VIETNAM CHECKLIST

BEFORE YOU GO

Tickets, money, passport! Your essential Vietnam to-do list and packing list.

To do

❏ **Passport**: Is it up to date? It must be valid for at least one month after the date of your visa's expiry.

❏ **Visa**: Have you secured a visa or a valid 'letter of approval' from the Vietnamese Immigration Department?

❏ **Vaccinations**: Have you checked which vaccines you may need?

❏ **Travel insurance**: Are you covered?

❏ **Safety**: Have you registered your travel plans with **smartraveller** and checked the latest safety advice on the region you're travelling to?

❏ **Money**: Have you told your bank you're going overseas, and do you know how you'll be paying for things in Vietnam?

❏ **Booking**: Have you booked accommodation for at least the first night?

❏ **Transport**: Do you know how you'll get from the airport to your accommodation?

❏ **Getting around**: Do you know how you'll get around, and do you need to pre-book any tickets?

❏ **Phone**: Have you switched off data roaming and voicemail? If you're planning to use a local or travel SIM, is your phone unlocked?

❏ **Apps**: Have you downloaded offline maps, travel apps or the **CHOICE Vietnam travel guide** onto your mobile?

❏ **Voltage**: Have you checked whether your appliances are compatible with Vietnam's voltage?

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To pack

- ❏ **Tickets**

- ❏ **Money** (cash and cards)

- ❏ **Passport**

- ❏ A copy of your **travel insurance** details

- ❏ A list of **emergency contacts** at home and in Vietnam

- ❏ Chargers and a universal **power adapter** (and a transformer/converter if necessary)

- ❏ **Mosquito repellent** and mosquito-proof clothing

- ❏ **Modest clothing** for visiting religious sites

- ❏ Any regular medication (in original packaging, with prescriptions)

Tip: No matter where you travel, you should carry all medications (even vitamins) in their original packaging, along with their original prescription. It's also a good idea to carry a letter from your doctor explaining what the medications are (using generic names) and what they're for.

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