

CAO BANG

MOTORBIKE TOUR VIETNAM



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PAC BO

BAN GIOC
WATERFALL

GOD EYE
MOUNTAIN

BA BE LAKE

LANG SON

HA NOI

TOUR MAP

A.R.T CAO BANG LOOP TOUR



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DAY 1



HÀ NỘI → MẪU SƠN MOUNTAINS → LẠNG SƠN

Day 1

HA NOI - LANG SON

Accommodation

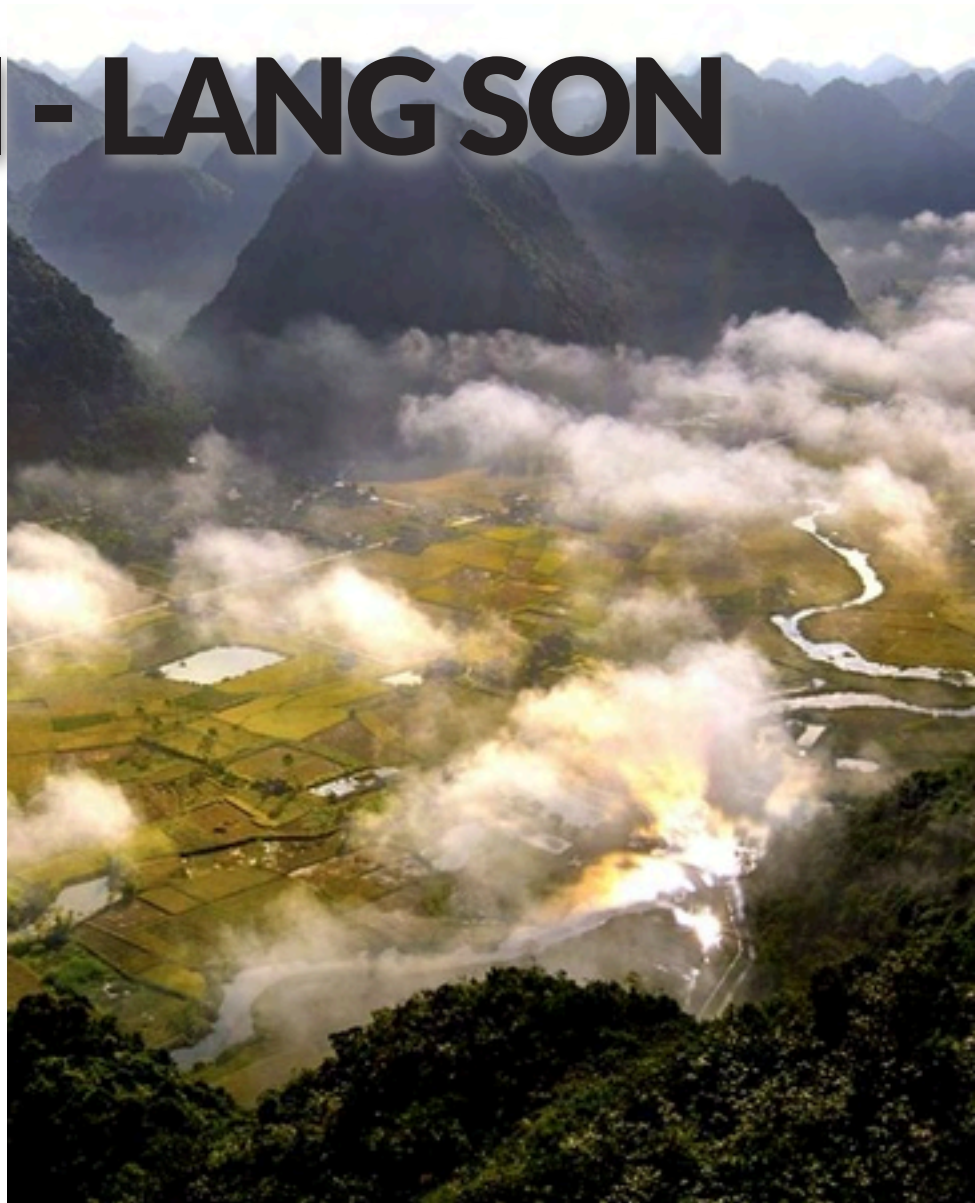
Four Points by
Sheraton Lạng Sơn

Riding hour

5.75 hrs

Distance

218 km



We roll out of Hà Nội early and escape the city fast, trading traffic for open roads, farmland, and limestone scenery as we head into Vietnam's far northeast. The day climbs into Mẫu Sơn in Lạng Sơn Province, near the Chinese border. At 1,541m above sea level, the air turns noticeably cooler—cool in summer and very cold in winter, with temperatures that can drop below 0°C. The region is home to Dao and Nùng communities and is known for spring peach blossoms, misty French colonial villa ruins, and local specialties like Snow Shan tea, Mẫu Sơn wine, and mountain peaches. We descend into Lạng Sơn City to overnight.

DAY 2



LẠNG SƠN → THẨM KHÁCH ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE
→ PHIA OAC-PHIA DEN NATIONAL PARK → BẢN GIỐC

