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2020/21

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expert travel directors
all must-see sights
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hotels

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lasting travel memories don’t have to cost the earth.

Our tours give you unbeatable value by including all the essentials and providing you with the building blocks to tailor your dream holiday.

*Cover Price based on Amazing Singapore trip.
unbeatable value

We use our expertise to organise the essentials you’ll need, and let you choose from our curated optional experiences or simply create your own adventure to tailor your tour, your way. Then, relax and leave the rest to us. We’ll take care of the logistics to make sure your holiday flows smoothly from arrival to departure.

why you’ll love us:

exceptional value
Carefully handcrafted holidays at unbeatable prices.

hassle-free travel
We take care of everything: quality hotels, transportation and all the must-see sights.

proven itineraries
Holidays specially designed by our destination experts to let you tailor your trip your way, with the perfect balance of must-see icons and optional experiences.

expert on the ground team
Highly trained, passionate Travel Directors with local expertise.

industry leaders
100 years of travel expertise as part of The Travel Corporation.

price guarantee
our unbeatable ready-to-go rate
No need to shop around. Get peace of mind knowing that our ready to go rate will never go down. But, don’t miss out, it might go up based on demand.

Go to costsavertour.com or speak to your travel agent to lock in your best price today.
discover Asia your way

our travel styles handcrafted for you

regional experiences
Immerse yourself in the diverse cultures of Asia as we take you beneath the surface to uncover the true essence of the region. You’ll be ready to go from traveller to tour guide before the trip is through.

mini breaks
Whether you’re just looking to escape for a few days or ramp up a longer trip with this as an add-on, our mini breaks give you a taste of the destination, showing you the highlights and must-see sights but leaving you plenty of time to explore on your own.
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10 handcrafted itineraries

Choose your Asia adventure, then leave the rest to us.

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Drawing on our century of expertise as industry leaders, we organise the following essentials to make sure you experience the best Asia has to offer. No matter which of the 8 alluring destinations across Asia you choose, we’ve got you covered.

**your perfectly designed itinerary**

Forget picking hotels and researching local attractions, we do the legwork for you. Guests love our specially crafted, tested and proven itineraries so much, we’ve been awarded the 5* GOLD Trusted Service from FEEFO every year since 2015.

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**4 & 3 star hotels**

We’ve handpicked the perfect accommodation in each destination. Here are just a few examples of the places you’ll stay: The Rembrandt, Holiday Inn, Ibis, Novotel Nha Trang (below).

always included

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Our Travel Directors know Asia like the back of their hands and are always around to point you in the right direction.

always included

**tastes to savour**

With breakfasts included in every trip, dinners on most itineraries plus insider tips from our team on the best local eateries, mealtimes are always a treat.

always included

**all the must see’s**

We make sure you won’t miss a single must-see icon on your Asia holiday. You’ll also have plenty of time to explore on your own or add on our hand-picked optional experiences to tailor the perfect trip.

always included

**the best way to get around**

Don’t get lost on unfamiliar roads or struggle to navigate local traffic, we’ve made transportation a treat with our luxury coaches. With air-conditioning, comfortable seats, it’s not hard to see why we’ve been deemed the best in travel.

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your holiday, your way

With all the essentials covered and planning done, you have the ultimate flexibility to discover Asia your way.

Our range of handcrafted optional experiences have been specially designed to make each destination come alive. It’s a choose your own adventure, like only we can provide.

Here is just a sample of what you can experience:

- **go tribal in Thailand**
  - **HILL TRIBE VISIT**
  - Visit the Baan Tong Luang village, home to some of the Long Neck Karen tribe originally from Myanmar, and learn about the costumes, traditions and rituals of this ancient community.
  - available on iconic Thailand

- **make your mark in Japan**
  - **INK MAKING EXPERIENCE**
  - Journey to Nara to learn about ‘bokusho’, the ancient art of ink making. Pay close attention as the skilled artisans knead and mould handcrafted ink sticks, then try your hand at making your own.
  - available on Japan discovery

- **time travel in Thailand**
  - **JIM THOMPSON’S HOUSE**
  - Boasting an astounding collection of south east asian art, this magnificent building formerly owned by WWII intelligence agent Jim Thompson is also an exquisite example of traditional Thai residential architecture.
  - available on Thai and Malaysian odyssey

- **enjoy a cruise then dinner with a view**
  - **CRUISE AND DINNER**
  - Take advantage of the complimentary bar as you cruise Victoria harbour, then drive up to Victoria Peak to feast like a king at one of the highest restaurants in Hong Kong.
  - available on Hong Kong highlights

- **dine your way through Old Delhi**
  - **OLD DELHI FOOD TOUR**
  - Wander through the maze of old Delhi’s spice market tasting exotic pickles and sampling edible silver, then enjoy lunch with a local family at their haveli (traditional townhouse) with views of the city from their rooftop terrace.
  - available on highlights of India

Discover more optional experiences at: costsavertour.com
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4 generations driven by service excellence

From a single hotel in a small South African fishing village which opened its doors in 1920, today, four generations later, The Travel Corporation (TTC) celebrates 100 years of service excellence. Still family-owned and operated, the mantra ‘driven by service’ remains at the core of all 30 brands in its portfolio.

As part of TTC, Costsaver is built on this unwavering commitment to service and backed by the travel expertise of industry leaders like Luxury Gold, Uniworld and Red Carnation to offer you unparalleled holiday experiences at an unbeatable value.

making travel matter

TTC believes that travel is a gift and embraces its responsibility to make a difference in the destinations it operates in. So, when you travel with Costsaver, you can be assured you are part of this commitment to make travel a force for good. As the embodiment of this commitment, in 2009, TTC created the not-for-profit foundation TreadRight, fuelled by a mission to what it could to Make Travel Matter.

our mission is clear: to make travel a force for good.

To date, TreadRight has supported over 50 projects around the globe, focusing on three core pillars:

1. make a positive impact on people and communities
2. protect wild and marine life
3. care for the planet
unbeatable value

when you choose Costsaver – see the world your way for up to 24% less

Check out the incredible value of a 10 day Costsaver trip, leaving you more time & money to spend doing things your way.

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hotels & meals

INDEPENDENT HOLIDAY
X NZ$3014 * + tips
Spend time researching & booking hotels.

OR CHOOSE THE CS-WAY
✓ included
Hand-picked hotels with tips taken care of, as well as meals and eatery suggestions.

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sightseeing

INDEPENDENT HOLIDAY
X NZ$2488 * + tips
With no guides to help you, you’ll be waiting in line at sights.

OR CHOOSE THE CS-WAY
✓ included
See all the must-see sights with Local Specialists in certain cities.

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travel director

INDEPENDENT HOLIDAY
X time wasted
Spend time researching sights, getting directions & booking entry tickets.

OR CHOOSE THE CS-WAY
✓ included
Destination experts on hand, so you don’t have to rely on an app.

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transport

INDEPENDENT HOLIDAY
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Paying for car hire and fuel. Navigating foreign roads, tolls, barriers, highways and traffic.

OR CHOOSE THE CS-WAY
✓ included
Luxury air-conditioned coaches with all fuel, toll charges, & parking included.

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total per person

INDEPENDENT HOLIDAY
X NZ$7768

THE CS-WAY
✓ NZ$5925*

*Based on Japan Discovery.
valued guest reviews

don’t just take our word for it

We love and believe so much in what we do, we are 100% transparent and ask each guest to provide feedback on a third-party site, FEEDO. We encourage you to check out all our travellers’ independent, unedited ratings and reviews at costavertour.com/reviews

Here’s just three of over 10,000 reasons why our guests keep coming back for more:

EVERYTHING WAS PERFECT AND RAN SMOOTHLY AND PUNCTUALLY
This was our first time using Costsaver. I felt Hong Kong highlights would be a good trip to try Costsaver for and it was. The airport pickup was perfect. They were there right on time and it was easy. The tours were great! We added on some extra tours and they were all perfect. All of the transfers and tour guides were good. The hotel they offered was wonderful, easy and was in a good location for tourists in a very accessible and walk-able location. The add-on tours were all good. The tour guides and offerings were all as described and exactly what we wanted and expected. Would recommend and will use again!

HONG KONG HIGHLIGHTS
Renee R. from USA

THE TOUR GUIDE WE HAD IN VIETNAM WAS FABULOUS
Overall I was happy with the service I received. I would use Costsaver’s services in the future and would recommend them to others. All the hotels were very nice. The tour guide we had in Vietnam was fabulous.

VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA ADVENTURE
Janice Lynne S. from Canada

LOTS OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE HISTORY CULTURE AND CUSTOMS OF JAPAN
I found the tour director to be excellent. Not only did she have lots of information about the history culture and customs of Japan she went out of her way to help people on the tour with any particular problems they had. The drivers were good, we only had one local guide but he was very informative, the hotel and restaurant were very polite and helpful, and very welcoming.

JAPAN DISCOVERY
Brenda A. from Australia
your year round offers

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Receive up to 2.5% off when you book more than one Costsaver trip.

