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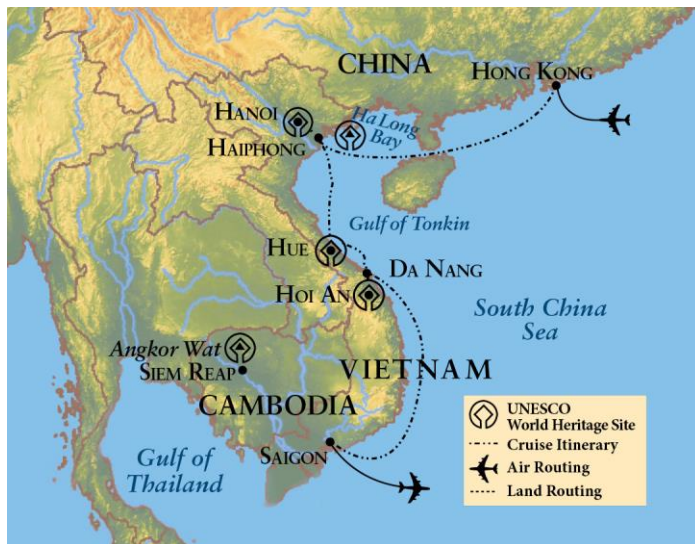
PEARLS OF SOUTHEAST ASIA^{*}

Hong Kong to Saigon

Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star, All-Suite, Small Ship M.V. STAR LEGEND

November 3 to 14, 2018

From \$6895 including air from Los Angeles[±]



This exclusive nine-night cruise from the spectacular harbor of Hong Kong, “Crossroads of the East,” to vibrant Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City) aboard the Five-Star, all-Suite, small ship M.V. STAR LEGEND showcases Southeast Asia’s most intriguing destinations—the captivating treasures of Vietnam—from serene rice paddies to mystical ancient pagodas and bustling sampan-filled harbors and features four UNESCO World Heritage sites. Discover the mystique of ancient customs and colorful traditions juxtaposed with modernity. Tour Hanoi, Vietnam’s dynamic capital and a romantic blend of old-world Asian and French heritage. Cruise beside the majestic shores of Ha Long Bay and enjoy stunning mountainous coastline views along the famous Hai Van (Ocean Cloud) Pass. Visit the Forbidden Purple City in the former imperial city of Hue; admire the Japanese-style covered bridge and the intricately carved Assembly Hall in historic Hoi An; and explore Saigon’s spectacular contrast of old and new architecture. Round-trip economy-class air from Los Angeles is included.[±] Hong Kong Pre-Cruise and Angkor Wat Post-Cruise Options are available.

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ITINERARY*

Hanoi, Ha Long Bay, Hue, Da Nang, Hoi An, Saigon

Day Destination

- 1 Depart Los Angeles, U.S./Cross the International Date Line
- 2 Hong Kong/Embark M.V. STAR LEGEND
- 3 Cruising the Gulf of Tonkin

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- 4 Haiphong, Vietnam, for Hanoi
- 5 Ha Long Bay
- 6 Cruising the South China Sea
- 7 Hue/Hai Van Pass/Da Nang
- 8 Da Nang for Hoi An
- 9 Day at Sea
- 10 Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City)
- 11 Saigon/Disembark ship/Depart for the U.S./
Cross the International Date Line/Arrive in Los Angeles, U.S.

**Cruise itinerary subject to change.*

Activity Level

Moderately Active

HIGHLIGHTS

- ❶ Economy-class air included round trip from Los Angeles to Hong Kong with return from Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City).[±]
- ❶ Nine-night cruise featuring the scenic beauty, rich culture and history of Vietnam, including the South China Sea, Ha Long Bay, Gulf of Tonkin and Ha Van (Cloud Gate) Pass.
- ❶ Exclusively chartered, Five-Star, all-Suite, small ship M.V. STAR LEGEND calls on ports inaccessible to larger vessels.
- ❶ Intimate ship—106 spacious Suites (277 to 575 square feet).
- ❶ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise.
- ❶ One excursion included in every port!
- ❶ Features four UNESCO World Heritage sites—Hanoi, Hoi An, Hue and Ha Long Bay.
- ❶ Specially arranged onboard lectures by study leaders.
- ❶ Unpack just once!
- ❶ Three-night Hong Kong Pre-Cruise Option.
- ❶ Three-night Angkor Wat Post-Cruise Option.

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FIVE-STAR, ALL-SUITE, SMALL SHIP M.V. STAR LEGEND

The exclusively chartered, Five-Star, M.V. STAR LEGEND, relaunched in 2015 following multimillion-dollar refurbishments, offers intimate cruising at its finest and ranks high among *Travel + Leisure* magazine's "World's Best Cruise Lines." This small ship can dock in ports inaccessible to larger vessels and celebrates traditional "sail aways" on deck.

Ideal for private viewing of passing landscapes and coastal sites are the six Classic and Owner's Suites, each with a private, furnished veranda. The 36 French Balcony Suites have a floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door and wooden railing, and the Ocean-View Suites have one picture window. The Five-Star Suites feature one queen bed (most convertible to two twin beds), a private bathroom with shower (most with full bathtub), luxurious European linens and amenities, individual climate control, flat-screen satellite television, Wi-Fi access, safe, minibar, dressing table, hair dryer, plush robes and slippers. Complimentary welcome flowers and fruit are provided in each Suite upon arrival.