Day 2

LANG SON - BAN GIOC

Accommodation

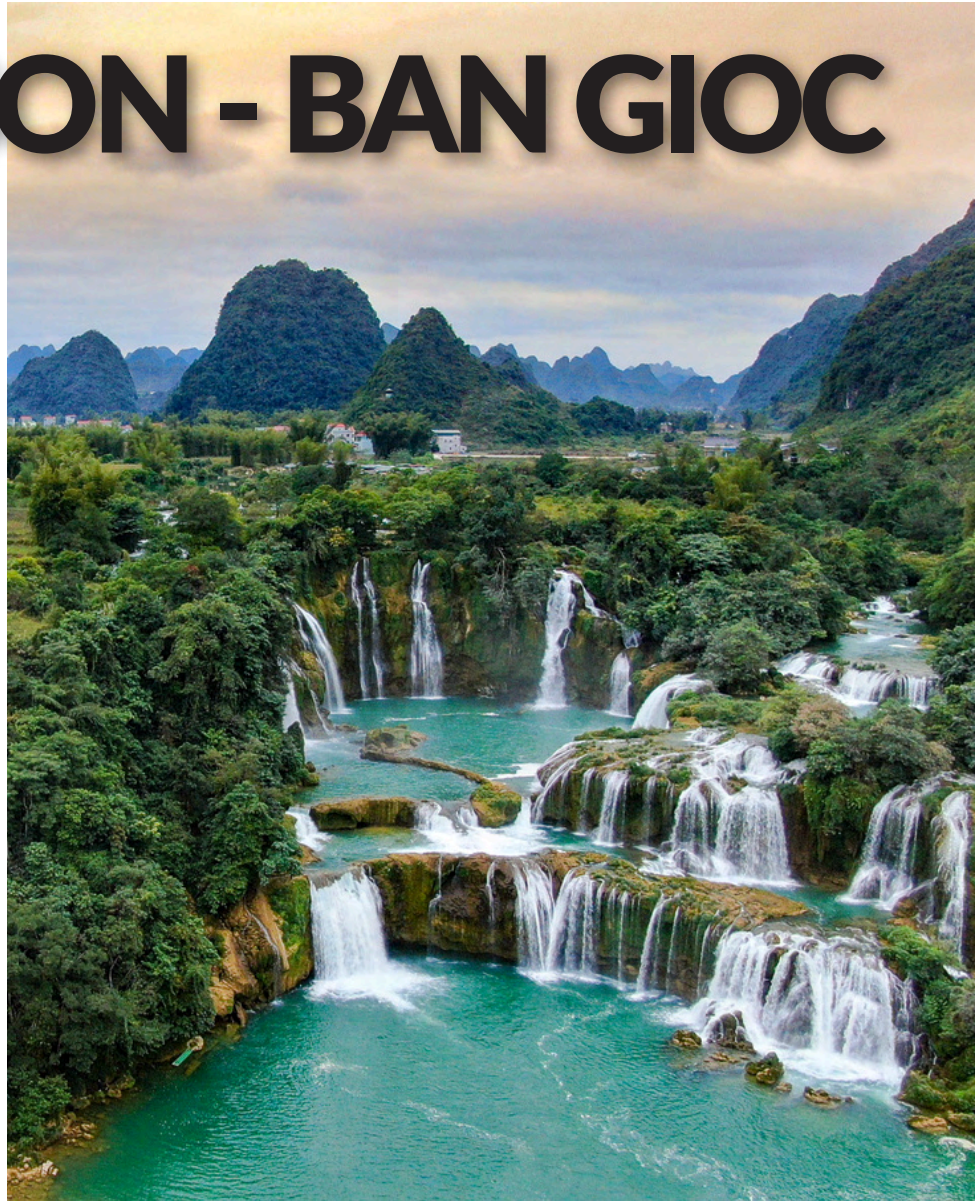
Lan's homestay

Riding hour

9.5 hrs

Distance

376 km



We ride deeper into the border provinces with a cultural stop at the Thảm Khách Archaeological Site, then aim for the day's main attraction: Phia Oac – Phia Den National Park, part of the UNESCO Non Nước Cao Bằng Global Geopark system. The park is known for its rugged, wild character and for protecting rare plant and animal species important for scientific research, genetic resource conservation, and environmental education. Discovered by the French in the early 20th century, it's also famous for majestic yet poetic river landscapes. We finish at the legendary Bản Giốc Waterfalls and settle into a riverfront homestay.

