Along rivers





The Mekong, coming from Cambodia, spreads into 9 big rivers in the very South of Viet Nam, forming a delta on over 100 kilometers. The lands are humid and get flooded every year which brings luxuriant and varied vegetation... The delta is big and can be visited throughout several sites... by taking strolls in the rivers, the canals, visiting the islands, discovering the local life and most of all, passing by the floating markets.

**My Tho** is the closest departure spot from Sai Gon, only two hours away from the big city. Naturally, the further we go, the more authenticity is offered by the site...: **Cai Be, Vinh Long, Can Tho**...and especially the primary forest of Xeo Quyt, my favorite site in the surroundings if you want to see an incredible vegetation in which was hidden a military base...

**Can Tho** is a student town, animated and not too big either...ideal to spend an evening there!

Generally speaking, the delta is, in my opinion, a real gem of nature... A must-see both in terms of landscapes and vegetation but also for its markets! The delta itself is enough a reason to visit the South of the Country. The delta is big and 2 to 3 days should be planned for a nice visit.

I offer 2 types of tours to visit the Mekong; the "terrestrial" ones where you go on little cruises in different and varied places, and the actual "cruises" ones where you stay on board of a bigger and more comfortable boat!

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# The « Terrestrial » programs (Private)

The "terrestrial" programs are not programs involving walking, far from it!

They are programs where you move around by car to different places of the delta in order to go on some small cruises on small sampans...

The big advantage is the **variety of landscapes** you can meet, indeed you will be navigating **on big rivers just like little creeks** in the middle of the countryside. These programs also allow you to do more activities than if you were on a big cruise. Lastly, these programs are **private tours**.

## TERRESTRIAL PROGRAM 1: 3 Days - 2 Nights

The Mekong delta by Ben Tre and Cai Be

#### Day 1

At 8.30 am, a guide will come and pick you up at your hotel with a private car to bring you towards My Tho in the Mekong delta (2 hour long journey).

Once arrived in My Tho, you will go onboard of a boat for a cruise on the river

Lunch will be taken in a local restaurant.

The cruise will carry on its course until Ben Tre.

In the afternoon, once in Ben Tre (1 hour and a half journey). You will be visiting the surroundings by bicycle.

Dinner and accommodation at the inhabitant's house.

English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, Lunch, Bicycles, Dinner and night in homestay.

#### Day 2

At 8.30 am, a guide will come and pick you up at your hotel with a private car to bring you towards Cai Lay in the Mekong delta (2 hour long journey).

Once in Cai Lay, you will immediately go onboard of a boat for a cruise on the river. These canals are bordered with trees from the Delta and will make you experience the authentic rural life of Vietnam. A stop is scheduled on the island of the five villages Ngu Hiep where you can see a nursery of fruit trees: plum trees, mango trees, lemon trees, coconut trees... You will be able to taste the seasonal fruits there.

Lunch will be taken at the inhabitant's house.

You will then go on a stroll, either by foot (or by bicycle) to discover the daily life of the delta region.

In the afternoon, the boat will take you to another cruise to come back towards Cai Be (from Cai Lay to Cai Be, about 20 km on the Mekong river). You will be visiting the craft village of Cai Be and its production complexes of Banh Trang Re, of Banh Da, of Nuoc Mam... you will be able to taste coconut sweets.

Dinner and accommodation at the inhabitant's house.

Breakfast,
English speaking Guide,
Private Car,
Boats,
Tickets,
Lunch,
Dinner and night in
homestay.

#### Day 3

After breakfast, the guide will carry on the visit with the floating market of Cai Be by boat.

Afterwards, you will go to Xeo Quyt by private car (1 hour long journey).

You will take a traditional sampan to discover the cajuputs forest in Xeo Quyt and will be visiting the site of Xeo Quyt by foot, which still remains primary and very natural.

Lunch will be taken in a restaurant in Xeo Quyt.

The visit continues with the tinctoria forest, where used to be located the base of the Revolution of the Dong Thap province during the war.

You will return to Sai Gon around late afternoon. Dinner and accommodation at liberty in Sai Gon.

Breakfast, English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, Lunch.

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## TERRESTRIAL PROGRAM 2:3 Days - 2 Nights

The Mekong delta by Can Tho and Vinh Long

#### Day 1

At 8am, a guide will come and pick you up at your hotel with a private car to take you towards Dong Thap in the Mekong delta (2 hours and a half long journey).

You will go on a cruise along the branches of the river to discover the daily life of the delta region.

Lunch will be taken in a local restaurant.

You will then go on a traditional sampan to discover the cajuputs forest in Xeo Quyt.

The car will then take you to Can Tho (3 hours and a half long journey). Dinner will be taken in a local restaurant.

Night accommodation at the "Ninh Kieu" hotel in Can Tho.

English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, Tickets, Lunch, Dinner, Hotel.

#### Day 2

You will leave early in the morning by boat to visit the floating market of Cai Rang.

The car will then take you towards the town of Vinh Long (3 hour long journey)

A boat will take you to a branch of the Mekong where you will be visiting the craft village of pottery.

Lunch will be taken in a local restaurant.

The boat continues to the island of Binh Hoa Phuoc. There, you will be going on a stroll by bicycle to visit the island, a famous Bonsais garden as well as a tree nursery.

