



The mini-expedition 4-day in the remote cave - Hang Tien Cave

Adventure and exciting activities: trekking, climbing, swimming, camping

Sightseeing the amazing beauty of Tu Lan Cave system including Hang Ken, Hang Kim, Hung Ton Wet Cave, La Ken valley...

Trip Overview



This Tu Lan Cave Expedition 4-day takes you into remote areas of this unique caving region, home to the most spectacular jungle and caves of Vietnam! You will also learn some caving techniques, and see how to set up jungle camps. Cave photography is an option and the guides will be able to assist you to produce top quality images in the caves.

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What you'll get

DURATION

1 day

PRICE STARTING FROM

US\$ 745

STARTS IN / ENDS IN

Phong Nha / Phong Nha



SUITABLE

Family, couple

Transportation

A/C transfer

PRODUCT CODE

T880XA04

MEALS

4 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, 4 Dinners

ACCOMMODATION

TYPE

Land tour

Price Includes

- Light PVC backpack
- Camping gear: hammock/tent, camp light, sleeping bag
- Caving expert from the British Cave Research Association
- Porter team to carry all camping gear and prepare all meals
- Dry bag (for clothing and personal belongings excl. electronics)
- Meals: picnic lunches, breakfast (day 2, 3, 4& departure), dinner (day 1, 2 & 3)
- Professional English-speaking tour guide and guide safety assistant
- 1 night's accommodation at Chay Lap Farmstay (single or twin-shared)
- Caving & safety gear: caving helmet, caving headlight, life jacket, gloves
- Basic canvas trekking boots (only if you do not have your own pair) sizes 38 46
- Basic camping facilities with eco-friendly compost toilet using western toilet seat





- First Aid Kit and Medical Rescue Equipment (application by guides and porters only
- Shared dry box for phones and small cameras (limited availability for larger cameras)
- Katadyn (Swiss-made) water purifier (used only by guide and porters) and water bottle
- Secure Storage Facility at Oxalis Headquarters to store all luggage you will not be taking on the trek
- Group transfers from Chay Lap Farmstay to Dong Hoi city center after tour (1 transfer in the morning and 1 transfer in the afternoon)

Price Excludes

- 1 medium size towel
- 1 pair of flip flops (sandals) for campsite
- 3-4 pairs of calf length close weave socks (not ankle socks!)
- 2 pair of shorts and t-shirts to wear at campsite and swim suit
- 1 pair of trekking boots/shoes (if you prefer your own comfortable pair)
- Personal items: mosquito repellent, sunglasses, hat, camera, underwear, toiletries
- 2 long (easy to dry) pants and 2 long sleeved shirt to wear during the trek (quick dry)

Cancellation by Customer

For almost of our tours, once tour is confirmed and fully paid but for one reason they cancel the tour, the following charges will apply in the event of cancellation prior to tour commencement:

- More than 30 days before arrival: No charge
- 15-30 days before arrival: 10% of total tour price.
- 7-15 days before arrival: 50% of total tour price.
- 4-7 days before arrival: 75% of total tour price.
- Within 3 days before arrival: 100% tour price.

Notes:

- There will be no refund given for any unused or missed ground arrangements, sightseeing, meals or hotel accommodations.
- For no showcases, there will be no refund.





All cancellations must be in person or in writing and received by us

Cancellation by Weather

In case of an unexpected situation/ bad weather causes an effect on your trip after commencement, we serve the right to change the itinerary of your booked tour for the safety of all clients in the group. If there are more than one solution, we will ask for your permission and agreement to do the next step. In such kind of cancellation, the refund of any payment on the un-used portion of transportation service, hotel service, car rental or tours will be given.

Itineraries

Day 1: Chay Lap Farmstay - Tan Hoa - Secret Cave - Hung Ton Cave - Tu Lan Campsite - Hang Ken Lan Campsite - Hang Ken

The expedition takes off with a pickup from Chay Lap Farmstay at **8:00 am** and a transfer to Tan Hoa village. You'll do a final check on gear and equipment at Tu Lan office prior to trekking. At **10:00 am**, the trek gets underway with a hike across peanut and buffalo fields (2.5 km) to the Rao Nan River.

