



DALAT - BINH CHAU ROUTE



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Tea Hills & Coffee Country

CUSTOM TRIP • MARCH 4-7, 2027

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS

FROM US\$330 / PERSON • DOUBLE • GROUP OF 8 • ≈2-STAR

Custom Trip Overview

Four days from the Dalat highlands to Binh Chau: coffee gardens, flexible sightseeing or hiking, waterfalls and tea country, then a hot-springs night before the road journey to Saigon.

Highlights

- Dalat city, coffee garden & night view
- Choose sightseeing, easy-moderate or harder hike
- Lang Biang summit or Ta Nang ridge option
- Pongour Falls, Bao Loc tea hills & Binh Chau

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Dalat: Hiking the Highlands

Dalat • Binh Chau Hot Springs — 4-Day / 3-Night Custom Trip

Custom Trip: March 4–7, 2027 • Best time to go: January–August (dry season)

Trip Overview

A custom trip, March 4–7, 2027, through the Dalat highlands with Binh Chau Hot Springs built in as the final night: two nights in Dalat, then a scenic drive south through waterfalls and tea country to a forest-reserve hot springs before the short run to Saigon for your international flight. The main day comes in three versions — a Sightseeing day with very little hiking, an Easy–Moderate hike, or a Moderate–Strenuous summit hike (Lang Biang on foot, not by cable car). Choose your lodging from a budget homestay/Airbnb (about 2-Star quality, better than a hostel), a 3-Star hotel, or a 4-Star hotel; transport is a rental car with a local, non-English-speaking driver. **Best time to go — January–August (your March 4–7 dates fall right in the dry season):** *March is one of the best months for Dalat — dry, bright days with cool mornings and evenings. Dalat stays mild year-round given its elevation, but trails get slippery and the summit and ridge hikes lose their open views in low cloud during the wet season (September–December).*

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1 (Thu, Mar 4) — Arrive Dalat, Coffee Garden & Night View

~30 min airport transfer, then light walking; evening viewpoint

- Small family-run coffee garden visit and tasting
- Check in and settle in; dinner on your own — Dalat's street food around the night market is easy and cheap
- Evening at the DT723 highway viewpoint over Thai Phien flower village — Dalat's best-known night view, where greenhouse grow-lights glow through the valley fog below a pine-forest ridge (the Dalat Night Market/Xuan Huong Lake area is a fully central backup if DT723 doesn't suit the timing)
- Overnight: Dalat

Meals: (B) (L) (D)

Day 2 (Fri, Mar 5) — Choose Your Day: Sightseeing, Easy–Moderate or Moderate–Strenuous

Sightseeing: ~1.5–2 hours of light walking • **Easy–Moderate:** ~3–4 hours hiking • **Moderate–Strenuous:** ~5–7 hours hiking

- **VERSION A — SIGHTSEEING, LESS HIKING** (~1.5–2 hours of easy walking): Crazy House (Hang Nga), the Bao Dai Summer Palace, Truc Lam Zen Monastery with the Robin Hill cable car over the pine forest, and a drive up to the Lang Biang plateau by jeep for the view — all short, flat walks with plenty of time for coffee stops and the flower gardens
- **VERSION B — EASY–MODERATE** (~3–4 hours): Datanla Falls forest trail and steps down to the cascade, then the Tuyen Lam Lake shoreline and pine-forest paths to Truc Lam Zen Monastery — gentle terrain, plenty of rest stops, and the afternoon free for a coffee garden or the market

- VERSION C — MODERATE–STRENUOUS (~5–7 hours): the true summit hike of Lang Biang (Nui Ba) on foot, through mountain forest to high views over the Dalat plateau — a demanding day, this is the mountain itself, not the jeep/cable-car version
- Alternative for Version C (moderate, ~4–6 hours): a shortened Ta Nang ridge hike across open golden grasslands and pine hills — a half-way version of the Ta Nang–Phan Dung trek (about 2 hours' drive each way, so choose it instead of Lang Biang, not in addition)
- Overnight: Dalat

Meals: (B) (L) (D)

