

THE INTIMATE COLLECTION

HOI AN / DANANG

EVENTS DOSSIER

A 4 day events program to
the World Heritage region of
Hoi An, Vietnam.

Prepared by
Asia Concierge



	DAY ONE	DAY TWO	DAY THREE	DAY FOUR
DESTINATION	FLIGHT TO DANANG	HOI AN	HOI AN	
BREAKFAST	In flight	At hotel	At hotel	At hotel
MORNING	In flight	Travel Program : Morning Farm to Market to Table program	Travel Program : Vespas in Style - Hoi An Microcosm	At leisure until transfer out for onward international flight
LUNCH	In flight	Lunch at cooking school	Lunch at hotel after check out	In flight
AFTERNOON	Group arrives Danang and transfer in to the hotel in Hoi An	Afternoon at leisure Optional Yaly Tailors for clothes fitting with drinks and snacks.	Optional Touring Rides, Rivers and Ruins Hoi An Shuttle Service	
EVENING	Pre dinner sunset drinks and dinner at Tok Restaurant	Hoi An Progressive Dinner	Private Villa Gala Event	
OVERNIGHT	Four Seasons Nam Hai	Four Seasons Nam Hai	Four Seasons Nam Hai	In flight




DANANG ARRIVAL - BUS BREAKDOWN AND VESPA RESCUE

DANANG



After clearing the airport and boarding the vehicle for the journey into the resort, our driver stutters the breaks and begins to slow the vehicle down until it comes to a halt with an obvious mechanical error.

Guests are asked to leave the vehicle whilst the driver attends to the problem. Our guide frantically makes calls for a coach replacement.

Suddenly, around the corner comes a fleet of vespa motorbikes with drivers wearing the company logo t-shirt all ready to whisk guests off to the last leg of their journey to the hotel. It is only then that guests realise it was all a ruse!

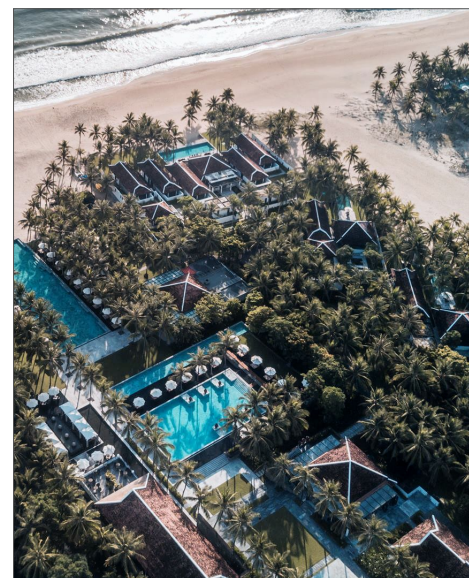
Inclusions :

- Meet and Greet on arrival
- 1 x 35 seat coach for transfer
- Bus breakdown surprise
- 1 x vespa rescue per guest for transfer
- Company t-shirts for drivers (optional)



FOUR SEASONS, THE NAM HAI

HOI AN



LOCATION

Hoi An, beachside

DESIGN

Contemporary and low rise

ROOMS

60 room villas / 40 pool villas

Just 15 minutes' from the pretty town of Hoi An and fronted by nearly 25 miles of powdery, platinum-white sands sweeping all the way to Danang, the Four Season's location is inspiring. Previously known as The Nam Hai and long regarded as one of the finest hotels in Vietnam, this sultry seaside resort joined the Four Seasons hotel group at the end of 2016.

Aside from the incredible beach, there are no less than three glittering swimming pools to choose from. Most villas offer views over the South China sea and all are decorated in a sensuous, contemporary Asian style; peaked roofs, dark wood floors, soothing colours and textures, and plush outdoor spaces. The villas are generously proportioned, some have swimming pools whilst others sunken bathtubs.



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Evening dining
TOK RESTAURANT



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HOI AN

In the late afternoon we meet our driver with a vintage vespa on which we ride pinion through the streets of Hoi An and into the countryside on a beautiful journey of discovery. This is the perfect time for our ride as the late afternoon light enhances the colours and there is often plenty of activity in the fields.

We'll cross an iron bridge to an agricultural island and drive through farmlands, villages and follow waterways lined with aquatic palms.