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solo travellers
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book early
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YOUR TRAVEL STYLE
Regional

Essentials highlights

- **TOKYO** Visit the Tokyo Metropolitan Observatory, Meiji Jingu Shinto Shrine and Nakamise shopping street
- **MT. FUJI** Drive up to 5th Station for panoramic views
- **HAKONE** View Mt. Fuji and Lake Ashi from the Komagatake Ropeway
- **KYOTO** Visit Kinkakuji Temple and the Heianjingu Shrine
- **KURASHIKI** Sightseeing with a Local Specialist includes a visit to the Kurashiki Bikan Historical Quarter
- **HIROSHIMA** Visit Itsukushima Shrine on Miyajima island, and the Peace Memorial Park and Museum
- **HIMEJI** Visit Himeji Castle and a sake brewery on route to Osaka
YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS

- 9 Nights accommodation
- 9 Breakfasts
- 4 Dinners
- Start: Tokyo
- End: Osaka
- Trip code: JPDI

FROM NZ$5395

*PER PERSON TWIN SHARE

Day 1 ARRIVE TOKYO
- Welcome to dazzling, futuristic Tokyo, Japan’s incredible capital city. One of the most culturally rich cities on earth, Tokyo is the kind of place where every day is a new adventure, and where no two neighbourhhoods are the same. Arriving today board your shuttle bus from Tokyo Narita or Haneda Airport. This evening meet up with your Travel Director and fellow explorers for your first taste of Japanese cuisine. (D) Hotel: Shimbashi Atagoya Tokyo Rei

Day 2 TOKYO SIGHTSEEING
- Today’s sightseeing tour will kick off 243 metres above ground at the Tokyo Metropolitan Observatory. Step inside a forested inner-city oasis at the Meiji Jingu Shinto Shrine and then visit Asakusa for a glimpse of Old Tokyo. This afternoon and evening it’s all about tailoring your trip your way. Perhaps take advantage of our optional visit to the Tokyo National Museum and this evening, you could choose to dine local style with dinner at a traditional izakaya (Japanese pub). (B)

Day 3 MT. FUJI AND HAKONE SIGHTSEEING
- You may have seen glimpses of its snowcapped peaks but today you’ll get up close to iconic Mt. Fuji. Driving up to the 5th Station (weather permitting), catch your breath as you take it all in from 2300 metres above sea level, then travel along the Komagatake Ropeway for incredible views of Lake Ashi. Driving back through Hakone, enjoy the incomparable mountain views before heading back to the city for your last night in Tokyo. (B)

Day 4 TOKYO - KYOTO
- You’ll board the bullet train this morning and travel towards Kyoto at speeds of up to 320 kilometres per hour. Starting your sightseeing tour at the Golden Pavilion of Kinkaku-ji, you’ll then visit the stunning Heian-jingu shrine together with its 25 metre high torii gate. From here it will be on to a traditional handicraft centre to browse the Japanese crafts, then dinner tonight will be at a local restaurant. (B, D) Hotel: Kyoto Annex Tower

Day 5 KYOTO FREE DAY
- Today is yours to explore. Some options to consider include a visit to Fushimi Inari Shrine, where thousands of orange Vermilion torii gates stretch up the thickly wooded mountain. (B)

Day 6 KYOTO - KURASHIKI - HIROSHIMA
- Your first stop today will be Kurashiki, where you’ll meet up with a Local Specialist for a tour around this historic city. Here, you’ll visit the Kurashiki Museum of Modern Art and browse the historic Bikan Quarter before heading on to Hiroshima. Respectfully remembering its catastrophic past whilst looking to the future with optimism, Hiroshima today is a thriving cosmopolitan city with a lot to offer. Tonight, tuck in to okonomiyaki, a type of Japanese savoury pancake and a Hiroshima speciality. (B, D) Hotel: Oriental

Day 7 HIROSHIMA SIGHTSEEING
- Today’s sightseeing will begin with a ferry ride to the gorgeous island of Miyajima, where you’ll see the famous orange torii gate. From here it will be on to a traditional handicraft centre. From here you’ll then visit the Peace Memorial Museum. Your tour will end at the UNESCO listed Peace Memorial, then this afternoon perhaps opt to join our ‘Secrets of Hiroshima’ Optional Experience. (B)

Day 8 HIROSHIMA - HIMEJI
- Heading on from Hiroshima, this morning you’ll journey on to Himeji. Known as the White Heron Castle, this site is widely considered Japan’s most spectacular castle and looking up at its vast size, beauty and immaculate gardens, it won’t be hard to see why. (B, D) Hotel: Nikko Himeji

Day 9 HIMEJI - OSAKA
- Start as you mean to go on today with a visit to a sake brewery accompanied by a Local Specialist. Learn about the history and brewing process of Japan’s national drink before heading on to Osaka, a spirited and liberal city. With an afternoon free, perhaps take advantage of our optional trip to the Umeda Sky Building and Osaka Castle. This evening and to see out your trip in style, perhaps opt to join our foodie inspired trip to Namba, for a final feast of local delights. (B) Hotel: Osaka Daiichi

Day 10 DEPART OSAKA
- Culturally satisfied, today your trip will come to an end. As you head for the airport for your onward flight, we hope you’re leaving with big smiles courtesy of Japan’s faultless hospitality. Bon voyage! (B)

YOUR TAILORED OPTIONS

HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNFORGETTABLE AS YOU ARE.

- TOKYO NATIONAL MUSEUM AND SHOPPING
- Visit the Tokyo National Museum to browse collections of Japanese art and archaeological objects then visit the shopping districts of AmeYoko and Ginza.

- SECRETS OF HIROSHIMA
- Start off with a lunch of oysters, sashimi, miso soup and rice followed by visits to the Shukkeien Japanese Garden and Hiroshima Castle.

- DINNERS IN Dotonbori
- Visit Namba, Osaka’s dining and entertainment hub, for a final night feast of local delights.

Check online for a range of crafted optional experiences to customise your trip: costsavertour.com/tours/japan-discovery

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All prices are per person, twin share.

Single Rooms: On all itineraries single rooms are available to book at a supplement. See costsavertour.com for pricing.

Arrival transfers are included from Tokyo Narita and Tokyo Haneda Airports by airport shuttle bus service.

Departure transfers are included to Kansai International and Osaka Itami Airports by airport shuttle bus service.

IMPORTANT INFO & FINER DETAILS

Airport Transfers: Complimentary transfers are included. See page 34 for details.

Visas: Generally not required for Japan but please contact your travel agent for more information.

Trip code: JPDI

KEY: B Breakfast L Lunch D Dinner € No. of nights

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Essentials highlights

- **BEIJING** Visit the Great Wall of China at Juyongguan, Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden city
- **XI’AN** Visit the Terracotta Warriors
- **YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE** Sail through the Three Gorges; the narrow Qutang Gorge, Wu Gorge and Xiling Gorge
- **SHANGHAI** Visit the Bund, a Silk Factory Outlet and Nanjing Road

12 DAYS 1 COUNTRY FROM NZ$330 PER DAY*
YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS

- 11 Nights accommodation
- 11 Breakfasts
- 5 Lunches
- 4 Dinners
- Start: Beijing
- End: Shanghai
- Trip code: CLIC

FROM NZ$3950
*PER PERSON Twin SHARE

BEST PRICE READY TO GO GUARANTEE

Day 1 ARRIVE BEIJING
Welcome to China’s sprawling, innovative and ancient capital, Beijing. An impressive six UNESCO World Heritage sites can all be found here, not to mention modern masterpieces like the CCTV Building and the Galaxy Soho. Arriving today, transfer to your hotel and meet up with your Travel Director for a welcome dinner this evening. (D) Hotel: Sunworld

Day 2 BEIJING SIGHTSEEING
Today’s sightseeing tour will kick off in the world’s largest public square, Tiananmen Square, followed by the UNESCO listed Forbidden City, an impeccably preserved complex of courtyards and palaces ringed by scarlet coloured citadell walls. This afternoon enjoy some time at leisure and perhaps explore the hutongs that crisscross the city. This evening you could opt to join us for the spectacular ‘Legend of Kung Fu’ show. (B)

Day 3 BEIJING AND THE GREAT WALL
Today’s the day you’ll be able to tick off ‘visiting the Great Wall of China’; the country’s greatest feat of engineering and the finest relic of China’s Ming Dynasty. Be sure to make the most of this experience before stopping for lunch. This evening why not see out your time in Beijing with our optional dinner, a banquet including Beijing Kao Ya (Peking Duck). (B, L)

Day 4 BEIJING - XI’AN
Waking up to a final free morning in Beijing, consider joining our optional trip to the UNESCO listed Temple of Heaven, one of the country’s most important Imperial temples. This afternoon catch a flight to the historical city of Xi’an and later with some time to yourself, perhaps head out to explore the busy lanes of the Muslim Quarter. (B) Hotel: Gaoushendou

Day 5 XI’AN SIGHTSEEING
One of the greatest archaeological discoveries of recent times, today you’ll visit the thousands of stone warriors that comprise the Terracotta Army. Standing in battle formation and silently guarding the body of China’s first emperor for an astounding 2000 years, learn about their discovery and history of the army. This evening you could choose to join our Tang Dynasty dinner and show. (B, L)

Day 6 XI’AN - CHONGQING - YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE
Heading for the airport this morning, you’re bound for the booming city of Chongqing. Catch your first glimpse of the longest river in Asia as you arrive, then after dinner get even better acquainted as you board your river cruise ship, your home for the next three nights. (B, D) Hotel: Victoria Lianna (cruise ship)

Day 7 YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE
Today you’ll visit Baoshan, an incredible 12 storey, 56 metre high wooden pagoda built on the top of a cliff. Cruising on next to the shrines and monasteries of Fengdu’s ‘Ghost City’, a two-thousand-year-old complex dedicated to the afterlife, explore the vividly depicted images of hell before retiring back to the ship for some relaxing on-deck. (B, L, D)

Day 8 YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE
The scenery gets even more beautiful today as you cruise through the beautiful Yangtze Gorges region. Hold your breath as you squeeze through the Qutang Gorge, then breathe a sigh of relief as you enter the Wu Gorge, where you’ll board a small motor boat to visit Goddess Stream, a place that absolutely lives up to its otherworldly name. Back on board, carry on to the final gorge, Xiling, another beautiful area of karst caves and soaring cliff edges. (B, L, D)

Day 9 YICHANG - SHANGHAI
Make an early start this morning and ascend to the top deck of the cruise ship to enjoy the views of the vast Three Gorges Dam – the largest dam in the world. After disembarkation at Maoping Port there is another great photo opportunity to get shots of the Dam before transferring to Yichang Airport to catch your flight to the stunning city of Shanghai. (B) Hotel: Ocean

Day 10 SHANGHAI SIGHTSEEING
Today’s sightseeing tour starts off at The Bund, the city’s waterfront hub where art deco and neoclassical buildings rub shoulders with monolithic skyscrapers. Continue on to a silk museum, then stop off at Shanghai’s premium shopping destination, Nanjing Road. This evening perhaps opt to join our visit to a daring acrobatics show. (B, L)

Day 11 SHANGHAI FREE DAY
For your last day in China may choose to take our optional trip to the ancient water town of Zhubiaojiao where its 36 bridges built during the Ming and Qing Dynasties. Or if you prefer to explore on your own, you could head to the Old Town for a glimpse of Shanghai of old or visit Yuyuan Garden; a true delight with its shady alcoves and fish filled pools. (B)

Day 12 DEPART SHANGHAI
Saying goodbye to your fellow travellers and transferring on to Shanghai International Airport, today you’ll catch your onward flight to your next destination. (B)

YOUR TAILORED OPTIONS

HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE:

- **LEGEND OF KUNG FU SHOW**
  Mixing traditional martial arts with modern theatre, watch as Kung Fu artists from all over China display an art form that is utterly synonymous with Chinese culture.