Day 3 (Sat, Mar 6) — Waterfalls & Tea Country, Drive to Binh Chau Hot Springs

 ~6–7 hours of driving with stops, leaving by ~8:00 AM; arrive ~4:30–5:30 PM

- VERSIONS A AND B (sightseeing or easy–moderate day): start with Elephant Falls (Thac Voi) and Linh An Pagoda just outside Dalat, ~1.5 hours, before the long drive
- VERSION C (strenuous day): leave straight after breakfast and keep the morning light for the road — the hiking is already done
- All versions: Pongour Falls (a short walk to a wide, multi-tier waterfall, ~30–45 minutes) and a lunch stop in the Bao Loc tea and silk region
- Continue south toward the coast and arrive at Binh Chau Hot Springs — a mineral hot springs in a forest reserve; soak in the evening as the day cools
- Overnight: Binh Chau

Meals: (B) (L) (D)

Day 4 (Sun, Mar 7) — Binh Chau Soak, to Saigon, Depart

 ~2 hours relaxation, then ~2.5–3 hours driving

- Morning soak in Binh Chau's natural mineral hot springs and mud baths, set in a forest reserve; a short, easy forest-edge walk is possible before breakfast
- Lunch at Binh Chau, then continue to Saigon (about 150 km)
- Drop-off at Tan Son Nhat Airport or your Saigon hotel — package concludes; please book your international flight for about 6:00 PM or later to leave a comfortable buffer

Meals: (B) (L) (D)

(B) Breakfast · (L) Lunch · (D) Dinner — included where highlighted; all other meals are on your own

Lodging

Choose the lodging level that suits the group. The budget homestay/Airbnb is clean and comfortable — roughly 2-Star quality, a clear step above a hostel, with a private room and bathroom, hot water and a hosted breakfast where offered, but no frills. The 3-Star and 4-Star hotels add full hotel service. Representative properties are shown; comparable alternatives are used if unavailable, and specific homestays are confirmed at booking.

Tier	Dalat (2 nights)	Binh Chau (1 night)
Budget Homestay/Airbnb (≈2-Star)	Garden bungalow or converted villa homestay — private room and bath, central or near the lake	Basic bungalow at Binh Chau Hot Springs Resort or a nearby budget guesthouse/homestay
3-Star	Hotel Du Parc	Binh Chau Hot Springs Resort — standard bungalow
4-Star	Dalat Palace Heritage Hotel	Binh Chau Hot Springs Resort — superior bungalow/villa

Transportation

- Rental car with a local Vietnamese-speaking driver (does not speak English) for all four days — about \$330 for a 4-seat car (2–3 guests), \$430 for a 7-seat car (4–5 guests) and \$560 for a 16-seat van (6–8 guests), including fuel and tolls and the one-way drop in Saigon. We provide a printed Vietnamese itinerary and map so everyone stays on the same page; the driver is not a guide
- An English-speaking driver or guide can be added on request at an extra cost
- Optional local hiking guide for the Moderate–Strenuous hike (Lang Biang summit or Ta Nang): about \$40 per group for the day, not included — recommended for first-timers on those trails

- Getting to Dalat: fly into Dalat (Lien Khuong Airport, DLI) from Saigon (SGN, ~55 minutes), Hanoi (about 2 hours) or Da Nang (DAD, ~1h05), or arrive by road from Saigon (about 6–8 hours). Dalat's airport is domestic-only, so international guests connect through one of those cities
- This trip ends with a road departure to Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City) for international flights, rather than flying out of Dalat directly

What's Included

- 3 nights: 2 in Dalat, 1 at Binh Chau, at the lodging level chosen (budget homestay/Airbnb, 3-Star or 4-Star)
- Breakfast daily where offered by the host or hotel; trail/road lunches on Days 2, 3 and 4
- Rental car with local driver, including fuel, tolls and the one-way drop in Saigon
- Coffee garden visit, waterfall and pagoda entrance fees, and the Binh Chau Hot Springs entrance

Not included: airfare to and from Dalat (and international airfare to and from Vietnam), Vietnam e-visa, dinners, alcohol, a local hiking guide (optional), gratuities, hotel taxes, and travel insurance.

Estimated one-way airfare to Dalat: from Saigon (SGN) roughly \$25–60, from Hanoi roughly \$50–90, and from Da Nang (DAD) roughly \$40–80 (exact fares depend on booking date and season).