DAY 3



BẢN GIỐC BORDER LOOP | TRÚC LÂM PAGODA +
WATERFALLS + NGUỒN NGAO CAVE

Day 3

BAN GIOC BORDER LOOP

Accommodation

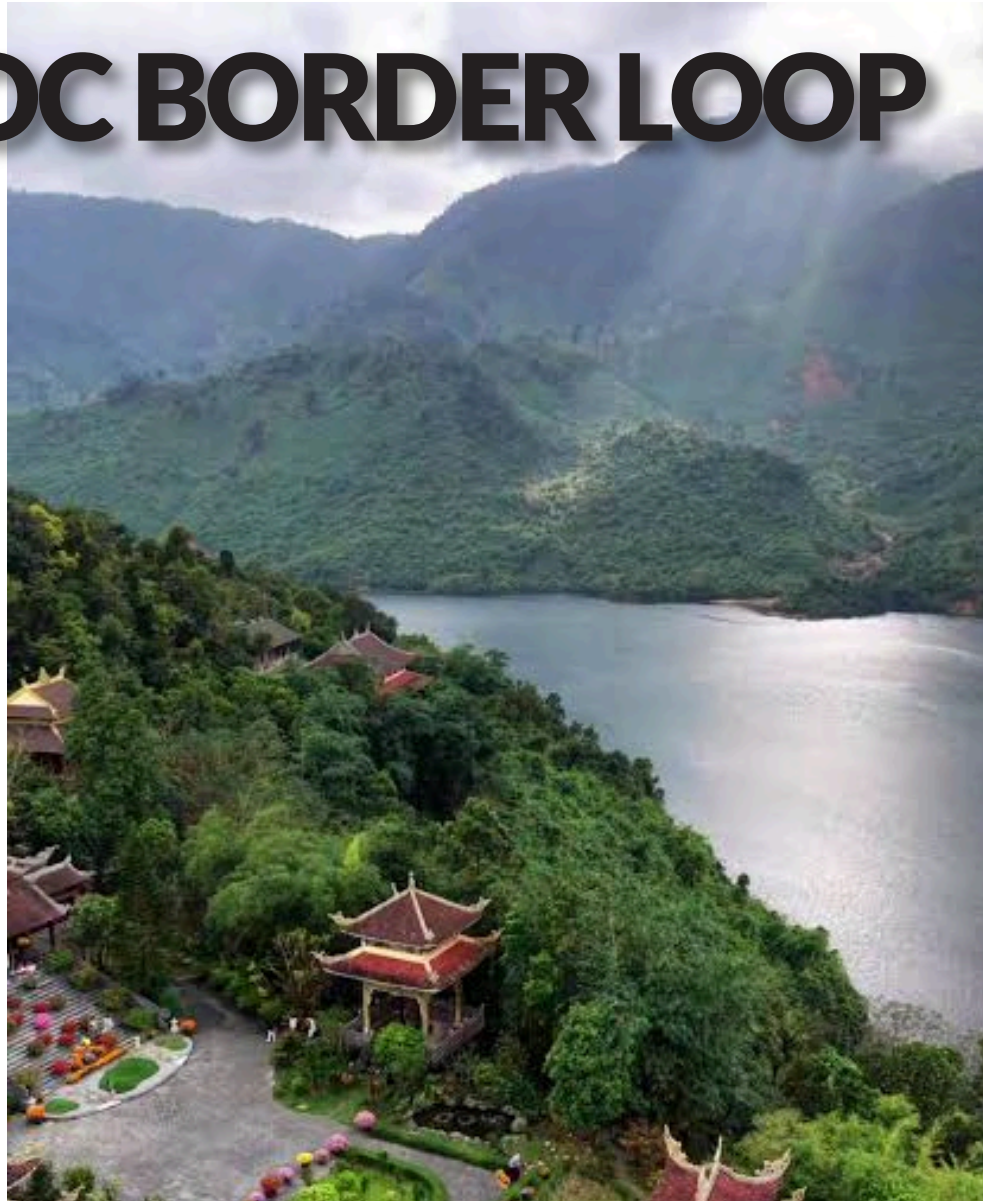
Lan's homestay

Riding hour

9.5 hrs

Distance

376 km



Today is a locally focused loop around Bản Giốc — a special border-region route that ART can run because it requires pre-arranged approvals from local police and national border police. The loop links three signature stops: Trúc Lâm Bản Giốc Pagoda for sweeping viewpoints, the iconic Bản Giốc Waterfalls for the full borderland spectacle, and Ngườm Ngao Cave, a dramatic limestone cave system packed with stalactites and towering chambers. We return to our riverside base.