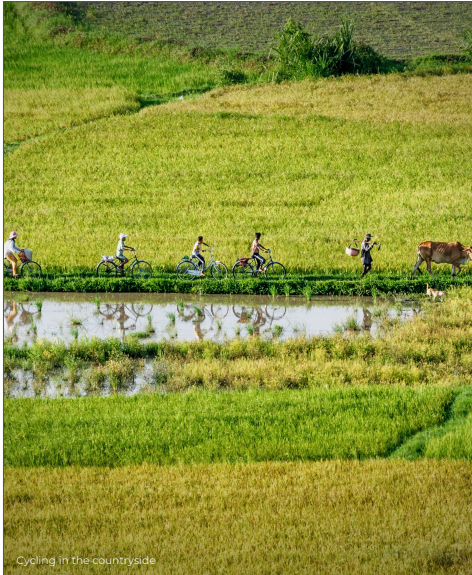
Finally we reach our end destination. Tok is a wonderfully unique and elegant restaurant serving beautifully prepared fusion cuisine using the finest local ingredients. Literally in the middle of the rice fields, the location is sublime.

Relax on one of the lounge beds on the edge of the fields with the beverage of your choice and watch the sun melt into the horizon. Then investigate the creative menu and enjoy Tok's laid back fine dining experience on the terrace, under the stars.

Inclusions:

- Vespa ride through countryside (15 mins)
- Sunlounges and outdoor chairs for pre dinner drinks
- Private use of Terrace for dinner
- Catered Asian/Western Fusion dinner (mix plated shared menu)
- Free flow wine, beer, soft drink x 2 hours
- Return motor coach transfer to resort





Cycling in the countryside



Rural Hoi An

FARM TO MARKET TO TABLE - WITH COUNTRYSIDE CYCLING

DEPART 0830 - 1200 / LUNCH

We depart this morning with a minivan ride to Hoi An's Tra Que Organic Vegetable Village. Here you're introduced to various plants and herbs used in Vietnamese cooking. We pick up some bicycles and cycle through shaded neighbourhoods nestled among the the rice fields as we watch rural life unfold.

Buffalos walk across the road and block our way as we stop at a local Assembly House in the hamlet of An My for a refreshment stop served by ladies carrying drinks in the yolks.

We then continue by bicycle along quaint countryside rides before stopping at a local market on the north side of Hoi An. Our guided visit allows us to purchase some herbs and vegetables to be used in our cooking class later on.

Then we board our motorised sampan boats as we cruise up the Thu Bon River, past vast fishing nets and coconut water palms to our destination - the Red Bridge Restaurant and Cooking School.

Here, beside the peaceful river bank we are guided and taught to create some of the traditional Hoi An dishes, such as rice paper rolls, papaya salad, ginger fish in clay pot and crispy Hoi An pancake – depending on the seasonal ingredients available.

The 2 hour session concludes with lunch on site. If competent in the kitchen or a skilled chef, this class may seem rudimentary. It is, however, a good entry-level class for someone seeking a first approach to Vietnamese cooking and with plenty of fun and some wine thrown in!

Inclusions:

- Bicycle hire and motor coach return
- Visits to vegetable garden and local market
- Motorised sampan boat journey
- 2 hour cooking class by local chefs
- 1 x apron and chef's hat (optional)
- 2 glasses of wine, beer, soft drink during class
- Vietnamese lunch
- Free flow wine, beer, soft drink x 1 hour



Red Bridge from riverside



Local market



Cooking stations



Mango Mango at dusk



Mango Mango interior

PROGRESSIVE DINNER HOI AN STYLE

INCORPORATING PRE DINNER AT THE FIELD, FIRST COURSE MAI FISH, MAIN COURSE MANGO ROOMS

Depart the resort on open top army jeeps! Cruise down the beach road and veer off towards to Hoi An, stopping at the Field for a pre dinner drink and snack overlooking the rice fields and river - a bucolic setting best seen as the sun fades for the day (we therefore recommend an early start to the dinner arrangements to take advantage of the early evening light).

Transportation awaits to whisk you off into town for our first sit down plated entree dishes of delicious Vietnamese cuisine with a twist at Mai Fish. Carefully selected, plants and bushes transform the courtyard and outdoor patio into a tranquil, garden-esque landscape.

