

Vietnam hilltribe motorcycle tour (M-ID: 2221)

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from €1,850.00

Dates and duration (days)

On request

9 days

12/03/2023 - 12/11/2023 9 days

03/16/2024 - 03/24/2024 9 days

04/27/2024 - 05/05/2024 9 days

05/18/2024 - 05/26/2024 9 days

09/21/2024 - 09/29/2024 9 days

10/19/2024 - 10/27/2024 9 days

11/16/2024 - 11/24/2024 9 days

12/07/2024 - 12/15/2024 9 days

Along beautiful mountain trails we visit colourful markets and will see very special tribes. The trip will be accompanied by our local guide.

Have you always wanted to tour wonderful North Vietnam by motorbike but didn't have time to travel for 3 weeks? Then this is your chance! The high mountains of North Vietnam are inhabited by tens of hill tribes. All these peoples have their own traditions, language, and dress.

We will visit colorful markets through beautiful mountain trails and see very special tribes. The trip is accompanied by our local guide. You will ride the most beautiful routes from our three-week North Vietnam hill tribe motorcycle tour. We stay once at people's homes and at the end you can extend the trip with an overnight stay on the boat in Halong Bay.

A trip on the motorbike through this still unknown area shows you the still untouched beauty of North Vietnam. Besides the enthusiastic population and the untouched nature, this trip is surely an adventurous challenge.

Trip summary:

Arrival - Hanoi

Hanoi - Nghia Lo (200 km)

Nghia Lo - Sapa (235 km)

Sapa - Bac Ha (165 km)

Bac Ha - Ha Giang (195 km)

Ha Giang - Meo Vac (165 km)

Meo Vac - Ba Be (195 km)

Ba Be - Hanoi (220 km)

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Hanoi - departure or extension

DAY 1 Arrival Hanoi

Depending on the airline, you will arrive at Hanoi airport in the morning or afternoon. It is then another half hour to the hotel in the center of the old city. Our first accommodation is in the heart of the Old Quarter, with a variety of small

alleys and shops.

DAY 2 HANOI - NGHIA LO

From the bustling capital, we head north. The first part of the ride is still lively with cargo traffic. But once we are on the narrow roads along the Red River, it is quiet and there is plenty to see. Nghia Lo is a small town where we meet the hill tribes Dao and Hmong. We will spend the night here and in the evening we have a choice of several cozy restaurants with delicious food.

DAY 3 NGHIA LO -SA PA

We ride further north. The landscape becomes very beautiful here. On both sides of the road, there are green rice terraces, which are attached to the mountain walls. We enter a high mountain range here and cross it on a couple of high passes. We meet more people of the white Dao tribe here. In the village Than Uyen we stop for lunch and then it is about 60 km to Sa Pa. In this stretch is the highest pass of this trip. The views on the way to Sa Pa are fantastic, also the roads are renewed. Sa Pa is the most touristy town on this trip. But we are not here on weekends to visit the market, that's why we don't see so many tourists. Sa Pa is located at an altitude of 1500 meters and became a refuge in summer during the French colonial period to escape the oppressive heat in the lower areas.

DAY 4 SA PA - BAC HA

The first 110 km we ride today is on a completely paved road. We stop in Lao Cai to take a look at the Chinese border. The Red River separates the two countries, yet they are connected by a bridge. On the other side of the river we see the skyscrapers of the relatively much richer China. Situated in a valley, Bac Ha is a typical North Vietnamese village with colourfully dressed people. If we still have time, we take a nice shortcut via Coc Ly.

DAY 5 BAC HA - HA GIANG

In the morning we hike around Bac Ha. On the way we will visit some H'mong villages. Alternatively, we can explore the villages by motorbike. Afterwards we leave and ride towards Xin Man. A little north of Bac Ha we turn right and take a dirt road. There are never tourists on this route and the road is not suitable for much traffic. The rocky highlands between the two towns make for a special landscape. In the north of Bac Ha we turn right on an unpaved road. We then ride in a wonderful area with sharp rocks. The small Hmong villages on the way do not often see passers-by. After a great descent we arrive in Xin Man. Here we stop for an early lunch. Just outside Xin Man we cross the bridge and turn right. We follow the river to Huang Su Phi. Here there are many people from the Nung tribe. Also there are a lot of Nung villages on the way. After a coffee break comes one of the most beautiful rice terraces of Vietnam. After every bend you have a new view of the beautiful green terraces. From the intersection with the main road we have to be a bit more careful with the heavy traffic to Ha Giang, the provincial capital. Here we spend the night in a resort on the river, just outside the center.

DAY 6 HA GIANG - MEO VAC

After breakfast in the big city, we ride to a particularly beautiful mountainous area. This is popularly known as "Dong Van - Meo Vac", after the two largest villages. Immediately after Ha Giang, the road narrows and a magnificent ridge follows. Nestled in a valley is the small town of Yen Minh. We are also the attraction around Dong Van. These rare tribes very seldom meet foreigners. So we are indeed strangers to them. And you can tell!! All eyes are on us. In the remote areas of this province, there are still real communist strongholds, such as Meo Vac. All the stone buildings in town belong to the government and are decorated with red flags. We continue over several high passes and are then not far from the Chinese border. We take our time to explore the country roads of this area. The overnight stay is in a good but basic hotel.

DAY 7 MEO VAC - BA BE

A long but eventful day lies ahead. In the morning we ride from Meo Vac to Bao Lac. On a wonderfully quiet route we ride through hilly countryside with numerous rice terraces. After lunch in Bao Lac, we ride on narrow paths to Ba Be Lake. The lakes of Ba Be are located in the national park of the same name with a beautiful karst landscape. The peaks of the characteristic mountains jut out everywhere. We spend the night here in a small village at the locals' home. The conditions are very simple. In a large multi-bedded room we sleep on the floor.

