

TREKKING LIMESTONE MOUNTAIN AND HANDICRAFT VILLAGES OF CAO BANG



TOUR CODE: VRT_003_4d

ROUTES: Hanoi – Cao Bang – Hanoi

DURATION: 4 days 3 nights

TOUR DESCRIPTION:

Located in the remoted area of Northern Vietnam, Cao Bang attracts tourists by its rustic beauty of multicolourful minority groups and breathtaking landscapes. The mystical charm is made up from limestone mountains, rice terraces, wild rivers, waterfalls and caves. All of these make Cao Bang a perfect destination for tourists who seek an authentic and adventurous travel experience.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Limestone mountains interspersed with vast fields, creating unique sceneries of Cao Bang.
- Trekking routes across huge limestone mountains, villages, meadows.
- Canoe on beautifully jade-blue Quay Son River.
- Experience indigenous people's life by making crafts in craft villages: making incenses, weaving basket, etc.

Day 1: Hanoi – Trung Vuong – Phia Thap (-/L/D)

- Leave Hanoi from early morning.
- After a long journey by bus to Cao Bang, start hiking uphill in the steep idyllic valley of Trung Vuong.
- We will pass through limestone mountains, rice terraces and maize fields to reach Phia Thấp village which is surrounded by limestone pinnacles creating a spectacular scenery.
- Spend your first night at homestay in Phia Thap. You can join homestay owners for preparing dinner or enjoying beautiful sunset from homestay's balconies.



Day 2: Phia Thap – Lan Duoi – Lung Ri- Phia Thap (B/L/D)

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- Enjoy a delicious home-made breakfast which will be prepared by homestay hosts.
- Early morning you will climb to the top of a limestone mountain behind the village from which you can enjoy the stunning view over Phia Thấp village and its surrounding mountains.
- After that, start trekking to Lan Duoi village, weaving of baskets village, where you will not only see baskets being made, but also have a go at making one yourself.
- Say goodbye to Lan Duoi village and continue trekking to Lung Ri where we will enjoy a delicious meal cooked by a local family. The trekking path crosses a meadow that offers irresistible views over maize fields and a fairy-tale landscape of limestone pinnacles covered in lush vegetation.



- After lunch, you will have the chance to experience the tile making process before trekking to Pác Rằng village which is specialised in the crafting of blacksmith products.
- Watch a blacksmith at work before being picked up by car back to Phia Thấp village.

Day 3: Phia Thap – Quay Son river – Ban Gioc (B/L/D)

- After a home-made breakfast, watch incense making demonstration at Phia Thấp village. Test your craftsmanship skills and try making your own incense sticks.
- After that, you will drive to Quây Sơn river for canoeing. Gliding through the jade-blue waters of the river along a spectacular scenery of limestone mountains and green rice terraces will be an awe-inspiring and relaxing activity.
- Lunch will be served in a homestay at Lung Niec village.
- After that, climb up a mountain next to the village that offers a spectacular view over Ban Gioc waterfall and the nearby pagoda. On the way to the peak we will visit a limestone cave. Admire breath-taking scenery from the peak, we then hike downhill to the waterfall where you have time to enjoy one of most beautiful natural attractions of Vietnam before.
- In the late afternoon, head back to the homestay for dinner.



Day 4: Nguom Ngao cave – Cao Bang city – Hanoi (B/L/-)

- Enjoy a delicious breakfast prepared by homestay owners, then start your last day in Cao Bang by visiting Nguom Ngao cave, admire delicate formations of stalactites.



- After that amazing trip, you will be picked up by car and go to Cao Bang city. After having lunch there, come back to Hanoi. You will reach Hanoi around 8pm.

	1-3 pax	4-6 pax	7-10 pax
Public Price (US\$)	469	291	231
Corporate Price (US\$)	422	238	197