



3-day Hanoi Itinerary



Hanoi



Hanoi: A Journey Through Vietnam's Cultural Heart

Welcome to Hanoi, Vietnam's captivating capital, where ancient traditions blend seamlessly with modern life. This comprehensive 3-day guide will lead you through the city's rich heritage, delectable cuisine, and vibrant atmosphere, perfect for first-time visitors.

Historical Overview

Hanoi boasts over 1000 years of history as Vietnam's capital, dating back to 1010 when Emperor Ly Thai To established it as the imperial city of Thang Long. The city's architecture and culture reflect influences from Chinese, French colonial, and modern Vietnamese periods, creating a unique tapestry of historical significance.

Iconic Landmarks

- Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum: A grand memorial housing the preserved body of Vietnam's revolutionary leader.
- One Pillar Pagoda: An ancient Buddhist temple built to resemble a lotus blossom.
- Temple of Literature: Vietnam's first national university and a symbol of academic excellence.

Cultural Treasures

- Vietnam Museum of Ethnology: Showcasing the diverse cultures of Vietnam's 54 ethnic groups.
- Thang Long Water Puppet Theatre: Traditional Vietnamese water puppet performances.
- Vietnam National Museum of Fine Arts: Housing the country's finest art collections.

Charming Neighborhoods

- Old Quarter: A maze of ancient streets each historically dedicated to specific trades.
- French Quarter: Elegant colonial architecture and tree-lined boulevards.
- Ba Dinh District: The political center housing many historical sites.

Hanoi Lifestyle

- Cuisine: Famous for pho, bun cha, and egg coffee.
- Lake Life: Peaceful lakes provide respite from the bustling city.
- Shopping: From traditional markets to modern shopping centers.

Green Spaces

- Hoan Kiem Lake: The heart of Hanoi with the iconic Turtle Tower.
- West Lake: The city's largest lake, surrounded by temples and gardens.

Practical Travel Tips

- Transportation: Use a mix of walking and ride-hailing apps; watch out for motorbike traffic.
- Best Times to Visit: October to December for pleasant weather and minimal rain.
- Language: Basic Vietnamese phrases are appreciated; English is common in tourist areas.
- Safety: Generally safe; be cautious with belongings in crowded areas.

3-Day Itinerary Highlights

Day 1: Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda, Vietnam Museum of Ethnology, Thang Long Water Puppet Theatre

Day 2: Temple of Literature, Vietnam National Museum of Fine Arts, St. Joseph's Cathedral, Hanoi Opera House

Day 3: Hoan Kiem Lake, Ngoc Son Temple, Old Quarter, Dong Xuan Market

This guide presents a curated selection of over 30 locations, allowing you to customize your Hanoi experience. Each destination offers unique insights into Vietnam's rich cultural heritage and modern development.

Hanoi is more than just a city; it's a living museum where every street corner tells a story. As you navigate through ancient alleyways, sample street food delicacies, and witness the harmonious blend of old and new, you'll discover why Hanoi captures the hearts of visitors from around the world.

Let this enchanting city inspire you with its timeless charm and create lasting

memories during your stay. Welcome to Hanoi!

Itinerary Preview

3 days

DAY 01

Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum

One Pillar Pagoda

Vietnam Museum of Ethnology

Thang Long Water Puppet Theatre

DAY 02

Temple Of Literature

Vietnam National Fine Arts Museum

St. Joseph Cathedral

Hanoi Opera House

DAY 03

Hoàn Kiếm Lake

Ngoc Son Temple

Old Quarter

Đông Xuân Market



Daily Events



Day 1

09:00

Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum

1 Hùng Vương, Điện Biên, Ba Đình, Hà Nội, Vietnam

11:00

11:45

One Pillar Pagoda

P. Chùa Một Cột, Điện Cột, Ba Đình, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam

13:45

14:30

Vietnam Museum of Ethnology

Đ. Nguyễn Văn Huyền, Quan Hoa, Cầu Giấy, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam

