

Highlight

- Awesome scenery
- Great view from the summit
- Challenging trails
- Fully supported

Itinerary at a glance

Night 1: Night train to Lao Cai

Day 1: Lao Cai – Sapa.

Day 2: Trek to the first base campsite

Day 3: Trek to the summit and to the second campsite

Day 4: Back to Sapa. Night train to Hanoi

Day 5: Arrive in Hanoi, Trip ends

Trip notes

Duration:	5 days, 5 nights
Group size:	08 persons
Depart from:	Hanoi
End at:	Hanoi
When:	Oct — Apr
Activities:	Mountain climbing
Grade:	Challenge
Transport:	Train, car, on foot
Accommodation:	1 night hotel, 2 night trains, 1 night camping
Tour guide:	English or French speaking guide
Support crew:	Porters & cook
Meals:	Day 1: Breakfast Day 2-3: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Day 4: Breakfast, Lunch



Note on client safety

We reserve the right to deviate from this itinerary for any reasons, including road and weather conditions or for any other factor which may influence client safety.



Tour price

Please contact our **Customer Service** at info@activetravel.asia or call +84 97 980 0588 (24/7 LiveHelp)

Inclusion:

- Sleeper cabin on train for two ways
- Twin shared room in Sapa
- Camping on the trek
- Transfer two ways in Lao Cai
- Transfer one way in Hanoi
- English speaking guide
- Porters & Cook
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Waters & Snacks
- Entrance fees & sightseeing fees

Exclusion:

- Travel insurance
- Visa
- Tips
- Personal expenses

Food

All meals, which are indicated in the itinerary, are included in the price of this trip. On the trek the support crew will cook meals for us. Since we are far away from the town, the emphasis will be on healthy and nutritious local produce.

The campsite

Our camp for the evening will be in a very small clearing on the mountain enclosed by bamboo. You will be provided with twin shared tent, sleeping bag and air mattress. The campsites are subjected to change due to the size of groups and weather conditions

The transfers

In Hanoi, one ATA staff will accompany you to the train to show you your cabin and tell you how to deal with the overnight train. When you get back to Hanoi on day 4 you can easily find a taxi to get to your hotel.

In Lao Cai, our guide will meet you at Lao Cai Railway Station in the morning of the first day. He also see you off at Lao Cai Railway Station on day 5.

The trekking day

A typical trekking day start at about 8.30 am after breakfast. Lunch times can vary depending on the terrain. We aim to reach the next overnight stop by 4.30 or 5. During the trek we will have short breaks for rest, snack and photographing.

ATA tour guide

The tour will be led by one of our tour guides who are experienced in guiding trekking tours in Vietnam. He has been carefully trained in this field and is fully licensed in tour guiding by the government. In addition, he has been trained in first-aid by SOS International and he knows how to deal with difficult situations. You will have a great time traveling with him.

What to bring

Trekking boot, sun block, hat, anti-insect repellent, warm clothes, rain coat, flash-light, toiletries, original passport



Detailed Itinerary

Night 1: Night train to Lao Cai.

Transfer from your hotel to Hanoi Railway Station for the night train to Lao Cai. Overnight in AC soft sleeper cabin.

Summary

Transfer hotel – railway station: AC vehicle
Accommodation: Soft sleeper in AC cabin

the rest of the day to explore the town.

Optional walking tour begins at 1 pm to Lao Chai Village, home to Black H'mong people. Overnight in Sapa

Summary

Transfer Lao Cai – Sapa: 1 hr
Accommodation: Hotel in Sapa
Activity: Free at leisure
Meals: Breakfast

Day 1: Lao Cai – Sapa – Tavan Village

Arrive in Lao Cai around 5.30 am. We will take 1hr bus ride uphill to the beautiful town of Sapa. The ride give you a glimpse of the stunning vistas and impressive rice terraces. Upon arrival in Sapa Town we have breakfast in local restaurant. Free time for



Day 2: Sapa – Heavens Gate – 2900m

We travel by car toward the Silver Waterfall where you will be able to take a short walk to the waterfall. We will then drive further to Heaven Gate, the highest peak of roads in Vietnam. From there we can see Fansipan, the highest peak of Indochina mountains as well as enjoy stunning view of Binh Lu valley. The trek will be relatively soft until lunchtime. After a couple of hours of hiking, we will have a break at a nice spot in the forest and enjoy a good lunch. With new energy we start ascending as well as descending towards the campsite. En route we have opportunity to enjoy the scenery and magnificent views to Sapa area and beautiful landscape of Lai Chau province. We will arrive to the campsite at 2900m ASL in the late afternoon. Now it is time to relax and enjoy a well prepared dinner.

Summary

Trekking: 5 hrs/ascend 2,900 m from 1,600 m
Accommodation: Camping
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3: 2900m – the top of Fansipan – 2700m

After having breakfast, we climb to the top, where we can celebrate your victory. From there, we can enjoy the best view to beautiful sceneries. You will then start descending. We stop on the way at a nice spot for lunch.

After lunch, we start the tough trek, which is all the way downhill through rainforest. This part requires a great concentration to step on steep trail until we meet the campsite at 2700m ASL. Here we spend another night in tent.

Summary

Trekking: 6 hrs/ascend 3,143 m and descend to 2,700m
Accommodation: Camping

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: 2700m – Sin Chai – Sapa

We wake up in the fresh and pure morning in wild nature, before heading back to civilization. We trek downhill through well protected forest and after a couple of hours of hiking, we stop for lunch. We will then continue descending toward Sin Chai village of Back H'mong minority. On the way we will be able to enjoy valley views and beautiful surrounding. We stop at the village for a while before we go by car back to Sapa, where we can celebrate our achievement, taking shower and relax until transfer to Lao Cai Railway Station for the night train back to Hanoi.

Summary

Trekking: 6 hrs/descend to 1,600m
Accommodation: Night train back to Hanoi
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 5: Back to Hanoi

Arrive in Hanoi early morning. Tour ends



Holiday Extensions

Kayaking in Halong Bay: 3-day tour with 2-day kayaking and overnight on Chinese junk

The most famous place for kayaking in Vietnam. Kayak is also the best way to explore how beautiful Halong Bay is, to paddle through islets, to visit hidden caves, lagoons, unspoiled beaches, floating-fishing village, to talk with local fish-man. Thanks to thousands of islands on the bay, the water is calm, the current is fine, and the wind is not too strong are ideal condition for sea-kayaking.



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