



GlobalOkie Travel is excited to offer an incredible Fall 2026 trip to the majestic and gorgeous country of Vietnam! This beautiful country has so much to offer to all travelers – incredible food, friendly locals, rich history, stunning landscapes, vibrant urban culture, serene highland life, white sandy beaches, busy fishing villages, and much more!

This GlobalOkie guided travel experience will begin in the lively city of Saigon (aka Ho Chi Minh City) where we will discover and learn about regional food and drink, history, economics, and politics, and diverse markets. A short flight to DaLat will take our small group of culturally-curious travelers to the Vietnamese highlands where life is conducted at a slower pace compared to the constant buzz of Saigon. We will visit a coffee farm nestled in the highlands and celebrate Vietnam's agrarian roots and their impressive progress (they are the second largest producer of coffee beans in the world behind only Brazil!). Our highlands guide will lead us to stunning lakes, waterfalls, markets, ancient palaces, and pagodas. Next, a scenic train ride will take us from the highlands to the stunning coast along the South China Sea where we will enjoy some free time on the beach and can explore several fishing villages and markets that give life to many of the local people.

Enroll on this small-group trip and let Vietnam amaze you! You will undoubtedly return home with wonderful new memories that will last a lifetime!

This will be a small-group trip with very limited space available, so sign up soon! Here is the nitty-gritty!

Trip Dates:

- **October 17-26, 2026 (you will need to arrive in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam [airport code: SGN] on 17 October; depart SGN on 26 October)**
 - Different airlines provide schedules that may have you departing the US on October 15 or 16 to arrive SGN on Oct. 17 – please double check arrival info.
 - Feel free to make plans to travel earlier or stay later. Early or late hotel nights (with breakfast, can be arranged for \$100/night, plus early/late airport transfer)
 - GlobalOkie Travel is happy to assist with international travel arrangements for \$50/ticket.

Cost:

- **\$2,600** (plus international air, guide/driver tips (appx \$100), travel insurance (medical/accident/repatriation insurances required; cancelation/delay/luggage highly recommended), etc.
 - Single room supplement: \$200
 - "Forced single": If traveling solo and requesting to room in a shared twin room to save on the single supplement charge, I will do my best to pair you with a same-gender roommate. However, if a roommate is not available, the single supplement will apply.

Payment Schedule:

- You are welcome to pay balance in full or visit with me if you'd like to consider a different payment schedule. Easy payments can be made via: check, Venmo (@globalokie), CashApp, or credit card (let me know and I can send a Square credit card payment link)
 - Due upon enrollment: \$1,000 (non-refundable unless provider cancels trip; non-refundable after 15 days)
 - Final Payment: due prior to July 31, 2026: balance

To Enroll:

- Read the trip terms and conditions in this document (deposit and cancelation policy differ slightly from the standard GlobalOkie Travel terms and conditions which are available on the GlobalOkie Travel website). Go to the www.globalokie.com website; near the bottom of the page, click on the link "ONLINE 2025-26 Enrollment Form"; complete and submit the online enrollment form; Contact Wade regarding deposit payment preference via check, Venmo, CashApp, Credit Card (Square link can be texted or emailed). You're enrolled!!!

Includes:

- Accommodation based on Twin sharing room, (notice: a single room for the trip's duration is surcharged at \$200); all room nights including daily hotel breakfast.
- All the meals as mentioned in the detailed itinerary (B = Breakfast; L = Lunch; Br = Brunch, D = Dinner)
- Air-conditioned van/coach with experienced driver
- Entrance fee to visit places mentioned in itinerary
- Vespa (with driver) food tour in Saigon, coffee workshop, cable car to Robin Hills, roundtrip cano-boat to the Mai Nha Island, boating in Bai Xep
- Experienced English speaking tour guides as specified

- Complementary bottled water and tissues on Mini-Bus as mentioned on itinerary
- All transfers on tour as listed

Excludes:

- Surcharge for staying in a single room (\$200)
- International flight tickets before and after the tour.
- eVisa Fee (appx US\$25) & travel insurance (mandatory)
- Porter Charges & Camera Fees (where applicable).
- Bank card processing fee charge for Square Link (3%), if applicable
- Meals (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner) not mentioned as in this itinerary
- Tipping for Tour guides, Bus drivers, Boat drivers and other attendants (appx \$10/day; GlobalOkie will collect recommended tip funds 1-2 months prior to departure and will disseminate to guides/drivers at the conclusion of their services)
- Other personal expenses such as beverages, telephone calls, laundry services, WiFi, Minibar, etc....
- Other services are not specifically mentioned in the tour Itinerary and the above Inclusion

Tentative Itinerary/Highlights: (Included meals: B=breakfast; L=lunch; D=dinner)

Oct 16 - Day 1: Travel Day (can take 2-3 days to arrive; please double check arrival day/time)
 Oct 17 - Day 2: Ho Chi Minh City (HCM) ARRIVAL – transfer to hotel; free on leisure (-)
 Oct 18 - Day 3: Saigon Culture and History – food tour by vespa (B/D)
 Oct 19 - Day 4: Saigon – flight to Da Lat – Da Lat Market – Xuan Hường Lake (B)
 Oct 20 - Day 5: Dalat – Coffee Farms - Elephant Waterfalls – Pongour Falls (B/L)
 Oct 21 - Day 6: Dalat – city tour; free time (B)
 Oct 22 - Day 7: Dalat – train to Tuy Hoa/ Phu Yen – lodging at An Hai Village (B/D)
 Oct 23 - Day 8: An Hai fishing village – Ganh Da Dia – Bai Xep Quy Nhon (B)
 Oct 24 - Day 9: Bai Xep Beach – boat ride or snorkeling (B, L)
 Oct 25 - Day 10: Bai Xep – Quy Nhon – flight back to Saigon (B/D)
 Oct 26 - Day 11: Saigon - Departure (B)

Detailed Itinerary (tentative):

October 16/Day 1 -- Travel Day

- Enjoy your international journey to Ho Chi Minh City (airport code: HCM). Most flights travel through Tokyo, Incheon (Seoul), or another East Asian gateway city. Please double check your arrival day/time into HCM and plan to arrive on October 17, 2026. You are welcome to arrive earlier; your early airport-hotel transfer, hotel stay, and meals will be at additional cost (transfer and lodging, including breakfast, can be arranged at our HCMC group hotel for approximately \$100/night)

October 17/Day 2 -- HCM arrival Day!

- Welcome to Ho Chi Minh City! (formerly Saigon), our friendly local guide will be waiting for you at Tan Son Nhat Airport to transfer you to your hotel (check in: 14:00 onward).
- ***Optional: Short Walking Street Food Tour:*** *You will a chance to sample different dishes, from those little pancakes to big bowl of noodles, then have a sip of Vietnamese coffee and finish off with a sweet dessert. Not only you will be able to explore this AMAZING culinary world but you also get to know about Saigon city life!*

Overnight in Saigon.

Inclusion: *Tour guide, private transfer, hotel*

October 18/Day 3 – Saigon City Tour, Motorbike Food Tour (B/D)

- After breakfast, you will be picked up at your hotel and city tour begins at the century-old **Reunification Palace** also known as Independence Palace, built on the sight of the former Norodom palace, a landmark of Ho Chi Minh City which witnessed impressive growth during peacetime and throughout the Vietnam War until its end in 1975.
- Next visit is to **War Remnants museum** where the relics of the War are displayed – a haunting reminder of the horrors of war.
- Have lunch at local restaurant (paid by yourself).
- In the afternoon, continue seeing the beautiful structures from the French colonial times, including a stop at the impressive **Saigon Notre-Dame Cathedral**, discover the magnificent neon- Romanesque architecture as you take in the tranquil atmosphere inside. At the opposite **Central Post Office**, one of the oldest buildings in Ho Chi Minh City, learn about this significant landmark – the busiest post office in Vietnam.
- Then, head to **Ben Thanh Market** and observe the lively market in central District 1, where your guide can help you bargain for goods (bargaining is a way of life in Saigon).
- Around 6pm, the adventure continues with an orientation ride around downtown, passing by the famous must-see sights with a break at a local café to enjoy a welcome drink and see how life goes by from the eyes of the locals. Throughout the night, we will travel around the city to learn, discover, and enjoy a variety of authentic local street food that Saigon has to offer including the famous Banh mi, pork BBQ... A brief stop at the back-alley area will bring you a more local travel experience. The tour also includes visits to the most popular local snack areas which allows you to eat like a local and enjoy the food while mingling in the local life atmosphere. Make sure that you come with an empty stomach and adventurous spirit!