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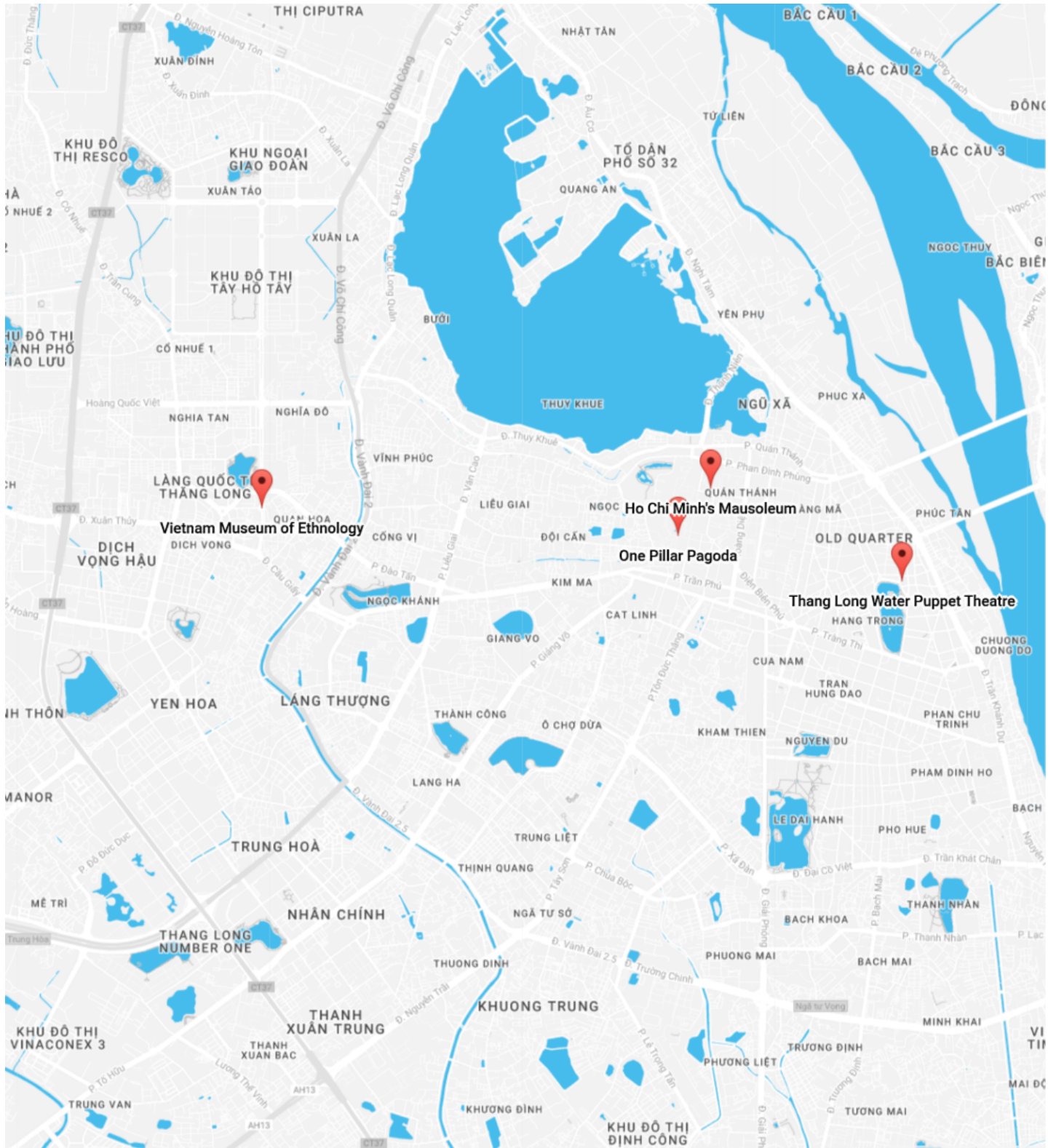
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Thang Long Water Puppet Theatre

57B P. Đinh Tiên Hoàng, Hàng Bạc, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

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Map for Day 1



Day 2

09:00

Temple Of Literature

58 P. Quốc Tử Giám, Văn Miếu, Đống Đa, Hà Nội, Vietnam

11:00

11:45

Vietnam National Fine Arts Museum

66 P. Nguyễn Thái Học, Điện Biên, Ba Đình, Hà Nội, Vietnam

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St. Joseph Cathedral

40 P. Nhà Chung, Hàng Trống, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội 100000,
Vietnam

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17:15

Hanoi Opera House

1 Tràng Tiền, Phan Chu Trinh, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

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Map for Day 2



Day 3

09:00

Hoàn Kiếm Lake

Hoàn Kiếm Lake, Hang Trong, Hoàn Kiếm, Hanoi, Vietnam

11:00

11:45

Ngoc Son Temple

64 Đ. Bạch Đằng, Chợ Dông Dông, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội
100000, Vietnam

