



Nha Trang

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Long-beloved by tourists from across Asia and Russia, Nha Trang is among Vietnam's most sought-after beach holiday destinations. Despite being well and truly on the trodden path, Nha Trang remains an attractive seaside resort, drawing in both backpackers and cruise excursionists with its cheap and delicious food, active nightlife, nature getaways, inexpensive wellness treatments and modern entertainment highlights like the Vinpearl Amusement Park.

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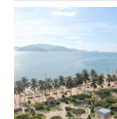
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Nha Trang continues to attract a growing number of international visitors year after year, the persisting demand creating a steady supply of new dining, entertainment and leisure centres. But there is a very traditional side to Nha Trang, too: the historic Cham Towers, one of Nha Trang's unmissable attractions, continue to serve their religious purpose and attract Buddhist worshippers, and residents of fishing villages continue to make a living the same way they have for decades, all this on the water within arm's reach from modern shopping centres.

A trip to Nha Trang can be whatever one makes it: a stay at a secluded high-class resort or a genuine immersion into local culture, complete with scooters as the primary mode of transportation and meals at roadside hole-in-the-wall eateries that have managed to turn the humble rice noodle into a culinary art form.

DO & SEE



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Although primarily a resort destination, Nha Trang packs a surprising punch when it comes to pursuits of all kinds, from historic Buddhist temples to modern entertainment such as riding a cable car hovering over Nha Trang Bay on one's way to a fun-filled day at Vinpearl.

Po Nagar Cham Towers



One of Nha Trang's most alluring attractions are the Po Nagar Cham Towers, an actively used site of religious significance to Cham,

Chinese and Vietnamese Buddhists; only 4 towers remain standing (researchers speculate there may have originally been up to 10). Constructed between the 7th and 12th centuries, the towers have a history that goes back to as early as the 2nd century AD, when the location was first used for religious purposes. The complex teems with worshippers and visitors daily - you'll likely see some dozing on the hillside, others having a family picnic, others yet enjoying a stylised performance at the on-site outdoor stage.

Tickets may be purchased at the counter left of the entrance.

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Address: 2 Tháng 4, Vĩnh Phước, Thành phố Nha Trang
Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm

Vinpearl



"Vinpearl" spell out the giant white letters across the bay from mainland Nha Trang, marking the location of a massive theme park and

recreation area that is best reached via a scenic cable car ride (the world's longest sea-crossing cable car at 3.3km long).

There is plenty to discover: from thrilling "dry" rides such as the Sky Wheel and ZipLine to the extensive offerings of the water park, to seeing the park's animal residents (most notably on Monkey Island) at the on-site zoo and aquarium. There is a namesake resort here in case you want to stay close to the action, plus a few beaches that are much more pleasant for swimming than the public beach in Nha Trang city.

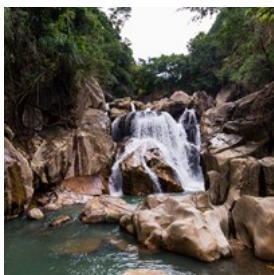
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Waterfalls



There are two waterfalls in the vicinity of Nha Trang, both of which make for excellent excursions into nature.

Ba Ho Falls, at a distance of roughly 30km north from central Nha Trang, are the falls that attract most visitors. You will need a ride to reach the entrance to the natural area (get a taxi or Grab). Bring swimwear, sturdy shoes (not flip flops), and your own water. Note that water volumes may vary dramatically

depending on whether you visit during or outside dry season (January through August).

Another option are Fairy Spring Waterfalls (Suối Tiên), mostly favoured by local youth. These are much smaller compared to Ba Ho, but there is still an opening fit for swimming.

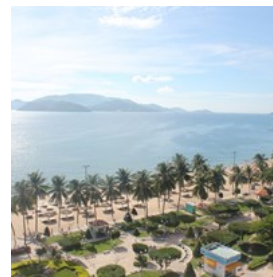
There is a small admission fee to visit both falls.

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Address: Ninh Ích, Ninh Hòa, Khanh Hoa Province

Opening hours: 8.00-16.30

Beaches



Nha Trang is lined with an uninterrupted, fine stretch of sand: the Tran Phu Beach. This is the beach most used by both locals and tourists, with

infrastructure such as changing rooms and bathrooms available throughout at a fee.