Highlights – Included local beer, soft drinks, and traditional street food available on the tour. Vintage Vespa ride through the main street, back streets, and famous sights of Saigon.

- Orientation ride by must-see sights of Saigon
- Welcome drink at a local café
- 45 years old Banh Mi restaurant (Vietnamese club sandwich - chosen as one of the best breakfasts in Asia)
- 50-year-old family-run noodle soup
- Family secret recipe of pork BBQ, Spring roll
- On-stick meatball over charcoal
- Seafood at the most popular street-style restaurant
- Back street, less-traveled areas

Overnight in Saigon.

Inclusion: *Tour guide, transfer, entrance fee, breakfast, street food dinner, hotel*

October 19/Day 4 – Saigon – Flight to Da Lat Highlands (B)

- Enjoy breakfast at hotel and free time until the transfer to the airport. A short flight takes you to DaLat City - The former French colonial hill station town of DaLat was founded over 100 years ago by a French scientist, Dr Alexander Yersin.
- On arrival, transfer to the center and enjoy some free time and lunch (paid by yourself)
- In the afternoon, we will visit around the city center and immerse in the local life in **Da Lat Market** or view of poetic **Xuan Huong lake**.
- Evening free

Overnight in Da Lat

Inclusion: *Flight, Transfer, tour guide, breakfast, hotel*

October 20/Day 5 – Da Lat Highlands – Coffee Workshop - Waterfalls (B/L)

- In the morning, we will visit a **coffee plantation** and the guide will help you understand the "*farm to cup*" process, such as: harvesting coffee, selecting coffee at the fields, drying of coffee beans and the process of milling coffee seeds that produces Arabica Coffee, which has a special taste and a nice fragrance. You can have the chance to try the flavor of 4-6 types of coffee, and even practice to making a cup of coffee in Vietnamese style.
- Lunch served at a local home/restaurant.
- In the second half of the day, you will visit the majestic **Elephant Falls** where the flowing water creates a thin foggy atmosphere, when the sun shines through a rainbow will often appear with seven colors. At the foot of the falls is a small cave with a woolly entrance between two rocks covered by huge tree roots that are over a hundred years old. Standing in the cave, visitors can look up to see the sparkling water flowing down hitting the rock bounding everywhere.
- Next, a stop at **Pongour Waterfall** is considered a beautiful dream waterfall, majestic and wildest of the South Highlands. Large streams of water from above are spreading on seven terraces floors like a beautiful natural masterpiece. This is the ideal place for you to use your skill and equipment to get the most beautiful pictures.
- Back to the hotel. Free evening/dinner at your leisure.

Overnight in Da Lat.

Inclusion: *Transfer, tour guide, cruise, entrance fee, breakfast, lunch, hotel.*

October 21/Day 6 – Da Lat City Tour (B)

- After breakfast and departing the lodge, we will enjoy the airy space at **Robin Hill, Dalat Cable Car Station** to get the panorama view of the Dalat City and enjoy the marvelous sight of the pine forested valley stretched down to the South.