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Old Quarter

Old Quarter, Hoàn Kiếm, Hanoi, Vietnam

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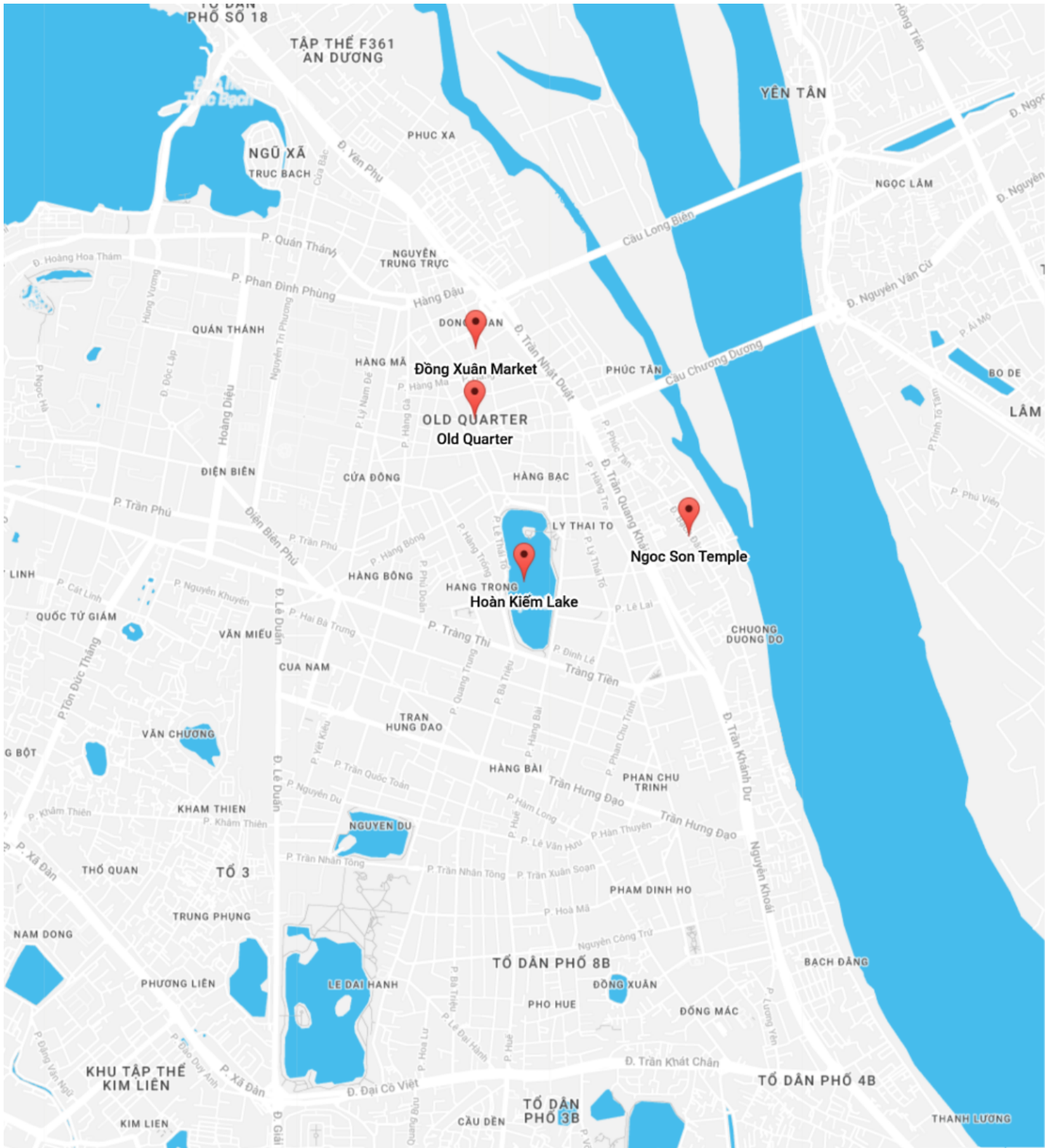
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Đông Xuân Market

