

TREASURES OF THE MEKONG:

A JOURNEY THROUGH VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

JOURNEYS
by Van Dyke 

River Cruise

18 Days

\$13,990 ^{CAD}

All inclusive from, per guest, double occ.

November 8 –
November 25, 2025




① Angkor Wat's Majestic Temples

Marvel at the grandeur of Angkor Wat, the largest religious monument in the world and a symbol of Cambodia's rich history and cultural heritage. Its soaring towers and intricate bas-reliefs depict profound stories of Hindu mythology and Khmer history, offering a fascinating glimpse into the architectural and spiritual brilliance of the ancient Khmer Empire.



② Halong Bay's Natural Splendor

Music floats through the streets of Vienna: from the Schönbrunn Palace where Mozart performed at the age of six to the Court Theatre and ornate opera house. During our guided tour, see the historical sights that shaped Viennese music culture, and take in an orchestral concert of polkas, waltzes, arias and duets where Johann Strauss himself once performed.



③ Hoi An's Timeless Charm

Step into the timeless beauty of Hoi An, where ancient streets, traditional architecture, and tranquil villages unfold along peaceful waterways. The lush landscapes, with their iconic basket boats and vibrant palm groves, offer a unique glimpse into the region's enduring cultural and natural heritage.

④ Hanoi's Cultural Treasures

Uncover Vietnam's capital, where centuries-old temples, French colonial architecture, and vibrant local markets tell a rich and layered story. From peaceful courtyards to bustling streets, Hanoi invites you to experience its enduring traditions and lively culture.

⑤ Mekong River Cruise

Immerse yourself in the life along the Mekong River, where daily routines unfold across vibrant floating markets and traditional riverside villages. This immersive cruise offers an intimate view of the region's agricultural and cultural heart, revealing the timeless rhythms of life along its winding path.



Journey Itinerary

Day 1

DEPART FOR HANOI, VIETNAM

Start your Journey with us by enjoying a private car pick up service from your home. Upon arrival at the airport, guests departing from the Toronto airport will be assisted with their check-in. Meet your Journey Manager and fellow guests, and board your flights to Hanoi. Our Journey Manager travels with you to take care of all the details, allowing you to relax and embrace your Journey.

Overnight flight





Day 2

WELCOME TO HANOI

Upon arrival in Hanoi, we'll head to the city center, where you'll have time to unwind and explore at your own pace. Later, we'll gather for a delightful dinner at the hotel, allowing you to relax and settle in before the adventure ahead.

Overnight: Hotel du Parc Hanoi, Hanoi

Meals: D

Day 3

EXPLORING HANOI, VIETNAM

Begin your day at Ba Dinh Square, exploring the Presidential Palace, Ho Chi Minh's stilt house, and the One Pillar Pagoda, before visiting the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first university. After lunch, delve into the role of women in Vietnam's history at the Women's Museum, then wander through Hanoi's lively Old Quarter, where centuries-old streets remain steeped in tradition. Finish the day with a mesmerizing Water Puppet Show, a distinctive cultural experience to cap off your exploration.

Overnight: Hotel du Parc Hanoi, Hanoi

Meals: B,L,D





Day 4

HALONG BAY, VIETNAM

This morning, travel to Ha Long Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where you'll board an overnight cruise among more than 3,000 limestone islands rising from the turquoise waters. As you cruise past dramatic rock formations and traditional fishing villages, enjoy a lunch of freshly caught fish and seafood. In the afternoon, choose from a variety of activities, such as a cooking demonstration with the onboard chef, a relaxing traditional massage, or a refreshing swim. End the day with a spectacular set-menu dinner before retiring for the night on board.

Overnight: Venus Cruise

Meals: B,LD

Day 5

HALONG BAY, VIETNAM

Begin your day with a peaceful Tai Chi session, accompanied by a stunning sunrise over the tranquil beauty of Ha Long Bay. As the cruise sails past scenic spots like Trong, Trinh Nu, and the Me Cung Caves, explore the impressive Surprise Cave before enjoying a buffet brunch on board. After returning to the dock, you'll be transferred to the airport for your flight to Da Nang. Upon arrival, you'll be greeted and taken to your hotel for the evening.