- **TANG DYNASTY DINNER AND SHOW**
  Dine on a delicious dumpling banquet, then enjoy the vibrant costumes, colourful dances and traditional music of this eight part show that brings to life the culture and lifestyle of the great Tang Dynasty.

- **ZHUJIAJIAO EXPERIENCE**
  Visit the ancient water town of Zhubiaojiao where historical buildings such as the Qing dynasty post office can still be found. Stroll through the narrow lanes and get a taste of the local food during the included lunch.

Check online for a range of crafted optional experiences to customise your trip: costsavertour.com/tours/iconic-china-with-yangtze-cruise

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IMPORTANT INFO & FINE DETAIL

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**Flights:** Prices include internal airfares and taxes for flights: Beijing to Xi’an, Xi’an to Chongqing and Yichang to Shanghai and are accurate as of 1st June 2019.

**Visas:** are required for China. Please contact your travel agent for more information.

**Trip code:** CLIC
Vietnam and Cambodia Adventure

YOUR TRAVEL STYLE
Regional

Essentials highlights

- **HANOI** Visit Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda and Ho Chi Minh's house
- **HALONG** Sightseeing cruise in Halong Bay including a cooking demonstration on board, a visit to Vung Vieng fishing village and a T'ai-chi session
- **HOI AN** Spend the day exploring this ancient town
- **NHA TRANG** Cruise to Mun island, enjoy snorkeling in crystal clear water
- **HO CHI MINH CITY** Visit Cú Chi Tunnels and enjoy a free day exploring the city
- **SIEM REAP** Visit Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom and the markets in the Old Town

14 DAYS
2 COUNTRIES
FROM NZ$268
PER DAY*
YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS

- 13 Nights accommodation
- 13 Breakfasts
- 2 Lunches
- 6 Dinners
- Start: Hanoi
- End: Siem Reap
- Trip code: CTVV

FROM NZ$3750

• PER PERSON
• TWIN SHARE

Day 1 ARRIVE HANOI
Lively, welcoming and fast-paced, Hanoi is a city that's constantly on the move, heartily embracing the future whilst still offering architectural glimpses of the past. Arriving today you'll transfer to your hotel then this evening meet up with your Travel Director and fellow guests for your first taste of Vietnamese cuisine at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2 HANOI SIGHTSEEING
Start this morning's sightseeing tour at Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum, where you'll learn about Vietnam's revolutionary former leader before heading on to visit his traditional stilt house. Next up will be the lotus blossom shaped One Pillar Pagoda, before continuing on to the French built Hanoi Lay Prison. Foodies, this afternoon you could opt to join a locally led walking tour to sample some of Hanoi's best bites. (B)

Day 3 HANOI - HALONG BAY
Swapping concrete jungles for shimmering seas, today you'll head to the soaring limestone pillars of iconic Halong Bay. Boarding your traditional junk boat you'll set sail for Bai Tu Long Bay. Dropping anchor at Thien Canh Son Cave, admire the stalactites hanging from the cave ceiling before returning to the boat for an on-board cooking demonstration and a fragrant dinner feast. (B, L, D) Hotel: Huong Hai Seafare Cruise

Day 4 HALONG BAY - HANOI - DANANG - HOI AN
Start off today with an on-deck Tai-Chi session, before visiting the floating fishing village of Van Vieng. Take in the beauty of the boats and the quiet culture of the community who live and work on the water before returning to Halong Bay. Heading back to Hanoi to catch your flight to Danang, you'll then transfer to the historic, laid back and beautiful Hoi An. (B, D) Hotel: Hoi An Historic

Day 5 HOI AN SIGHTSEEING
Start off today with a sightseeing tour of Hoi An with visits to the pretty 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge, the Assembly Hall of the Chaozhou Chinese Congregation, and the colourful market. With an afternoon to tailor your trip your way, you could choose to cycle around Hoi An's delightful countryside, or perfect your Vietnamese cookery skills by joining an optional cooking class led by a local chef. (B)

Day 6 HOI AN - DANANG - NHA TRANG 2
From one idyllic setting to the next, this morning you'll be jetting off to the golden sands, tropical islands and turquoise waters of Nha Trang. After settling into your hotel enjoy some free time to relax on the beach or perhaps take a stroll along the promenade. This evening enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Nha Trang

Day 7 NHA TRANG SIGHTSEEING
Pack your sun cream this morning as you'll be boarding a cruise to Mun Island, diving into the turquoise water to explore Vietnam's first Marine Protected Area. Home to 1500 species of fish, take your time unearthing this beautiful underwater world before cruising to a nearby island for lunch. Once back at Nha Trang, the afternoon is yours to enjoy as you please. (B, L)

Day 8 NHA TRANG - HO CHI MINH CITY 3
Catch your flight to the bright lights of Ho Chi Minh City. Formerly known as Saigon it is a place that throbs with life and boasts one of the best street food scenes in the world. Settle into your hotel, then this evening head out with your fellow guests for a tasty local dinner in a charming traditional restaurant. (B, D) Hotel: Saigon Prince

Day 9 HO CHI MINH CITY SIGHTSEEING
The Cu Chi Tunnels are first up this morning, where you'll visit a small portion of the 250km network of underground tunnels that were built by Vietnamese fighters in 1948. Heading back to the city, you'll view the Neo-Romanesque Notre Dame Cathedral, the striking French built Central Post Office, and the former Presidential Palace, a feat of classic 1960's architecture. Later experience the true street coffee culture while having a quick Vietnamese language lesson to cover the basics. (B)

Day 10 HO CHI MINH CITY FREE DAY
There's plenty of possibilities for explorers today. History fans should make a bee-line for the War Remnants Museum, whilst a visit to the Jade Emperor Pagoda would reward you with one of the most atmospheric temples in the city. Looking to swap city scenes for lush rice paddies? Perhaps choose to join our optional full day trip to the Mekong Delta. (B)

Day 11 HO CHI MINH CITY - SIEM REAP 3
It's a happy hello to Cambodia this morning as you catch a flight to Siem Reap, the gateway town to the ancient city of Angkor Wat. After checking in to your hotel, head out to explore the lively market scene, making a bee-line for the historic Old Market to browse for textiles, paintings and sculptures before indulging on some delicious Khmer cuisine over a tasty dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Somadevi Angkor Resort & Spa

Day 12 SIEM REAP SIGHTSEEING
Few travel experiences on earth can match the first time you lay eyes on Angkor Wat. Learn about the great Khmer Empire as you explore the intricately carved hallways, then head on to the walled city of Angkor Thom to explore the Bayon Temple and the Terrace of the Elephants. Perhaps take advantage of our optional visit to Ta Prohm Temple, best known as the filming location for ‘Tomb Raider’, or alternatively treat yourself to a lazy afternoon by the hotel pool. (B)

Day 13 SIEM REAP FREE DAY
With the day yours to explore your way perhaps head back to the markets for some last-minute gift shopping, sample the delicious street food offerings or get to know Siem Reap's artistic side on an optional tour of the town's best workshops and galleries. Tonight, perhaps celebrate your final night by joining our optional dinner and Apsara dance show. (B)

Day 14 DEPART SIEM REAP
You've explored ancient temples, snorkelled in waters brimming with marine life, and eaten lots of delicious Vietnamese Pro, but today your adventure will finally come to an end. Transferring to Siem Reap International Airport, you'll travel on to your next destination. (B)

YOUR TAILORED OPTIONS

HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE;

- AFTERNOON FOODIE TOUR
  Led by a local food expert, slurp Pho Ga, sample Banh Duc and devour Com cake whilst exploring the sights, smells and flavours of the Old Town.

- EXPLORE THE MEKONG DELTA
  Pass by the stilts houses and fish farms of the Mekong Delta, then hop on board a rowing sampan as you slowly weave through the network of small canals whilst sipping honey tea. Lunch is also included, a feast of local specialities that will fill you to the brim.

- DINNER WITH APSARA DANCE SHOW
  Enjoy a wonderful dinner accompanied by traditional Apsara dancing which in Cambodia is believed to date back to the 7th century. Step back in time as the dancers and musicians bring the ancient Khmer culture to life while enjoying some local cuisine.

Check online for a range of crafted optional experiences to customise your trip: costsavertour.com/tours/vietnam-and-cambodia-adventure

IMPORTANT INFO & FINER DETAILS

Airport Transfers: Complimentary transfers are included. See page 34 for details.

Flights: Prices include international airfares and taxes for flights: Hanoi to Danang, Danang to Nha Trang, Nha Trang to Ho Chi Minh City, Ho Chi Minh City to Siem Reap and are accurate as of 1st June 2019.