Package Price by Group Size (per person, double occupancy)

Price includes 3 nights at the chosen lodging level, the listed lunches and entrances, and the rental car with local driver, sized to your group. The price is the same for all three Day 2 versions.

Group Size	Vehicle	Budget Homestay	3-Star	4-Star
2	4-Seat Car	\$565	\$633	\$813
3	4-Seat Car	\$450	\$518	\$698
4	7-Seat Car	\$408	\$476	\$656
5	7-Seat Car	\$346	\$414	\$594
6	16-Seat Van	\$353	\$421	\$601
7	16-Seat Van	\$340	\$408	\$588
8	16-Seat Van	\$330	\$398	\$578

Occupancy Adjustments (applies within any tier)

Apply the adjustment below to the double-occupancy price above, depending on how rooms are shared.

Occupancy	Budget Homestay	3-Star	4-Star
Double (2/room) — standard	Included	Included	Included
Single (1/room)	+\$35.00	+\$85.00	+\$210.00
Triple (3/room)	–\$12.00	–\$28.00	–\$70.00
Quad (4/room)	–\$19.00	–\$47.00	–\$117.00

Payment Schedule

Payment	Amount	Due Date
Deposit	\$300 / person	Due now (at booking)
2nd Payment	30% of total trip cost	1 week from booking
3rd Payment	70% of total trip cost	2 months before departure
Final Payment	Remaining balance	1 month before departure

All payments are non-refundable.

Rate Notes

- Day 2 and Day 3 come in three versions so the group can pick its pace on the day: Version A (sightseeing, ~1.5–2 hours of light walking), Version B (easy–moderate, ~3–4 hours of hiking) and Version C (moderate–strenuous, ~5–7 hours, the Lang Biang summit or Ta Nang ridge). Versions A and B add Elephant Falls and Linh An Pagoda on Day 3; the price is the same for all three.

- Lang Biang/Nui Ba (Version C) is climbed on foot in this itinerary, not by the jeep/cable car most visitors take; Ta Nang is a shortened day-hike version of the Ta Nang–Phan Dung trek, which is normally a 2-day/1-night camping trip.
- The budget homestay/Airbnb option is the lowest-cost way to do this trip; the 3-Star and 4-Star options add full hotel service at the prices shown. Rental-car transport with a local driver is the same at every level.
- Dalat–Binh Chau is about 6–7 hours of mountain road, which is why a local driver is built in rather than self-drive; roads can be foggy and wet in the rainy season.
- Day 1's night view is most likely the DT723 highway viewpoint over Thai Phien flower village — most striking on cool, foggy nights (Nov–Mar). The Dalat Night Market around Xuan Huong Lake is a fully central backup, and Radar Hill on Lang Biang is a third option.
- Rates are per person, in USD, before local taxes. Hotel, homestay and rental-car rates are estimates and vary by date. Quote valid for 1 week; subject to availability at time of booking.

Option 1 — Add an Extra Day in Dalat (+1 Day / +1 Night, Mar 3–7)

Arrive one day earlier, on Wednesday, March 3, for a second full day in Dalat before the drive to Binh Chau. Day 1 and Day 2 stay exactly as written above (now Mar 3 and Mar 4); the new day below is inserted after Day 2, and the Binh Chau drive and Saigon departure follow as Days 4 and 5 on Mar 6 and Mar 7.

Day 3 (Fri, Mar 5) — Extra Day in Dalat: Complete Your Set

 Choose a version: *sightseeing ~1.5–2 hours of walking • Ta Nang ridge ~4–6 hours • Lang Biang summit ~5–7 hours*

- Pick whichever side of Dalat you didn't do on Day 2: if you hiked the Lang Biang summit on Day 2, spend today on sightseeing (Crazy House, Bao Dai Summer Palace, Truc Lam Zen Monastery and the Robin Hill cable car) or on the Ta Nang ridge; if Day 2 was sightseeing or easy–moderate, today is the day for the Lang Biang summit on foot
- Late afternoon: Dalat Railway Station and the Trai Mat area, then a relaxed dinner at the Dalat Night Market around Xuan Huong Lake
- Days 4 and 5 (Binh Chau drive and Saigon departure) follow as written above, now on Mar 6 and Mar 7
- Overnight: Dalat

Meals: **(B)** **(L)** **(D)**

Option 1 Add-On Price by Group Size (per person, double occupancy)

Price includes 1 extra night in Dalat at the chosen lodging level, the day's lunch and entrances, and a local driver for the day. Add this to the base trip above.

