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WALTER MASON

Writing Retreat & Literary Tour

April 14-24 2019

Hanoi, Halong Bay, Ho
Chi Minh and Hue.

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ABOUT

This trip offers a wonderful opportunity to see Vietnam through a literary, historical and spiritual lens thanks to your guide, Walter Mason, who has a passion for Vietnam. He has visited almost yearly since 1994, has strong family connections with the country, has studied with Vietnamese Buddhist masters and has even studied the Vietnamese language at the Ho Chi Minh City University of Social Sciences and Humanities.

Starting at Hanoi in the north, you will travel by bus, boat and plane all the way down to Can Tho, the lush tropical heart of the Mekong Delta. As well as traveling the length of the country, you will have the opportunity to work on your writing and ideas during **daily writing workshops** conducted by Walter at various locations.

Allow these inspiring destinations and the frequency and spontaneity of the writing workshops to quiet your mind, and let your eyes and pen do all the work. You can take



this time to continue work on an established project or to start a new one, such as creating a travelogue. Embrace this escape from everyday life and learn how to acknowledge, appreciate and capture everything you see, everything you do and, above all, everything you feel. You will experience a transformative shift in your work during this tour.

Walter will lead you off the beaten path occasionally for some very special half-day trips, such as lunching with Buddhist nuns, visiting an old Khmer temple in an unexpected area and spending a morning in a typical Ho Chi Minh City neighbourhood. We will experience life in Vietnam in a way that is rare when we typically travel.

This is a unique opportunity for adventurous writers to explore a country alongside a fellow writer, whose enthusiastic love for Vietnamese culture, literature, cuisine and life is boundless.





VIETNAM TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Take a stroll through the grounds of the Temple of Literature in Hanoi, soaking up the energy of scholars from more than 900 years ago. You'll even encounter Confucius himself, whose image is revered in the final hall.

Participate in daily writing workshops where you can focus on one project, bounce around ideas for new projects or work on a travelogue of your experiences during the trip.

Take an overnight cruise through the exquisite Halong Bay and sail around eerie limestone formations said to have been scattered by dragons.

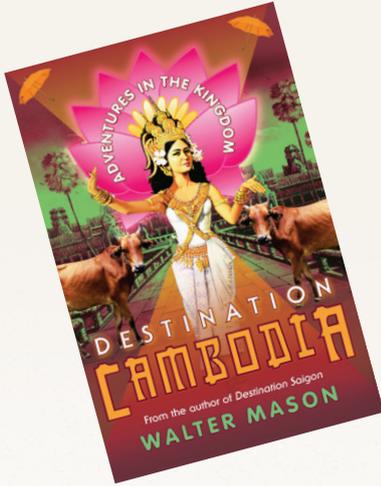
Follow in the footsteps of some of the most interesting writers on Vietnam, including Nguyen Du, Thich Nhat

Hanh, Graham Greene and Marguerite Duras.

Sail down the Perfume River in Hue and visit the elaborate tombs of past kings of the Nguyen Dynasty.

Spend the night in Hoi An, one of the most beloved and picturesque sites in Vietnam renowned for its untouched, old-world charm.

Experience what it's like to live as a local in Ho Chi Minh City as we visit Walter's own little neighbourhood. Have a shampoo at his nephew's salon, a cup of coffee at his niece's coffee shop and visit a surprisingly striking little Buddhist temple that has become a national tourist attraction — all on the same street!



WALTER MASON

A little bit about your TOUR DIRECTOR & WRITING COACH

Walter Mason is the author of *Destination Saigon* and *Destination Cambodia*. He has been in love with Vietnam for most of his life and has been travelling and studying there since 1994. Walter has studied Buddhism with some of Vietnam's great Buddhist masters and was a student at the Ho Chi Minh City University of Social Sciences and Humanities in Saigon, studying the Vietnamese language. He lives in Cabramatta with his partner Thang Ngo, a prominent Vietnamese-Australian social commentator and foodie.

