**ESSENCE OF PU LUONG NATURE RESERVE**

Day trip experience from Hanoi

Take a break from Hanoi city and embark on a nature reserve tour to Pu Luong. This day trip is your gateway to breathtaking mountain landscapes, captivating rice terraces, and an enriching experience of Thai ethnic culture. Our group tours, limited to 9 guests and available twice a week, provide the perfect opportunity to explore tranquil villages and witness friendly locals going about their day. Join us for a day that combines the finest of Northern Vietnam's natural beauty and cultural experiences. Pack your bags and join us now.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

* Small group (max 9) with English-speaking guide
* Scenic trail walks with stunning rice terrace
* Explore the largest cave in a valley
* Have lunch with view at a local restaurant
* Interact with locals and bike through remote hamlets

**DETAILED ITINERARY**

6:45 AM: Pickup from hotels in the Hanoi Old Quarter and depart for Pu Luong via scenic mountain roads. En route, make stops for photo opportunities in the Mai Chau valley.

11:00 AM: Arrive in Pu Luong and meet our guide. Begin your adventure by descending into Kho Muong, a secluded village nestled inside a breathtaking valley. Explore Bat Cave, the region's largest cave, then enjoy lunch with view at a local restaurant.

1:30 PM: Transfer to Don village, the heart of Pu Luong, and embark on a 5km hike along Pu Luong's iconic trails. As you trek, be captivated by the ever-changing scenery of stunning rice terraced fields. Along the way, take in the tranquility of cool streams, lush farmlands, and the delightful sight of ducks paddling in ponds. Interact with friendly locals as they go about their daily routines.

3:00 PM: Reach a remote village inhabited by 100 Thai families, often referred to as the "**Kingdom of Thai People in Pu Luong**." Here, you have the choice to explore the area on foot or take a leisurely bicycle ride, which can be covered in just 20 minutes.

Visit a typical local house to gain insights into the culture, traditional costumes, and the art of traditional weaving. This immersive experience offers a closer look at the lives of the local people in Pu Luong and the mountainous ethnic minorities of Northern Vietnam.

4:00 PM: Enjoy some local snacks while engaging with the welcoming residents. After this enriching experience, it's time to depart for Hanoi, with an estimated arrival back in the city center at 8:00 PM, taking a different route for a quicker return.

This concludes the tour, and you will be dropped off at your Hanoi hotel around 8:30 PM.

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| **INCLUDED** | **EXCLUDED** |
| Insurance  1 picnic lunch or at local restaurant  English speaking tour guide  Sightseeing tickets, bicycle  Transfer from/to Hanoi and at Pu Luong  Tea break and bottled water on tour | VAT  Tips for guide, driver at your will  Accommodation, drinks & other meals |