



Explore Mekong Delta Immersion

Vinh Long, Vietnam

Project Highlight: Social house building, solar energy lighting access, health education.

Community Impact: *Bringing real benefits to underprivileged communities*

The social and economic conditions in Vinh Long Province make the work of Discova Educational Travel particularly important. The provision of the family strengthening programme, family-based care, education, and support into adulthood has continued to improve the lives of people who lack access to even the most basic facilities like a house and a stable livelihood, or ways to ensure a good education for their children. Since 2014, Discova Educational Travel (DET) has contributed to the following long-term projects:

- Building 39 new houses for the local community in these areas.
- Cooperating with universities, NGOs, Vinh Long City Hospital, Vinh Long Healthcare Department, to provide healthcare for over 20 communities in Vinh Long Province.
- Providing healthcare insurances for over 300 people.
- Donating 35 new bicycles for disadvantaged students.
- Setting up 20 solar light in the villages

Culture Activities

- Colonial hat making
- Cake making
- Farming Experience
- Talent show
- Mekong boat trip
- Boat Racing

Learning Outcomes

1. Getting out of comfort zone
2. Teamwork for project achievement
3. Leadership skills
4. Learning about Nam Bo contemporary culture
5. Engaging on issues with global significance

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NO POVERTY **GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING** **QUALITY EDUCATION** **AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY**



Value Propositions

- Aligned Learning Outcomes with Exclusive, Self-Managed Community Projects.
- Great Facilitators and Guides.
- Unparalleled Health and Safety Framework.
- 16 Years of Continuous Operation.

Changing Lives Through Travel

- Curriculum-based tours
- Experiential learning through travel
- Service learning
- Community health education
- Charity Challenges

Sample Itinerary:

Day 1: Ho Chi Minh City to Vinh Long – Project work, making conical hat

Day 2: Vinh Long – Project work, farming activities, group reflection

Day 3: Vinh Long – Project work, making traditional cake, boat racing

Day 4: Vinh Long – Project work, interaction with local government, sightseeing, talent show

Day 5: Vinh Long – Project work, back to HCMC



Explore Mai Chau

📍 Mai Chau, Vietnam

Project Highlight: Community farm access, village road, playground, health care education, solar energy lighting access.

Community Impact:

Since 2008, we have implemented number of projects for local villagers, which are able to benefit the whole village and create a positive impact to the local life, such as:

- **Healthcare:** Provide free check-up and deliver free medication around Mai Chau district, upgrade and renovate Mai Chau General Hospital, supply medical equipment for local clinics, support medical and financial assistance for special cases.
- **Education:** Open libraries at community houses, donate essential supplies for teachers and students in the community, upgrade the school campus (classrooms, playgrounds and toilets), provide opportunity to gain knowledge via short exchange session with international students, scholarships.
- **Economy:** Improve the living standard of the local people, productivity by building concreted village roads, water dams, water canal and bridges.

Culture Activities

- Cooking class
- Dancing class
- Farming Experience
- Basket weaving
- Bamboo rafting
- Playing with local kids

Learning Outcomes

1. Getting out of comfort zone
2. Teamwork for project achievement
3. Leadership skills
4. Thai ethnic contemporary culture
5. Engaging on issues with global significance

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Sample Itinerary:

- Day 1: Hanoi – Mai Chau – Service project
- Day 2: Mai Chau – Service project, embroidery, farming
- Day 3: Mai Chau – Service project, basket weaving, dancing class
- Day 4: Mai Chau – Service project, cooking class, farewell show
- Day 5: Mai Chau – Service project – Return to Hanoi



Trei Nhoar

📍 Siem Reap, Cambodia

Project Highlight: Water, sanitation, hygiene, solar energy lighting access, school infrastructure.

Community Impact:

Since September 2022, Discova Educational Travel has worked with many schools and educational partners to support the Trei Nhoar Community:

- **Education:** Three new playgrounds for primary and secondary schools, 25 scholarships to sponsor 25 disadvantaged high school students (\$200/ students), two new toilet blocks for high school students, two renovated classrooms for secondary school.
- **Healthcare:** One toilet block for Trei Nhoar clinic, one cleaning water system for Trei Nhoar clinic, and one medical incinerator.

Culture Activities

- Basket weaving
- Cooking class
- Plastic recycling
- Fish trap making
- Bamboo cake making
- Traditional music playing /dancing.
- Kick volleyball
- Rice planting / farming (Jul-Oct only)
- Noodle making

Learning Outcomes

1. Immersing oneself in the local way of life
2. A journey of practical learning
3. Nurturing collaborations and personal growth
4. Engaging on issues with global significance

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Sample Itinerary:

Day 1: Siem Reap – Trei Nhoar – Service project

Day 2: Trei Nhoar – Service project, basket weaving, Khmer language session

Day 3: Trei Nhoar – Service project, recycle plastic, dancing class

Day 4: Trei Nhoar – Service project, cooking class, farewell show

Day 5: Trei Nhoar – Service project – Return to Siem Reap

Chansor and Knapor

📍 Siem Reap, Cambodia

Project Highlight: Water, sanitation, hygiene and school infrastructure.