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Essentials highlights

- **BANGKOK** Visit Wat Pho and the Grand Palace, observe local life along the canals during a khlong tour
- **CHIANG RAI** Visit Wat Phra Kaew and see the city’s iconic clock tower
- **GOLDEN TRIANGLE** Visit the Hall of Opium, take a boat trip along the Mekong River, visit a local market in Laos
- **CHIANG MAI** Visit the handicraft area of Sankamphaeng, the Night Market and the temples of Wat Phra Singh and Wat Doi Suthep

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YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS

- 8 Nights accommodation
- 8 Breakfasts
- 4 Lunches
- 2 Dinners
- Start: Bangkok
- End: Chiang Mai
- Trip code: CSOI
- FROM NZ$2325

Day 1 ARRIVE BANGKOK

- ‘Sawadee ka’ and welcome to Thailand!
- Your trip will kick off in buzzy Bangkok, a cosmopolitan delight boasting all the mod cons and bustling malls of any capital city, but with a distinctly exotic Thai flourish. After transferring to your hotel, you’ll later meet up with your Travel Director to learn the lay of the land, then dinner tonight will be your first chance to sample Thailand’s amazing cuisine whilst getting to know the rest of your group. (D) Hotel: Rembrandt Bangkok

Day 2 BANGKOK SIGHTSEEING

- Today’s sightseeing will start off at Bangkok’s most ancient temple, Wat Pho, where you’ll visit the Reclining Buddha before continuing on to the dazzling Grand Palace, a former royal residence that never ceases to amaze. Stopping for lunch at a local restaurant, this afternoon you’ll then take a private boat to explore the maze of canals, known locally as klongs, you’ll then pass by traditional family homes on stilts. Later today you’ll also have the chance to join our optional visit to Jim Thompson’s House, which is tucked away in the mountains. Stay overnight at your hotel. (B, L)

Day 3 BANGKOK FREE DAY

- Bangkok, your exploring options are limitless and this is your free day to tailor your way.

Day 4 BANGKOK - CHIANG RAI

- Enjoy a late start this morning before heading to Bangkok Airport to catch a flight bound for the diverse, delightful city of Chiang Rai. Your city tour later today will tick off the headlines including Wat Phra Kaew temple, the original home of the Emerald Buddha, plus the golden clock tower at an icon of Chiang Rai that was designed by a local Thai artist and unveiled in 2008. Dinner tonight will offer a chance to sample Chiang Rai’s culinary delights. (B, D) Hotel: Laluna Resort

Day 5 GOLDEN TRIANGLE SIGHTSEEING

- First up today will be a visit to the Hall of Opium in the heart of the Golden Triangle. Boasting state of the art exhibitions and a tiny opium plantation, the museum paints a vivid picture of the conflicts, rituals and abuse that have all stemmed from opium, a trade that has digged this region in the past century. Stopping for lunch at a local restaurant, you’ll then board a boat and travel along the Mekong River to the exact spot where the borders of Thailand, Myanmar (Burma) and Laos collide. Peruse the handicrafts on offer at the Don Sao Island Markets in Laos, before heading back to your hotel. (B, L)

Day 6 CHIANG RAI - CHIANG MAI

- Your first stop today will be the white temple of Wat Kong Khun, young by Thai temple standards at just over 20 years old. Take your time exploring before heading on for a quick toe dip at the Mae Kajaen Hot Springs. After lunch at a local restaurant, put your bartering skills to the test and shop for traditional local handicrafts at San Kamphaeng Road. This evening head out with the group to explore the legendary Chiang Mai Night Market. (B, L) Hotel: Holiday Inn Chiang Mai

Day 7 CHIANG MAI SIGHTSEEING

- Enjoy a later start this morning before exploring the city centre by samlor (rickshaw), stopping by the revered temple of Wat Phra Singh to explore its lavish buildings and visit the famous Buddha known as Phra Singh. Fueling up on a lunch of khao soi, this afternoon enjoy some down time before heading to Wat Doi Suthep, which is tucked away in the mountains. Stay overnight at your hotel. (B, L)

Day 8 CHIANG MAI FREE DAY

- Your day your way is what today is all about. For those looking to explore the lush greenery that surrounds Chiang Mai, opt to join our visit to Baan Tong Luang Village, the home of the Long Neck Karen hill tribe of Myanmar. Foodies, you’ll no doubt want to join our optional Thai cooking class for a chance to prepare your very own Thai feast using fresh and local ingredients, taught by the experts. (B)

Day 9 DEPART CHIANG MAI

- You’ve explored countless temples, tasted all manner of Thai cuisine and experienced the joys of Thai hospitality, so we hope you’re leaving with a big Thailand induced smile on your face! Transferring to Chiang Mai International Airport, you’ll catch your onward flight.

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IMPORTANT INFO & FINER DETAILS

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Flights: Prices include internal airfares and taxes for the flight from Bangkok to Chiang Mai and are accurate as of 4th June 2019.

Visas: Visas are generally not required for Thailand but please contact your travel agent for more information. Visas are not required for the short visit to Laos.

Trip code: CSOI

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YOUR TAILORED OPTIONS

HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE:

- Jim Thompson’s House
  Boasting an astounding collection of Asian art, this magnificent building formerly owned by WWII intelligence agent Jim Thompson is also an exquisite example of traditional Thai architecture.

- Hill Tribe Village Experience
  Visit Baan Tong Luang Village, home to the Long Neck Karen hill tribe of Myanmar. Learn about the costumes, traditions and rituals of this ancient community.

- Thai Cooking Class
  Learn the art of Thai cooking by preparing your very own feast using fresh, local ingredients, which you’ll shop for yourself accompanied by your instructor at a local market.

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Thai and Malaysian Odyssey

YOUR TRAVEL STYLE
Regional

Essentials highlights

- **BANGKOK** Visit the Grand Palace, Chinatown and the Temple of the Golden Buddha
- **KUI BURI NATIONAL PARK** Safari drive to spot elephants, gaur and barking deer
- **TRANG** Visit Tham Le Khao Kop cave
- **LANGKAWI** Visit the stunning island
- **PENANG** Sightseeing tour of Georgetown
- **CAMERON HIGHLANDS** Visit Malaysia’s largest tea station and learn about tea growing and harvesting processes
- **KUALA LUMPUR** Visit the Petronas Towers, view the King’s Palace, the Sultan Abdul Samad Building and Royal Selangor Club

20 Elephants, Kui Buri National Park

15 DAYS 2 COUNTRIES FROM NZ$262 PER DAY*
Day 1 ARRIVE BANGKOK
'Sawadee ka' and welcome to Thailand! Your trip will kick off in buzzy Bangkok, a cosmopolitan delight boasting all the mod cons and bustling markets of any capital city, but with a distinctly exotic Thai flourish. Here, golden temples and neon clad nightclubs co-exist peacefully side by side, whilst monks stroll the streets with smartphones in hand. After transferring to your hotel you’ll meet up with your Travel Director to learn the lay of the land and dinner which will be your first chance to sample Thailand’s amazing cuisine whilst getting to know the rest of your group. (D) Hotel: Rembrandt Bangkok

Day 2 BANGKOK SIGHTSEEING
Today’s sightseeing tour will start off at the dazzling Grand Palace, where you’ll explore the intricate architecture of this sprawling royal complex, a former home to the Kings of Thailand. Heading onto the fascinating maze of streets that comprise Bangkok’s busiest neighbourhood, Chinatown, before visiting the iconic Temple of the Golden Buddha, Wat Phra Kaew. Here, take a peak at the five and a half story’s high golden Buddha, before entering the temple’s massive exterior, before finishing up at your beachside hotel for a free afternoon, dinner and another blissful evening. (B, D) Hotel: Bansaithong Beach Resort

Day 3 BANGKOK - KUI BURI - PRACHUAP KHIRI KHAN
Leaving Bangkok behind, we’re heading southbound for Kui Buri. Arriving here, we’ll meet up with our Local Specialist to discover how locals make a living by producing paper from pineapple fibres and elephant dung. Heading to the Huay Samrong Ranger Camp for a picnic lunch, we’ll jump on a 4 wheel drive vehicle and enter the Kui Buri National Park, on the look out for elephants, gaurs, barking deer and the more elusive golden jackal. Later arriving in the sleepy beach town of Prachuap Khiri Khan, check in to your hotel for an evening at leisure. Perhaps head out to a local restaurant serving up fresh seafood accompanied by the sounds of the ocean. (B, L) Hotel: Prachuap Grand

Day 4 PRACHUAP KHIRI KHAN - BANG SAPHAN NOI
From one lazy beach town to the next, today you’ll journey on to the gorgeously curved bay of Ao Manao, once a WWII battle scene between the Thai and Japanese armies. Heading on, you’ll make a stop at the mosaic covered Wat Ban Thung Khiet to admire the countless Thai coins that make up the temple’s exterior, before finishing up at your beachside hotel for a free afternoon, dinner and another blissful evening. (B, D) Hotel: Bansaithong Beach Resort

Day 5 BANG SAPHAN NOI - KRABI
First up today will be a visit to a small research centre with a Local Specialist to learn how the locals tap for rubber. After lunch you’ll then arrive amidst the limestone karsts and tropical mangroves of gorgeous Krabi. Famed for its glistening white beaches and islands off shore islands, this is the ‘Thailand of Dreams’. Checking into your hotel overlooking Ao Nang Bay, spend the rest of the day poolside or swimming in the Andaman Sea. (B, L) Hotel: Holiday Inn Express Krabi Ao Nang Beach

Day 6 KRABI FREE DAY
Waking up in paradise is a dream for many and today it’s your reality. With the day all yours, what to do first? Perhaps keep it local on the pretty and palm fringed Ao Nang Beach just a stone’s throw from your hotel, or keen to get out on the water? Why not join our Optional trip to James Bond Island on a traditional long-tail boat and enter the Kui Buri National Park, for a picnic lunch, we’ll jump on a 4 wheel drive vehicle and enter the Kui Buri National Park, on the look out for elephants, gaurs, barking deer and the more elusive golden jackal. Later arriving in the sleepy beach town of Prachuap Khiri Khan, check in to your hotel for an evening at leisure. Perhaps head out to a local restaurant serving up fresh seafood accompanied by the sounds of the ocean. (B, L) Hotel: Prachuap Grand