Dinner and night accommodation at the inhabitant's house in Binh Hoa Phuoc.

Breakfast, English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, Tickets, Lunch, Dinner and Night in Homestav.

#### Day 3

After breakfast, the boat will carry on its course on the river, along the peaceful landscapes of the delta.

A stop is scheduled to visit the local craft village of haberdashery. You will then be visiting the floating market of Cai Be.

Afterwards, the car will bring you towards My Tho (1 hour). Once arrived in My Tho, you will go on a boat to visit the Mekong, and you will go on a ride in a horse carriage in the surrounding villages. The return to Sai Gon by car is scheduled around late afternoon.

Breakfast, English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, horse-drawn carriage, Tickets, Lunch.

# TERRESTRIAL PROGRAM 3: 2 Days - 1 Night

The Mekong delta by Cai Be

#### Day

At 8.30am, a guide will come and pick you up at your hotel with a private car to take you to Cai Lay in the Mekong delta (2 hour long journey).

Once arrived in Cai Lay, you will immediately go on a ship for a cruise on the river. These canals are bordered with trees from the Delta and will make you experience the authentic rural life of Vietnam. A stop is scheduled on the island of the five villages Ngu Hiep where you can see a nursery of fruit trees: plum trees, mango trees, lemon trees, coconut trees... You will be able to taste the seasonal fruits there.

Lunch will be taken at the inhabitant's house.

You will then go on a stroll, either by foot (or by bicycle) to discover the daily life of the delta region.

In the afternoon, the boat will take you to another cruise to come back towards Cai Be (from Cai Lay to Cai Be, about 20 km on the Mekong river). You will be visiting the craft village of Cai Be and its production complexes of Banh Trang Re, of Banh Da, of Nuoc Mam... you will be able to taste coconut sweets.

Dinner and accommodation at the inhabitant's house.

English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, Tickets, Lunch, Dinner and Night in Homestav.

#### Day 2

At 8.30am, after breakfast, the guide will carry on the visit with the floating market of Cai Be by boat.

You will take a traditional sampan to discover the cajuputs forest in Xeo Quyt and will be visiting the rice field of Xeo Quyt, which still remains primary and very natural. (1 hour long cruise).

Lunch will be taken in a restaurant in Xeo Quyt.

The visit continues with the tinctoria forest, where used to be located the base of the Revolution of the Dong Thap province during the war.

You will return to Sai Gon by car.

Breakfast; English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, Tickets, Lunch.

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## TERRESTRIAL PROGRAM 4:1 Day

## The Mekong delta by My Tho

Day 1

At 8am, a guide will come and pick you up at your hotel with a private car to leave towards My Tho (about 2 hour long journey). Once arrived in My Tho, you will immediately go on a boat for a small cruise on the Tien river. You will be able to admire the 4 surrounding islands: the Dragon island, the Unicorn island, the Turtle island and the Phoenix island. The Turtle island being the most natural one, you will be able to taste seasonal fruits there and to attend to a traditional theater show.

You will go on a stroll on a horse-drawn vehicle to visit the village farm of honey beekeeping and will be able to taste there the Ben Tre

You will go on a small bark throughout the canal to admire beautiful sites and you will return to My Tho after lunch at the Hoa Ai restaurant in Ben Tre.

The guide will take you by car to visit the pagoda of Vinh Trang (the oldest pagoda of My Tho).

You will return to Sai Gon around late afternoon.

English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, horse-drawn carriage, Tickets, Lunch.

## TERRESTRIAL PROGRAM 5: 1 jour

## The Mekong delta by Cai Be

### JDay 1

At 8am, a guide will come and pick you up at your hotel with a private car to take you to Cai Be in the Mekong delta (about 2 hour

and a half long journey).
You will go on a cruise along the branches of the river to discover the daily life of the delta region.
A few stops are scheduled to visit local craft villages and you will be

able to taste there some prestigious candies made of coconut, some Banh Com (pastry made from sticky young rice)
You will then be visiting the floating market of Cai Be.
The boat will then be taking you towards Vinh Long.

After lunch in Vinh Long, you will be going on a stroll by foot to visit the island and its famous Bonsais garden of Sau Giao.

Return to Sai Gon is scheduled around late afternoon.

English speaking Guide, Private Car, Boats, Tickets, Lunch.

# The « Terrestrial » programs (Private)

Number of Persons	1 Pers	2 Pers	3 Pers	4 Pers	5 Pers
Program 1 Ben Tre - Cai Be	534 €	694 €	831 €	956 €	1 082 €
Program 2 Can Tho – Vinh Long	652 €	754 €	916 €	1 018 €	1 175 €
Program 3 Cai Be	450 €	539 €	629 €	748 €	837 €
Program 4 OR 5	155 €	186 €	214 €	244 €	288 €

Number of Persons	6 Pers	7 Pers	8 Pers	9 Pers	10 Pers
Program 1 Ben Tre - Cai Be	1 208 €	1 344 €	1 470 €	1 595 €	1 731 €
Program 2 Can Tho - Vinh Long	1 316 €	1 478 €	1 572 €	1 740 €	1 855 €
Program 3 Cai Be	927 €	1 016 €	1 120 €	1 209 €	1 298 €
Program 4 OR 5	312€	339 €	361 €	406 €	444 €

Fare valid until 31/12/2019