DAY 4



BẢN GIỐC - VINH QUÝ GRASS HILL

Day 4

BAN GIOC - VINH QUY GRASS HILL

Accommodation

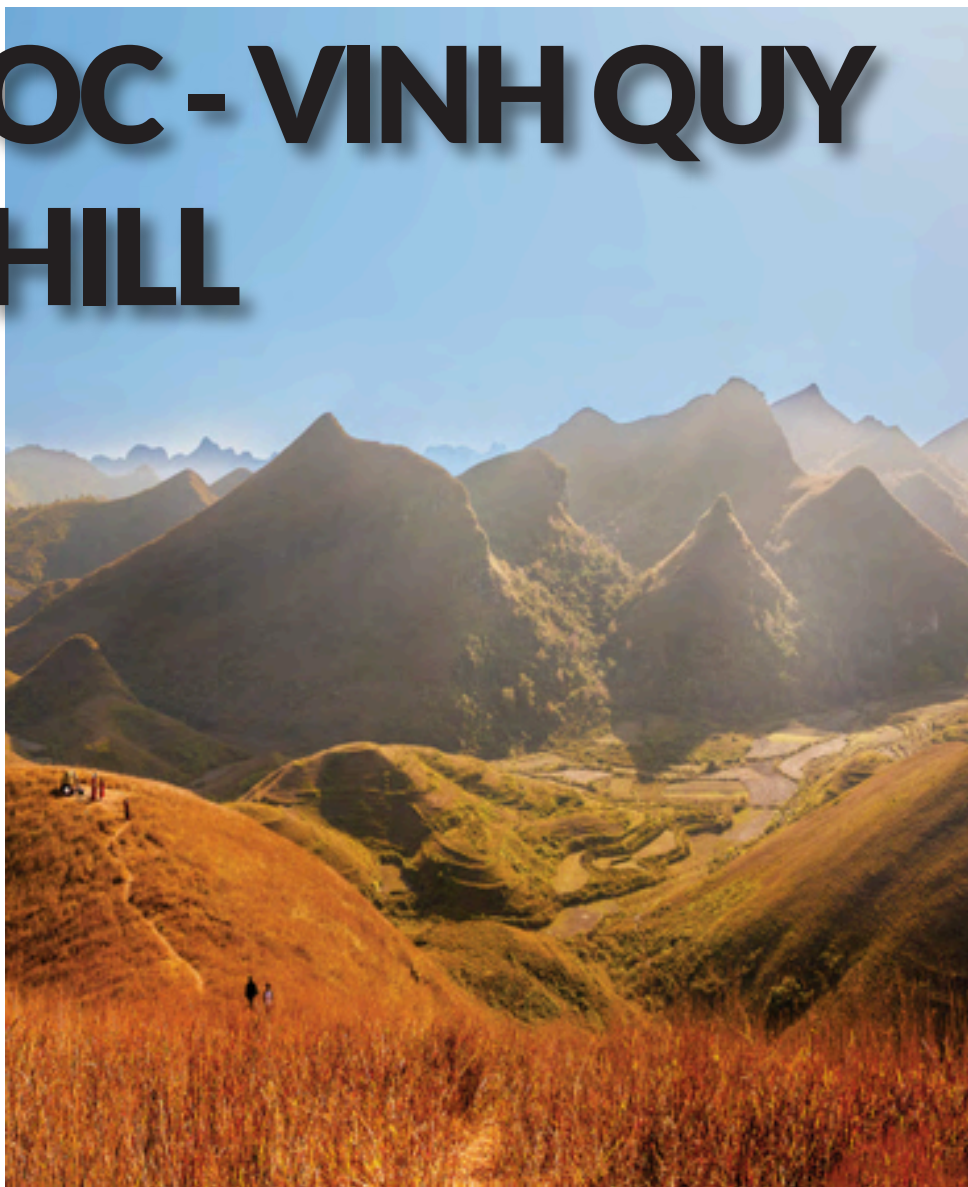
Ba Quáng Panorama

Riding hour

1.5 hrs

Distance

56 km



Day 4 is all about the Ba Quáng Panorama — quiet backroads where tourism basically disappears. We ride through authentic northern countryside: limestone ridges, patchwork fields, and small villages, with constant rolling climbs and scenic ridge-line sections. The signature waypoint is Vinh Quý Grass Hill, a grassy hillscape and viewpoint area delivering wide horizons and layered mountain views. Few tourists ever venture onto these roads—this is the real North Vietnam.

