



173<sup>RD</sup> AIRBORNE  
BRIGADE  
50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF  
THE BATTLES AT DAK  
TO - RETURN TO  
VIETNAM TOUR



NOVEMBER 6 TO 18, 2017

PREPARED BY VALOR TOURS LTD & ESCORTED BY COL. JOHN DEWING, USA

**Sunday, 5 Nov 2017**

Meet at San Francisco Int'l Airport for check in.

**Monday, 6 Nov**

Depart SFO via EVA Airlines at 12:30am

**Tuesday, 7 Nov (D)**

Arrive in Saigon, transfer to Vung Tau. Welcome dinner and introductions. Overnight the Imperial Vung Tau Hotel

**Wednesday, 8 Nov (B, L)**

Morning tour of Vung Tau: The Worldwide Arm Museum, Linh Son Pagoda, Fishing village. After lunch in Vung Tau, drive back to Saigon and visit War Museum. Check in and overnight Rex Hotel.

**Thursday, 9 Nov (B, L, D)**

Check out and drive to Cu Chi tunnels in the morning. Lunch enroute to airport for flight to Buon Me Thuot. Dinner and overnight at Saigon BanMe hotel.

**Friday, 10 Nov (B, L, D)**

Visit Ethnology and Ecological Diversity Museum of Central Highlands. Drive to Pleiku and continue to Kontum by road while you marvel at the beautiful countryside enroute. Overnight Indochine Hotel, Kontum.

**Saturday, 11 Nov (B, L, D)**

Drive to Hills 823 & 875 (some walking involved). Night folk Gongs Show performed by the Bana Ethnic Montagnarde. Overnight at Indochine Hotel in Kontum.

**Sunday, 12 Nov (B, L, D)**

Drive to Mang Den Township, a strategic spot in Central highlands to see the former airport during the war and nearby

montagnarde hamlets of Mo Nam. Overnight at Indochine Hotel, Kontum.

**Monday 13 Nov (B, L)**

Drive to Qui Nhon. Stop at Dak Po Memorial, Mang Yang Pass, where the last major battle for the French took place. Overnight at Saigon Quy Nhon Hotel in Qui Nhon for the next three nights.

**Tuesday 14 Nov (B, L)**

Drive to An Khe. Guided foot tour of local area, then drive back to Qui Nhon.

**Wednesday 15 Nov (B, L)**

Morning visit Cham Towers on the way down to Tuy Hoa, built by the Cham people in the 12<sup>th</sup> century. Afternoon drive back to Qui Nhon.

**Thursday, 16 Nov (B, L)**

Enroute to Bong Son, stop at LZ English, then onto Hoi An. Arrive Quang Ngai with brief visit to My Lai. Lunch on Sa Ky Beach. Then onto Chu Lai airport and the Americal Division Base. Overnight Lantana Hoi An Boutique Hotel.

**Friday 17 Nov, (B, D)**

Visit Danang and fly to Saigon. Farewell Dinner in Saigon. Overnight Rex Hotel, Saigon

**Saturday 18 Nov (B)**

Check out of the hotel, transfer to airport by way of mall for some souvenir shopping. Fly back to SFO via EVA Airlines, arriving same day. Tour ends.



**\$3,960 per person, twin share – \$700 single supplement.**

Includes round trip air fare from San Francisco to Vietnam in economy class via Eva Airlines; U.S. Departure taxes; air fare within Vietnam; services of John Dewing as tour leader; local guides and drivers; ground transportation for sightseeing throughout tour; bottled water on coach daily; entrance fees; 11-nights accommodations at hotels indicated in itinerary (or similar); meals as indicated in itinerary by B-breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner; map of Vietnam; emergency travel insurance coverage by TRAVELEX; local taxes. Based on minimum 10 passengers.

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Reservations will not be accepted without the completed application form and deposit of \$500 per person. Payments can be made by personal check or credit card. When application & deposit is received, Valor Tours, Ltd. will send participant confirmation and description of insurance coverage (cancellation/trip interruption coverage not included, but available upon request). Final payment will be due August 5, 2017. Cancellations received in writing by August 5, 2017 are fully refundable. Cancellations received in writing between August 5 and October 5, 2017 subject to loss of deposit. Cancellation received after October 5, 2017 or "no shows" are non refundable.

#### **TRAVEL INSURANCE**

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Single occupancy of hotel rooms is an additional \$700 over and above the tour cost. If you would like to avoid this expense, you may chose to share with another single traveler. Valor Tours will make every attempt to find you a suitable roommat of the same age and gender, however Valor Tours, Ltd. cannot be held responsible for incompatibility, nor can they guarantee a roommate should one not be available. In that case, the single supplement will apply. Singles roms are limited.

#### **TRAVEL DOCUMENTS**

You will need a passport valid six months beyond date of travel. Inoculations are not necessary, but we recommend a tetanus booster if you have not had one in the past 10 years. A visa is required for Vietnam and costs \$185 per person. A simple visa form will be sent to those on deposit with instructions. We are happy to obtain the visa here in San Francisco at our consulate. Travel document package containing airline tickets, ID badge, baggage tags, passenger list, hotel contact list and final instructions will be send to each participant about two weeks prior to departure.

#### **PASSENGERS WITH DISABILITIES**

Due to the absent of handicap and disability laws in Vietnam, any tour participant with disabilities must be accompanied by a companion who is fully responsible for assisting the disabled tour member at all times throughout the tour. Our tour coach does not have wheelchair lift and staff are not permitted to offer physical assistance.

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Tour leader, Col. John H. Dewing, USA Ret, (center with bright blue shirt, with other Vietnam Veterans at military museum) will escort tour. Col. Dewing served one tour of duty with the 864<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion at Nha Trang and one tour with the Americal Division at Chu Lai. He participated in Lam Son 719, the US supported RVN invasion of Laos and spent several months along the DMZ. Awarded the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Air Medal and Combat Inf. Badge.

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Email (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (days): \_\_\_\_\_

I/we wish to reserve \_\_\_ spaces on a \_\_\_ twin share basis (two persons to a hotel room), or  
 \_\_\_ Single basis (I am traveling alone and do not wish to share)  
 \_\_\_ I am travelling alone and wish to share with another tour participant  
 \_\_\_ Triple share (subject to availability)

Enclosed is my/our check for the deposit in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$500 per person, per tour), or  
 please charge my credit card account number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration \_\_\_\_\_

Please note that handicapped facilities do not exist in Vietnam, therefore passengers must be able to negotiate steps and some walking:

\_\_\_ I do not require any assistance. \_\_\_ I require some assistance (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I cannot travel without assistance, therefore I will travel with my companion named below who will be fully responsible for assisting me at all times \_\_\_\_\_

Next of kin: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the terms set forth in this flyer \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_