Overnight: Hotel Royal, Hoi An

Meals: B,D





Day 6

HOI AN, VIETNAM

Discover the charm of Hoi An with a visit to the tranquil Coconut Village, nestled 5 km east of the Old Town. Surrounded by waterways, this peaceful area features lush palm groves, fishing nets, and historical buildings, with the Bay Mau Coconut Forest standing out as a highlight. Enjoy a scenic ride on a traditional basket boat through the area's serene waterways.

After lunch, embark on a walking tour through the Old Town, exploring the 400-year-old Japanese Bridge, a centuries-old Chinese temple, and a traditional Vietnamese merchant's house. Wander the quaint streets, where local art galleries and tailor shops invite you to explore or even have a custom garment made. A ride in a "Xich Lo" pedicab offers a relaxing view of the picturesque countryside, passing vibrant fields and local fruit gardens.

Overnight: Hotel Royal, Hoi An

Meals: B,L,D

Day 7

MARBLE MOUNTAINS, VIETNAM

Travel to Da Nang, stopping to explore the Marble Mountains, a striking cluster of limestone and marble hills. Discover the intricate caves, serene pagodas, and Buddhist sanctuaries that dot the landscape, as well as the tunnels that weave through these sacred peaks. Continue to the airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City, where you'll settle into your hotel and enjoy dinner.

Overnight: New World Sai Gon, Ho Chi Minh

Meals: B,D





Day 8

CU CHI TUNNELS & HO CHINH MI, VIETNAM

Begin the day with a visit to the Cu Chi Tunnels, an extensive underground network that offers a glimpse into the resourcefulness and resilience of the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. Explore the tunnels, view historical artifacts, and learn about life in this subterranean world. After lunch, return to Ho Chi Minh City for a half-day tour that includes the Reunification Palace, a symbol of Vietnam's complex history, and the striking Notre Dame Cathedral, a neo-Romanesque gem built with materials imported from France. Nearby, the Saigon Post Office impresses with its French colonial architecture and historic charm. Conclude your tour at Ben Thanh Market, a vibrant hub brimming with local goods and flavors.

In the evening, enjoy a delightful dinner cruise along the Saigon River, savoring fine cuisine and live performances while admiring the city's glittering skyline. This relaxing experience offers a unique perspective of Ho Chi Minh City at night.

Overnight: New World Sai Gon, Ho Chi Minh

Meals: B,L,D

Day 9

HO CHI MINH & MEKONG DELTA, VIETNAM

Start the day with a leisurely morning in Ho Chi Minh City before transferring to your Pandaw vessel in central Saigon. Once onboard, relax on the spacious sundeck as the vibrant skyline fades into the distance. Enjoy a delightful lunch, meet the crew, and immerse yourself in local entertainment as we begin our journey toward the Mekong Delta. Spend the night on the tranquil Vam Co River.

Overnight: RV Mekong

Meals: B,L,D





Day 10

BEN TRE & THE FERTILE WATERWAYS, VIETNAM

Start the day sailing through the historic Cho Gao Canal, constructed in 1876 by the French, offering a glimpse into daily life along this vital waterway. Arriving in Ben Tre, explore its lush mangroves and bamboo forests by sampan, visiting fruit orchards and a local village renowned for its artisanal handicrafts. This fertile region, key to Vietnam's rice production, showcases the rich culture of the Mekong Delta. Later, return to the ship as we sail deeper into the delta toward Chau Doc.

Overnight: RV Mekong

Meals: B,L,D

Day 11

CHAU DOC & INTO CAMBODIA

This morning, journey by minivan to Sam Mountain to visit the serene Phuoc Dien Tu (Hang Pagoda), where breathtaking views of the Mekong await at the summit. Alternatively, explore the vibrant local market for a glimpse of daily life. Continue by sampan to nearby floating fish farms and enjoy a captivating private Lion dance performance in a local village. Back on board, navigate the intricate canals of the delta before anchoring at the Vietnam-Cambodia border for immigration formalities.

Note: During high-water periods (October and November), access to Chau Doc may be limited, and the day's excursion will instead include a visit to Long Thuan village.