Although the beach works great for recreation, it's far from being the area's cleanest and most attractive.

Alternatives worth exploring include the Bai Dai Beach, frequented by surfers, Bai Tien Beach (stones rather than sand), beaches on nearby islands (such as Bai Tru on Hon Tre, and Hon Tam Island beach). The beautiful Diep Son Beach is known for the spectacular underwater sand path leading to the island (only seen in full during low tide).

If you're ready to travel further out, the Jungle Beach is a great option, but will take a couple of hours to reach. Surrounded by nature and fascinating flora and fauna, this beach is popular with both off-the-beaten-trackers and resort vacationers staying at the nearby Jungle Beach Resort.

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Mud Bath



Mineral deposits found in the Nha Trang area are believed to have natural curative properties, which can be experienced first-hand at the city's

several reputable 'mud spa' centres. Services range from the possibility to, quite literally, bathe in mud, to experiencing a full-on treatment in combination with a massage or other beauty procedures. Spa packages are offered at most centres and are incredibly great value.

Some of the best-known spa centres include Thap Ba Hot Springs (with private baths available, as well as waterfalls and thermal pools with both warm and cold water); iResort (another large complex, plus water slides), 100 Egg Mud Bath, and - if you're too short on time to make the trip outside of town to one of the larger complexes - Galina Mud Bath right downtown.

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Address: 438 Ngo Den, Ngoc Hiep, Nha Trang

Phone: +84 98 373 18 41

Internet: <https://tambunthapba.vn>

Blind Massage



Multiple parlours in Nha Trang employ visually impaired and blind masseurs, all professionally trained and certified to perform

various types of treatment (there are educational facilities aimed specifically at trainees with visual impairments). Paying a visit to one of such salons contributes to helping local communities

and supporting positive development, not to mention the rejuvenating effects of having your knots worked through by a pair of what's referred to as 'seeing hands'.

One consistently well-reviewed parlour is King Blind Massage:

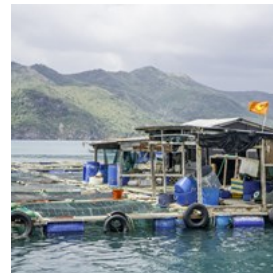
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Address: 34/2a Nguyễn Thiện Thuật, Tân Lập, Thành phố Nha Trang

Phone: +84 898 360 886

Internet: <https://kingmassage.business.site>

Fishing Village

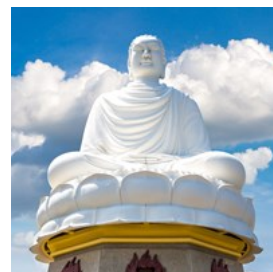


A few kilometres south of central Nha Trang lie several floating villages, whose inhabitants make a living by fishing and fish farming. It's a world

fascinating to foreign visitors in its stark contrast to city life, both in Vietnam and beyond. The trip makes for an interesting excursion, and visits support local communities. The best way to visit is as part of an organised boat tour - these often include a stop at a floating fishing village in the itinerary.

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Long Son Pagoda



A giant sparkling-white Buddha sits atop a hill at the foot of Trai Thuy Mountain, marking the location of a beautiful pagoda, one of Nha

Trang's most notable sites. Walk through the mosaic-adorned halls and take the 152 steps that lead up to the pagoda; a spectacular view unfolds over Nha Trang in its entirety from up

here.

Footwear should be removed prior to entering the temples, and modest clothing covering the shoulders should be worn. Please note that the area is notorious for minor scam artists offering unsolicited services to tourists, which can be an annoyance.

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Address: Thai Nguyen St, Nha Trang

Water Puppet Theater



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Address: 46 Tran Phu Street, Nha Trang

Opening hours: Daily between 16.00 and 20.45

Phone: +84 58 352 7828

RESTAURANTS



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Each Vietnamese region famously boasts its own culinary specialities, not to be found (or significantly less common) elsewhere. Nha Trang is no exception: the city's waterside location ensures seafood is present in local cooking in its many forms, with unmissable specialities that include 'bun cha ca' (jellyfish noodles), curried or steamed snails, 'banh can' rice cakes, and pork snacks such as 'nem nuong' (grilled fermented rolls served with fish sauce).

