

**Day 1 Arrive Dalat**

We depart today for our flight to Dalat. Dalat city is one of the true hidden gems of Southeast Asia. This mist enshrouded city on the highlands is surrounded by lakes, pine forests and spectacular mountains and the spring-like weather it makes it the ideal adventure capital of Vietnam.

Upon arrival we transfer to our hotel after meeting our guide at the airport.

**Day 2 Practice Journey - Tiger Chill Out Trek**

This morning we will have the opportunity to purchase food for the following two days trek through the Dalat countryside. Following this we meet our trekking guides for an orientation of map reading, compass use and orienteering review and instructions.

We then embark on our journey, walking through forest & coffee plantations, alongside rivers & crossing suspension bridges. After lunch we make our way to the remote minority village of Chil and then head to our campsite to set up for the night.

**Day 3 Practice Journey - Dalat**

After breakfast we pack up our campsite and begin our second day of trekking. This morning we head along the forest paths that lead to the beautiful flower valley of Thai Phien Flower Hamlet.

After lunch we continue our trek, taking in the stunning scenery and surrounding mountains. We then make our way to the rendezvous point to meet our transfer back to the hotel.

We spend the evening enjoying dinner and a well deserved rest after a great two days of hiking.

**Day 4 Rest Day - Dalat City Tour**

This morning after breakfast we step back in time and take the train to Trai Mat Village.

After lunch we visit Crazy House and then head to the Big C shopping centre to purchase supplies for the next two days when we will complete our qualifying Adventurous Journey.

**Day 5 Adventurous Journey - Dankia Lake Trek**

This morning after breakfast we again meet our trekking guides and embark on our trek towards Dankia Lake. Our journey takes us through the picturesque countryside of Dalat as we trek through the North through pine forest towards Cong Troi (Heaven Gate). The 12 km trek will be undulating, starting at 1,500 meters of elevation, peaking at 1,755 meters.

That evening we will set up camp by a small stream, cook dinner and take in the beauty of our surrounds whilst sitting around a campfire.

**Day 6 Adventurous Journey - Langbian Trek**

After packing up our campsite, the group will go down through some water crossings and coffee farms heading to the base of Langbian Mountain. We then hike through pine forest to one of the three peaks of Langbian Mt at 1,988 meters

above sea level. The last part is about 1.5 hour trek down to the car park where our vehicle will pick up the group and transfer back to our hotel for a well deserved rest.

### **Day 7 Dalat City Tour**

This morning we will visit vegetable, flower and coffee farms along with a silk factory and rice wine distillery. Stopping by the Elephant waterfall and the giant statues in Linh An Pagoda we then head to Datanla waterfall to ride the toboggan cart to the valley floor to explore the falls.

We finish our city tour with a cable car ride to Truc Lam Zen Monastery, taking in great views of Dalat city and a quiet moment to reflect after a busy day of sightseeing.

Tonight we celebrate our time in Dalat with a farewell bbq buffet dinner at Dalat House restaurant.

### **Day 8 Saigon - Community Service School Visit**

Today we will spend some time at a local school for our community service project. Here we will be provided with a rewarding and fun opportunity to help out with the daily routine of the students. Whether it be helping with English lessons or involving ourselves in leading some fun games or creative activities the day will be a great experience for the local students and our group alike.

Dinner tonight will be at K.O.T.O restaurant. K.O.T.O, founded by Vietnamese Australian Jimmy Pham (an 'old boy' of De La Salle Ashfield), is a non-profit organisation which is run by local children who Jimmy recruited from the streets.

### **Day 9 Saigon - Race around and depart for home**

Today we begin our sightseeing around Vietnam's largest and busiest city - but we do it "Amazing Race" style. Teams will each be given a guide and will need to join forces in a team challenge of map reading, negotiating and interacting with locals and displaying creative communication skills. After lunch we transfer to the airport for our flight home.

### **Day 10 Arrive home**

We arrive home today.