Day 7 KRABI - TRANG
Bidding a fond farewell to Krabi, this morning you’ll venture still further south to the cultural town of Trang. Jumping straight into the foodie scene with lunch at a local restaurant, this afternoon you’ll visit the caves of Tham Le Khao Kop to explore by boat. Covered in glorious stalactites and stalagmites, hold your breath as you thread through the narrow passages. (B, L) Hotel: Rua Rasada Trang

Day 8 TRANG - SATUN - LANGKAWI
Leaving Trang behind and driving to the port of Satun, today you’ll say a sad goodbye to Thailand but a happy hello to the iconic Temple of the Golden Buddha, Wat Phra Kaew. Here, take a peek at the five and a half story’s high golden Buddha, before entering the temple’s massive exterior, before finishing up at your beachside hotel for a free afternoon, dinner and another blissful evening. (B, D) Hotel: Prachuap Grand

Day 9 LANGKAWI FREE DAY
Your dreamy surroundings are entirely real and all yours to explore. Choose to join our optional trip to the poor and palm fringed Ao Nang Beach just a stone’s throw from your hotel, or keen to get out on the water? Why not join our Optional trip to a Butterfly Farm to wander around the island further. (B, L) Hotel: Fave

Day 10 LANGKAWI - PENANG
Board a ferry bound for the charming island of Penang. Your destination for today will be Georgetown, the diverse, multicultural and artistically inclined main town, and the kind of place where you can photograph timeless trishaws pedalling around the streets one minute, then stumble across a crumbling wall adorned with street art the next. This evening you might like to join our optional visit to the lively night market, followed by a delicious local dinner. (B) Hotel: Neo+ Penang

Day 11 PENANG - CAMERON HIGHLANDS
This morning’s sightseeing tour will start off with a drive past St. George’s Anglican Church and The Goddess of Mercy Temple, Penang’s oldest Taoist temple. Continuing on foot, you’ll then get to admire some of the incredible street art that has indisputably put Penang on the creative map. Next up will be the Chinese clan house of Khoo Kongsi, before stopping for a local lunch en route. Later visit Kuala Kangsar and its gold dome topped Masjid Ubudiah house of Khoo Kongsi, before stopping for a local lunch en route. Later visit Kuala Kangsar and its gold dome topped Masjid Ubudiah mosque, before reaching tea country, the Cameron Highlands. (B, L, D) Hotel: Heritage

Day 12 CAMERON HIGHLANDS
Wake up to views this morning of rolling green tea plantations and endless strawberry fields. At Malaysia’s largest tea station, this morning you’ll learn about the tea growing and harvesting process, sip a cup of local brew, then continue on to a Butterfly Farm to wander around large greenhouses filled with tropical butterflies. (B) Hotel: Fave

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plants and armies of butterflies. Stopping off in Tanah Rata with some free time for lunch you’ll then head back to your hotel on roads surrounded on all sides by acres upon acres of strawberry fields. (B)

**Day 13  CAMERON HIGHLANDS - KUALA LUMPUR**

Today you’ll swap rolling fields for skyscrapers as you head for Malaysia’s capital city, Kuala Lumpur. You’ll head straight for the 88 storey Petronas Towers, aka the tallest twin buildings in the world. Visit the 170 metre high Skybridge followed by the 370 metre high observation deck to enjoy the view of the city from above. Back on ground level, your city tour will then include views of the King’s Palace, the Sultan Abdul Samad Building and the Royal Selangor Club, KL’s British built cricket and social club. This evening perhaps join our optional dinner with cultural show. (B) Hotel: Dorsett Kuala Lumpur

**Day 14  KUALA LUMPUR FREE DAY**

On the final day of your trip, see out your adventure in style with the day all yours in this mega metropolis. Perhaps do some last minute shopping, wander around Chinatown or opt to join our full day trip to Malacca. Formerly ruled by the Portuguese, Dutch and British you’ll see much evidence of the town’s colonial past in its colourful buildings. This evening maybe join our Optional Experience dinner of sumptuous Asian oriental cuisine. (B)

**Day 15  DEPART KUALA LUMPUR**

Two weeks, a lot of new friends and countless happy memories later, your trip will come to an end today. Travelling from buzzing cities to sleepy fishing villages via paradisiacal islands and emerald green tea plantations, we hope you’re leaving Malaysia with full heart and big smiles. Transfer to Kuala Lumpur International Airport for your onward flight. (B)

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**YOUR TAILORED OPTIONS**

**HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE:**

- **JAMES BOND ISLAND**
  Cruise to Phang Nga Bay National Park by traditional long tail boat. Otherwise known as ‘James Bond Island’, soak up the soaring limestone vistas made famous by the 007 film ‘The Man with the Golden Gun’.

- **HISTORICAL MALACCA**
  A town formally ruled by the Portuguese, Dutch and British, explore Malacca where you’ll visit the pink coloured Stadhuys and the Cheng Hoon Teng temple before enjoying a traditional Peranakan Nyonya lunch.

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Essence of South East Asia

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Regional Explorer

Essentials highlights

- **HANOI** Visit Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda and Ho Chi Minh’s house.
- **HALONG** Sightseeing cruise in Halong Bay including a cooking demonstration on board, a visit to Vung Vieng fishing village and a Tai-chi session.
- **HOI AN** Spend the day exploring this ancient town.
- **NHA TRANG** Cruise to Mun island, enjoy snorkeling in crystal clear water.
- **HO CHI MINH CITY** Visit Cu Chi Tunnels and enjoy a free day exploring the city.
- **SIEM REAP** Visit Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom and the markets in the Old Town.
- **BANGKOK** Visit Wat Pho and the Grand Palace, observe local life along the canals during a khlong tour.
- **CHIANG RAI** Visit Wat Phra Kaew and see the city’s iconic clock tower.
- **GOLDEN TRIANGLE** Visit the Hall of Opium, take a boat trip along the Mekong River, visit a local market in Laos.
- **CHIANG MAI** Visit the handicraft area of Sankamphaeng, the Night Market and the temples of Wat Phra Singh and Wat Doi Suthep.
Day 1 | ARRIVE HANOI
Welcome to the lively city of Hanoi! You’ll know you’ve arrived as soon as you see your first scooter carrying an entire family whizz by. Although the modern world has very much arrived in Hanoi, the streets of the Old Quarter are still reminiscent of Hanoi of old. Arriving today transfer to your hotel and later meet up with your Travel Director and fellow guests for a Welcome Dinner. (D) Hotel: Silk Path

Day 2 | HANOI SIGHTSEEING
Starting off at Ho Chi Minh’s Mausoleum, learn about the legendary ‘Uncle Ho’. Vietnam’s revolutionary former leader who is embalmed here before heading on to visit his traditional stilt house. Next up is the beautiful lotus blossom shaped One Pillar Pagoda admiring the incredible stalactites that hang from the cave ceiling. Then it will be back to the boat for an on-board cooking demonstration followed by a fragrant lunch feast. (B, L, D) Hotel: Huong Hai Seafife Cruise

Day 3 | HANOI - HALONG BAY
Today you’ll travel to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Halong Bay, a true vision of beauty with its soaring limestone karsts, countless tiny inlets and dazzling emerald waters. Boarding your traditional junk boat you’ll set sail for Bai Tu Long Bay and dropping anchor at Thien Canh Son Cave admire the incredible stalactites that hang from the cave ceiling. Then it will be back to the boat for an on-deck Tai-Chi session before visiting the floating fishing village of Vung Vieng. Discover the lifestyle of this quiet community who live and work on the water. From here journey back to Ha Long Bay and on to Hanoi to catch your flight to Danang.

Day 4 | HALONG BAY - HANOI - DANANG - HOI AN
Wake up to the sound of gently lapping waves and start the day off with an on-deck Tai-Chi session before visiting the floating fishing village of Vung Vieng. Discover the lifestyle of this quiet community who live and work on the water. From here journey back to Halong Bay and on to Hanoi to catch your flight to Danang.
On arrival transfer to historic and beautiful Hoi An, your home for the next two nights. (B, D) Hotel: Hoi An Historic

Day 5 | HOI AN SIGHTSEEING
This morning’s sightseeing will visit the pretty 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge, the Assembly Hall of the Chaozhou Chinese Congregation, and the colourful market with its fragrant herbs and spices, exotic fruits and bright silks. With the afternoon free for you to explore your way, perhaps choose to join our optional cycling tour to experience Hoi An’s delightful countryside or you could join our cooking class led by a local chef. (B)

Day 6 | HOI AN - DANANG - NHA TRANG
This morning you’ll be jetting off to Nha Trang with its golden sands and turquoise waters. After settling in to your hotel the rest of your day will be entirely free to relax on the beach or take a stroll along the promenade. This evening, dinner is at a local restaurant. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Nha Trang

Day 7 | NHA TRANG SIGHTSEEING
This morning take a leisurely cruise to Mun Island, otherwise known as Ebony Island. This stunning island boasts a series of looming black rock formations that contrast perfectly against the turquoise ocean which is home to up to 1500 species of fish and other marine life. Enjoy snorkelling in the crystal clear waters and later cruise to a nearby island for lunch. Return to Nha Trang and enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure. (B, L)

Day 8 | NHA TRANG - HO CHI MINH CITY
This morning fly to Ho Chi Minh City. Formerly known as Saigon, in just one generation it has emerged as the country’s thriving commercial capital whilst the same time retaining glimpses of the past with its beautiful traditional pagodas and the museums which paint a vivid picture of past troubles. Upon arrival settle into your hotel, then this evening head out with your fellow guests for a tasty local dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Saigon Prince