He is the Vice President of the NSW Dickens Society and a well-known travel writer and speaker. He has spoken at festivals and conferences around the world.

As well as leading tours to Vietnam, Walter teaches Cambodian, Vietnamese and Buddhist history. Walter is also a popular teacher of writing, mindfulness and creativity. He is a regular lecturer on literary subjects including E. F. Benson, Noel Coward and the travel writer H. V. Morton.

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WRITING WORKSHOPS

Flash Moments

As we travel we will be visiting places that are immensely inspiring for any writer, so we will be pulling out our writing pads and leaning up against a wall or sitting on a step to write as much as we can as quickly as possible in just five or ten minutes. Defeat your inner critic by simply writing.

Reflections and Moments

These quick writing sessions will happen when we stumble upon a space that can accommodate us. This is about reflecting on what you have seen and writing down those reflections. Alternatively you can dwell in the now and write down all that you are seeing and experiencing in the present moment.

The Writing Workshops

These are longer sessions where we will sit together and write, using exercises and prompts given by Walter as our starting point. We will also have the opportunity to share our writing with the group during these workshops. These workshops are about getting to your best and most perceptive writing, using parts of your mind that have been opened up by the experience of travel.

Morning Reflections

Short and silent workshops around a common theme. These are also an opportunity to set your intentions for the day and do some inner work and creative strategising. It is a time to reflect on your reading as well.

Mindful Writing

A meditative experience during which we spend some time being with our breath and our bodies in silence before we pick up our pens and let our newly refreshed imaginations run wild. In these sessions we question and investigate our own writing and own reactions to the world — and we do it all on paper!

All workshops led by Walter Mason.



ITINERARY

Sunday 14th April

Arrival Hanoi

We arrive in beautiful Hanoi, one of the most romantic cities in Asia. Upon arrival, our driver and guide will pick us up and transfer to our hotel in Hanoi where we will stay overnight.

No matter what time you arrive, take yourself down to the lake for a stroll and take in the charm of this ancient town.

Hotel: Silk Path Luxury Hanoi Hotel

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Meal Key

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B L Monday 15th April
Hanoi- Full Day Hanoi City Tour

We start the day by visiting the monumental **Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum**, a classic example of Soviet Brutalist architecture, and then move on to his remarkably modest house in the same complex. Uncle Ho wrote a fascinating short collection of poems while he was imprisoned in China and this book is one of the modern classics of Vietnamese literature. Then we take a short stroll over to the **One Pillar Pagoda**, a symbol of Vietnamese nationalism originally constructed after one of the Kings of Vietnam had a vision of Quan Am, the Bodhisattva of Compassion. Hopefully we get a chance to peek into this tiny temple, and Walter will explain Quan Am's importance in Vietnamese culture and why she's so beloved.

We then head to the **Temple of Literature**, once a Confucian university and still an important site of pilgrimage for Hanoians (particularly parents anxious about their children's exam results!). Walter will explain the Confucian philosophy and its literary tradition. While there we will honour the spirit of Confucius and of all the scholars who once studied here by finding a spot to do some **short writing reflections**.

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After lunch we visit the unique **Quan Thanh Temple**, where we will take a moment for writing and reflection, and the **West Lake**. The West Lake was where the utterly outrageous Ho Xuan Huong lived and worked, and we will celebrate her bawdy personality by reading some of her poems.

Once back at our beautiful hotel, we will find a spot for a **1.5 hour writing workshop** inspired by what we have seen today, and also by poems from Ho Chi Minh and Ho Xuan Huong.

Then you can head out individually into the beautiful Hanoi night with all of its fun and promise.

Hotel: Silk Path Luxury Hanoi Hotel

B **L** **D** Tuesday 16th April

Hanoi – Halong- 1 night cruise

We depart from Ninh Binh and travel by road to the **Tuan Chau Island pier in Halong Bay**.

One of the most incredible sights in the natural world, the beauty of Halong Bay was re-introduced to the Western imagination through Régis Wargnier's exquisite 1992 film 'Indochine', starring Catherine Deneuve. It is a dreamy and romantic spot that has attracted artists and poets for at least a thousand years.