Overnight: RV Mekong

Meals: B,L,D





Day 12

PHNOM PENH, CAMBODIA

Begin the day with a cyclo tour of Phnom Penh, visiting the opulent Royal Palace, the Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum, home to an impressive collection of Angkorian artifacts. In the afternoon, gain insight into Cambodia's history with visits to the Killing Fields and the Genocide Museum, reflecting on the Khmer Rouge era. The ship remains docked overnight at Phnom Penh's city port, offering the perfect opportunity to explore the vibrant local scene before returning to the comfort of your onboard accommodation.

Overnight: RV Mekong

Meals: B,L,D

Day 13

TONLE SAP RIVER & KAMPONG TRALACH, CAMBODIA

Depart Phnom Penh early morning and journey along the meandering Tonle Sap River to Kampong Tralach. Experience rural Cambodian life with an ox-cart ride through charming riverside villages, bustling markets, and serene temples. In the evening, enjoy cocktails by a fire pit in a small fishing village, where locals will share their stories and showcase traditional dances, offering an authentic glimpse into their vibrant culture.

Overnight: RV Mekong

Meals: B,L,D





Day 14

OULDONG MEDITATIONS & PAK RUSSEI SILK, CAMBODIA

Begin the day with a coach journey to Oudong, Cambodia's ancient capital, where we visit the Vipassana Dhura Meditation Centre. Wander through the impressive Khmer-style complex and participate in a calming meditation session. Rejoin the ship at Prek Kdam, and enjoy lunch as we return to the Mekong River. In the afternoon, step ashore at Pak Russei, a remote riverside village. Explore its charming streets, meet local artisans weaving silk and making handmade noodles, and witness a private performance of Bokator, an ancient Cambodian martial art, before heading back to the ship.

Overnight: RV Mekong

Meals: B,L,D

Day 15

PEAM CHI KORNG (POTTERY VILLAGE), CAMBODIA

Begin the day with a serene sunrise cruise, enjoying morning Tai Chi or a coffee on deck as we arrive at Peam Chi Korng, a hidden gem and pottery hub of Cambodia. After a short tuk-tuk ride, observe skilled local potters at work and explore the charming village, including its vibrant fresh market where you can try your hand at a few Khmer phrases. In the afternoon, we sail onward to Steung Trang, the last stop of our journey. The evening culminates with lively entertainment and a delightful farewell dinner prepared by the talented onboard culinary team.

Overnight: RV Mekong

Meals: B,L,D





Day 16

SIEM REAP, CAMBODIA

After breakfast, disembark and journey by coach from Steung Trang through the picturesque Cambodian countryside to Siem Reap. Upon arrival, enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant before transferring to your hotel for check-in. The afternoon is free for you to explore and unwind at your leisure. In the evening, delight in a buffet dinner accompanied by a captivating Apsara Dance performance at the Angkor Village Theatre.

Overnight: Memoire Palace Resort & Spa, Siem Reap

Meals: B,L,D

Day 17

ANGKOR THOM CITY COMPLEX, CAMBODIA

Step into the ancient world of Angkor Thom, the grand capital of the Khmer Empire, as you enter through the awe-inspiring South Gate, where giant faces gaze down from towering stone pillars. Wander through the Bayon Temple, with its 54 mysterious towers, each adorned with four serene faces, and immerse yourself in the vibrant scenes of daily life etched into its walls.

Next, explore the hidden wonders of Baphoun, once the centerpiece of the Royal Palace, and stroll along the Terrace of the Elephants, where kings once watched grand parades. Continue to the Terrace of the Leper King, with its intricate carvings depicting a mystical water world.

Delve deeper into history at Ta Prohm, where the jungle has claimed the ruins, creating a hauntingly beautiful blend of nature and architecture. Visit Banteay Kdei, the serene Buddhist monastery, and discover the sacred Srah Srang, known as the “pool of ablutions,” along with the twin temples of Tommanon and Chaosay Tevoda.

Marvel at the majestic Angkor Wat, the largest religious monument in the world, whose soaring towers and detailed bas-reliefs tell the epic stories of Hindu mythology and Khmer history.

Overnight: Memoire Palace Resort & Spa, Siem Reap

Meals: B,L,D





Day 14

FAREWELL

Enjoy a final breakfast with your group before bidding Cambodia “Lear hi” and transferring to the airport for your flights home. Upon arrival in Toronto, enjoy our private car to your home.