Day 9 | HO CHI MINH CITY SIGHTSEEING
This morning visit the Cu Chi Tunnels for a real-life history lesson as you explore a small portion of the 250km network of underground tunnels that were built by Vietnamese fighters in 1948. Later back in the city, your sightseeing tour will include views of Notre Dame Cathedral, the Central Post Office and the former Presidential Palace. Experience the local street coffee culture while having a quick language lesson before heading back to your hotel. (B)

Day 10 | HO CHI MINH CITY FREE DAY
Today is yours to enjoy as you please. History fans might like to visit the War Remnants Museum or perhaps the Jade Emperor Pagoda, one of the most atmospheric and beautiful temples in the city. Those looking to swap city scenes for the countryside with its lush rice paddies might like to choose our optional trip to the Mekong Delta where you’ll pass by stilt houses and fish farms before enjoying a lunch feast of local specialities. (B)

Day 11 | HO CHI MINH CITY - SIEM REAP
Saying hello to Cambodia, this morning you’ll catch a flight to Siem Reap, the gateway town to the ancient city of Angkor Wat. On arrival check-in to your hotel, and later head out to visit the historic Old Market. Located in the Phsar Chas that dates back to the 1920’s, browse the stalls selling textiles, paintings, carvings and sculptures. This evening, enjoy your first taste of Khmer cuisine as we tuck into dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D) Hotel: Somadevi Angkor Resort & Spa

Day 12 | SIEM REAP SIGHTSEEING
Few travel experiences can match the first time you lay eyes on the UNESCO World Heritage listed Angkor Wat. A true expression of Khmer mastery, this inspired creation represents the very heart and soul of Cambodia and is one of the most important religious monuments in the world. You’ll learn about the great Khmer Empire as you explore before continuing on to the walled city of Angkor Thom. This afternoon you have the chance to join our optional visit to ‘Ta Prohm Temple, the location of the film ‘Tomb Raider’ or alternatively spend the afternoon relaxing afternoon by the hotel pool. (B)

Day 13 | SIEM REAP FREE DAY
With a free day to explore, shop or relax, perhaps head back to the markets for some last-minute gift shopping and a stroll around town. Alternatively get to know Siem Reap’s artistic side on an optional tour of the town’s best workshops and galleries including a visit to Artisans d’Angkor, where training and job opportunities are offered to disadvantaged young people. Tonight, perhaps celebrate your final night in Cambodia with our optional dinner and Apsara dance show. (B)

Day 14 | SIEM REAP - BANGKOK
Another day and another new country! Transfer to Siem Reap International Airport this morning and say ‘Sawadee ka’ to Thailand as you land in this cosmopolitan city where golden temples and neon clad nightclubs co-exist.
YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS

- 21 Nights accommodation
- 21 Breakfasts
- 6 Dinners
- 8 Dinners
- Start: Hanoi
- End: Chiang Mai
- Trip code: CTES

FROM NZ$6550

UNIQUE AS YOU ARE:
PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE:

- COUNTRYSIDE CYCLING TOUR
Cycle along inland trails as you experience Hoi An’s delightful countryside. Pass by quiet county villages, discover how local woodwork is made and learn the art of weaving the traditional ‘Hoi An’ sleeping mats. Check online for a range of crafted optional experiences to customise your trip.

YOUR TAILORED OPTIONS

HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE:

- Option 1: COUNTRYSIDE CYCLING TOUR
- Option 2: KAYAKING IN THE KARST SCENIC
- Option 3: CHIANG MAI SIGHTSEEING

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Day 21 CHIANG MAI FREE DAY
Your day your way is what today is all about as perhaps take the opportunity to get out of the city and venture into the tropical lush greenery on your optional visit to Baan Tong Luang Village. This ecological village is home to the Long Neck Karen hill tribe of Myanmar. This afternoon you could choose to join our optional Thai cooking class. Set within a beautiful garden on an organic farm, you’ll learn from the masters the secrets to perfecting Thai cookery by preparing your very own feast using fresh, local ingredients. (B)

Day 22 DEPART CHIANG MAI
And just like that, your Vietnam, Cambodia and Thailand journey will come to an end. You’ve explored countless temples, experienced the thrill of some of South East Asia’s most exhilarating cities and eaten an abundance of delicious cuisine and we are sure that you’ll be leaving with lots of happy memories. Transferring to Chiang Mai International Airport, you’ll catch your onward flight to your next destination. (B)

Day 15 BANGKOK SIGHTSEEING
Today’s sightseeing tour will reveal Bangkok’s finest cultural and spiritual delights. Starting off at Bangkok’s most ancient temple, Wat Pho, you’ll visit the hugely impressive Reclining Buddha, the largest in Thailand, before continuing on to the dazzling Grand Palace; a former royal residence. Stopping for lunch at a local restaurant, you’ll travel by boat along the Mekong River to the exact spot where the borders of Thailand, Myanmar (Burma) and Laos collide. Stepping onto dry land in Laos, you’ll have time to peruse the handicrafts on offer at the Don Sao Island Markets, before returning to Chiang Rai. (B, L)

Day 18 GOLDEN TRIANGLE SIGHTSEEING
Venturing into the heart of the Golden Triangle, your first stop will be at the fascinating Hall of Opium. The museum boasts state of the art exhibitions and even a tiny opium plantation that paints a vivid picture of the opium trade which has been so prevalent in the region during the past century. Stopping for lunch at a local restaurant, you’ll travel by boat along the river, passing the spectacular views of the Golden Triangle. Heading up to Wat Doi Suthep, the site of one of Thailand’s other temples that date back centuries, is just over 20 years old. Continue on for a quick refresher at the Mae Kajaen mineral waters before enjoying lunch in a local restaurant. Later put your bartering skills to test as you shop for local handicrafts in Sam Khampaeng Road. This evening, head out to explore the legendary Chiang Mai Night Market and soak up the energy of this lively city coming to life by night. (B, L) Hotel: Holiday Inn Chiang Mai

Day 20 CHIANG MAI SIGHTSEEING
Enjoy a later start this morning before hopping on board a samlor (rickshaw) to explore the bustling centre of Chiang Mai. Stopping by the city’s most revered temple, Wat Phra Singh, take in the lavish buildings and immaculate grounds. Lunch today will be a local treat of khao soi, a delicious, fragrant and spicy rice noodle soup. This afternoon enjoy some free time before heading up to Wat Doi Suthep, staying until sunset as the crowds depart to observe as the monks chant and offers prayers. (B, L)

Day 17 BANGKOK - CHIANG RAI
Enjoy a late start this morning before you head to Bangkok Airport for your flight to the delightful city of Chiang Rai. Rich in historical and spiritual offerings, your city tour today will tick off the highlights including Wat Phra Kaew temple, the original home of the famous Emerald Buddha now residing in Bangkok’s Royal Palace, plus the golden and glistening clock tower, an icon of Chiang Rai that was designed by a local Thai artist. Dinner tonight will offer a chance to sample Chiang Rai’s culinary delights at a local restaurant. (B, D) Hotel: Laluna Resort

Day 19 CHIANG RAI - CHIANG MAI
Heading out of Chiang Mai this morning, visit Wat Kong Khun, which unlike many of Thailand’s other temples that date back centuries, is just over 20 years old. Continue on for a quick refresher at the Mae Kajaen Hot Springs, dipping your toes in the warm mineral waters before enjoying lunch in a local restaurant. Later put your bartering skills to the test as you shop for local handicrafts in San Kamphaeng Road. This evening, head out to explore the legendary Chiang Mai Night Market and soak up the energy of this lively city coming to life by night. (B, L) Hotel: Holiday Inn Chiang Mai

Day 16 BANGKOK FREE DAY
Your options today are enticingly limitless and the day is yours to tailor your way. Perhaps visit a local market and then as a contrast, one of Bangkok’s glitzy shopping malls. Architecture aficionados will perhaps choose to join our optional trip to the ancient city of Ayutthaya, Thailand’s former capital city. It is a hotbed of architecture and soaked up the energy of this lively city coming to life by night. (B)

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Highlights of India

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Essentials highlights

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- **JAIPUR** Visit the Amber Fort and view the Palace of Winds
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- **AGRA** Visit the Taj Mahal at sunrise

10 DAYS
1 COUNTRY
FROM NZ$273 PER DAY*
YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS
• 9 Nights accommodation
• 9 Breakfasts
• 3 Luncens
• 4 Dinners
• Start: Delhi
• End: Delhi
• Trip code: INHI

FROM NZ$2725
*PER PERSON TWIN SHARE

Day 1 ARRIVE DELHI
• Welcome to India's colourful capital city, Delhi. Arrive in Delhi today and transfer to your hotel. Be treated to your first taste of Indian cuisine over dinner with the group. (D) Hotel: The Suryaa New Delhi

Day 2 DELHI SIGHTSEEING
• The lively bazaars of Old Delhi await you as morning head out for a city sightseeing tour. First up you'll see the magnificent Red Fort, built by Emperor Shah Jahan during his Mughal reign. From here it's on to explore the red sandstone carved Jama Mosue, another Mughal relic. Afternoon, remember that alongside wildlife spotting tigers. Formerly a maharaja hunting ground, there are now around 67 tigers roaming the park, although sightings are not always guaranteed. After settling in to your hotel, you'll head out on your first game drive with a local ranger, also keeping an eye out for sloth bears, leopards, monkeys, deer and around 300 species of bird who all call the park home. (B, L, D) Hotel: Ranthambore Heritage Haveli

Day 3 DELHI FREE DAY
• Today gives you the chance to unearth Delhi at your own pace. Foodies will be keen to join our optional food tour of Old Delhi, where you'll get to wander through the maze of the old spice market before enjoying lunch with a local family at their haveli. Keen to dive deeper into Delhi's rich history? Why not join our trip to Nizamuddin, a former 14th century village that developed around the shrine of a Sufi saint. (B)