We set off on **Aphrodite Cruise**, where you'll be pampered in style and comfort whilst meandering through the towering limestone cliffs and emerald green waters of Halong Bay.

What better place for an on-deck, **in-depth writing workshop**?

As evening sets in you will take part in a professional cooking demonstration before indulging in a luxurious dinner in the dining hall. Spend the rest of the evening as you'd like; watch a movie in the dining area, relax on the deck with a cocktail, go squid fishing under the cover of night, or write some beautiful poetry.

Hotel: Aphrodite Cruises

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Wednesday 17th April **B** **L**

Halong- Hanoi- Fly to Hue

Rise with the sun and practice the ancient art of **Tai Chi** on the sundeck while taking in majestic views of the surrounding bay and enjoying the cool sea breeze.

Wrap up your experience with a visit to **Titop Island** for a swim and an incredible view over the Bay from the mountain. This incredible open grotto offers the chance to see stalactites up close with the light of the morning sun.

Spend your last few hours drifting through the bay and writing down your **reflections and ideas** in a session led by Walter.

You will enjoy a scrumptious brunch buffet en route to the main port, and then onwards to Hanoi airport to fly from Hanoi to **Hue**.

Upon arrival, our driver will pick up our group and transfer us to the hotel.

Hotel: Moonlight Hotel



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Thursday 18th April

Hue Full Day City Tour

Embark on a day of exploring **Hue's famous royal tombs**, illustrious examples of the Grand Dynasty's past, and the **Forbidden Purple Palace** itself.

Begin your day by boating down the peaceful **Perfume River**, taking in the endless surrounding greenery. You will partake in a **brief writing workshop** onboard as we enjoy the cool air on the river. At the end of your hour-long boat trip, hop off at the pier and transfer to **the tomb of Emperor Khai Dinh**.

Admire the unusual combination of architecture that blends a traditional Chinese past with a modern Western future. Khai Dinh, an outrageous figure, also has a literary connection — Ho Chi Minh, while he was living in Paris, wrote a play about him.

We will continue to **Minh Mang Tomb** to explore the opulent and exotic resting place laid out in formal Chinese style. While exploring this quite beautiful tomb complex we will pause occasionally to **write and think**, making the most of the sacred geometry of this place laid out according the strict rules of feng shui.

For lunch, feast on a vegetarian meal prepared by nuns at **Dong Thuyen Pagoda**, a temple located on top of a hill with a fantastic view. Visit the kitchen to see how your meal is prepared in a wood burning stove, then dig into your food in the company of the nuns who made it. In this unique atmosphere we can talk to the nuns and learn about Vietnamese Buddhism. In this beautiful environment we will also do some **mindfulness writing exercises**.

We will take an afternoon tour of the **Royal Palace (The Citadel)**, stopping at various points to write down our reflections.

From there we will visit **Tu Hieu Pagoda**, the home temple of Zen master Thich Nhat Hanh, one of the most popular Buddhist teachers in the West.

Back at the hotel we will enjoy an **early evening workshop** (45 minutes) using some of Thich Nhat Hanh's writings and poems as inspirations.

Hotel: EMM Hotel Hoi An

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Friday 19th April B L

Transfer to Hoi An – Hoi An History Tour

After enjoying breakfast, we will drive south to Hoi An over the picturesque Hai Van Pass, probably the most scenic stretch of coastal road in Vietnam!

Hoi An is a former trading port that welcomed Chinese, Dutch, French, Japanese, Portuguese and Arab merchants between the 16th and 18th centuries. Today Hoi An is famous for its restored architecture, handmade silk, expert tailors and delicious noodles and seafood. Its relaxed vibe and pedestrian streets make this town a pleasure to discover. Its laid-back, antique vibe make it a favourite for Vietnamese writers as well, many of whom visit regularly.

Our day tour includes stops at several famous landmarks. The first is Chua Ong Pagoda, dating back to 1653 and built in honour of the Chinese general Quan Cong, who is worshipped by many as a symbol of loyalty and justice.

