

# CUSTOM MULTI-ADVENTURE TRIP

# <u>VIETNAM</u> <u>& CAMBODIA</u>

*Crafted for Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer David Hume Kennerly* Forty five years after winning the 1972 Pulitzer Prize for images he made in Vietnam and Cambodia during the war, David Hume Kennerly returns to some of the places where he created those poignant and haunting images. Join Kennerly and Backroads on this journey of a lifetime to Vietnam and Cambodia's Angkor Wat. Backroads will create the perfect blend of activity, exploration, legendary service, spectacular hotels and beautiful surroundings to produce this unforgettable experience. Join Kennerly and his family for this Southeast Asia Adventure!

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Tailor-Made for David Hume Kennerly's Group

### THE DETAILS

DATES January 2 - 9, 2018
LENGTH 8 days/ 7 nights
MILEAGE Biking: 15-35 mi (minimal elevation) Walking: 1-3 mi
LEVEL 1 - 2
START Hanoi, Vietnam
END Siem Reap, Cambodia

#### **CUSTOMIZED ITINERARY**

COST \$5,598 pp, dbl. occupancy SINGLE SUPPLEMENT \$1,400 INTERNAL AIRFARE \$560 DEPOSIT PER PERSON \$600

CONTACT YOUR CUSTOM TRIP CONSULTANT Katie Medina | 800-462-2848 ext. 192 katiem@backroads.com **EXPERIENCE** the unique beauty of two countries with a Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer who documented some of the darkest days of Vietnam and Cambodia decades ago

**ENJOY** exclusive access to an ancient Hanoi temple rarely visited by foreign travelers

**DISCOVER** Hoi An: Vietnam's oldest town, beautifully preserved and a delight to explore

**BEHOLD** the Angkor Wat ruins on a sunrise stroll – an unforgettable sight!

**EXPLORE** the historic monuments of Hué, once the capital of imperial Vietnam

## Your Trip & Support Leaders

Smart, engaging, knowledgeable, caring and endlessly enthusiastic. Your Backroads Trip Leaders, renowned for their ability to transform a great vacation into an inspiring experience, will provide support along the routes with a Backroads support vehicle.

# Premiere Accommodations

Over the course of eight days, we spend the night at four amazing properties, perfectly situated in each region. Whether it's in the heart of town, on the banks of a river or right next to the beach, you are always right where you want to be.

## Meals

All meals are included in the trip price with the exception of breakfast on the first day and lunch and dinner on the last day.

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# **Trip Overview**

Welcome to Vietnam! After meeting in Hanoi, we kick off the trip with a cyclo tour of the city's Old Quarter. With its tree-lined boulevards, parks and French colonial architecture, Hanoi is called the "Paris of the Orient".

The following day, we hop on a plane to the World Heritage site of Hué, the former capital of imperial Vietnam. We'll get to know the historic monuments, including the Royal Citadel, modeled after China's Forbidden City and the site of intense conflict during the Vietnam War.

While in Hué, you will have the choice of opting out of a day of biking to explore the A Shau Valley, where David Kennerly took his 1972 Pulitzer Prize winning photo of 'A Lone Soldier'. This will be more of a freeform day with a three hour shuttle each way, but for those willing to make the journey, it could be a chance to see rural regions of Vietnam that few visitors experience.

We will also explore Hoi An, Vietnam's oldest town and you'll have the opportunity to try your hand at making a meal indicative of the region with an interactive cooking class hosted by a popular local chef.

For our last few days of the trip, we fly to Siem Reap, Cambodia to experience the stunning Angkor ruins, a metropolis built to glorify Khmer kings. Leaving the tourists behind, pedal past bucolic settlements and vibrant green rice paddies on wonderfully quiet roads. We'll spin through peaceful, seemingly undiscovered rural villages, watch the sunrise over Angkor Wat, and wander the temple grounds on foot, all the while benefitting from impromptu photo tutorials taught by our special guest.

OPTIONAL: A Day 0\* visit to a temple outside Hanoi which replaced the Zoo POW Camp, as well as a tour of the Hanoi Opera House and dinner in town with the Kennerlys.

\*This day is not included as a part of the Backroads trip price. Pricing of this option will depend upon the number of guests interested. Please indicate your interest in Day 0 upon booking and more details will follow.



# Premiere Inns

SOFITEL LEGEND METROPOLE HANOI 1 NIGHT

This five-star historic landmark is a French colonial gem set in the heart of old Hanoi. Travel + Leisure World's Best. (pool, spa) | Hanoi | <u>website</u>

### LA RESIDENCE HOTEL & SPA 2 NIGHTS

A blend of Asian and colonial charm, this boutique hotel is housed in the former governor's mansion on the bank of the Perfume River. Travel + Leisure World's Best. (pool, spa) | Hué | <u>www.la-residence-hue.com</u>

#### **THE NAM HAI 2 NIGHTS**

This luxury all-villa resort is set on pristine China Beach, near the picturesque port town of Hoi An. (pool, spa) | Hoi An | www.thenamhai.com

#### **RAFFLES GRAND HOTEL D'ANGKOR 2 NIGHTS**

Described by Andrew Harper as a "stylish and beautifully restored landmark resort-hotel surrounded by a 15-acre park, less than five miles from Angkor Wat." (pool, spa) | Siem Reap | www.raffles.com/siem-reap