



KOSHER WORLD ADVENTURES

OFFERING KOSHER VACATIONS THROUGHTOUT THE WORLD SINCE 2015

VIETNAM INFO

Welcome to Your Vietnam Adventure!

We are thrilled to have you join us on this incredible journey through the vibrant landscapes and rich culture of Vietnam. This trip promises to be filled with unforgettable experiences, delicious Kosher cuisine, and breathtaking sights.



Flight Information

On the first day of the trip, you will be flying into Ho Chi Min, Southern Vietnam. The KWA bus will depart from the airport at 1:00 PM, so please ensure your flight arrives in Ho Chi Min between 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

On the final day of your journey, you will be dropped off at Hanoi Airport at 12:30 PM. We recommend booking a flight out of Hanoi around 3:30 PM to allow ample time for check-in and security.

If you need assistance with your travel arrangements, feel free to reach out to our travel agent, Henriette, who is ready to help you with all your needs.

Email: henriette@ayalagroup.co.il

Passports & Visas

A valid passport is required, with an expiration date at least six months beyond the conclusion of the tour or return flight. Visa to Vietnam is required

The Vietnamese Immigration Department issues E-visas to foreigners through an online application process. E-visas are issued with a validity period of up to 90 days, one-entry for 25 USD or multiple entries for 50 USD, and payable via bank transfer.



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E-visa holders may enter and exit Vietnam through 42 designated international border gates, including all international airports.

The Vietnamese E-visa instructions and application are available online and can be found [here](#). We recommend making copies of your passport and storing them separately—either in your luggage, on your phone, or with family or trusted individuals back home.

Carry on Baggage

In your hand luggage, pack items you will need immediately upon arrival. Suggested items include cameras, medications, Tefillin, your Chumash, Siddur, a change of clothes, underwear, pajamas, etc.

Please be mindful of airline regulations regarding sharp objects (e.g., scissors, knives, razors) and liquids. These items should be placed in your checked luggage, as airport security will confiscate them if found in hand luggage. Liquids in your carry-on must be in containers of 100 ml or less, packed in a clear plastic bag with a zip or adhesive closure, with a maximum total capacity of 1 litre.

Each airline has specific size and weight limits for carry-on luggage, so please review these guidelines carefully.

Checked in Baggage

Please verify the weight allowance for your checked baggage, which is typically 23 kg (50 lbs) per suitcase. We recommend keeping your luggage under 20 kg (44 lbs) to allow room for any gifts or souvenirs you may purchase during the trip and because the weight allowance for internal flights is 20 kg for checked luggage and 7 kg for carry-on bags.

Insurance

Travel and health insurance are essential. Please ensure that you arrange comprehensive coverage for the entire duration of your trip, from departure to return.



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Insurance

Your policy should include both cancellation and medical coverage to protect against any unforeseen circumstances. Additionally, ensure that any pre-existing medical conditions are fully covered in your insurance plan. Ensure you have extreme sports health insurance, as activities will include speed boating, cycling and snorkeling.

Currency & Exchange

You can exchange money at street vendors or at the hotel. Ensure the bills are crisp and new, with the blue strip for a better exchange rate; \$100 bills generally yield a better rate. Current exchange rates are approximately \$10 = 248,200 Dong for reference, a cup of coffee costs around 35,000 Dong or \$1.5). While credit cards are accepted in stores, cash is necessary for markets where bargaining is common.



Meals & Food

Breakfast and dinner will be served as sit-down meals. During breakfast, we will prepare our own lunch-to-go. Breakfast will take place in a designated private dining room at our hotels, which allows us to bring in food items. The Chabad Houses in Ho Chi Min and Hanoi will offer us delicious kosher meals, allowing us to sample a variety of traditional Vietnamese, Western, and Jewish dishes throughout the tour. We will provide snacks during the trip; however, you may wish to bring additional energy bars to maintain your energy levels.

Please inform us of any dietary restrictions, including vegetarian preferences or allergies.



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Medications

Please ensure you bring all necessary medications, including regular prescription drugs and any remedies for allergies, cold symptoms, stomach upsets, headaches, etc. If you have allergies and require an Epipen, kindly bring it with you. We recommend carrying your prescriptions in case a medication is misplaced. For your convenience, it is advisable to pack your medications in your carry-on luggage.

Glasses

If you wear glasses, we suggest that you bring a spare pair and your prescription in case you need to replace your glasses or lenses when we are in Vietnam.

Wake-Up

It is recommended that you set your own alarms each morning. You will be given a schedule the night before. If you wish, you can order a wake-up call at reception.

Hotel Extra Charges

If there is a mini-bar in your room, snacks and drinks in the mini-bar are for purchase. Free items such as water and tea will normally be on the desk or on a table. If you have utilized any hotel services, please ensure that you have settled your bill before we leave our hotels.

Handy Items - Snacks & Special Foods

We suggest you bring small packages of tissues and hand wipes in small sealed packets, and of course, hand sanitizer. We supply snacks and you may want to bring along dried fruits, nuts, seeds, crackers, granola bars and/or some of your other favorite snacks.



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Shabbat

- **Rooms:** We will use the services of a goy shel Shabbat to operate the elevators for us to get to the higher floors.
- **Electronic Doors to your room:** We recommend that you place all valuables in the safe, leaving your door closed but unlocked by taping the tongue of the lock and putting the Do Not Disturb sign on outside door handle. We can help you do this on Erev Shabbat.
- **Lights:** Leave whichever lights you wish to have on Shabbat. You may additionally want to bring a travel Shabbat lamp.
- **Eruv:** Please note that there is no eruv in Vietnam.
- **Tefillot:** On Shabbat we will daven at Chabad.
- **Candle Lighting:** Tea lights will be provided.
- **Shabbat Meals:** Dinner and Lunch will be served at Chabad
- **Coffee and Cake** will be served in the hotel lobby and also will be available at Chabad.

Chargers & Electricity

Electricity supply in Vietnam is 220 Volts at 50Hz. Plugs type A (two flat vertical pins), type C and type F (two round pins) fit to most Vietnam electrical outlets. If you bring a power bank for your phone, ensure it is stored in your carry-on and has a capacity of less than 15,000 mAh, as indicated on the device.

Internet

Our hotels offer complimentary Wi-Fi, available in all guest rooms as well as in the main areas of the hotel. We recommend buying a local SIM card. This can be arranged before arrival with the tourguide



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Clothing

Pack short-sleeve shirts, long pants, socks for temple visits (where shoes must be removed), lightweight casual attire, and clothing suitable for Shabbat. Be sure to include water shoes, a bathing suit, a light sweater, and a beach towel. Rain gear may be necessary, and sandals are appropriate.

More General Information

- Hair dryers are provided in the rooms.
- Bug spray can be purchased in Vietnam.
- Laundry services are available, allowing you to drop off laundry and pick it up the following day.
- Please remember to wear your name tags throughout the trip.

Thank you for joining us on this exciting journey to Vietnam! We are thrilled to have you on board and can't wait to meet each of you in person. Get ready for an unforgettable adventure filled with beautiful sights, new friendships, delicious food and amazing cultural experiences.

Safe travels until we see you soon!

Best regards,
The Kosher World Adventures Team