Chợ Đông Xuân, Đông Xuân, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội 100000,
Vietnam

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Map for Day 3





Spots



Old Quarter

Old Quarter, Hoàn Kiếm, Hanoi, Vietnam



Imperial Citadel of Thang Long

19c Hoàng Diệu, Điện Biên, Ba Đình, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam

Summary:

Imperial citadel complex with 11th-century buildings & sculptures, including a tower & stone dragon.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

024 3734 5427



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Sunday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

024 3734 5427



Ly Thai To Garden

P. Đinh Tiên Hoàng, Trang Tihn, Hoan Kihm, Hà Noi, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours

Tuesday: Open 24 hours

Wednesday: Open 24 hours

Thursday: Open 24 hours

Friday: Open 24 hours

Saturday: Open 24 hours

Sunday: Open 24 hours



National Library of Vietnam

31 P. Trầg Thi, Trầg Hầg Đạo, Hoàn Kầm, Hà Nầi, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Thursday: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Saturday: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Phone:

024 3825 5397



Vietnamese Women's Museum

36 P. Lý Thầg Kầt, Hàng Bài, Hoàn Kầm, Hà Nầi, Vietnam

Summary:

Modern museum with a permanent collection exploring Vietnamese women's history, culture & fashion.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

024 3936 5973



Vincom Center Bà Triệu

191 P. Bà Triệu, Lê Đại Hành, Hai Bà Trưng, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Thursday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Friday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Saturday: 9:30 AM - 10:00 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM - 10:00 PM

Phone:

0983 320 046



Hồ tròn Bách Thảo

1 Đ. Hoàng Hoa Thám, Ngọc Hồi, Ba Đình, Hà Nội, Vietnam



Trang Tien Plaza

24 P. Hai Bà Trưng, Trảng Tiển, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:30 AM - 9:30 PM
Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 9:30 PM
Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 9:30 PM
Thursday: 9:30 AM - 9:30 PM
Friday: 9:30 AM - 10:00 PM
Saturday: 9:30 AM - 10:00 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM - 10:00 PM

Phone:

024 3937 8600



Chợ Hàng Mã

12 P. Hàng Mã, Hàng Bông, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: 6:00 - 11:30 PM
Tuesday: 6:00 - 11:30 PM
Wednesday: 6:00 - 11:30 PM
Thursday: 6:00 - 11:30 PM
Friday: 6:00 - 11:30 PM
Saturday: 6:00 - 11:30 PM
Sunday: 6:00 - 11:30 PM



Bảo tàng Cách Mạng Việt Nam

25 P. Tông Đản, Tràng Tiền, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam



Koto Van Mieu Restaurant

35 P. Văn Miếu, Văn Miếu, Đống Đa, Hà Nội 10000, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Thursday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Phone:

024 6686 7736



Lotte Observation Deck

54 P. Liễu Giai, Công Vị, Ba Đình, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 PM

Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 PM

Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 PM

Thursday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 PM

Friday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 PM

Saturday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 PM

Sunday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 PM

Phone:

024 3333 6565



Đông Xuân Market

Chợ Đông Xuân, Đông Xuân, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam



Hanoi Opera House

1 Tràng Thi, Phan Chu Trinh, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Ornate performing arts hall opened in 1911 & staging classical music, dance & opera performances.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

024 3933 0113



Hoa Lo Prison

1 P. Hồ Lò, Tròn Hàng Đạo, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Only the gatehouse, now a museum, remains of this storied prison for POWs during the Vietnam War.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

0825 112 668



Cafe Giang

39 P. Nguyễn Hữu Huân, Lý Thái Tổ, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Wednesday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Thursday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Friday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Saturday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Phone:

0989 892 298



Tran Quoc Pagoda

2RXP+4MW, Tây Hồ, Nam Từ Liêm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Long-standing Buddhist temple built on a small, charming island with numerous shrines.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:30 - 11:15 AM, 1:30 - 5:00 PM
Tuesday: 7:30 - 11:15 AM, 1:30 - 5:00 PM
Wednesday: 7:30 - 11:15 AM, 1:30 - 5:00 PM
Thursday: 7:30 - 11:15 AM, 1:30 - 5:00 PM
Friday: 7:30 - 11:15 AM, 1:30 - 5:00 PM
Saturday: 7:30 - 11:15 AM, 1:30 - 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 - 11:15 AM, 1:30 - 5:00 PM