Group Size	Vehicle	Budget Homestay	3-Star	4-Star
2	4-Seat Car	\$133	\$158	\$228
3	4-Seat Car	\$110	\$135	\$205
4	7-Seat Car	\$99	\$124	\$194
5	7-Seat Car	\$86	\$111	\$181
6	16-Seat Van	\$89	\$114	\$184
7	16-Seat Van	\$87	\$112	\$182
8	16-Seat Van	\$85	\$110	\$180

Option 2 — Add an Extra Day in Saigon After Binh Chau (+1 Day / +1 Night, Mar 3–7)

Arrive one day earlier, on Wednesday, March 3, so the whole trip shifts a day earlier (Day 1 Mar 3, Day 2 Mar 4, Day 3 Mar 5) and ends with a relaxed day in Saigon on Mar 7. This revises Day 4 (ends in Saigon instead of the airport) and adds Day 5 below.

Revises Day 4 (Sat, Mar 6) — Binh Chau Soak, to Saigon for the Night

 ~2 hours relaxation, then ~2.5–3 hours driving; free evening

- Morning soak in Binh Chau's natural mineral hot springs and mud baths; lunch at Binh Chau
- Continue to Saigon (about 150 km) and check in
- Relaxed evening: the Nguyen Hue walking street and the Saigon River promenade, with street food or a rooftop dinner at your own pace
- Overnight: Saigon

Meals: (B) (L) (D)

Day 5 (Sun, Mar 7) — Relaxed Saigon, Depart

 ~Leisurely morning in the city, then airport transfer for an evening flight

- Cholon (Chinatown): Thien Hau Temple and Binh Tay Market, an easy walk through the city's old Chinese quarter
- Ben Thanh Market for last-minute gifts, then a slow coffee in one of the cafés in the Nguyen Hue apartment building
- Transfer to Tan Son Nhat Airport — package concludes; book your international flight for about 8:00 PM or later

Meals: (B) (L) (D)

Option 2 Add-On Price by Group Size (per person, double occupancy)

Price includes 1 extra night in Saigon at the chosen lodging level, the day's lunch and entrances, and a driver for the Saigon day. Add this to the base trip above.

Group Size	Vehicle	Budget Homestay	3-Star	4-Star
2	4-Seat Car	\$135	\$160	\$215
3	4-Seat Car	\$112	\$137	\$192
4	7-Seat Car	\$101	\$126	\$181
5	7-Seat Car	\$88	\$113	\$168
6	16-Seat Van	\$91	\$116	\$171
7	16-Seat Van	\$89	\$114	\$169
8	16-Seat Van	\$87	\$112	\$167

Points of Interest Along the Way — If Time Permits

Not currently priced into the itinerary above — worth asking about if your route timing allows.

Place	Why It's Worth It	How to Add
Dambri Falls (Bao Loc)	One of Vietnam's tallest waterfalls, with a cable car and jungle setting — roughly on the Dalat–Saigon route	Detour near Bao Loc, ~1–2 hours off the direct route on Day 3
Bao Loc tea and silk region	Rolling tea plantations and silk workshops, a scenic stretch of the drive south	On the way (Day 3), short stops possible without detouring
Ta Cu Mountain (near Phan Thiet)	A large reclining Buddha statue and cable car, on the coastal route toward Binh Chau	Detour if routing via the coastal road on Day 3 — adds a few hours
Ke Ga Lighthouse	Vietnam's oldest lighthouse, on a small island connected by a short boat ride, near Phan Thiet	Same coastal-route detour as Ta Cu Mountain
Ho Coc Beach	Quiet, less-developed beach near Binh Chau — a relaxed contrast to the highlands	Near Binh Chau — easy add on Day 4 morning
Datanla Falls roller coaster (Dalat)	A short alpine coaster beside the falls, a fun add for non-hikers in the group	Optional add on Version A or B's Day 2
Ta Nang–Phan Dung full trek	The full 2-day/1-night version of the ridge trek across golden grasslands, with a camping night	Needs extra days and a local guide; ask for a custom quote



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