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The elegant AmphorA dining room accommodates all guests at a single, unassigned seating, and an attentive staff serves fine contemporary international cuisine. Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise. Guests may enjoy indoor or outdoor dining in the Veranda restaurant for breakfast and lunch or reserve a table at Candles for alfresco evening dining. The Yacht Club offers complimentary specialty coffees and light snacks in between meals. Room service is also available 24 hours.

The inviting and spacious public areas are tastefully appointed and include a large lounge, where a program of enriching lectures is held, two bars, a comfortable library, computer center with Internet access, spa, fitness center, boutique, casino, outdoor whirlpool and counter-current pool and a watersports marina with complimentary paddleboarding, kayaking and snorkeling equipment. The ship has two elevators, and there is a physician on board and a medical facility.

With a ratio of one crew member for every 1.5 guests, the English-speaking, award-winning crew provides personal and attentive service.

INCLUDED FEATURES

Round-trip Cathay Pacific flight from Los Angeles.[±]

ON BOARD THE EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED, FIVE-STAR, ALL-SUITE, SMALL SHIP M.V. STAR LEGEND

- ❶ Nine-night cruise from Hong Kong, China, to Saigon, Vietnam, with port calls at Haiphong for Hanoi, Hue and Da Nang for Hoi An, Vietnam.
- ❷ Spacious, Five-Star, ocean-view, all-Suite accommodations, each with a private bathroom and individual climate control.
- ❸ Captain's Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- ❹ All gourmet meals—breakfast, lunch and dinner—throughout the cruise, served at single, unassigned seatings.
- ❺ Complimentary house wine is served with dinner.
- ❻ Spectacular sail away while cruising the dynamic **harbor of Hong Kong**.
- ❼ Excursion to the stoic political capital city of **Hanoi** to see the 11th-century Temple of Literature, the manicured grounds of the Ho Chi Minh complex and mausoleum and the colorful 36 Streets Old Quarter district, with lunch.
- ❽ Cruise on a Vietnamese junk along the majestic shores of **Ha Long Bay**, a UNESCO World Heritage site dominated by more than 3000 limestone karsts, with a visit to the amazing Thien Cung Cave.
- ❾ Excursion to the former **Imperial Capital City of Hue**, a UNESCO World Heritage site, featuring the impressive Tu Duc Tomb, the fortified Forbidden Purple City and the 17th-century Thien Mu Pagoda, including lunch.
- ❿ Scenic drive over the breathtaking **Hai Van Pass** from Hue to Da Nang.
- ⓫ Excursion to the ancient port of **Hoi An**, a UNESCO World Heritage site, to see the Japanese-style covered bridge, the intricately carved Phuc Kien Assembly Hall and the city's colorful market.
- ⓬ Visit to the impressive Museum of Cham Sculpture in Da Nang, displaying the world's largest Cham sculpture collection.
- ⓭ Tour of vibrant and cosmopolitan **Saigon** featuring its French Colonial architecture, central Post Office, War Remnants Museum, former Presidential Palace (Reunification Hall), Notre Dame Cathedral and a visit to the lively Ben Thanh Market.
- ⓮ Onboard guest speakers to provide educational discussions on the culture and history of Vietnam.

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ENHANCED TRAVEL SERVICES

- Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced local guides.
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers and to ship personnel.
- Complimentary bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom and on excursions.
- Hospitality desk aboard ship.
- The services of experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program.
- Complimentary use of a state-of-the-art audio headset for each participant during guided excursions.
- Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
- Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

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HONG KONG PRE-CRUISE OPTION

Experience the exciting contrasts and epic drama of Hong Kong, where the present is infused with the past. See Chinese junks and sampans juxtaposed with ocean liners in the harbor, temples and markets tucked below ultramodern high-rises and the interplay of the exotic and the advanced technology. Enjoy a scenic sampan ride through the village of Aberdeen with lunch in one of its renowned floating restaurants and an excursion to the summit of Victoria Peak to see spectacular views of modern-day Hong Kong. Cross famed Victoria Harbor on the iconic Star Ferry. Visit the opulent Man Mo Temple, one of Hong Kong's oldest shrines; the famous Wong Tai Sin Temple, a brilliantly hued Taoist temple known for fortune-telling and granting wishes; and the stunning Chi Lin Buddhist Nunnery. Stroll the beautifully landscaped grounds of the Tang Dynasty-style Nan Lian Garden and walk through the lively, colorful bird and flower markets in Kowloon. Accommodations are for three nights in the ideally located, Five-Star KOWLOON SHANGRI-LA HOTEL.

ANGKOR WAT POST-CRUISE OPTION

Further your journey through this captivating region by discovering the magnificent 12th-century temples and sculptures of Angkor, the capital of the Khmer Empire and one of the world's most important UNESCO World Heritage sites, located in the lush jungles of Cambodia. Before departing Saigon, tour the Cu Chi Tunnels, an extraordinary underground complex used by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War, then continue on to Siem Reap, Cambodia. Visit the iconic temple of Angkor Wat, the largest religious monument ever built. Explore the phenomenal imperial fortified city of Angkor Thom; the ruins of the 11th-century temple mountain, Baphuon; the "lost temple" of Ta Prohm, an impressive Buddhist monument nearly overrun by fig, banyan and kapok trees; and the pink sandstone temple of Banteay Srei, the famed "Citadel of Women." Accommodations are for three nights in the historic, Five-Star RAFFLES GRAND HOTEL D'ANGKOR, ideally located in Siem Reap's Old French Quarter. Your flight is included between Saigon and Siem Reap, with return to Los Angeles, at no additional cost.[±]

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The Pre-Cruise and Post-Cruise Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

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