Den Long (Lanterns)



One of the most popular restaurants serving Vietnamese specialities, Lanterns is an easy choice for sampling the famed 'bun ca' (fish noodles) that originate from Nha Trang, or tuck into a steaming bowl of 'pho'. For Insta-worthy photos, order the fried rice served in half a pineapple. The restaurant also prides itself on an ethical approach to proceeds: a part of the revenue goes towards supporting local youths through orphanage donations and scholarships.

They even offer street food tours and cooking classes (to be booked online).

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Address: 30A Nguyễn Thiện Thuật, Tân Lập, Thành phố Nha Trang
Phone: +84 258 2471 674
Internet: <https://www.lanternsvietnam.com>

LIVIN Collective



Hip to the bone, LIVIN Collective is a restaurant, hangout, co-working space and designer souvenir shop all at once. Beer is the only

Vietnamese item on the menu (albeit the crafts they serve are very good), and it's all American-style in the food department: burgers, BBQ ribs, mac n' cheese, tacos, quesadillas, and more, plus exceptional set assortments for larger groups.

The on-site store sells cool souvenirs designed by independent Vietnamese artists.

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Phone: +84 91 863 83 49
Internet: <https://livincollective.tumblr.com>

Bánh căn 51



Bánh căn 51 is an excellent option for an unpolished local experience, complete with sidewalk seating on low plastic chairs. The

'banh can' are their main attraction: fried rice flower cakes that come topped with shrimp, meat, fried egg and/or greens, to be dipped in sweet chilli sauce. This one is among Nha Trang's most popular locations, but 'banh can' are served throughout town.

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Address: 51 Tô Hiến Thành, Tân Lập, Thành phố Nha Trang

Phone: +84 96 968 93 46

Lac Canh Restaurant



Known for its grill-it-yourself beef barbecue (each table is equipped with a tiny grill of its own), Lac Canh is near-universally beloved

by locals and the lucky few tourists who discover it. There is still plenty on the menu even if you choose to skip the DIY grill: flavourful noodles, seafood dishes, and more. Prices are very reasonable.

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Phone: +84 258 3821 391

Sailing Club



The Sailing Club is a local institution in its own right, a nearly round-the-clock entertainment venue that effortlessly oscillates

between casual beach cafe, upscale restaurant, and lively nightlife hot spot. Evenings often see the Sailing Club host performances of different kinds, from live music to fire shows on the beach.

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Address: 72-74 Trần Phú, Lộc Thọ, Thành phố Nha Trang
Phone: +84 258 3524 628
Internet: <https://www.sailingclubnhatrang.com>

Grill Garden



Grill Garden is an exceptional find for travellers on a budget, provided they've worked up a substantial appetite. Just over \$10 gets you access to a full-blown buffet of fresh seafood (fish, shrimp, multiple varieties of clam, etc.) and meats, all to be cooked on private grills installed on each table. Offerings range from familiar classics, such as tuna chunks, to more exotic varieties like frog legs, snake, and crocodile (you'll see an entire reptile being roasted on the spit most evenings). Opens for dinner only.

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Address: 21 Biệt Thự, Lộc Thọ, Thành phố Nha Trang

Opening hours: 5-10pm

Phone: +84 90 807 90 77

MIX Restaurant



This might be, quite possibly, the best Greek restaurant in the entire country. Have what everyone is having: a grilled meats assortment served on huge sharing platters, with several types protein plus pita bread, a few sauces, and a side of Greek salad (there is more on the menu, including a few vegetarian options). We recommend you arrive early, as word of the restaurant is now well land truly out, and a line forms easily.

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Address: 77 Hùng Vương, P, Thành phố Nha Trang

Opening hours: Thurs-Tue 11am-10pm

Phone: +84 359 459 197

Internet: <https://www.mix-restaurant.com>

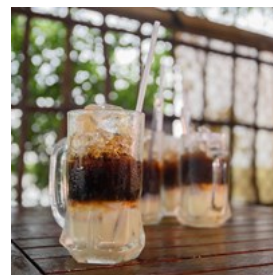
CAFES



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There is no shortage of attractive cafes in Nha Trang, be it rustic beach shacks, casual air-conditioned respites from the heat, or upper-range lounges. Our top two picks are the longstanding Sailing Club and tropical Rainforest Cafe.