Next, pop into Phuc Kien Assembly Hall to see the Jinshang Temple, which is dedicated to the goddess of the sea and the protector of sailors. From there it's a short walk to Tan Ky House, a 200-year-old ancestral house and, finally, stroll across the often-photographed 17th century covered bridge built by Japanese craftsmen. The beautiful bridge doubles as a temple and is a major landmark of Hoi An. End your afternoon with a boat trip along the Thu Bon River before heading back to your hotel.

Once back at the hotel we will enjoy an early evening writing workshop.

Hotel: EMM Hotel Hoi An



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Saturday 20th April **B** **L** **D**

Hoi An - Danang- Fly to Ho Chi Minh

After breakfast at the hotel we will visit the **Cham Museum**, a fascinating collection of Cham sculpture which reminds us of Vietnam's rich multi-ethnic past, before heading to the airport for our flight to **Ho Chi Minh City**.

Hotel: Liberty Central Saigon Centre Hotel

B **L** Sunday 21st April

Ho Chi Minh Full Day Tour

In the morning we visit two iconic architectural landmarks — the **Notre Dame Cathedral** and the **Central Post Office**. From here we will head to **Chantraengsay Pagoda** in District 3, a reminder of Saigon's Khmer past.

And then we really come home! We will head to Walter's local neighbourhood just off **Pham Van Hai St**. Have a free shampoo in Walter's nephew's hairdressing salon, visit the exquisite local temple, Chua Giac Vien, modelled on traditional Hue-style temple architecture and now a local tourist attraction, have a coffee at Walter's niece's café and then it's just a quick walk down the busy Pham Van Hai Street into a tiny alley to visit an obscure temple filled with surprises.

Lunch will be at the at one of the branches of **KOTO restaurant**, an enterprise begun by an Australian-Vietnamese man to teach street kids valuable skills and help them find jobs in the hospitality industry.

In the afternoon, we head to the **History Museum** (with a pause in the garden courtyard to **write down some reflections** on the day) and the shrine to the Hung Kings, which is a link to Vietnam's mythic past.

We then move on to **Cho Lon**, the city's Chinatown, and **Thien Hau Pagoda** which is dedicated to the Goddess of the Sea. We will observe street life with a fun cyclo ride through the narrow streets to **Chua Quan Am**, a Chinese temple dedicated to the Goddess of Mercy and situated on the romantically named Lao Tzu Street (Lao Tu in Vietnamese).

Then we pop back to the hotel for a **quick workshop** inspired by our day and by reflections from the Tao Te Ching before we freshen up and take a leisurely evening stroll all the way down **Dong Khoi** to check out Graham Greene landmarks, the Continental and the Majestic hotels.

Hotel: Liberty Central Saigon Centre Hotel

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Monday 22nd April

Saigon - Vinh Long- Sa Dec Can Tho

Leave the city behind this morning as you travel around two hours to reach **Cai Be**, a gateway to the Mekong Delta. Hop aboard a small boat, travel along the winding waterways and get a taste for life on the water.

Stop off at **Dong Phu** and **An Binh**, where you will see small home-based factories that produce oil, matting, candy and even wine from coconuts!

Then visit an old French colonial house that is more than 150 years old. From here we visit **Huynh Thuy Le house in Sa Dec**, once home to the Chinese man who took Marguerite Duras as his mistress, a relationship she fictionalised in her famous novel *The Lover*. We will lunch at the house and take some **time to write**.

We then head to beautiful **Can Tho**, the heart of the **Mekong Delta** and check in to our resort. There we will luxuriate in the Delta breezes and have a **writing workshop**.

Dinner will be enjoyed at the **Victoria Can Tho**, a renovated colonial mansion.

Hotel: Victoria Can Tho Resort



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Wednesday 24th April

Ho Chi Minh Depart

We will breakfast at the hotel and then, if you are not rushing away to catch a flight home, we will find a spot to **write our goodbyes** to each other and to this wonderful country.