DAY 8 BA BE - HANOI

It is a long day back to the capital. In the morning the roads are still quiet but after Than Nguyen it gets busier and busier. Riding through the city with its hectic hustle and bustle and traffic rules that are unrecognizable to us: this is a fantastic end to the trip for most of the participants.

DAY 9 HANOI - DEPARTURE OR EXTENSION

For those who have not booked the extension to Halong Bay, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home. Depending on the airline you will arrive in Germany the same day or the next morning.

LENGTHENING

DAY 9 HANOI - HALONG BAY

In the morning you will be picked up from your hotel by minibus and taken to Halong Bay. This ride takes about 4 hours. The peaked mountains in Halong Bay make this bay very special. It is beautiful to go through here by boat. You will arrive in Halong Bay around noon. Here we board a traditional boat with other international passengers. You will then sail into the bay and spend the night on the boat in a wonderful place. If there is interest, we will stop at various caves.

DAY 10 HALONG BAY - HANOI

In the morning we come back ashore and get on a minibus back to Hanoi. You can use the afternoon to visit the old part of Hanoi. Depending on the flight, we will ride you to the airport in the evening or the next day.

DAY 11 HANOI - DEPARTURE

Depending on the airline you will arrive in Germany today or the next morning.

- Changes to the route can be adapted to the respective current conditions on site.

Countries	Vietnam
Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Combo On-/Offroad
Vehicle	motorcycle rent incl.
Tourguide / Coach	yes (guided)
Accommodation	Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	no, not incl.
Ferry	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	yes
Level of difficulty	easy medium
Customer payment protection	yes
Special	Winter escape
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

Pricing

per rider in shared twin/double room incl. Kawasaki KLX 150 cc (Only available for a booking of two persons. Single travelers need to choose the single room surcharge.): €1,850.00

Upgrade to Honda XR 250 cc (Surcharge): €245.00

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per pillion passenger in shared twin/double room (pillion passengers cannot book without an accompanying rider): €1,650.00

per person single room (surcharge - only available with an additional selection of the basic price "per rider in shared twin/double room"): €235.00

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Optional:

Extension Halong Bay - 2 days per person in double room (including overnight on board and transfer from and to hotel and hotel overnight in Hanoi): €265.00

Extension Halong Bay - per person single room (Surcharge): €75.00

Included

Transfers airport Hanoi - hotel and back

All overnight stays out of which 1 night is in homestay

Rental motorcycle Kawasaki KLX 150 ccm or with upgrade booking Honda XR 250 ccm

English speaking tour guide on the motorcycle up to 8 participants

From 8 participants German-speaking guide on the motorcycle

Escort vehicle and luggage transport

Mechanic

Invitation letter for visa

Travel insurance certificate

Travel guide

Not included

Visa

Petrol

Entrance fees

Optional excursions

Food and drink

Pocket money: 250 Euro (This amount is an indication of how much money you will need for this trip). It includes food, drink, souvenirs, optional excursions and gasoline.)

Scheduled flight - Hanoi and back

Alles, was nicht unter Leistungen angegeben ist

More details

Minimum number of participants: 6

Maximum number of participants: 12

Maximum number of passengers: 2

Motorcycles:

During this trip we will ride Kawasaki KLX 150 cc motorcycles. Upgrade to Honda XR 250 cc is possible and costs 245,-€ extra. Please specify when booking.

Travel companion :

This trip is accompanied up to 8 participants by our Vietnamese tour guide or mechanic on site. This person is a mechanic on motorcycle tours through Vietnam for 14 years. He now knows all routes, hotels, restaurants and speaks English. From 8 participants, a German-speaking tour guide comes along on the motorcycle.

Tour character:

During this tour we will not ride up to any notable heights and also not through very deserted areas. We ride on light motorcycles and therefore this tour is also suitable for people who have no experience with adventurous motorcycle tours. The daily stages are not long, which offers the possibility to visit or photograph different villages on the way. An inconvenience is perhaps the traffic density in and around Hanoi. Every day thousands of motorcycles, scooters, rickshaws and bicycles make their way through the streets. On the main road (which we avoid as much as possible), consider the lorries, because the traffic rules are mostly hidden to European eyes.

Offroad:

Only a small part of this trip we will ride on unpaved roads. In the current itinerary this is only 2 or 3 days. These routes are not difficult. So they are also good for participants without offroad experience to ride. Only when the weather is bad can these routes be a challenge.

Clothing:

A helmet is compulsory, as are protective clothing with protectors, good gloves and boots or sturdy shoes. Especially in spring and autumn it can get very warm in the lower regions. Therefore we recommend to wear breathable protective clothing. On the higher, colder parts in the mountains, you can wear extra warm clothing under your motorcycle clothing if necessary. Because of the dust it is advisable to have a pair of glasses with you. In the north of Vietnam the rainy season (monsoon) is from June to the end of August. We plan our trips before or after the monsoon season. Nevertheless, we must expect short rain showers at all times. Finally, the temperatures in the mountain regions can fall to 5 C in winter (December & January), so it is advisable to take warm clothes with you.

More details about the trip and what to take with you can be found in the manual that you will receive about 1 month before departure.

Visa (not included):

Visa (Exclusive): You do not need a visa for a stay up to a maximum of 15 days. More information on the homepage of the Vietnamese Embassy in Berlin: <http://visa.mofa.gov.vn>