAY 8 APRIL **B,L,D**
SIEM REAP

Early this morning we will visit Angkor Thom and Bayon, Ba Phoun, the Elephant and Leper King Terraces and the Royal Palace area. Visit the enchanting Ta Phrom Temple which is enveloped by the roots of enormous fig trees. After lunch at a

local restaurant, return to the hotel to rest. Around mid-afternoon, continue to explore magnificent Angkor Wat and remain at the site to view the sunset. We will enjoy dinner at a local restaurant, followed by a Cambodia Phare Circus show, an incredible hour of traditional and modern theatre, music, dance, acrobatic, athleticism, juggling and contortion all beautifully choreographed and performed in stories about Cambodian lives and society.

WEDNESDAY 9 MAY **B,D**
SIEM REAP

This morning take a private guided coach drive to visit the Angkor Silk Farm, an extensive and well documented foundation that gives excellent insight into how silk is traditionally made in Cambodia. The farm supports vulnerable women to make a living for their families. Follow each step of the silk process, from growing the mulberry trees to providing the essential ingredients to grow and feed silkworms. There are craftswomen at work allowing you to observe how silk is processed traditionally. They remove the silk thread from the cocoons and work the thread prior

to weaving. An on-site shop allows you to bring home some memorable souvenirs or gifts for your loved ones back home. Then, head to Artisans d'Angkor, back in Siem Reap. The focus is on training unschooled rural youth in traditional handicraft skills, and provides the opportunity to watch the artists work on a guided tour. Ancient techniques are still practiced such as wood and stone carving, lacquering, gilding and silk painting. Learn about the overall operations and their goals for the future. You will also learn more about the artisans' backgrounds and how this training has helped them to get a head start in life. We will then bid farewell to the artisans and return to our hotel, for an afternoon at leisure. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

THURSDAY 10 MAY **B**
SIEM REAP - AUSTRALIA

This morning is at leisure, as we prepare to fly back to Australia today.

FRIDAY 11 MAY
ARRIVE TASMANIA

Today we arrive home and say goodbye to our new found friends.



TOUR PRICE

Twin Share \$6780 per person
ex Tasmania

Single Supplement additional \$1980
(Limited availability)

While this pricing is current as of August 2017,
fluctuating fuel surcharges, currency exchange
rates and taxes may result in an increased cost.
Airfare upgrades available. Price on application.

INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST*

- Economy class airfare ex Hobart including all fees, taxes and levies
- Meals as specified (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- Entrance fees to all specified attractions
- All excursions as stated in the itinerary
- Tour escort from Hobart
- Gratuities

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST

- Meals other than mentioned
- Local airport departure taxes (if applicable)
- Laundry, telephone calls, beverages, and other expenditure of a personal nature
- Any services other than mentioned
- Travel Insurance



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

TOUR PAYMENTS A deposit of \$1500pp is due within 7 days of booking. The full payment is due not later than 9 February 2018.

CANCELLATIONS Deposits are strictly non-refundable. Cancellation fees may also apply to any additional services, reserved prior to, during and after the tour. Notice of all cancellations must be made in writing to Andrew Jones Travel on or before final payment due date 9 February 2018. Loss of deposits. After final payment due date: 100% of total price. Cancellation fees also apply to any additional services, reserved prior to, during and after the vacation.

If flight changes, including flight cancellations, are requested, revision fees or airline cancellation fees will apply. Andrew Jones Travel Pty. Ltd. and the carriers, accommodations, and other suppliers providing tour services shall all be known as the 'Operators' and reserve the right to cancel or re-schedule any vacation departure. If cancellation is made prior to departure of the tour, the only responsibility of the Operators will be to refund to the passenger the amount we have received for the reservation. We will try to re-book the same vacation with a different departure date, or a similar tour. Where the Operators have confirmed flights, we will try to confirm air seats for the selected new dates, subject to availability. The Operators cannot assume responsibility for any additional costs or any fees relating to the issuance and/or cancellation of air tickets or other travel arrangements.

REVISION FEES A fee of \$150 per transaction will be charged for any alteration or revision made to a reservation, plus any additional costs from Operators. Airline penalties may also apply. A change to traveller name, vacation date or tour itinerary at any time will be treated as a cancellation and new reservation; standard cancellation fees apply.