You are free until your transfer to the airport.

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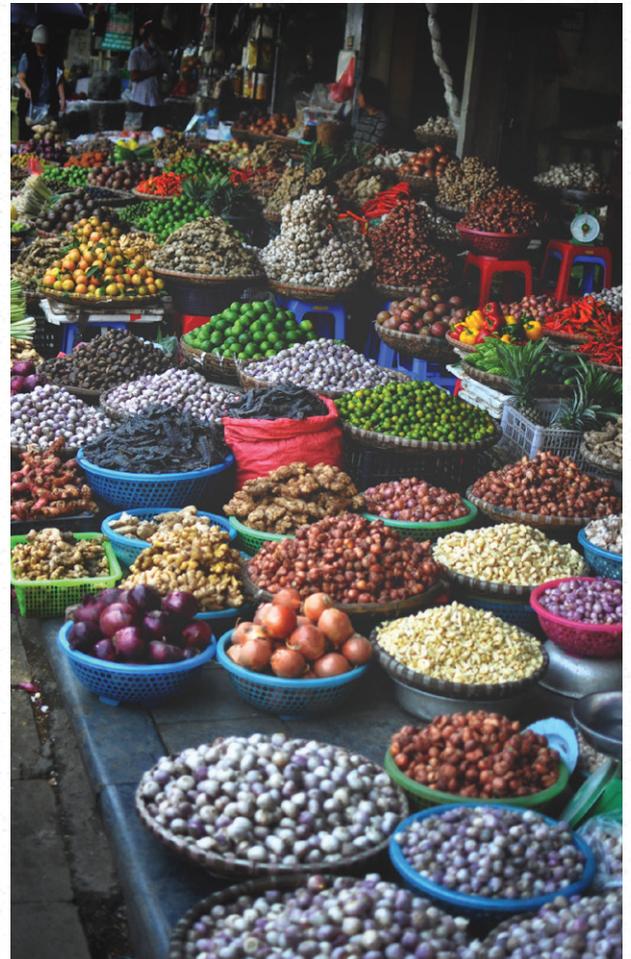
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Can Tho – Ho Chi Minh

It's an early start to the day as we travel by boat to the **daily floating market of Can Tho**. Experience the flurry of vendors trading their wares as boats teeming with fruit, vegetables and household goods ply the waters. Then it's off to the crazy busy-ness of **Ho Chi Minh City**.

If we get a good run we can take some time for a **brief workshop** and share the fruits of our writing, followed by a **farewell dinner** in the dazzling Saigon night.

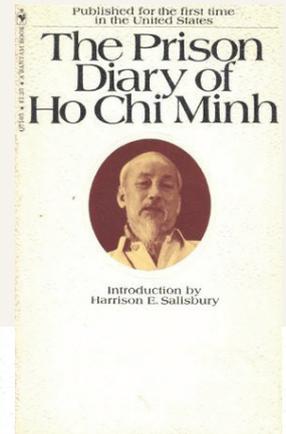
Hotel: Liberty Central Saigon Centre Hotel

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RECOMMENDED BOOKS

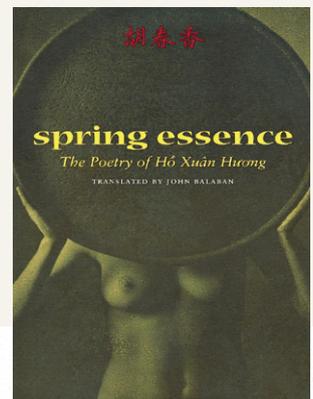
Ho Chi Minh's Prison Diary

A small collection of poems that Uncle Ho wrote from a prison in China. It has become one of the major textual artefacts of post-revolutionary Vietnam, and is fascinating for its themes of revolt and containment and its slight sense of humour. We will be visiting Ho Chi Minh's tomb and his modestly elegant home in Hanoi so reading this text will give us a richer understanding of his personality and thinking, which is still revered throughout the country.