After crossing the river, the group will go through the first cave of this expedition called Secret Cave at 11 am. The journey within Secret Cave then proceeds forward with a trek to Hung Ton Cave entrance. The journey within Secret Cave and the following trek to Hung Ton will take from about 11:30 am - 12:00 pm. At the entrance of Hung Ton you will take a break and enjoy lunch until about 1:00 pm.

From Hung Ton, trek through the jungle to Tu Lan Campsite. At camp, you'll get settled and have time to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee before swimming into Ken Cave to the photo viewpoint where a famous picture of this cave was taken. There will be more time for swimming afterward at the small waterfall by camp, while our porter



team prepares a delicious dinner.

Meals: L, D

Accommodation: Camping

Day 2: Tu Lan - Hang Kim - To Mo - Hung Ton - La Ken - Hung Dung Campsite

Breakfast starts this adventurous day around **8:00** am. Then, the expedition group will see the namesake of the tour, Tu Lan Cave. Visit Tu Lan Dry Cave and abseil down (10 m) into the river passage of Tu Lan Wet Cave with the support of our guide team. You will either swim or boat out of the cave (exit mode depends on season/weather).

Hang Kim is next, and you'll enter via the dry entrance, follow the dry passage to the underground river, and swim through the cave to exit into picturesque To Mo Valley. We will have lunch here from about 1:00 - 2:00 pm. Then, we will swim into Ton Cave, explore the dry passage and climb up the ladder to exit the cave.

It takes a further 2.5 hours to trek to La Ken Valley and then you'll reach the Hung Dung Campsite (around **5:30** pm) where everyone can enjoy swimming in the natural pools. In cooler weather, you can spend this extra time taking photos of the waterfall and drinking more cups of coffee or tea. Enjoy a fulfilling dinner at around **6:00** pm.

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Camping

Day 3: Hang Doi - Hung Nhai - Tien Valley - Tien Campsite



At **8:00** am, the day starts with breakfast ready when you wake up. Around **9:00** am, trek over the hill and through Hang Doi, known as Short Cave or sometimes Bat Cave. This will include a very short swim. When you exit the cave, you'll see a beautiful waterfall and have time to stop and take some photos.

At **11:00** am, cross Hung Nhai Valley to the bottom of the hill. Lunch will take place from **12:00** – **1:00** pm near the river. The next few hours will be spent trekking up and over the hill into Tien Valley. After the hill, it's about 30 more minutes to campsite which will be reached around 5:30 pm. Enjoy swimming in the gorgeous natural lagoon and soak up the surrounding beauty. Capture some excellent photos before getting distracted by a delicious dinner under the stars.

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Camping

Day 4: Hang Tien 1 - Hang Tien 2 - Tan Hoa - Chay Lap Farmstay

Have a big breakfast to gear up for this big, final day of the trek. Hike to the largest cave in Tu Lan Cave System, Hang Tien. Known as Fairy Cave, Hang Tien has two sections and you will explore both from about **9:30 am – 1:00 pm.**

Hang Tien 1 lies beyond a field of boulders and the entrance is magnificent. Rimstone pools are stacked high and add to the magical feeling of this cave. Journey through Hang Tien 1 to its exit and then through Hang Tien 2 before making your way back.

Lunch will take place on the return through Hang Tien, at the exit of Hang Tien 1. Then the group will proceed back through Hang Tien 1. Trek over the hill to the road where you'll be picked up and returned to the office around **4:00 – 4:30 pm.**

At Tan Hoa office, you will have time to take a proper shower that you have been waiting for many days, have a cold drink, collect your luggage and be transferred to Chay Lap Farmstay. Check in at the hotel around **6:30 pm**, and then enjoy a gala



dinner with your expedition team around **7:30 pm**. The night will be spent at Chay Lap.

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Chay Lap Farmstay

Departure Day: Transfer to Dong Hoi

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, take a swim in the pool at Chay Lap, or enjoy Chay Lap water sports center before leaving. Off-property excursions are available as well and can be booked directly through Chay Lap Farmstay.

Meals: B

Accommodation:

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