Meals: B

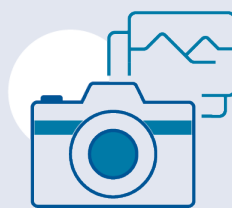
Signature Inclusions on this Journey

In addition to our essentials, your Journey includes our following Signature Inclusions:



24/7 Professional Journey Manager

- Will travel with you from Canada and handle every detail
- In addition to knowledgeable local guides



Memorable Private Excursions

- Private excursions crafted by our team
- All sightseeing & entrance fees included



Private Car Pick-up Service

- Within a 200-kilometre radius, let your Journey begin in elegant comfort with a private chauffeured car to the airport



Generous Tips & Gratuities

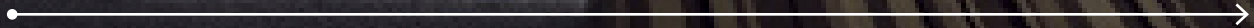
- For the porters, local guides, hotel staff & many more, paid by us on your behalf

Our essentials included with your Journey:

- 7 nights on the MS Mekong Pandaw
- 9 nights in outstanding hotels
- Most meals included (45 meals: 16 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 16 dinners)
- Beer & soft drinks with lunch & dinner on land
- Drink package on cruise
- Domestic flights on Journey
- Other gateways & travel classes available
- Round-trip airfare from Toronto
- All taxes as well as port & service charges
- Hassel-free Visas arranged for Vietnam and Cambodia processed
- “Whisper” radios included for use during excursions
- Porterage for one piece of luggage per person
- Complete information & assistance leading up to your departure
- Branded overnight carry-on or backpack



Hotels



Days 2-4

HOTEL DU PARC, HANOI

Hôtel du Parc Hanoi blends Vietnamese charm with Japanese hospitality, nestled near Thong Nhat Park in Hanoi's Hai Ba Trung district. Guestrooms are decorated in soft cream tones, spacious and flooded with natural light through large windows. Each air-conditioned unit includes a seating area, personal safe, wardrobe, flat-screen TV, minibar, tea/coffee maker, and electric kettle. The en suite bathroom offers a bathtub or shower, free toiletries, and a hairdryer.



Day 4-5

VENUS CRUISE

Venus Cruise seamlessly blends timeless elegance with modern luxury and comfort. The vessel's size allows it to explore hidden corners of Lan Ha. Each cabin is tastefully decorated, with carefully selected furnishings and large windows for taking in the natural beauty of Ha Long Bay. Onboard, relax with the ship's pool & spa facilities, and enjoy Tai Chi on the sun deck and a cooking demonstration with the ship's chef.



Days 5-7

HOTEL ROYAL, HOI AN

Hotel Royal Hoi An – MGallery by Sofitel beautifully tells the love story of Sotaro and Wakaku, blending Japanese tradition with Indochinese luxury. Situated along the Thu Bon River, the hotel features both an infinity pool and an outdoor pool, along with The Deck Hoi An, the city's highest rooftop bar, perfect for sunset cocktails. Free WiFi is available throughout the property.



Days 7-9

NEW WORLD SAI GON, HO CHI MINH

New World Saigon provides a luxurious oasis in one of the country's most vibrant cities. Located in the heart of District 1, this hotel offers proximity to Ho Chi Minh's bustling markets, iconic landmarks, and local hidden gems. Each room is comfortably furnished and equipped with a marble ensuite bathroom, a flat-screen TV, and stunning views of Ho Chi Minh.



Days 16-18

MEMOIRE PALACE RESORT & SPA, SIEM REAP

Memoire Palace Resort & Spa is the ultimate destination, offering a luxurious escape within the serene beauty of Cambodia's countryside, near the awe-inspiring Angkor Wat. Designed to reflect the glamour of 1960s Khmer contemporary art, the resort combines rich cultural heritage with modern elegance. Each of its eight exquisitely designed suites is connected to the swimming pool, creating a stunning view reminiscent of a floating village.





With just 24 beautifully appointed cabins, the RV Mekong offers an intimate and exclusive way to experience the timeless beauty of the Mekong River, blending refined comfort with exceptional amenities.