DAY 5



BẢN GIỐC → GOD'S EYE MOUNTAIN + NGỌC CÔN (PÌ PHÀ VIEWPOINT) → VINH QUÝ GRASS HILL

Day 5

VINH QUÝ GRASS HILL - BẢN GIỐC

Accommodation

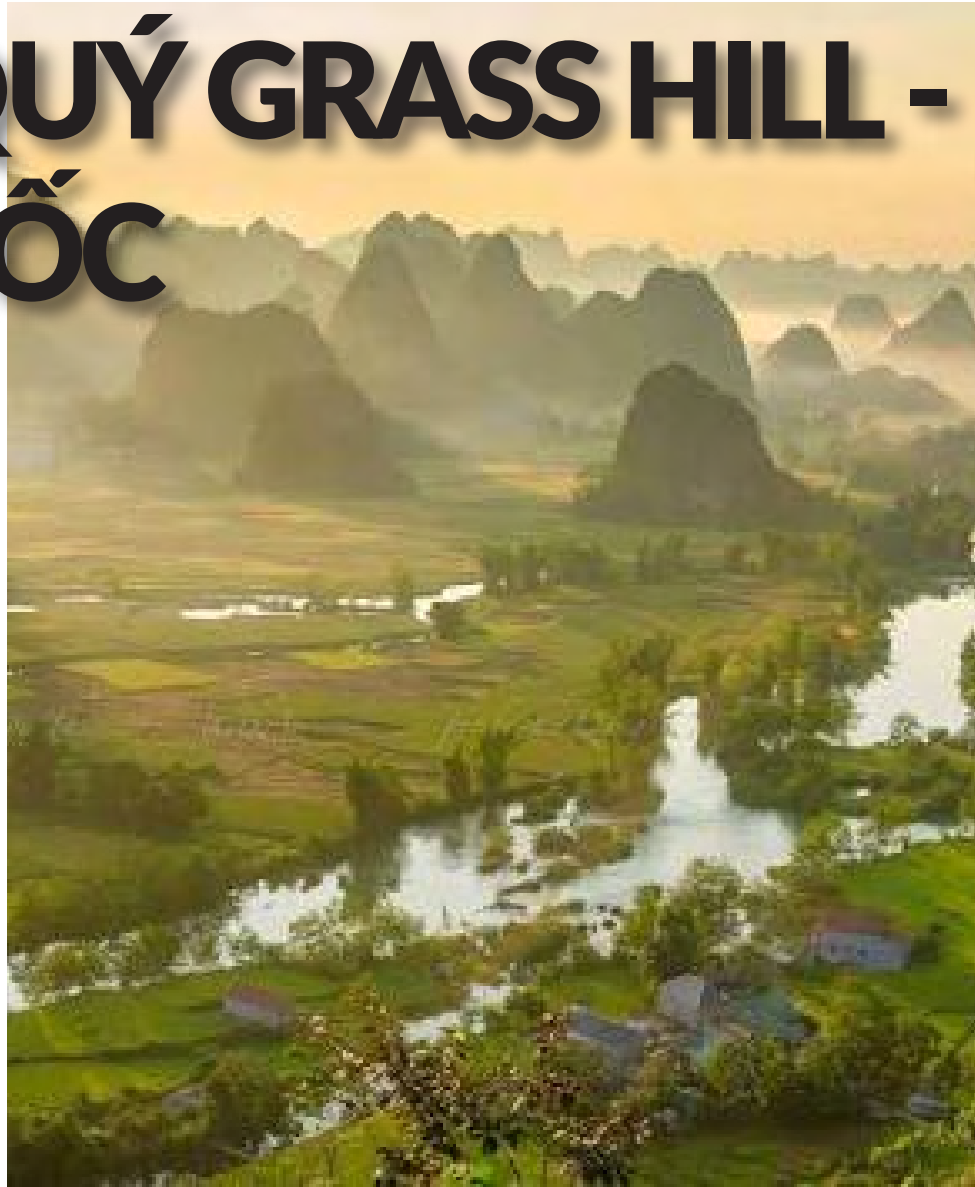
Lan's homestay

Riding hour

3.25 hrs

Distance

130 km



We head out on the quiet provincial roads of DT205, DT207, and DT211, riding through remote karst valleys, farming hamlets, and long empty stretches where you'll see more locals than tourists. The main attraction is God's Eye Mountain, a dramatic karst formation famous for its "eye" opening. We continue to Ngọc Côn and the Pì Phà Viewpoint for big borderland panoramas, then loop back to our riverside homestay.

