



WENDY WU TOURS

Suggested Packing List

INDOCHINA

April, May, September and October

Indochina has a subtropical climate and so enjoys warm temperatures throughout the year, with April and May being their equivalent to spring; September and October being autumn. These four months enjoy almost identical weather conditions, with usually mild and warm weather. However, it can get extremely hot and humid in Cambodia during April, just before the relief of the wet season rains come.

Generally, dark coloured, drip-dry clothes are recommended for your holiday. Loose fitting, lightweight cotton materials are the most comfortable for humid weather, while layers of warmer clothes are advised for any cooler evenings, etc. The dress code throughout the tour is casual however, it is important that all passengers dress conservatively. Smart casual clothes are highly recommended for evening banquets and shows.

Refer to Your Travel Guide booklet or Fact Sheet about how to dress appropriately for this culture, laundry facilities available and advice about choosing your luggage.

These are averages only!	April			May			September			October		
	Temp°C min/max	Humid	Rain mm	Temp°C min/max	Humid	Rain mm	Temp°C min/max	Humid	Rain mm	Temp°C min/max	Humid	Rain mm
SAIGON	25/ 34	MED	50	25/ 34	HIGH	218	24/ 31	HIGH	327	23/ 31	HIGH	266
HANOI	20/ 32	HIGH	81	23/ 32	HIGH	196	24/ 31	HIGH	254	22/ 29	MED	99
SAPA	13/ 21	MED	178	16/ 22	HIGH	370	16/ 22	HIGH	320	13/ 18	HIGH	190
HOI AN	23/ 31	MED	26	24/ 33	HIGH	62	24/ 31	HIGH	349	23/ 29	HIGH	612
HUE	22/ 30	MED	60	23/ 33	HIGH	83	23/ 31	HIGH	502	22/ 28	HIGH	688
PHNOM PENH	24/ 35	HIGH	77	24/ 34	HIGH	134	25/ 31	HIGH	224	24/ 30	HIGH	257
SIEM REAP	24/ 34	MED	60	24/ 33	HIGH	140	23/ 30	HIGH	260	22/ 30	HIGH	230
VIENTIANE	23/ 34	HIGH	99	23/ 32	HIGH	267	24/ 31	HIGH	302	18/ 29	HIGH	109
LUANG PRABANG	21/ 36	HIGH	109	23/ 35	HIGH	163	23/ 33	HIGH	165	21/ 32	MED	79

Here is an example of a packing list for this time of year:

- main luggage**
- 'daypack'** - a smaller bag to carry during the day
- luggage padlocks**
- money belt** to carry passport, cash, travellers' cheques, credit cards, airline tickets, etc
- sun protection** – hat, sunscreen and lip balm
- insect repellent**
- personal medical kit** – refer to Your Travel Guide
- antibacterial wipes** – wipes such as 'Wet Ones' to clean hands before eating
- walking shoes and socks** – it is important to have sturdy, comfortable shoes for sightseeing every day
- a 'modesty shawl'** or sarong to carry in your daypack; to cover up in temples, pagodas or conservative areas.
- conversion plug and spare batteries** – batteries available to buy in Vietnam tend to be unreliable
- spare glasses** – it is difficult to get any prescription lenses repaired or replaced in Vietnam
- camera and spare film** – film available to buy in Vietnam tends to be bad quality or sun damaged
- trousers/shorts (or skirts for women)** that reach below the knee
- long-sleeved shirts/tops** of light cotton material
- short-sleeved shirts/t-shirts**
- swimming costume**
- tracksuit/similar outfit** of soft material is recommended if your tour involves an overnight train journey
- a light jumper** in case of cooler weather or air-conditioning
- a light waterproof jacket/poncho/umbrella** in case of rain in humid weather

In addition, if your tour visits the mountainous region of northern LAOS, or northern VIETNAM:

- light jumpers or thermals** are great for layering
- a warm water/windproof jacket**
- thick and warm socks, gloves and scarf**

This packing list has been compiled from suggestions by our previous passengers and our staff in Indochina – it is a guide only.

Wendy Wu Tours recommends you check recent weather conditions before your departure.

For updated pre-departure information, news about Indochina and more – go to our website at www.wendywutours.com.au