

Mai Chau + Ninh Binh Bike Tour

a 3 day Vietnam Bicycle Tour

Hidden away just a short distance from the hustle and bustle of Ha Noi, is a quiet land with dramatic landscapes, ethnic tribal groups and delightful country roads inviting cyclists to come explore. Our newest short getaway, Hidden Mai Chau & Ninh Binh, explores the best of this region on a unique journey by bike and boat.

Your Vietnam bicycle tour begins with a quick escape from Ha Noi by van to the green quiet countryside on Man Duc. We will bike through emerald green rice paddies, past small villages and jagged mountain ridges. In Mai Chau valley, you will have a chance to explore ethnic villages and local markets, sampling regional cuisine and more. The journey then focuses on the "Halong Bay in the rice fields" an area with the amazing looking karst outcroppings, rising out of bright green ricefields. It is a photographers paradise that we will explore by both bike and boat, pedaling and paddling to reach areas beyond the public roads.

Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1 - The starts with a transfer to get outside Ha Noi's hectic traffic, to the quiet town of Man Duc. We will mount our bikes and pedal off into the lush hill country. The landscapes are magnificent and our cycling takes the easiest route through the mounatins, not over them. A short climb at ride's end takes us into the Mai Chau valley and our lodge sitting at the edge of bright green rice paddies. 30 mi / 50 kms

Day 2 - After breakfast, we will cycle around the valley a bit exploring quaint little villages with their traditional houses, perhaps visiting the local market where the ethnic Tai sells their handmade cloth. We will do another shuttle, as our next destination is too far for a day's ride, then enjoy an late afternoon spin through the karst scenery surrounding Ninh Binh. 26 mi / 40 kms

Day 3 - Bike from the hotel to Hoa Lu, the first capital of Vietnam date back from 8th century. Visit the temples and climb some hundred steps to the top of a mountain for a great view over the "Halong Bay in the rice fields". After here we bike through an amazing area of Limestone Mountains uprising on rice paddies. After 1hr riding we reach Tam Coc. Lunch in local restaurant and then enjoy an interesting rowing boat trip on river to explore the Halong Bay on the rice paddies. Drive back to Ha Noi. 20 mi / 32 kms



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Private Dates

This tour is only available as a Private Date, the route and details have been perfected, all we need is for you to pick a date for you and your gang. A tip from our local experts, this tour is best enjoyed from November through March dry conditions and cooler evening temperatures

Contact us for current pricing for this tour.

What's Included:

- 2 nights Accommodation in the area's better hotels (double occupancy)
- Most meals from Dinner on Day 1 until Breakfast on Day 3
- Water, sodas or beer included at dinner
- Service of bilingual Team Pedalers Guide(s)
- Full Van Support
- Daily route directions and maps
- Sightseeing and cultural activities
- Airport pick up & drop off

Meeting & Flights:

The tour meets in the afternoon of Day 1 at Siem Reap Airport. Guides will meet your incoming flight between 7 am and 12 noon, please plan your flights to arrive accordingly.

Fly into Hanoi (HAN) before 8 am on Day 1

Fly out of Hanoi (HAN) after 7 pm on Day 3

Route Conditions:

The ride is primarily on paved roads, with some short hard packed dirt stretches. Traffic is moderate to light. The route is suitable for performance road, sport road and touring bikes. Terrain is a mix flat and moderate hills.



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Visas & Travel Documents:

Passports are required for all guests. Your passport should have at least 6 months validity past your intended travel dates. Visas can be obtained from the Vietnam Embassy in your country.

Giving Back:

Guests often ask what they can do or bring to help people in the region. We suggest purchasing school notebooks after you arrive in Vietnam to pass out to children in the remote villages we visit. Or if you have a discount store nearby home, pick up some simple reading glasses (2 to 3.75) to pass out to elderly villagers, so that they can continue to lead productive lives.