DAY 6



BẢN GIỐC → BẢO LÂM → BẢO LẠC | PÁC BÓ + ĐÈO
KHAU CỐC CHÀ

Day 6

BAN GIOC - BAO LAC

Accommodation

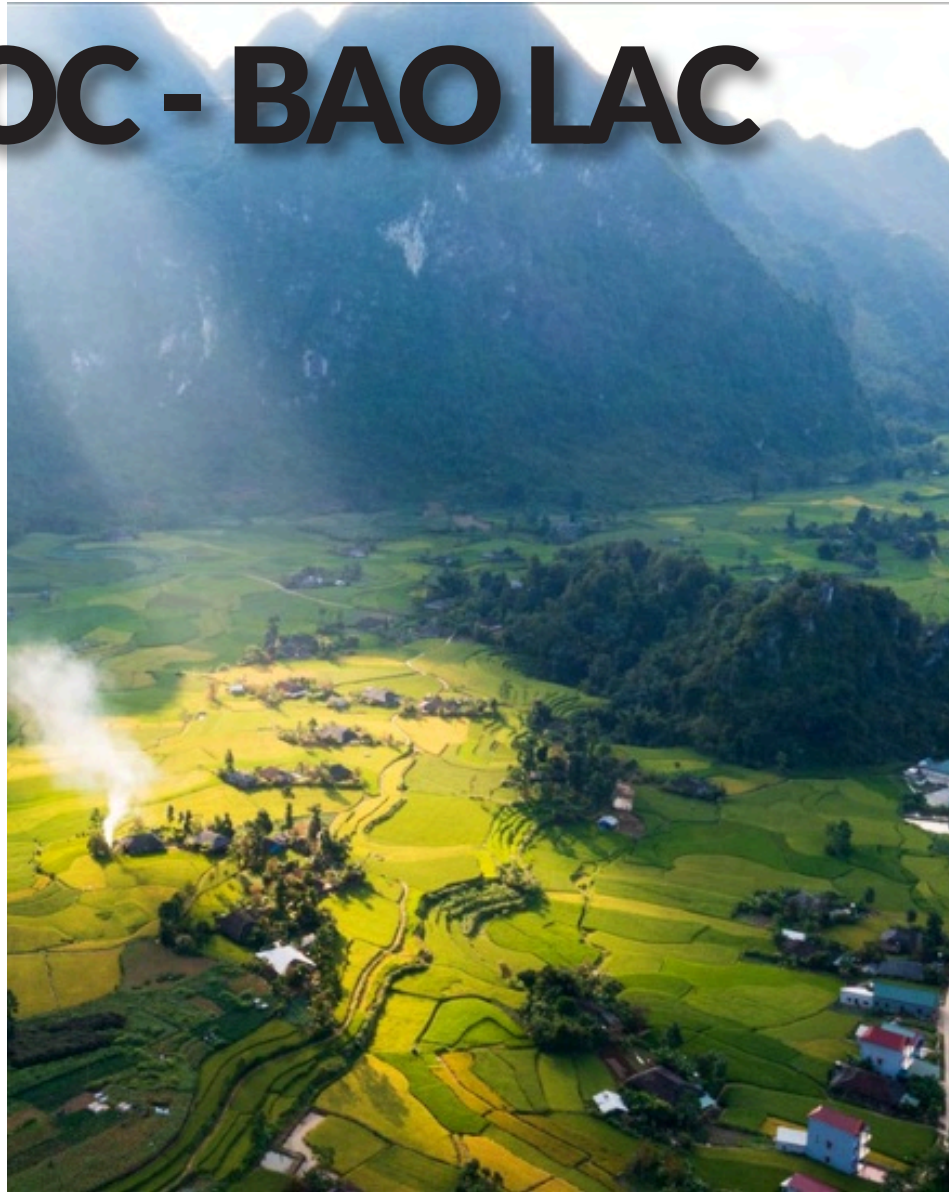
Homestay Khuổi Khon

Riding hour

4.75 hrs

Distance

182 km



We transition north into deeper highlands toward Bảo Lạc (via Bảo Lâm), with an option to extend onward to Mèo Vạc if combining with a North Vietnam continuation. The main attraction is Pác Bó, a landmark site in Vietnam's far north near the Chinese border. We then ride the dramatic Đèo Khau Cốc Chà — famous for steep scenery and switchbacks—before finishing in Bảo Lạc for a warm, local homestay overnight.

