



Antipodeans



EXPLORERS 2020 VIETNAM

A purposeful journey for adventurous high school students
or Duke of Edinburgh International Award participants.

2nd – 16th JANUARY 2020



**Explorers is your chance to
travel the world with purpose
and a sense of adventure!**

Complete elements of your Duke of Edinburgh
International Award such as Adventurous Journey, or
simply participate in an epic adventure in your school
holidays. We're after people just like you!



YOUR PROJECT

- **5 days, 4 nights**
- **Live in a rural village and support a sustainable renovation and building project**

The Explorers projects are based at village schools in the Mai Chau region of North West Vietnam, a few hours outside Hanoi. Teams can get involved in painting and renovating classrooms or kitchens, installing water tanks and play areas or building desks and book shelves for school libraries. The local village children are always eager to learn English and play sports and games with their guests, a highlight of your time in the village!



YOUR TREK

- **4 days, 3 nights**
- **A stunning trek through Vietnam's hill tribe region!**

The North West highlands provide the venue for some truly spectacular trekking! Explorers will travel through local villages, meeting and learning about different ethnicities while soaking up all breath-taking views of this region. Work as a team and develop your leadership skills as you conquer this epic trek.

CHILL TIME

- **Explore the incredible city of Hanoi**
- **Overnight cruise & kayaking on Ha Long Bay**

Explorers will soak up the sights of beautiful Hanoi, with its famous Old Quarter, bustling shopping streets and incredible restaurants (did we mention Vietnamese coffee?!) Then, it's time to jump aboard your own private cruise boat and set sail around the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Ha Long Bay. Kayak through the island 'karst,' practice yoga on the top deck at sunrise and soak up every part of this stunning natural wonderland.



EXPLORERS & DUKE OF ED



Antipodeans are an acknowledged Activity Provider for the Duke of Edinburgh International Award. Our overseas Expeditions, treks and community service projects satisfy elements of Gold, Silver and Bronze awards, including the Adventurous Journey and Residential Project! All Explorer journeys are supervised by highly trained and qualified Expedition Leaders.

- **Adventurous Journey**
- **Elements of Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards**
- **Residential Project**



Important! Make sure to speak to your Duke of Edinburgh Award Leader at school about Explorers, to ensure the journey satisfies the correct requirements for the award components you wish to complete.

SAFETY & SUPPORT

Each Explorers team is supported by a highly quality team at Antipodeans. You'll have someone there to answer your questions from the moment you sign up, to the moment your flight touches down back home.

Antipodeans' expertise in the field of risk management, support and safety is peerless. Our senior managers and staff are among the most experienced in the industry and regularly present risk management workshops to schools and institutions.

You can read more about Antipodeans Expeditions at www.antipodeans.com.au/expeditions. Are you a teacher interested in launching a trip at your school? Head to www.antipodeans.com.au/teachers-principals.



Highly qualified and trained Antipodeans Leaders will accompany every Explorers team. A stringent Leader selection process to ensure Leaders are only the best of the best.



Unrivalled safety record – no major incidents in 27 years.



24-hour fully staffed Support Room on-call while teams are away.

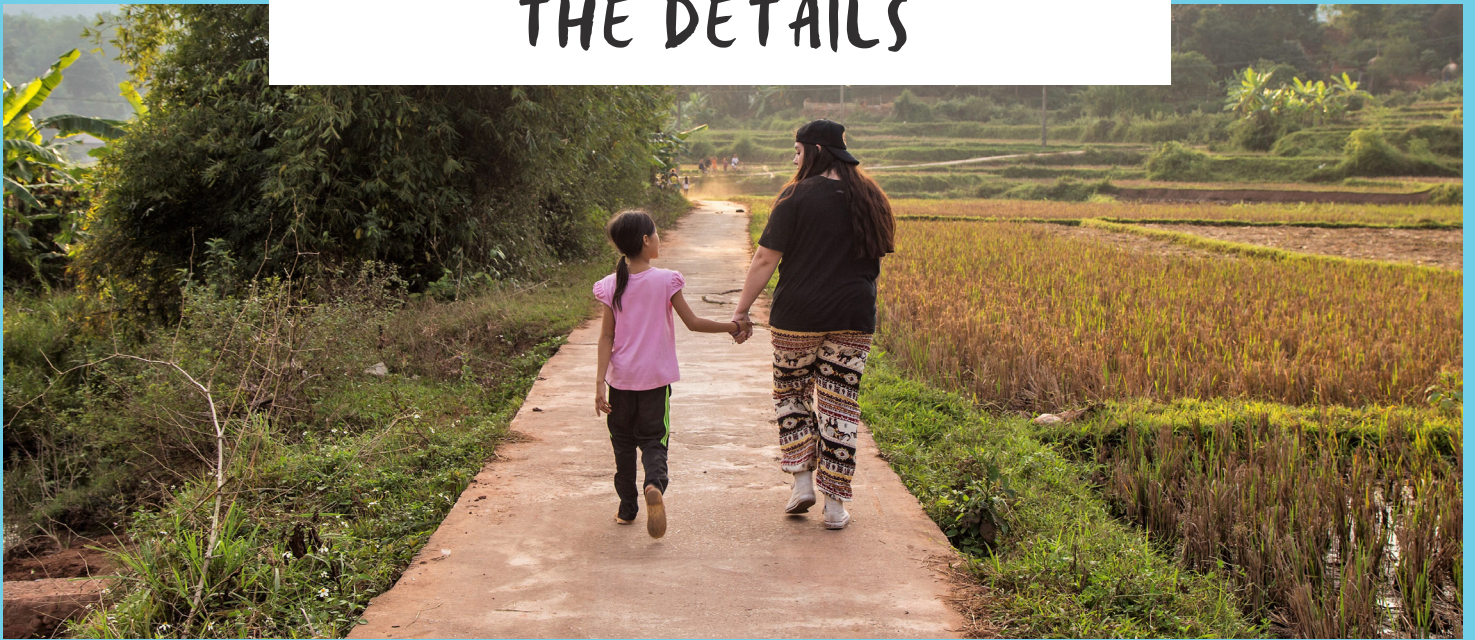


Comprehensive Travel Insurance that includes emergency evacuation.



Location tracking 24-7 using GPS technology through the Support Centre.

THE DETAILS



Approximate Trip Dates: 2nd - 16th January 2020

Destination: Vietnam

Departing from: Sydney

Leaders: 1 fully trained Antipodeans leader

Total Cost: \$5,490 - flights included

Payment Schedule:

- \$500 deposit (required upon booking)
- \$2000 - due by July 31st
- Balance payment due 60 days prior to departure (late October)

Inclusions:

- Return international airfares and taxes from Sydney
- All food, water, accommodation and transport
- Project sourcing, trek arrangements and exploration activities
- DFAT linked comprehensive Travel Insurance
- 24-hour Australia-based support & back-up while team is in country
- Pre-departure support for students and parents
- All group equipment including extensive medical supplies
- Parental and student advice for visas, vaccinations, equipment and fundraising
- FundMyTrip Booklet and advice to help students off-set costs to parents
- Corporate link to the TMVC for vaccinations and medical advice