- After taking some photos, an option to take the cable car descending down 300m with a beautiful view of flower and vegetable fields dotted in the pine forested valley below to visit to **Tuyen Lam Lake**. Surrounding by pine forest, the lake looks like paradise with the Truc Lam Zen Monastery, the biggest Zen University in Vietnam (please dress appropriately). You will enjoy tranquil scenery and a beautiful flower garden, which is built on the top of Phoenix Hill.
- Continuing southward, we will visit to **Datanla waterfall** with magnificent view and can be approached by the roller coaster (*extra fee: 4-10 USD, depending on waterfall 1 or 3*)
- On the way back to Dalat City center, we visit the **Bao Dai King's Summer Palace**, home of the last Emperor and unique cultural lifestyle of Vietnamese through Royal decoration – a meaningful highlight of our day.
- Have your lunch at local restaurant on the way (tour guide will recommend the prestigious restaurant if required [paid by yourself])
- After that, drop by the **Da Lat train station** and the **Linh Phuoc Pagoda** – also known as the “bottle pagoda”. Free time and dinner at your leisure.

Overnight in Da Lat

Inclusion: *Transfer, tour guide, entrance fee, breakfast, hotel.*

October 22/Day 7 – Da Lat – Nha Trang – Train to Tuy Hoa (B/D)

- Enjoy breakfast at hotel.
- Around 8:00am, transfer by private van/bus to **Nha Trang** (~3-3.5 hrs)
- Have lunch at your leisure then break at a coffee stop.
- Transfer to the **Nha Trang train station for scenic train ride to Tuy Hoa**.
- On arrival, a local tour guide will escort us to the pier to take a canoe to **An Hai Village** in **Cu Lao Mai Nha Island**.
- Enjoy dinner in a local sea food restaurant.

Overnight in local lodge on the island.

Inclusion: *Transfer, tour guide, train, canoe, breakfast, dinner, lodge. Note: the last canoe to An Hai Village is at 18:00*

October 23/Day 8 – An Hai Fishing Village – Ganh Da Dia – Bai Xep Beach (B)

- An early wakeup call will allow us to appreciate the sunrise and observe the life of local fishermen. You will also catch many precious and wonderful candid moments to take pictures or see the locals trading fresh seafood caught from the sea.
- Later in the morning, checkout and transfer by boat back to the mainland, continue to **Ganh Da Dia**, one of Vietnam's most scenic spots with stunning terrain like overlapping plates.
- Have lunch at local restaurant (paid by yourself)
- Afternoon, head to Bai Xep Beach, check-in, free time to walk along the beach or rest.

Overnight in Bai Xep.

Inclusion: *Private transfer, cano, tour guide, breakfast, lodge*

October 24/Day 9 – Bai Xep – Boat ride – Optional Snorkeling (B/L)

- Enjoy a relaxing morning at a gorgeous beach and fishing village! Take a boat tour to nearby islands to enjoy snorkeling (snorkeling fee by yourself) or roasting sea snails, a local delight! *Note: Cold drinks and sandwiches can be arranged upon request.*
- Have lunch at local seafood restaurant.
- The other half of the day, you can wander around the village to observe the daily activities of local people, including fishing-related work, boat building and repair.

Overnight in Bai Xep.

Inclusion: *Private transfer, tour guide, woodboat, breakfast, lunch, lodge*

October 25/Day 10 – Bai Xep – Quy Nhon – Flight to Saigon (B/D)

- Free time on your own until the time to transfer to Quy Nhon Airport for the domestic flight to Saigon. Our guide in Saigon with escort you to our hotel.
- Enjoy last minute shopping in Saigon and some delicious food at a “farewell” dinner in a lovely local restaurant – the perfect way to cap off an incredible trip with an amazing group of travelers!

Overnight in Saigon.

Inclusion: *Private transfer, tour guide, breakfast, dinner, hotel*

October 26/Day 11 – Saigon – departure day (B)

- After breakfast at hotel, free time until driver transfer to airport for your departure flight.
- Safe and happy travels home, or wherever your travel plans take you!!! (Hanoi? Singapore? Other???)

Inclusion: *breakfast, transfer to airport*