Day 4 DELHI - JAIPUR
• Leaving Delhi behind this morning you'll venture on to Rajasthan, one of India's wealthiest and most beautiful states. Arriving into the 'Pink City' of Jaipur, settle in to your hotel then head out to discover the capital of Rajasthan your way. Perhaps pay a visit to the vast complex of courtyards, gardens and ornately painted doors that make up the City Palace, or shop for gems, textiles and handicrafts in the bustling Old City chowks. (B) Hotel: Clarks Amer

Day 5 JAIPUR SIGHTSEEING
• Early risers could choose to witness a morning ritual of the Hindu community today with an optional visit to one of the country's most important Krishna temples. After breakfast, you'll pay a visit to the sprawling palaces of the UNESCO World Heritage listed Amber Fort, before making a stop at the icon of Jaipur, the Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds). With the rest of the day then free, perhaps opt to join our heritage walking tour for a deeper insight into the culture and community of the Old City. (B, D)

Day 6 JAIPUR - RANTHAMBORE
• The vast wild jungle of Ranthambore National Park is up next, the best spot in Rajasthan for spotting tigers. Formerly a maharaja hunting ground, there are now around 67 tigers roaming the park, although sightings are not always guaranteed. After settling in to your hotel, you'll head out on your first game drive with a local ranger, also keeping an eye out for sloth bears, leopards, monkeys, deer and around 300 species of bird who all call the park home. (B, L, D) Hotel: Ranthambore Heritage Haveli

Day 7 RANTHAMBORE SIGHTSEEING
• It will be an early start this morning as you head into the park for your second game drive, before enjoying breakfast and some down time by the pool hotel. Keeping your fingers crossed for a final sighting on your last game drive this afternoon, remember that alongside wildlife the park also offers a wealth of history, most notable in the 10th Century Ranthambore Fort that's nestled right in the centre of the park. (B, L, D)

Day 8 RANTHAMBORE - AGRA
• Today's journey will bring you one step closer to the undisputed icon of India. Stopping for lunch at the royal city of Bharatpur, you'll arrive into Agra with a free afternoon to explore. Take a wander around the busy chowks to sample delectable Indian sweets or opt to join our visit to the UNESCO listed Agra Fort. This evening and to see off those who are heading to Varanasi tomorrow in style, perhaps join our optional farewell dinner for a feast of Indian delicacies. (B, L) Hotel: Clarks Shiraz

Day 9 AGRA - DELHI
• Heading out at dawn you'll make your way to the Taj Mahal to enjoy one of the most memorable sunrises of your life. A thousand times more impressive in real life, watch as the rising sun paints the glistening white marble shades of pink and gold, then head inside the mausoleum to visit the tombs of Shah Jahan and his beloved wife, Mumtaz. Heading back to your hotel for breakfast and a morning of relaxation, you'll then make the final drive to Delhi this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Ibis New Delhi Aerocity

Day 10 DEPART DELHI
• Transferring to Delhi International Airport for your onward flight today, we hope you're leaving with big smiles and hearts filled with kind Indian hospitality! (B)

YOUR TAILORED OPTIONS
HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE:

TEMPLE PRAYERS
Witness a morning ritual of the Hindu community as worshippers offer their prayers to Lord Krishna at one of the country's most important Krishna temples.

HERITAGE WALKING TOUR
Visit flower markets, silver bazaars and jewellery makers, and sample some of the delicious street food offerings as you explore Jaipur's Old City.
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VARANASI
Why not extend your stay in India with a visit to Varanasi and experience the iconic River Ganges? See page 28 for details.

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• RANTHAMBORE Visit Ranthambore National Park
• AGRA Visit the Taj Mahal at sunrise
• RIVER GANGES At dusk witness an Aarti Ceremony on the ghats of the River Ganges
• VARANASI Visit the Durga Temple and drive through Benaras Hindu University

12 DAYS
1 COUNTRY
FROM NZ$323 PER DAY*
Day 1
Welcome to India’s bustling, colourful and full of life capital city, Delhi. Arriving today you’ll transfer to your hotel and meet up with your Travel Director, then enjoy your first taste of India at a welcoming dinner. (D) Hotel: The Suryaa New Delhi

Day 2 Delhi Sightseeing
The lively bazaars of Old Delhi await you this morning as you head out for a city sightseeing tour. First up you’ll see the magnificent Red Fort, built by Emperor Shah Jahan during his Mughal reign. From here it’s on to explore the red sandstone carved Jama Mosque, another pocket of calm in the city. Next up, a cycle Rickshaw ride will have you exploring the Old City like a local as you weave through the busy lanes of Old Delhi, before heading on to New Delhi for a visit to Humayun’s Tomb, another Mughal relic. (B)

Day 3 Delhi Free Day
With free time today, foodies might be keen to join our Optional food tour of Old Delhi, where you’ll wander through the maze of the spice market and eat lunch on the roof of an old haveli. Keen to dive deeper into Delhi’s rich history? Perhaps choose to join our trip to Nizamuddin, a former 14th century village that developed around the shrine of a Sufi saint. (B)

Day 4 Delhi - Jaipur
Don’t be surprised to see camels pulling wooden carts plodding alongside your window as you enter the ‘Pink City’ of Jaipur. Settle in to your hotel then head out to explore for yourself. You could make a beeline for the City Palace to admire the four ornately painted doors of the Pitam Niwas Chowk, or alternatively shop for gems in the bustling Old City markets. (B) Hotel: Clarks Amer

Day 5 Jaipur Sightseeing
Rise early to join our trip to a Lord Krishna temple, watching as worshippers offer their prayers. After breakfast you’ll then head out to visit the UNESCO World Heritage listed Amber Fort, followed by the icon of Jaipur, the Hawa Mahal. This afternoon perhaps opt to join our heritage walking tour for a deeper insight into the culture and community of the Old City. (B, D)

Day 6 Jaipur - Ranthambore
Claiming 1354 square kilometres of wild jungle, Ranthambore National Park is the best place in Rajasthan for spotting the majestic Bengal Tiger, and your next stop. Settle in to your hotel, then head out for the first of three game drives. Travelling through the park with a local ranger, also keep your eyes peeled for sloth bears, leopards, monkeys and countless species of bird. (B, L, D) Hotel: Ranthambore Heritage Haveli

Day 7 Ranthambore Sightseeing
It’s an early start this morning as you head back into the park for your second game drive. Sunrise is arguably the best time of the day for tiger spotting, so keep your fingers crossed! Heading back to the hotel for breakfast and some down time by the pool, you’ll later venture back into the wilderness for your third and final drive. (B, L, D)

Day 8 Ranthambore - Agra
Stopping for lunch in the royal city of Bharatpur, today you’ll arrive into Agra with a free afternoon to explore. Maybe take a wander around the bustling chowks to sample Indian sweets or opt to join our visit to the UNESCO listed Agra Fort. This evening say goodbye to those not travelling on to Varanasi tomorrow at an Optional farewell dinner. (B, L) Hotel: Clarks Shiraz

Day 9 Agra - Delhi - Varanasi
Heading out at dawn you’ll make your way to the Taj Mahal for one of the best sunrises of your life. Built by Shah Jahan in 1632 as a mausoleum for his favourite wife Mumtaz Mahal, who died in child birth. Soak in the experience before heading back to your hotel for breakfast. This afternoon travel to Delhi International Airport to catch your flight to Varanasi. (B) Hotel: Clarks’ Varanasi

Day 10 Varanasi Sightseeing
Waking up early for a sunrise boat ride along the banks of the River Ganges, you’ll witness the fascinating routines that take place daily along the ghats. Watch people offering their morning prayers to Mother Ganga, men bathing their buffalo and locals practising their yoga moves as you drift along. After breakfast head out on a city sightseeing tour with visits to the Bharat Mata Temple, the Durga Mandir and the Kashi Vishvanath Temple. Later this evening, as the sun sets, experience a traditional Aarti ceremony, where offerings of candles and flowers are floated down the river. (B)

Day 11 Varanasi Free Time - Delhi
Today you’re yours to explore fascinating Varanasi, so perhaps start out by paying a visit to Assi Ghat, one of the largest and busiest of the ghats. Stroll along the river and take in the comings and goings of daily life, including the famous burning ghat. Weave through the tiny maze of streets that make up the Old Town and fuel up on delicious lassis served out of clay pots. This afternoon perhaps opt to join our trip to Sarnath, said to be the spot where Lord Buddha gave his first sermon after attaining enlightenment. Later today, catch your flight back to Delhi for the last night of your trip. (B) Hotel: Ibis New Delhi Aerocity

Day 12 Depart Delhi
With memories of glistening mausoleums, sacred rituals and tiger tracks still fresh in your mind, your trip will come to an end today with your transfer to Delhi International Airport for your onward flight. (B)

YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS
• 11 Nights accommodation
• 11 Breakfasts
• 3 Lunches
• 4 Dinners
• 4 Days

Start: Delhi
End: Delhi
Trip code: INHV

All prices are per person, twin share.

Important Information: Gala Dinners included at the hotel in Delhi on 24 December and Varanasi on 31 December

Important Info & Finer Details
Airport Transfers: Complimentary transfers are included. See page 34 for details.

Visas: are required for India, please contact your travel agent for more information.

Flights: Prices include internal airfares and taxes for flights from Delhi to Varanasi and Varanasi to Delhi and are accurate as of 1st June 2019.

Trip code: INHV

Your Tailored Options
Here are some options that you can purchase on tour to make your trip as unique as you are:

Visit Sarnath
Located on the outskirts of Varanasi, pay a visit to one of the most revered pilgrimage destinations for Buddhists from all over the world, said to be the spot where Lord Buddha gave his first sermon after attaining enlightenment.