DAY 7



BẢO LẠC → BA BỂ LAKE

Day 7

BAO LAC - BA BE

Accommodation

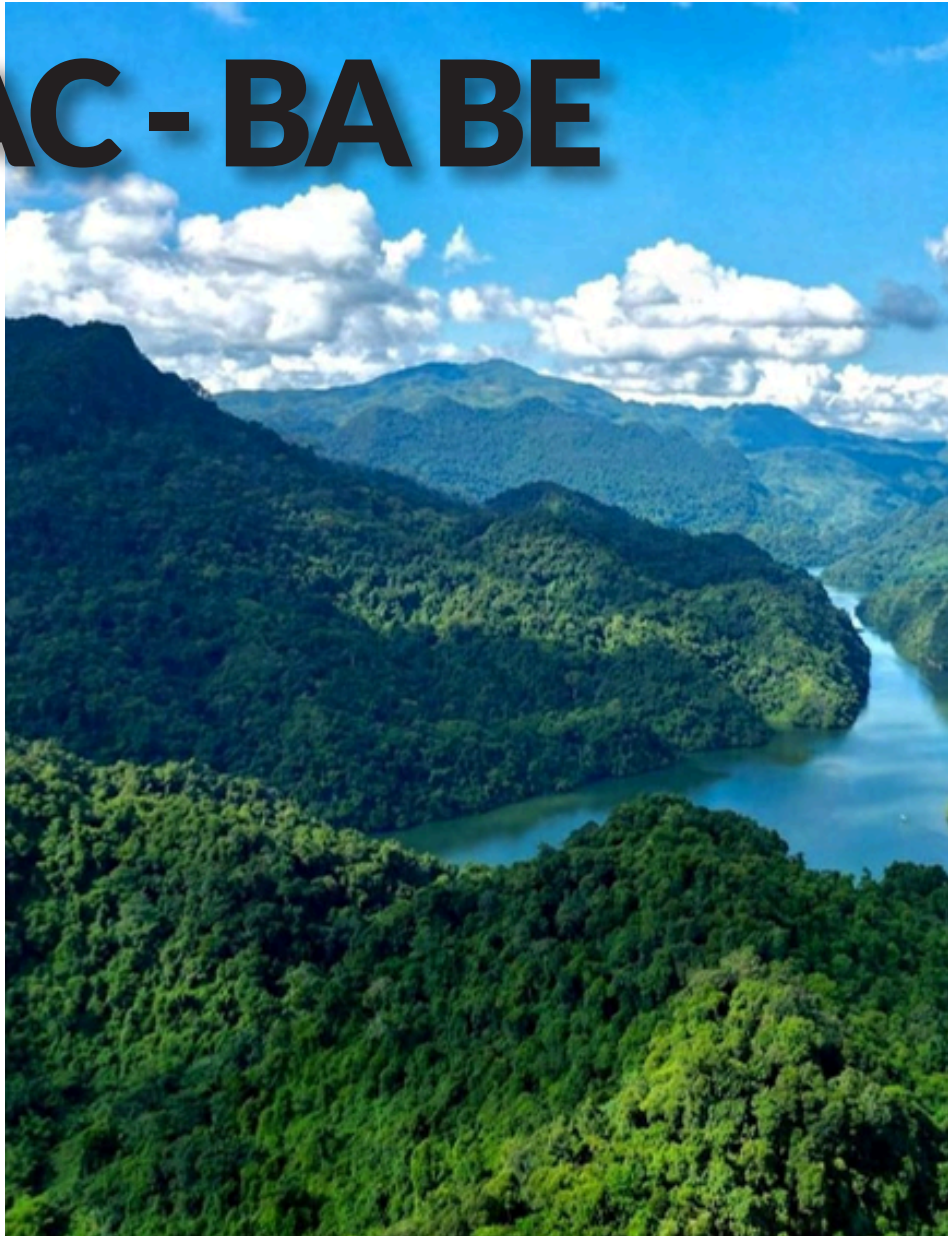
Ba Bể Farmstay

Riding hour

3.5 hrs

Distance

110 km



We ride out of Bảo Lạc through layered limestone peaks, deep valleys, and lived-in highland villages, gradually trading rugged mountain roads for greener, more forested approaches. By afternoon we arrive at Ba Bể Lake, Vietnam's largest natural freshwater lake, set within what is now Ba Bể National Park. Beyond the scenery, Ba Bể is historically and culturally significant for the communities around it (especially the Tày people) and is protected for its ecological value as one of Vietnam's most important inland water landscapes. We spend the night lakeside.

DAY 8



BA BỂ LAKE → HÀ NỘI

Day 8

BA BE - HANOI

Accommodation

Mercure Hanoi la Gare

Riding hour

5.5 hrs

Distance

204 km



Our last ride eases us back toward Hanoi: forested hills give way to rural valleys and then the city's outer districts. We arrive, park the bikes, and close the trip the right way—with a final dinner at a Michelin restaurant in Hanoi, celebrating a week of border roads, mountain passes, waterfalls, caves, and lake country.



DAY 9

DEPARTURE DAY





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