PARTICIPATION For the benefit of everyone on your holiday, the Operators reserve the right to accept or reject any person as a holiday participant, and to remove from the tour any participant whose conduct is deemed incompatible with the interests of the other participants.

TRAVELLERS WHO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE You must report any disability requiring special attention to Andrew Jones Travel at the time the reservation is made. All travellers must be able to handle their own suitcase. The Operators will make reasonable attempts to accommodate the special needs of disabled travellers, but is not responsible in the event it is unable to do so, nor is it responsible for any denial of services by carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other independent suppliers. Most transportation services, including the touring motor coach, are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance to a tour participant for walking, dining, getting on and off motor coaches and other vehicles, or other personal needs. A qualified and physically able companion must accompany travellers who need such assistance, and must assume total responsibility for the handicapped participants well-being. Motorised scooters are unsuitable for touring vacations in this brochure.

SMOKING Smoking is not allowed on transportation or accommodations.

PRICE GUARANTEE Air tickets booked via Andrew Jones Travel are guaranteed when we receive full payment. This does not include any Government/airport tax increases and currency fluctuations. Vacation prices are per person, based on two persons sharing a room. Single room supplements are listed where applicable.

ACCOMMODATIONS The accommodations listed in this brochure are intended to be used on this departure; however, if a change becomes necessary for any reason, the accommodations substituted will be equivalent in standard to those shown. Every effort is made to reserve your preferred room request. It may occasionally happen that an accommodation provides some double-bedded or twin-bedded rooms, as room configuration is at the discretion of individual hotels. Please note that accommodation check-in times vary worldwide. Paying for a single supplement ensures own room, not necessarily a twin bedded room.

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE Portage for one suitcase on vacation is included in the tour price. Airport portage at beginning and end of the vacation is not included. Due to limited coach capacity, this single bag should have dimensions not exceeding 76x53x28cm (30x21x11"). We regret we are unable to accept a second suitcase, or any luggage exceeding these limits. Please talk to your agent for baggage weight restrictions. We recommend you consult your air carrier as size and weight limitations vary from airline to airline and even according to destination, and are becoming more restrictive. The Operators are not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers. Regulations within most airports require that travellers handle their own luggage through customs.

Your carry-on bag should not exceed the dimensions of 30x28x14cm (12x11x6"). For safety reasons wheeled carry-on bags are not suitable as hand luggage on motor coaches and mini-buses.

No responsibility is accepted for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the tour participant's belongings.

Baggage insurance is recommended.

DINING A restaurant or date of a dinner may be substituted at any time due to reasons beyond the Operators' control.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE Airport taxes which are payable directly at the airport: passports; visas and vaccinations, tips to local city guides or staff; laundry, telephone, mini bar, alcohol beverages and food not on the regular table d'hôte menu (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel or restaurant); optional excursions; travel insurance, excess baggage fees; all other items of a personal nature.

HOLIDAYS During local or national holidays, certain facilities such as museums and restaurants, sightseeing tours and shopping may be limited or not available. Alternatives will be offered whenever possible.

SAFETY Please be aware that during your participation in vacations operated by the Operators, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control including, but not limited to, the hazards of travelling in undeveloped areas; travel by boat, train, automobile, aircraft or other means of transportation; the forces of nature, political unrest and accident or illness in remote regions without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. The Operators will not have liability regarding provision of medical care or the adequacy of any care that may be rendered. It is understood that the Operators will use its best efforts to ensure that adequate measures are taken.

TRAVEL INSURANCE Passengers are strongly advised to take out travel insurance to cover any unforeseen circumstances which may arise (including, but not limited to; cancellation fees, loss of luggage, early return following death of a relative as defined in the respective proposal forms). We recommend passengers investigate all Department of Foreign Affairs warnings regarding the safety of travelling to certain destinations. The Operators will not be held liable for any act of government, terrorism, revolution or other act. The Operators reserve the right to cancel the tour at any stage due to an act of government or terrorism.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS All passengers must have a valid passport with at least 6 months validity from return date. It is the responsibility of each passenger to ensure any applicable visas for all countries visited have been obtained prior to departure. Failure to obtain correct documentation will mean the passenger will be unable to participate in particular shore excursions and may be denied boarding and/or entry into certain countries. Meeting necessary passport and visa entry requirements and costs is the sole responsibility of passengers.