Check online for a range of curated optional experiences to customise your trip: costsavetour.com/tours/golden-triangle-and-the-ganges
YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS

- 3 Nights accommodation
- 3 Breakfasts
- Start: Hong Kong
- End: Hong Kong
- Trip code: HKCS

FROM NZ$950
*PER PERSON TWIN SHARE

Essentials highlights

- HONG KONG Visit Stanley Market and Aberdeen Harbour, go up Victoria Peak on the Iconic Peak Tram

YOUR TAILORED OPTIONS

HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE ON TOUR TO MAKE YOUR TRIP AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE:

- MACAU TRIP
  An hour’s ferry ride from Hong Kong, visit the ruins of St. Paul’s Roman Catholic Church, walk through Sanado Square to the crumbling Monte Fort, then stop by the A-Ma Temple, one of the finest examples of a Taoist temple.
  Check online for a range of crafted optional experiences to customise your trip. costsavertrip.com/tours/hong-kong-highlights

Day 1  ARRIVE HONG KONG  3
Big, bold and with a general sense of cool that oozes through its world class restaurant scene, contemporary museums and trendy locals, Hong Kong will win you over on first sight.

Arriving today, transfer to your hotel and later perhaps take a stroll to begin your exploration of this dynamic place. Hotel: The Cityview

Day 2  HONG KONG SIGHTSEEING
First up on today’s sightseeing agenda is Victoria Peak. At 552 metres it’s the highest point on Hong Kong Island, which you’ll be summiting via the iconic Peak Tram. Next up will be Aberdeen, where you’ll board a traditional sampan and pass by the gaudy and unique floating restaurants. Not done yet, you’ll swing by a jewellery workshop before heading on to the picturesque fishing village of Stanley to explore its bustling market of goodbies. This evening, there’s a chance to take an optional cruise around the famous Victoria Harbour. Soak up the atmosphere and enjoy the skyline and open bar whilst watching junk boats float by, before heading to Victoria Peak for dinner and a feast fit for a king. (B)

Day 3  HONG KONG FREE DAY
Yesterday you ticked off Hong Kong’s headliners so today is all about exploring your way. Want to unearth the city’s market scene? Join us on our optional walking tour to explore Yuen Po Street Bird Garden, Goldfish Market and the old school Fa Yuen Street Market. Keen to see the famous seated Buddha statue? Opt for our Lantau tour, where you’ll ride the Ngong Ping cable car for prime views of the South China Sea and the giant statue of Buddha. Eat lunch in a monastery, then take a boat ride to the quaint fishing village of Tai O. Hungering for a bit of history? A trip to Mediterranean influenced Macau should satisfy that itch. However you choose to explore today, we know it will be a day to remember. (B)

Day 4  DEPART HONG KONG
No doubt leaving with suitcases heavier than when you arrived (Hong Kong’s shopping scene will do that to you), you’ll transfer to Hong Kong International Airport today to catch your onward flight. (B)

TRIP COMBINATIONS

Hong Kong is a convenient gateway to many destinations in South East Asia and it is also a convenient stopover when travelling to Europe. This trip can be booked on its own or in conjunction with the itinerary of your choice from any Costsaver brochure.

Departs when you can go
DAILY DEPARTURES 02 JUN 20 – 18 DEC 20

All prices are per person, twin share.

Single Rooms: On all itineraries single rooms are available to book at a supplement. See costsavertrip.com for pricing.

IMPORTANT INFO & FINE PRINT DETAILS

Airport Transfers: Complimentary transfers are included. See page 34 for details.
Sightseeing on day 2 is on a seat-in-coach basis with other English speaking guests

Flights: to and from Hong Kong are not included.
Visas are generally not required for Hong Kong but please contact your travel agent for more information.
Trip code: HKCS

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Day 1 ARRIVE SINGAPORE
Welcome to the exotic, green living, vibrant city of Singapore! A true melting pot of cultures, this is the place where you can eat breakfast in Little India, lunch in Chinatown and dinner overlooking the sublime Marina Bay. Arriving today, transfer to your hotel then head out to unearth this multicultural city for yourself. Hotel: Grand Pacific.

Day 2 SINGAPORE SIGHTSEEING
Today's sightseeing will kick off at the UNESCO listed Botanic Gardens, a 74 hectare lush oasis of lakes, lawns and gardens, a highlight of which is the National Orchid Garden's staggering collection of over 60,000 orchid species. From here, visit the busy lanes and appetite inducing smells of Little India, then head on to Merlion Park to view the half fish, half lion statue that proudly overlooks Marina Bay. Finish up in traditional Chinatown, a showcase of the rich cultural history of the earlier settlers. Still up for more? Perhaps opt to make a late afternoon/evening visit to the good time island of Sentosa or alternatively tonight you could take part in an exciting night safari. (B)

Day 3 SINGAPORE FREE DAY
With the day yours to explore your way, your choices are endless! High up on your list will likely be a visit to Gardens by the Bay, a garden wonderland of glowing trees, soaring domes and even an indoor waterfall. You could live the high life at the Marina Bay Sands hotel, or head to any of Singapore's trendy neighbourhoods to shop, or eat your way through the city, refueling at endless hawker stalls for Michelin star worthy food at bargain prices. This evening, perhaps opt to visit Gardens by the Bay to watch the magic as the famed Supertree Grove comes alive with sound and light, before ending the night with a traditional ‘ bumboat’ ride. (B)

Day 4 DEPART SINGAPORE
As your Singapore sojourn comes to an end today, transfer to the airport to catch your onward flight. Bon Voyage! (B)

TRIP COMBINATIONS
Singapore is a convenient gateway to many destinations in South East Asia and it is also a convenient stopover when travelling to Europe. This trip can be booked on its own or in conjunction with the itinerary of your choice from any Costsaver brochure.

Departures when you can go
DAILY DEPARTURES 01 JAN 20 - 28 DEC 20

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IMPORTANT INFO & Finer DETAILS
Airport Transfers: Complimentary transfers are included. See page 34 for details.
Sightseeing: on day 2 is on a seat-in-coach basis with other English speaking guests.

Flights: to and from Singapore are not included
Trip code: SICS

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Essentials highlights
- SINGAPORE Visit the Botanic Gardens, Little India, Merlion Park, Marina Bay and Chinatown.
- CHINATOWN Enjoy a traditional meal in a small restaurant
- SENTOSA ISLAND Visit the 40 hectares of jungle close to Singapore at dusk
- NIGHT SAFARI Visit the 40 hectares of jungle close to Singapore at dusk from the comfort of an open air tram, keeping a keen eye out for various nocturnal animals.
- SINGAPORE NIGHT OUT IN MARINA BAY From the 200 metre high observation deck of the Marina Bay Sands' SkyPark, watch as Supertree Grove comes alive in a cacophony of sound and light, then end the night with a cruise down the Singapore River on a traditional bumboat.

Check online for a range of crafted optional experiences to customise your trip: costsavertour.com/tours/amazing-singapore
yangtze river cruise.

your cruise, your way

Victoria Cruises has been one of the leading Yangtze River cruise companies since 1994 and its seven vessels have all received the coveted five star rating from the China National Tourism Administration. All the ships are newly built or structurally rebuilt and as the only American managed cruise company sailing on the Yangtze they have a real understanding of great customer service. The company has won numerous awards and recognitions over the years.

☐ your ship

Victoria Lianna was rebuilt in 2011 and offers graceful public areas, with high ceilings carved with delicate details. The ship features four passenger decks and two restaurants with a passenger capacity of 218. Meals are served in the Dynasty Dining Room with sumptuous western and Chinese buffets offered at breakfast, lunch and dinner. An elegant Captain's Farewell Banquet is served on the final night of the cruise.

☐ your shipboard activities

These include a wide range of activities linked to the culture of China and include informative lectures, early morning T'ai Chi, colourful cabaret shows, feature films and traditional fashion shows. Activities are subject to variation at any time.

☐ your cabin

Costsaver guests are accommodated in Superior Cabins on the Promenade Deck.

The facilities include:

- All are outside cabins with private balconies
- Individually controlled air conditioning
- International television in the living quarters
- Private bathrooms with full bathtubs
- Fine bathroom products
- Tea making facilities
- International phone system on board

Shipboard services include:

- Hair and Beauty Salon
- Fitness room
- Reading room
- Wi-Fi access
- Onboard Doctor and Health Clinic
- Gift shop
- Complimentary tea and coffee at certain times
**summary booking conditions & other important information**

Full booking conditions are available at: costsavertour.com/booking-conditions

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See our website for detailed terms on what’s included and not included in the guided holiday price and for information on reservations and payments including your travel documents.

**booking changes, cancellations & refunds**

See our website for details on Name Changes, Booking Changes, Cancellations and Cancellation Fees, Illness or Absence.

**general information and conditions**

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extend your stay

extra nights accommodation where your tour starts or ends

Each itinerary shows the city where your holiday starts and ends. Choose how many nights you wish to extend your stay before or after your holiday and ask your Travel Agent to make the reservations when you book. Transfers are included when you extend your stay with this offer.

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our terminology

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View – A brief stop to take in the sight and capture photos.
See – See the sight whilst driving by on the coach, or from your cruise or train.

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By paying the NZ$129 per person Cancellation Option, your deposit and/or payment to Costsaver will be refunded in full or you will have the option to carry it over to another Costsaver or TTC holiday should you cancel your holiday for any reason prior to 30 days from departure date from New Zealand. This cancellation option covers land arrangements made by Costsaver only. It is not applicable to airline deals. The Cancellation Option fee is not refundable for any reason.

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On Your Holiday

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Return Flight Security

If you or a member of your direct family in New Zealand should fall sick* while you are on your Costsaver guided holiday, we will take care of the additional cost of tickets for your earlier or later return home in the same class of air travel on the first available flight, provided you hold round-trip tickets on Costsaver recommended airline(s) booked through Costsaver from New Zealand.

Cancellation option fee is not refundable for any reason

*Medical certificates as proof of all illness claims must be supplied

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