Copper lighting casts a unique, golden glow over the tables. Meanwhile, the interior encourages you to relax. You're home. Paintings line the hallways, and ornate, wooden cabinets house antiques, locally made cups, glasses, and bowls.

A combination platter is served with crispy rolls, beef in La Lot leaves, and papaya salad with prawns to delight the palette. Cold beer is on tap for those that need to quench their first on a warm tropical night.

We then whizz off up the road to our final stop tonight. Mango Mango Restaurant is a colourful eatery that offers a fun, experimental menu and a wide range of signature cocktails. Located along the tranquil Thu Bon River, near the lantern bridge and night market, The spacious, three-floor interior, outdoor patio, and upstairs terrace make it the perfect place to take in Hoi An's fresh, tropical air and people-watch. It also boasts impressive views of the famous Japanese Covered Bridge, just a two-minute walk away.



Mai Fish beer garden



Cold beer on tap

At the end of the evening return to the resort by awaiting motor coach.

Inclusions :

- 1 x army jeep per 3 guests
- Venue hire at the Field with cushions on mats for grass seating (other arrangements possible).
- Appetiser's served at the Field
- Free flow wine, beer and soft drinks (1 hour)
- Mai Fish private section with entree platter
- Free flow wine, beer, soft drinks (up to 1 hour)
- Mango Mango private section
- 2 course main menu with dessert
- Free flow wine, beer and soft drinks (1 hour)
- Motorcoach for return transfer x 3

Important Note : Restaurant selection may change pending preferred seating and flow of locations.



Mai Fish plate



Vespas in style

VESPAS IN STYLE - HOI AN MICROCOSM!

DEPART 1600 - 1800 / MORNING DEPARTURE POSSIBLE

The delights of Hoi An await on this see all, experience all in a microcosm of Vietnam!

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We weave through the traffic and the back streets of Hoi An's old town until reaching Chuc Thanh Temple. This is one of the finest examples in Hoi An of a working temple that has maintained its true character while many have lost their old world charm due to overzealous restorations.

We can feel the magic of this place as soon as we pass through the ornate gate and enter the carefully manicured gardens. Your travel expert will take this opportunity to explain the practices and intricacies of Buddhism in Vietnam.



Chuc Thanh Temple

We time our visit for late afternoon/early evening prayers. This is a highly spiritual experience that brings one merit and good fortune and a sense of calm in oneself.

Returning to our vespas we embark on the last leg of our journey. As the golden light of the late afternoon embraces us, we venture into the countryside. We'll cross an iron bridge to an agricultural island and drive through farmlands, villages and follow waterways lined with aquatic palms. Your Travel Expert will be pleased to make stops along the way for a more intimate look at local village life.

Inclusions :

- Individual vespa (one per guest) with driver
- All guided services and entry points



The ruins of My Son

RIVERS, RIDES & RUINS

DEPART 0800 - RETURN 1230 OR 1400 - RETURN 1830

When discussing the ancient history of Vietnam, one cannot ignore the Cham people who occupied Central Vietnam before the Vietnamese conquered their Empire. My Son was the most important religious site for the Cham, it was where religious ceremonies for the kings of the ruling dynasties were held, as well as a burial place for Cham royalty and national heroes. It is also Vietnam's most important ancient ruin and predates the city of Angkor in nearby Cambodia.

Situated in the shadow of Cat Tooth Mountain (Hon Quap) My Son is an incredibly atmospheric and mystical place in a sublime setting with around 20 brick towers with carved sandstone lintels and pillars surrounded by forest and jungle.

Its a captivating visit and understandably popular, for this reason we encourage to start a visit later in the afternoon to arrive just before they stop admitting visitors for a more intimate experience of this site.

We provide an archaeologist/Cham expert (subject to availability), who is an authority on this site, to stimulate your imagination and really bring the site to life.

We suggest enjoying a peaceful boat trip on the Thu Bon River, combined with gentle cycling through picturesque countryside and villages. We use the coach/coaster vehicle to cover the majority of the 50kms and focus on the prettiest stretch of river and most interesting trails for cycling.

Return to Hoi An/Danang in the early evening.

