

9-Day Mekong Delta: Ben Tre to Phu Quoc

Follow ritual, waterways, borderland towns and coastal landscapes from Ba Tri to Phú Quốc, with an optional longer island stay.



Duration

9 days / 8 nights

Travel style

Regional, observant and gently adventurous

Accommodation

4-star or equivalent, confirmed in the final proposal

Route

Bến Tre area - Cần Thơ - Châu Đốc - Hà Tiên - Phú Quốc

Trip highlights

- Ritual and coastal ecology
- Changing river commerce
- Faith and borderlands
- Seasonal wetland ecology

Recommended for

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Season note

Water levels, rain and agricultural cycles change the look of wetlands and canals.

This is a sample itinerary, not a quotation or booking confirmation.

Hotels, availability, exact inclusions, pricing and booking terms will be confirmed in a personalised proposal from your travel advisor.



Route covered

Ho Chi Minh City to Ba Tri; Bến Tre area to Cần Thơ; Cái Răng floating market and Cần Thơ

Day 1 - Ho Chi Minh City to Ba Tri

- Travel to Ba Tri for Đình Phú Lễ and a hosted introduction to hát sắc bùa through a respectful introduction to the local tradition.
- Learn about Phú Lễ rice liquor in a small tasting, then join a bần-planting activity with a local conservation initiative that continues caring for the planting area.

Overnight: Bến Tre area | Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Day 2 - Bến Tre area to Cần Thơ

- A light morning allows time around the river or local landscape before travelling to Cần Thơ.
- Check in and keep the evening easy.

Overnight: Cần Thơ | Meals: Breakfast

Day 3 - Cái Răng floating market and Cần Thơ

- Visit Cái Răng early enough to see real trading activity and discuss how road transport and supermarkets have changed the market.
- The afternoon follows one local theme such as foodways, neighbourhood life or a working noodle producer.

Overnight: Cần Thơ | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch



Route covered

Cần Thơ to Châu Đốc; Châu Đốc religious sites and market; Trà Sư and Hà Tiên

Day 4 - Cần Thơ to Châu Đốc

- Travel directly to Châu Đốc without a forced Sa Đéc stop.
- A short late-afternoon orientation introduces the riverfront and market town.

Overnight: Châu Đốc | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 5 - Châu Đốc religious sites and market

- Explore selected neighbourhood and faith settings linked to Vietnamese, Khmer, Hoa and Cham life, using permission-based encounters rather than an ethnic checklist.
- At Núi Sam, choose Miếu Bà Chúa Xứ and Lăng Thoại Ngọc Hầu as the two principal sites.

Overnight: Châu Đốc | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 6 - Trà Sư and Hà Tiên

- Visit Trà Sư in the morning, then continue west to Hà Tiên on the Gulf of Thailand.

Overnight: Hà Tiên | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch



Route covered

Hà Tiên town and borderland sites; Ferry to Phú Quốc; Departure or beach extension

Day 7 - Hà Tiên town and borderland sites

- Explore the Mạc family legacy, old town and Gulf geography before the journey continues to Phú Quốc.

Overnight: Hà Tiên | Meals: Breakfast

Day 8 - Ferry to Phú Quốc

- Travel by ferry, check in and leave the afternoon free.
- No compressed island circuit is added after arrival.

Overnight: Phú Quốc | Meals: Breakfast

Day 9 - Departure or beach extension

- Transfer to Phú Quốc airport, or continue with an optional two- or three-night beach extension.

Meals: Breakfast



Inclusions and practical information

This sample itinerary illustrates a proposed route and experiences. Hotels, availability, exact inclusions and pricing will be confirmed in a personalised proposal from your travel advisor.

Included

- Accommodation in the stated overnight locations, based on the rooming arrangement confirmed in the final proposal.
- Daily breakfast and the lunches or dinners specifically marked against each day.
- Private ground transport for the airport transfers, touring and intercity movements shown.
- English-speaking local guide services for scheduled sightseeing and hosted activities.
- Entrance fees and activities explicitly listed in the confirmed itinerary.
- Cruises or boats shown in the itinerary, subject to final schedules, fares and operating conditions.

Not included

- International flights and any airfare not specifically included in the final proposal.
- Passport, visa, vaccination, travel insurance and personal medical costs.
- Tips, drinks, laundry, minibar, personal purchases and other incidental expenses.
- Early check-in, late check-out, room upgrades and special room arrangements unless confirmed.
- Optional activities, independent meals and services requested after the itinerary is confirmed.

Final details to be confirmed

- Exact hotel names, room category, bedding and check-in arrangements.
- Guide coverage and any supplier- or host-dependent visits.
- Final flight, cruise, train and transfer timings.
- The complete inclusion list, price, payment schedule and cancellation terms.

Your travel advisor remains your point of contact.

The final proposal replaces this sample once dates, travellers and service choices are confirmed.