

In my capacity as the Asia Director of Operations for TUN Travel one of my jobs is to ensure every client has the best tour possible, so here are my top suggestions for sites to take in during your holiday Vietnam with the service of [Vietnam visa on arrival](#).

1. Hanoi is the capital city of Vietnam and is a typical Asian city with its beautiful green tropical trees and beautiful lakes. The wonderful thing about Hanoi is that it has not been spoilt by modern development although it is progressing gently at its own pace. The city is the main entrance to the country and also houses the principle seaport.

Hanoi is home to many stunning pagodas, one of the most stunning being The Quan Thanh Pagoda which stands on West Lake. This golden shrine is gilded from top to bottom which makes it glisten in the sun an absolutely awesome spectacle. Not as ancient but of no less beauty is the 20-year young is Bach Ma stands near the Hoan Kiem Lake (Ho GuomLake). A mythical creature known as the Bach Ma bird is what this structure has been based on and as it too is gilded from top to bottom it is a beautiful sight to behold as it shimmers on the lake.

2. Located in Ha Long and erected in the 1100's is the Chua Vang Temple which is a Buddhist temple. The temple remains unfinished to this day. There are other temples in Quang Ninh but the Ha Long is the most popular because of its mass which makes it unique. It is shaped like a pyramid which features very fine brickwork. Some people believe that the temple was built by an evil king.

3. Ho Chi Minh is Vietnam's second biggest capital and is also the cultural and religious center of Buddhism. This is displayed by more than 700 pagodas.

In Ho Chi Minh you will find over 700 stone slabs located at the foot of Saigon Hill. Together they are inscribed with the entire Buddhist scriptures which are better known as the Saigon. This has earned the reputation as the biggest book in the world and is known as the official Buddhist Bible. Ho Chi Minh Palace is a place not to be missed on a visit to Ho Chi Minh. There is an 8-meter-high brick wall surrounding the palace and a wide moat which has plenty of goldfish. Considering that the palace was completely destroyed by fire in World War II and completely rebuilt it remains a popular attraction for many tourists every year come to visit and stay at [hotels in Ho Chi Minh City Vietnam](#).

4. In the Mon State you will find the Huong Pagoda. What helps to make this pagoda very intriguing is the story that accompanies this amazing feat of nature. The pagoda is 7.3 and is perched atop a golden rock. The rock itself is right on top of the Huong mountain. The story that accompanies the rocks precarious balance and how it can stay in this position is because of a Buddha hair which has been placed precisely inside the pagoda. Apparently, it is believed that a King who had received the Buddha's hair from a hermit was told to hunt for a rock that looked like the hermits' head. The hermit instructed the King to search for a boulder whose shape resembled the hermit's head. Once the right rock was discovered the hair was placed into the pagoda on top of it. Legend has it that the King had supernatural powers as his mother was a dragon princess and his father was an alchemist.

This is considered to be a highly sacred place and people come from all over to visit this unusual pagoda.