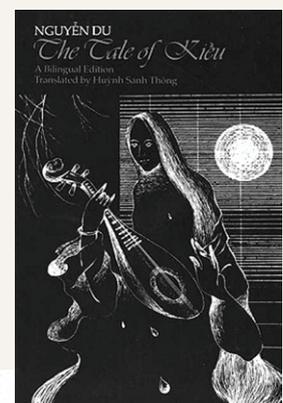
Spring Essence: The Poetry of Ho Xuan Huong *translated by John Balaban*

Not for the prudish, these poems composed at the poet's rundown shack on Hanoi's West Lake express a riotous sexuality and brilliant intellect. Ho Xuan Huong was a remarkably modern woman with her advanced education, her freedom with language and words and her utterly liberated approach to sexuality. We will be celebrating this 18th century poet when we visit the West Lake.



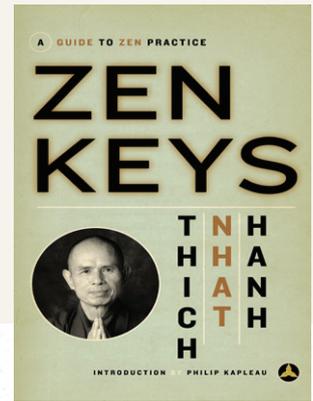
The Tale of Kieu by Nguyen Du

Considered the greatest work of Vietnamese literature, Nguyen Du's long verse novel is taught at schools and universities throughout Vietnam, and "Kieu" is still a popular girls name. Du was a gloomy mandarin at the Imperial City of Hue, mourning the destruction of a previous dynasty — it is said he never smiled in his entire life. This remarkable and challenging book was adapted from a long Chinese poem — all Vietnamese mandarins knew their classical Chinese. We will be walking in his footsteps as we explore the Forbidden Purple City in Hue.



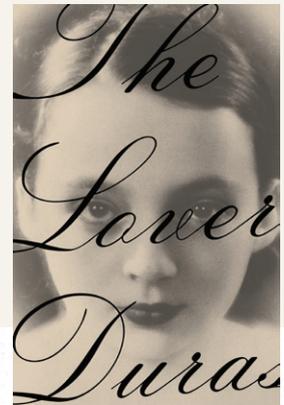
The writings of Thich Nhat Hanh *particularly Zen Keys*

Thich Nhat Hanh is one of the most famous Buddhist monks in the world, and his writings and retreats have led many curious Western readers to convert to Buddhism. Master Nhat Hanh comes from the Zen tradition and he began his monastic career at a little temple in Hue, which we will be visiting. *Zen Keys* has some great information about his life as a young monk and will help you understand the nature of Vietnamese Buddhism.



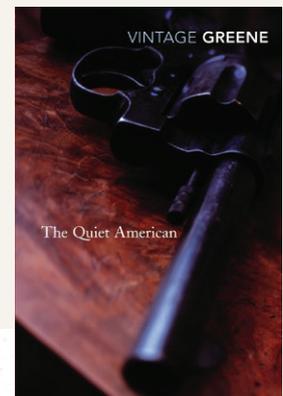
The Lover by Marguerite Duras

Definitely Duras' most accessible and celebrated work, this highly autobiographical novel is set in colonial-era Saigon and the Mekong Delta. We will be visiting the house of her lover, the son of a rich Chinese merchant, in Sa Dec.



The Quiet American by Graham Greene

Perhaps the most famous of all Vietnam books, Greene's book is set in Saigon of the 1950s. It is a brilliant snapshot of a moment in time when Saigon was already racked with guerrilla warfare and internecine struggles between power groups. While in Ho Chi Minh City we will be stopping by at some of the significant landmarks of the novel.



Additional reading (If you're keen!)

