

## **EXOTIC AND COMPELLING VIETNAM – BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!**

Featuring **Jim Cuddy** (multi-Juno award winner and Canadian Music Hall of Fame and Order of Canada recipient), **Barney Bentall** (Juno award winner) and **Anne Lindsay** (extraordinary fiddler), **Devin Cuddy**, **Sam Polley**, along with **Benoit Huot** (20-time Paralympic medalist and member of the Order of Canada)!

TRAVEL DATES: MARCH 16 - 23, 2023

A land of staggering natural beauty and cultural complexities, of dynamic mega cities and hill-tribe villages, Vietnam is diverse, exotic and compelling. Ancient temples display distinctly Chinese influences in the north and Hindu origins in the south. Meanwhile the broad, tree-lined boulevards and grand state buildings that grace the capital date from the French colonial period.

Your adventure in Vietnam will include the two cities of Hue and Hoi An, located in the heart of the nation. Central Vietnam is packed with historic sights and blessed with beautiful beaches and outstanding national parks. You will marvel at Hue and its Imperial Citadel, royal tombs and excellent street food. You will savour the uniqueness of the riverside jewel Hoi An - with an opportunity to tour the military sites of the Demilitarised Zone.

Your adventure will begin with three nights in the tranquil citadel of Hue at the luxurious Pilgrimage Village Boutique

When you combine activity, music, and culture in a far- away place, it just has to be great! Just like a Canadian Kitchen Party!

— DAVID GREENFIELD AND ANNE PARENT, WHISTLER



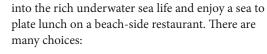
Resort and Spa with its inviting slope pool and lush gardens. This capital of the Nguyen emperors still resonates with the glories of imperial Vietnam. Hue owes its charm partly to its location on the picturesque Perfume River. You will explore some of the spectacular royal tombs of the Hguyen dynasty (ruled for 143 years) and its fascinating countryside along winding village roads. Travelling by foot, mountain bike or scooters, you will make stops along the way to learn about the locals' way of life. We will enjoy an Imperial dinner at The Citadel, once the residence of the royal family, and now a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

We will make our way to the city of Hoi An along the jaw-dropping Hai Van Pass, a short, incredibly scenic route winding around a mountain overlooking the beautiful coast line. For those who love a challenge, you will have the option to make this pass by mountain bike!

Here we will spend four nights at Boutique Hoi An Resort, nestled on the beautiful white sands of An Bang Beach. You will get to explore the graceful, historic Hoi An, one of Vietnam's most delightful towns. Once a major port, it boasts the grand architecture and beguiling riverside setting that befits its heritage, and the 21st-century curses of traffic and pollution are almost entirely absent. The face of the Old Town has preserved its incredible legacy of tottering Japanese merchant houses, Chinese temples, ancient tea warehouses and a wonderful market full of the freshest and most amazing selection of fruits and vegetables. When the sun sets, the pedestrian-friendly streets of Hoi An turn into a sparkling display of colorful lanterns with lit candles floating down Thu Bon River. The trendy bistros, cafés, bars and artistic lounges are vibrant and bustling into the wee hours of the morning!

While in Hoi An, you can take an excursion to Cham Island, a breathtaking cluster of granite islands set in aquamarine seas where you can explore the quaint fishing village, snorkel the reefs or dive





- a walking tour of the ancient town of Hoi An visiting Tran Quoc Pagoda, dating back to the 6th century,
- a hands-on cooking class,
- a mountain bike through the villages around Hoi An
- explore the countryside like a local on the back of a motor scooter
- visit a tailor for a suitcase full of custom made suits, dresses, shirts, shoes or anything you can dream up - a tradition resulting from its past as a trading port on the silk route
- simply relax on the white sand beach

The choice is yours!

You will be treated to amazing Vietnamese cuisine in open air pavilions and on beach-side restaurants and be privy to incredible unplugged performances by all of the musicians including a solo performance by Anne in an ancient Citadel! The week will end with a memorable concert in a spectacular setting on the banks of the Hoi An River!

Unforgettable experiences are everywhere in Vietnam – from watching a moped loaded with honking pigs weave a wobbly route along a country lane to mingling with villagers, to sampling local dishes to sipping rice wine in the markets – what makes this trip even more unforgettable is sharing it with our rock star musicians, Canada's most decorated para swimmer, Benoit Huot and a beautiful group of adventurous Canadians from across our great country!

## YOUR EIGHT-DAY, SEVEN-NIGHT ADVENTURE FOR TWO INCLUDES:

- Three-nights' accommodation with breakfast at the luxurious Pilgrimage Village Boutique Resort and Spa in Hue
- Four-nights' accommodation with breakfast at Boutique Hoi An Resort, nestled on the beautiful white sands of An Bang Beach
- Welcome reception on the first night
- Imperial dinner at The Citadel within the walls of the Imperial City with a very special performance by fiddler Anne Lindsay
- Fantastic beach BBQ on the white sand beach at Boutique Hoi An
- A fascinating night with Canada's 20-time
  Paralympic medallist and member of the Order of Canada, Benoit Huot!
- A magical and epic finale on the banks of the Hoi An River with a Vietnamese feast and an unforgettable concert by Jim, Barney, Anne, Devin and Sam!
- Unforgettable unplugged performances by your featured musicians!
- Coach transportation from Hue to Hoi An

## Optional add-ons (at additional cost):

- Hands-on cooking class in Hoi An
- Historical walking tours
- Mountain biking or motor scooting in the countryside and towns of Hue and Hoi An
- A half day exploring Cham Island
- A pre tour to Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Terms and Conditions: ALL SALES ARE FINAL. FLIGHT NOT INCLUDED. Transportation to and from the property is not included. Meals only as specified above will be included. These prizes are non-negotiable and not convertible to cash. The prize must be redeemed on the dates specified – no exceptions. The recipient agrees to accept the prize as is, fully aware of any and all restrictions. The redemption processes of these live auctions are the sole responsibility of the winners. The recipient will be required to sign a waiver of liability regarding FWP Inc., Canada's Great Kitchen Party and their respective employees and volunteers' involvement in the offering, sponsoring, hosting or arranging of the events or activities described as part of the above package. The recipients agree to these terms and conditions.

Please note: Trips are suitable for those eighteen years of age and older. Sometimes unforeseen circumstances happen previous to the trip, and thus we highly recommend trip cancellation insurance or cancel for any reason insurance. If you do not choose either of these insurance options and are unable to attend the trip, your option will be to sell or transfer to another buyer (based on double occupancy) over the age of 18. Canada's Great Kitchen Party will not reimburse, provide a refund, or give credit for future trips. Canada's Great Kitchen Party and the Canadian Culinary Championships are initiatives of FWP Inc., a social enterprise that contributes to SpiritNorth, MusiCounts and local grassroots food charities.

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