Community Impact:

Since 2010, DET has worked with many schools and educational partners to support the Chansar and Knapor Community. Our projects cover the following areas:

- **Education:** Three new libraries at the local government schools, five classrooms at Chansar Junior High School, one Kindergarten facility, one teacher dormitory with three rooms at Knapor High School, one football pitch at Knapor High School.
- **Healthcare:** Four toilets and handwashing sinks.
- **Community:** Five new houses for the locals, 65 new bicycles for disadvantaged students.

Culture Activities

- Cooking class
- Organic farming
- Broom making
- Cake making
- Rice peeling by traditional way
- Noodle making

Learning Outcomes

1. Immersing oneself in the local way of life
2. Fostering collaboration and personal development
3. Develop a sense of self-confidence and independence
4. Engaging on a country's heritage and history

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Sample Itinerary:

Day 1: Siem Reap – Knapor – Service project

Day 2: Knapor – Service project, noodle making, Khmer language session

Day 3: Knapor – Service project, broom making, cooking class

Day 4: Knapor – Service project, dancing class, farewell show

Day 5: Knapor – Service project – Return to Siem Reap

Om Goi

📍 Chiang Mai, Thailand

Project Highlight: Water, sanitation, hygiene, solar energy lighting access, school infrastructure and health care.

Community Impact:

Since 2016, Discova has contributed to long-term projects which benefit directly the whole community:

- **Healthcare:** Building one water storage and one Water Filter Tank in Mae Ramit Luang village (improved 87 families comprising 350 people), two water storages in San Mamuang and Tung Loi Village (supported 80 families of around 200 people), one water storage in Tung Loi Monastic Residence (benefitted 80 families of around 200 people), and Om Goi Health Education Placement/mobile clinic (reached 10 villages with 595 patients).
- **Education:** Building one set of Intelligent Playground for kindergarten at Tung Loi School for 80 children.

Culture Activities

- Jungle trekking and cooking
- Basket weaving
- Karen cooking class
- Baisi ceremony
- School dancing show & class
- Kick volleyball
- Rice Planting / farming

Learning Outcomes

1. Getting out of comfort zone (staying in nature)
2. Teamwork for project achievement
3. Leadership skills
4. Engaging on issues with global significance

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- Community health education
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Sample Itinerary:

- Day 1: Chiang Mai – Trekking to Om Goi – Service project
- Day 2: Om Goi – Service project, bamboo weaving
- Day 3: Om Goi – Service project, Karen cooking class
- Day 4: Om Goi – Service project, local sport experience, farewell show
- Day 5: Om Goi – Service project, monk blessing – Return to Chiang Mai



Kok Na Sai

📍 Saraburi, Thailand

Project Highlight: Community farm access, farmer houses renovation, empowering women and the elderly

Community Impact:

By participating in this program, you will affect the community in the following ways:

- **Economical support:** Regenerate the community's incomes, promote sustainability practice for tourism and farming, develop affordable housing projects, reduce debt and help with microfinancing.
- **Environmental aid:** Maintain local biodiversity (rice conservation), protects the ecosystem (using eco-friendly ways), create environmental access for all, develop people's awareness towards climate change.

Culture Activities

- Farmer cooking class
- Cooking class
- Organic vegetable farming
- Hands-on rice seedling experience
- Hands-on rice processing experience
- Rice ceremony knowledge
- Rice ceremony set weaving

Learning Outcomes

1. Teamwork and leadership skills
2. Whole process about rice and life of farmers for food appreciation
3. Create awareness to conserve plants

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Day 1: Bangkok – Kok Na Sai – Service project

Day 2: Kok Na Sai – Service project, bamboo weaving, and learn about rice ceremony

Day 3: Kok Na Sai – Service project, rice farming experience

Day 4: Kok Na Sai – Service project, cooking class

Day 5: Kok Na Sai – Service project, Return to Bangkok

Manggis

📍 Karangasem, Bali , Indonesia

Project Highlight: Focus on education, including the construction of playgrounds and school buildings, renovations of classrooms, toilets, and scholarships for local students

Community Impact:

By participating in this program, you will impact the community in the following ways:

- **Educational support:** Increase the literacy rate and opportunities, build a more educated, empowered and aware society, guide them in discerning what is right and wrong and give them a chance to restructure their life.
- **Economical support:** Regenerate the communities, promote sustainability practice, develop affordable housing and farming, reduce debt or dependence on microfinancing
- **Environmental support:** Improve the basic quality of life by providing: clean water, access to health clinic and proper food, protect the ecosystem, create social justice and environment access for all, rehabilitate life on land and below water.

Culture Activities

- Village walk
- Waterfall hiking
- Cooking class
- Traditional dance
- VCO making
- Organic farming
- Canang Making (for daily offering)

Learning Outcomes

1. Getting out of comfort zone
2. Teamwork for project achievement
3. Leadership skills
4. Balinese contemporary culture
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Sample Itinerary:

Day 1: Bali – Manggis – Service project

Day 2: Manggis – Service project, fertiliser workshop

Day 3: Manggis – Service project, rice farming experience

Day 4: Manggis – Service project, canang sari offering and praying

Day 5: Manggis – Service project – Return to accommodation in Bali