St. Joseph Cathedral

40 P. Nhà Chung, Hàng Trống, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam



Vietnam Military History Museum

Km6+500, CT03, Tây Mĩ, Nam Từ Liêm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Museum of military history featuring artifacts from different campaigns & a collection of aircraft.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 8:00 - 11:30 AM, 1:00 - 4:30 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 - 11:30 AM, 1:00 - 4:30 PM

Thursday: 8:00 - 11:30 AM, 1:00 - 4:30 PM

Friday: Closed

Saturday: 8:00 - 11:30 AM, 1:00 - 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 - 11:30 AM, 1:00 - 4:30 PM

Phone:

024 6253 1367



Temple Of Literature

58 P. Quốc Tử Giám, Văn Miếu, Đống Đa, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Confucian temple with landscaped courtyards, numerous altars & shrines & an imposing front gate.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

024 3845 2917



Bánh Mỳ Nhí Lan

400 Phố Đ. Tam Trinh, Yên Sở, Hoàng Mai, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Thursday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM



Bach Ma Temple

76 P. Hàng Buồm, Hàng Buồm, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Elaborate Ly dynasty temple founded in 1010 and reconstructed in the 18th-19th centuries.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM



West Lake

West Lake, Tây Hồ, Hanoi, Vietnam

Summary:

Urban freshwater lake with an 11-mile perimeter & a 6th century pagoda in the middle.



Ngoc Son Temple

64 Đ. Bạch Đằng, Chợ Đông Dông, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam

Summary:

Confucian temple on a lake reached by bridge with tower & pavilions dedicated to the national hero.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours
Tuesday: Open 24 hours
Wednesday: Open 24 hours
Thursday: Open 24 hours
Friday: Open 24 hours
Saturday: Open 24 hours
Sunday: Open 24 hours



Vietnam National Fine Arts Museum

66 P. Nguyễn Thái Học, Điện Biên, Ba Đình, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Vietnamese fine art across various time periods plus media displayed in a 3-story colonial building.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

024 3823 3084



One Pillar Pagoda

P. Chùa Một Cột, Đền Cột, Ba Đình, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam

Summary:

Rebuilt iconic Buddhist temple, originally erected in 1049, designed to resemble a lotus blossom.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

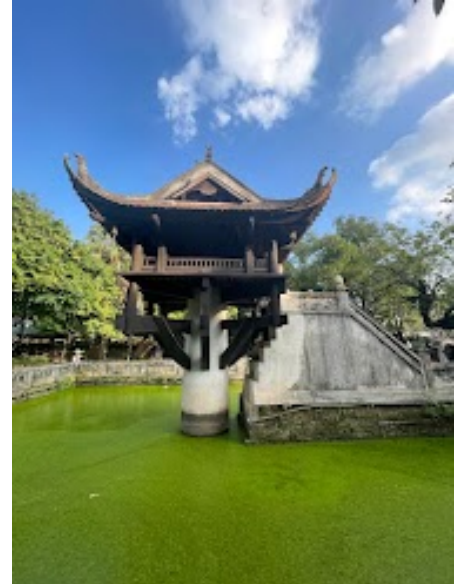
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Thursday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM



Thang Long Water Puppet Theatre

57B P. Đinh Tiên Hoàng, Hàng Bạc, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Performing-arts venue presenting theatrical water puppetry shows with accompanying music.

Phone:

024 3824 9494



Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum

1 Hùng Vương, Điện Biên, Ba Đình, Hà Nội, Vietnam

Summary:

Vietnamese leader Ho Chi Minh's body is on display in this mausoleum & historic site.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM



Hoàn Kiếm Lake

Hoàn Kiếm Lake, Hang Trong, Hoàn Kiếm, Hanoi, Vietnam

Summary:

Lake featuring a temple on a small island reached via a wooden bridge & a tower on another island.



Vietnam Museum of Ethnology

Đ. Nguyễn Văn Huyền, Quan Hoa, Cầu Giấy, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam

Summary:

Ethnological museum offering exhibits on Vietnam's various cultures, with gardens & a restaurant.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Wednesday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Thursday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Phone:

024 3756 2193



Long Biên - Xuân Quan

Long Biên - Xuân Quan, Vietnam