The Analects of Confucius (any version)

The Tao Te Ching (any version)

The Path of Emancipation by Thich Nhat Hanh

The Tao of Inner Peace by Diane Dreher

Confucius from the Heart by Yu Dan

The Eaves of Heaven by Andrew X. Pham

Finding the Dragon Lady by Monique Brinson Demery

PACKAGE DETAILS

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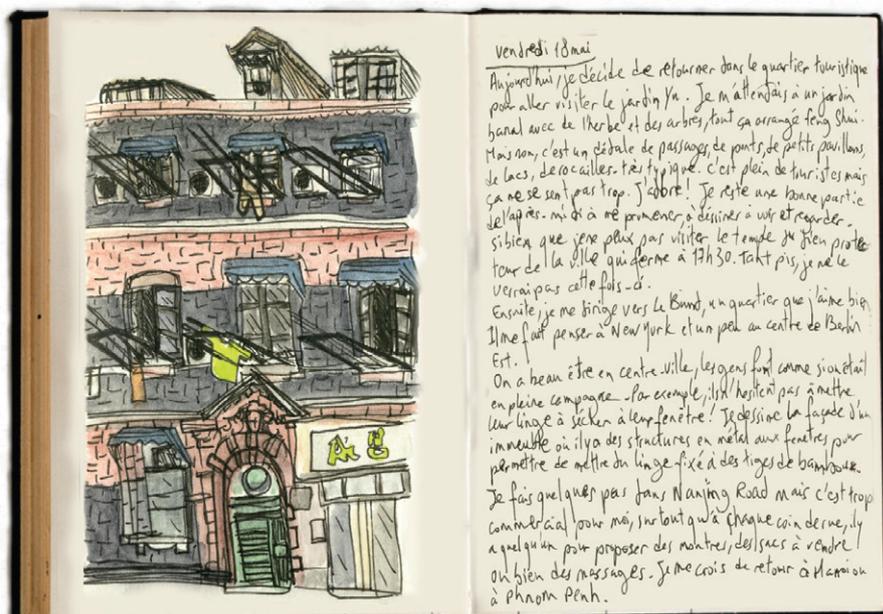
What is included in the cost?

- Tour Leader and writing workshops
- Tour coordinator/English speaking local guide
- Accommodations with daily breakfast
- Transports (inland)
- Meals (as listed in itinerary)
- Visits and transfers as mentioned
- Boat cruise
- Flights as program (Economy Class)

EXCLUDED

What is not included in the cost?

- Transport to Vietnam
- Costs of Visa
- Travel Insurance (compulsory)
- Incidentals and expenditures of a personal nature
- Services, meals and drinks if not mentioned in itinerary



PRICING

The price is land content only and does not include airfares.
To secure your booking a deposit of 30% is required.

	Single Occupancy	Twin Share
Tour price	\$6,250.00	\$5,100.00
Deposit to secure booking	\$1,875.00	\$1,530.00
Installment due by 10th January 2019	\$2,187.50	\$1,785.00
Final Payment due by 10th March 2019	\$2,187.50	\$1,785.00

Full payment needs to be completed no later than
10th March 2019





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Better Read Than Dead bookshop, based in Newtown, is one of Sydney's most iconic and loved independent bookstores (and Lonely Planet's favourite Sydney store).

With 22 years of experience in the Australian market, Better Read Than Dead is an active member of the Australian literary community, known for its enthusiastic involvement with authors and engagement in and support of wide-ranging literary events. With this extensive literary and business background behind it, Better Read Than Dead is now offering an extension of reader immersion for its booklovers in the form of a fully escorted tour.

Following the recent acquisition of Bookshop Travel, Better Read Than Dead has been able to build on the knowledge and expertise of this trusted educational tour company to create Better Read Literary Tours.

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A representative of Better Read Literary Tours will contact you via phone and email to discuss booking options. A place is offered and a tax invoice will be issued.

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Cancellation

If you need to cancel your booking all effort will be made to find a new participant to take your place. If a new participant can be found \$300 will be forfeited from your refund as an administration fee.

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Travel Insurance

Travel insurance at the time of booking is recommended.

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When filling in this form, please ensure spelling is correct and your name is written as it is on your passport. Type directly on to the form or print out, scan and complete.

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We look forward to assisting you.

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