

MAI CHAU & PU LUONG HIDDEN TRAILS 3 DAYS



Code: MP03

Routes: Hanoi - Mai Chau - Pu Luong – Hanoi

Duration: 3 Days / 2 Nights

Features: An intermediate hike through the one of the most beautiful parts of Vietnam's Northern mountains plus a deep interaction to the Thai culture & traditions.

Day 1: Hanoi - Mai Chau – Pu Luong



Depart from your Hanoi hotel at 8:00 AM transferring to Mai Chau on our spectacular 4 hour drive. Upon arrival at Poom Coom village in Mai Chau, we take a short walk to visit the ethnic Thai people then lunch is served.

At 1:00 PM, take a short car ride in about 1 hour before we set off for our hiking through the beauty of Pu Luong nature reserve, the trek is

intermediate level and requires some walking up hills but it's worth your hike as we see many spectacular views of villages and terraces.

Arrival at the Thai stilt homestay in the late afternoon. Free time to rest and shower, then a traditional dinner with our host family. Overnight here.

Driving Distance: about 230 km

Trekking Distance: about 9 km (3 hours)

Trail Difficulty: 3/5

Inclusion: Transfer, guide, entrance fee, lunch, dinner, water, homestay with permit.

Day 2: Hidden trails of Pu Luong



Wake up early today is recommended as your chance to witness more local activities in the morning. After having our breakfast, we say goodbye to our host by around 8.00 AM for our good hike ahead.

More trek today through hidden gems of Pu Luong including beautiful view of valleys, nice terraces and peaceful villages.

We stop for our picnic lunch then continue our trek through more villages to reach to Hieu village in the afternoon.

Take rest as you wish then you are free to stroll around the village to interact with the locals and visit the beautiful waterfall nearby. Back to the homestay for dinner and overnight at homestay. Contact us if you wish to stay at an Eco lodge at Hieu village, instead of homestay.
Trekking Distance: about 12 km (5 – 6 hours)
Trail Difficulty: 3/5

Inclusion: Guide, entrance fee, water, all meals, homestay with permit.

Day 3: Hieu village – Pho Doan – Hanoi



Your last day here at this beautiful nature reserve and friendly villagers so take the chance to explore around on your own or with our guide around the village.

We then take an easy walk in about 1,5 hours to the town-let of this nature reserve where you van is waiting for us.

Lunch at one of the local restaurants before having a scenic drive back to Hanoi. Finish our trip at your hotel around 5:00 PM.

Driving Distance: about 235 km
Trekking Distance: 8 km
Trail Difficulty: 2/5

Inclusion: Transfer, guide, entrance fee, water, breakfast, lunch.

COSTS (\$US)

Group size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Cost per person	716	396	307	256	238	216	222	207	196	187

Costs are \$US NET. 3% surcharge if pay by credit card. Other surcharges might be applied such as Tet holidays.

Inclusion: See inclusive items listed after each day

Exclusion: Visa, insurance, drinks, personal expenses, others not mentioned in details, tips are welcome!



LEGAL ASPECTS

Booking Terms & Conditions: Tour itinerary and tour prices are subject to change without prior notice. Please [click here](#) for more information.

ORGANISATION

Tour guide: English speaking guides on sites.

ACCOMMODATION

Homestay condition: 3/5.

Please click [here](#) for further information on what to expect when staying in a homestay in Vietnam. Feel free to ask our travel consultants to tailor homestay type for you.

TRANSPORT

Car / Van Quality: New air-conditioned cars or vans, depending on the group size.

FOOD

Vietnamese foods. The meals will be either served in the homestay or in local restaurants depending on the activities.

If you have any allergies, special requests or if you are on a special diet please let us know. We will arrange it for you in advance.

SUSTAINABILITY

Please Travel Responsibly: The small things you do will make a [big difference!](#)

Communication: Expect warm, friendly welcomes and hellos from the local people when you ride through the small communities and visit the local homes. If you want to bring small gifts, things like note books, books, pens, pencils, toys, balloons, for example, are recommended

PREPARATION OF THE CUSTOMER

Seasonal preparation: The best time to travel is from November to April. There are also photo opportunities and sightseeing during the rice cultivation period from March to April and



September to October so take your camera with a zoom lens if possible. Heat and humidity in rainy season (Summer months) can make this tour very difficult. Please check with our travel consultant for more details before booking.

What to bring: Passport, change of clothes, sun-glasses & hat, toiletries, sun-block, insect repellent, flashlights, proper hiking boots /trekking shoes, personal first aid kit & medicines, small VND notes for buying drinks. If you feel the need then sleeping bags, cable lock for your bags is recommended.

Before your departure, please make sure you read our *what to bring & tips*, as well as other important notes for trekking trips, and summer travel in Vietnam.

TREKKING INFORMATION

Age: The minimum age we accept for this tour is 10 years with no exception. The program is not recommended for seniors (above 65 years) who do not have a good physical fitness.

Experience: The trek demands some experience in co-ordination, fitness and stamina. The great effort will be rewarded with fantastic views. Clients should have previous trekking experience. Nevertheless, our guide will be flexible to suggest you the most proper trekking route adapted to your physical fitness.

Route: The trekking route can be changed due to external circumstances such as weather (the rain season between June and October can cause muddy paths which can become dangerous). Your Footprint travel consultant will assist you with any changes.

Trekking time: The trekking time is approximate and depends on the weather and the walking speed.

Routes on Google map: [Mai Chau & Pu Luong Hidden Trails 3 days](#) (viewable on Pc and smart devices)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This itinerary and supplementary information has been compiled in good faith and was accurate at the time of writing.