Inclusions :

- River boat journey on the Thu Bon river (cushions, snacks and cool drinks provided)
- Coach transfer from boat pick up
- Bicycle ride for remaining 5km stretch to site.
- Entrance fee to site
- Archaeologist / Cham Expert speaker to guide through the site



Personalised menus and napkins

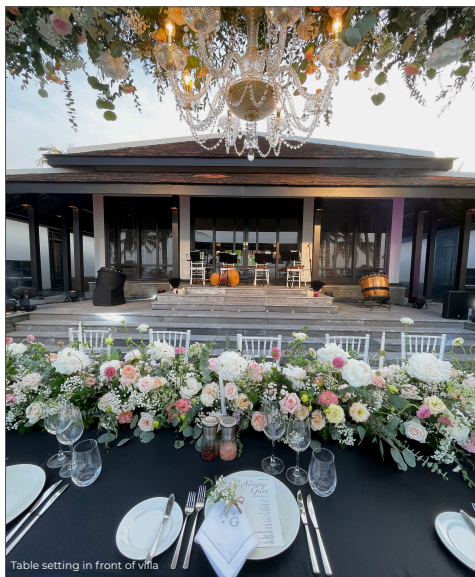


Table setting in front of villa

Evening dining
PRIVATE VILLA - A NIGHT OF ELEGANCE



Violinist on entry



Dessert surprise



Chandelier hung from a truss

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HOI AN

A private pool villa is the setting for an illustrious event on the sands of Hoi An beach. Pathways lit by a hundred candles guide guests through to the grounds of a villa where a single violinist in white serenades upon arrival. A 1.5 metre floral display of the client's company name stands as a backdrop to the ocean in front. At the grass area on the sides of the villa entertainment comes in the parade of LED dancers performing in darkness, seemingly lighting up areas of the space with electric coloured human figures.

A long table dressed in black silk and stylish white wooden chair set the scene for dinner. Independently named custom menus are provided along with initial embedded cloth napkins for that intimate touch, carefully placed among a bed of luxurious flower arrangements and candelabums.

Large floral displays hang from an overhead truss in which an elegant chandelier provides the central point over the long table as a string quartet dressed in white entertain.

Once dessert is ready, the lights turn off and drummers announce a parade of ladies dressed in white 'ao dai' with glowing conical hats coming in from the beach. Each one carries a yolk (Vietnamese baskets), filled with dessert for the close of the evening. As they gather around the tables, waiters serve the final dish delivered in traditional market style.

Inclusions :

- Private villa use
- 3 violinists on arrival
- Elegant garden set up
- Extravagant floral table setting with truss structure and chandelier
- Oversized logo spelt out in flowers on poolside
- Personalised menus and napkins with initials
- Catered Asian/Fusion plated dinner
- LED dance performance in gardens
- String quartet during dinner
- Ao dai dessert surprise



Hoi An
VIETNAM



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Why us?

Ever evolving, ever changing ... that's Asia in general. But no where is the pace of development as fast as found in the major cities of Vietnam.

Asia Concierge may be a new operator to market, however, it is managed at all levels by veterans and pioneer of the events industry in Asia.

It's Vietnam team have always been proud to lead the industry with the development of creative content and the sourcing of new venues.

It's Co Founding Partner, Paul Levrier, was the initial creator of events at the former Presidential Palace in Saigon, the first to turn the Fine Arts Museum and the Botanical Gardens into the event spaces they are today.

Under his direction he conceived exclusive use of the Temple of Literature in Hanoi and was the first to take over the Co Loa Citadel on its outskirts when incentive travel to Vietnam was unheard of. The vespa tours that are now so popular in the main cities of Vietnam was first devised and created by Paul via connections at a small vespa club in Ho Chi Minh City way back in 2004! Most recently, he led the operation of an event at the previously 'out of bounds' Hanoi Citadel in the heart of the city for 300 guests.

But our relentless pursuit does not stop there. Venues that have been tried and tested are now looked at with fresh eyes, taking concepts, theming and creative content beyond previous boundaries. New venue sourcing is ongoing, constantly on the look out for locations that are authentic and representative of Vietnam's rich culture.

This approach to our business extends to our excursion offerings. Not content with regular tour activities, a destination's highlights are brought to life with fine touches and elements that bring a sense of fun, exploration and further cultural understanding to the guest, leaving behind an indelible memory on ones time in Vietnam.

"Our legacy may have been created by the past, but we want to be remembered for what we are going to do today and tomorrow."

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