



American
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SEW MUCH FUN
TOURS

VIET NAM
OCTOBER 6-15, 2020



**Join ASG on this splendid
textile trip to Vietnam!**

This hugely popular destination showcases the rich colors and cultural highlights of a truly fascinating country. We'll explore historic cities, walk through tranquil rural landscapes, discover villages high in the rugged mountains and stroll through local ethnic markets where traditional dress is still very much part of everyday life.

Vietnam's textile traditions are very much alive and you'll be immersed in the experience as you visit Van Phuc silk village to learn about silk farming and weaving and Pom Coong village inhabited by the Thai ethnic minority where we will see traditional weaving and have the opportunity to try the looms. Then enjoy a workshop with the textile expert traveling with us.

The tour includes a visit to the Vietnam Museum of Ethnography and the Temple of Literature built in 1070, which became Vietnam's first University. We'll shop at Craft Links Handicraft Bazaar in Hanoi and end the day with a rickshaw and walking tour of Hanoi's old quarter. Included is a trip to Sapa, stopping en route to enjoy the breathtaking scenery. We'll meet ladies from the Red Dao tribe to learn about their stitching techniques and see their work, enjoy a shady open-air workshop with a local batik artist and indigo dyer and visit the Sapa museum and craft shop filled with work from the local ethnic minorities and the indoor market.



See back for full information!

Dates: Depart Wednesday, October 6, 2020 from San Francisco on a Korean Airlines flight to Hanoi and return on Thursday, October 15, 2020.

Lodging and Meals: 6 nights total hotel accommodations at four-star hotels; 2 nights in a twin-share compartment on board the Fanxipan Express

Cost: \$3,999 for ASG members (\$4,099 non-members) includes coach airfare from San Francisco, hotel room and tax (double occupancy), round trip airport transfers, daily breakfast, bus transportation for scheduled tour days, Fanxipan Express train fare, Laughter Yoga or Tai Chi lesson, 5 lunches and 7 dinners (includes a farewell dinner). All entrance fees and visits, the company and expertise of a UK based textile expert, the services of English speaking local guides, the services of a local tour manager, gratuities for drivers and local guides, plus Vietnam government tax and service charges. Our travel agent, Teri Cook, will arrange add-on airfare from your departure city to San Francisco and can help with travel insurance. Call her at (309) 699-0070.

Travel Insurance: We strongly recommend that you purchase travel insurance in case of a medical emergency while you are away, lost luggage, or tour cancellation due to medical reasons. Insurance must be purchased within 14 days of registering for the tour if you want it to cover pre-existing conditions. For more information about the coverage and costs, call Teri Cook at Cook Travel & Cruise, (309) 699-0070.

Costs not included: Drinks and meals not mentioned above, portage, travel insurance, Early check-in and/or extra nights in Hanoi. Vietnam visa and processing fee (currently about \$45). Information on how to obtain your visa can be found here: **https: www.myvietnamvisa.com/visa-requirements/united-states.html**

Note: We will be exploring the cities and villages on our own bus. You will need comfortable walking shoes. **THERE IS A LOT OF WALKING ON THIS TOUR.** You must be able to walk at least 1/2 mile at a moderate pace, plus navigate several flights of stairs. Some streets may be stone and uneven. The town of Sapa is approximately one-mile high in elevation.

Full Itinerary: Contact Maria Trevino, maria@asg.org

Ready for shopping and adventure?

Make a \$1,500 deposit to hold your space. Deposits are refundable through July 1, 2020 less a \$50 deposit. Deposits are non-refundable after July 2, 2020.

Final payment of \$2,499.00 (dbl. occupancy for ASG members) due July 1, 2020.

Reservations accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Space is limited.

Questions: Maria Trevino (ASG) 713-729-3000, ext. 4

The American Sewing Guild reserves the right to cancel this tour if a minimum number of participants is not met.

Mail deposit (payable to American Sewing Guild) and signed registration form to Maria Trevino, American Sewing Guild, 9660 Hillcroft, Ste. 510, Houston TX 77096



Sign me up for Sew Much Fun Tour VIET NAM

Name (as it appears on your passport) _____ ASG Member ID _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ Email _____

Note: Tour information/confirmation will be sent by email.

Do you have medical problems we should be aware of? _____

I would like information on trip cancellation, baggage loss, travel accident and optional sickness insurance.

I am not interested in purchasing insurance. (Note: Insurance is strongly recommended.)

Enclosed please find a check for my \$1,500 deposit

Charge my \$1,500 deposit to my Visa Mastercard AmEx Discover

Card # _____ Exp _____ Security Code _____

I have read and understand the Conditions and Responsibilities as outlined above. ASG is not liable for any personal injury, property damage or other loss, accident, delay or inconvenience caused by any supplier or party not under your control. Your signature indicates your understanding and agreement to this.

Signature: _____

I would like to room with: _____

I prefer a single room (\$700 add'l)