Discover the RV Mekong Pandaw

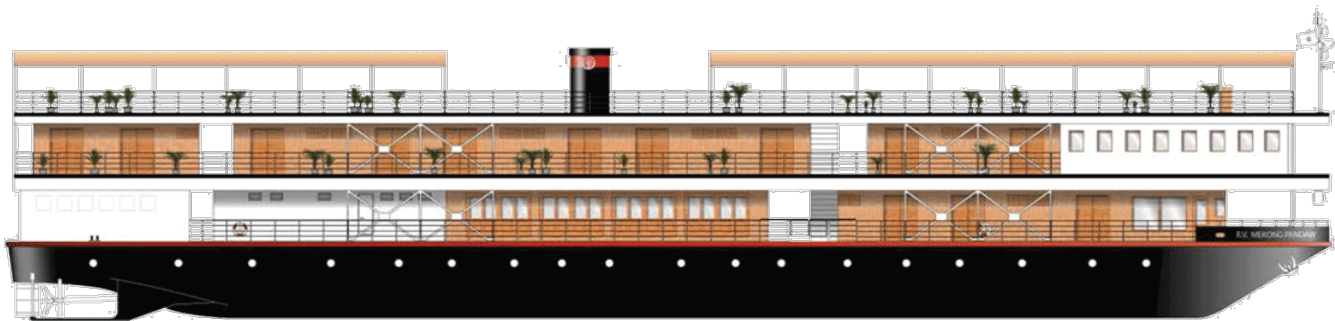


The expansive teak deck invites relaxation with its stunning river views, open spaces, and a unique billiards table for leisurely enjoyment.

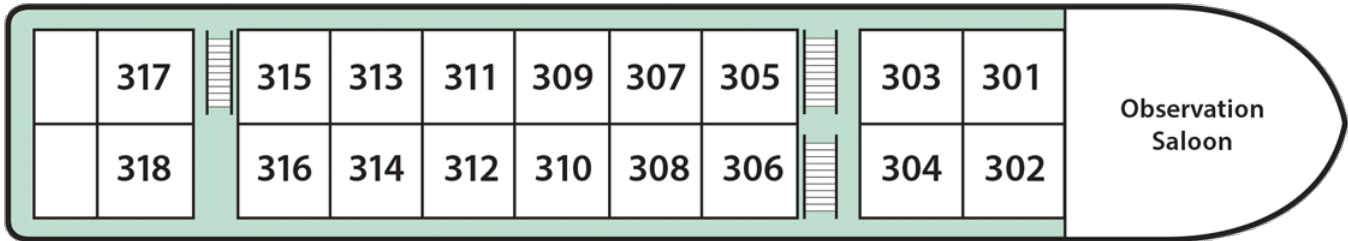


Savor a culinary journey led by a local master chef, with each meal crafted to delight, from freshly prepared breakfasts to seated theme dinners that showcase the region's flavors and finest ingredients.

DECK PLAN



ELEVATION



UPPER DECK PLAN



MAIN DECK PLAN



LOWER DECK PLAN

Deck Plan

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Fares & Staterooms



TWIN CONFIGURATION



DOUBLE CONFIGURATION

Main Deck

170 sqft

- Panoramic French window, leading to personal deck space
- Finished in teak and brass
- New bathrooms with natural stone shower and branded quality fittings
- Kimonos and slippers
- Spa-branded amenities
- Unlimited mineral water
- Electric mini safe
- Central AC with individual control
- Imported quality linens with duvet and two kind of pillows
- Premium mattresses
- Convertible bed configuration
- Welcome flower arrangement and welcome gift Mirror
- Multi-configuration plugs
- Generous closet space and under-bed storage
- Hair dryer
- Nightly turndown service
- 24h laundry service

Double Occupancy

\$10,990

Single Occupancy

\$13,290

Upper Deck

170 sqft

- Panoramic French window, leading to personal deck space
- Finished in teak and brass
- New bathrooms with natural stone shower and branded quality fittings
- Kimonos and slippers
- Spa-branded amenities
- Unlimited mineral water
- Electric mini safe
- Central AC with individual control
- Imported quality linens with duvet and two kind of pillows
- Premium mattresses
- Convertible bed configuration
- Welcome flower arrangement and welcome gift Mirror
- Multi-configuration plugs
- Generous closet space and under-bed storage
- Hair dryer
- Nightly turndown service
- 24h laundry service
- Complimentary evening canapés

Double Occupancy

\$11,490

Single Occupancy

\$13,890

Prices are per guest in CAD, all taxes included.