Rainforest



This spectacular urban oasis of a cafe holds close to the promise of its name: designed in a way that imitates a rainforest (all wood, palm leaves and greenery), it features several levels of seating with private booths reminiscent of tree houses. The drink selection is extensive and ranges from coffee to smoothies, plus a decent selection of Vietnamese and Western food.

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Address: 146 Võ Trú, Tân Lập, Thành phố Nha Trang

Opening hours: 7.00-22.00

Phone: +84 98 698 06 29

Internet: <https://www.rainforestnt.com>

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An Cafe



With its 2 locations in town, An Cafe is the perfect getaway from the heat: the seating area is fully shaded, and the part furthest away from the

entrance is air conditioned; a koi pond and dim lighting add a vague zen quality to the atmosphere. They mostly serve coffee and chilled drinks, but food is also available during breakfast, lunch and dinner hours.

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Address: 40 Đường Lê Đại Hành, Tân Lập, Thành phố Nha Trang

Phone: +84 258 3510 588

More Info: Another location at 24 Nguyễn Trung Trực

Runam Bistro



Everything about Runam appears thought out down to the smallest detail: the carefully curated 'hip vintage' interior features

enormous paper cranes hanging down from the

ceiling, and their coffee comes exclusively from Vietnamese farms in the Central Highlands area, roasted in accordance with the highest Italian standards. With long opening hours, a pretty wide selection of both local and international dishes, and a central location across from the beach, Runam is genuinely difficult to find fault with.

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Address: 32-34 Trần Phú, Lộc Thọ, Nha Trang

Phone: +84 258 3523 186

Internet: <https://caferunam.com>

Alpaca Homestyle Cafe



This wholesome little Western-style cafe serves great locally-sourced coffee, plus a wide selection of food that seems to be getting

consistently positive reviews; they do everything from breakfasts to Mexican, Vietnamese, and even Russian.

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Phone: +84 98 869 80 68

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Nha Trang remains rather lively after sundown, with several institutions that draw in visitors every night without fail (these include The Sailing Club and Louisiane Brewhouse, for example). There is live music and entertainment to be had along the beach, plus bars with more of a 'dive' quality to them nestled deeper in town (Crazy Kim is our favourite one of those).

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Skylight



This spectacular rooftop beach club with the world's tallest lighthouse (at 151 metres above ground), a panoramic Skywalk, an upscale fusion restaurant and open-air pool on level 43 is Nha Trang's ultimate resort vacationer hot spot. There is a fee to enter (cheaper if you arrive before 20.00), which includes a free welcome drink. Tuesdays are Ladies' Night (women enter free of charge).

You can visit the Skydeck only at a fraction of the price, between 9am and 2pm daily.

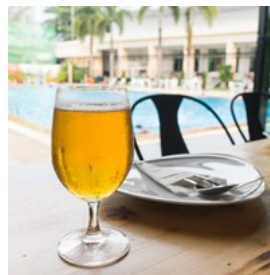
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Address: Premier Havana, 38 Trần Phú, Lộc Thọ, Thành phố Nha Trang

Phone: +84 258 3528 988

Internet: <https://skylightnhatrang.com>

Louisiane Brewhouse



This often crowded bar and restaurant has a few unique selling points: its own craft brewery (patrons rave about the passion fruit beer), beach location, a varied menu of Vietnamese and western specialities, and - best of all - a full-on outdoor pool, complete with matted sun beds. Live music is played on some evenings. It's a local nightlife staple.

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Address: Lô 29 Trần Phú, Lộc Thọ, Thành phố Nha Trang

Phone: +84 258 3521 948

Internet: <https://www.louisianebrewhouse.com.vn>

Water Puppet Theater



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Photo: Avigator Fortuner/Shutterstock.com
Address: 46 Tran Phu Street, Nha Trang
Opening hours: Daily between 16.00 and 20.45
Phone: +84 58 352 7828

Crazy Kim



Now here's a place to let your hair down, catch a game, play a round of pool and take advantage of the aptly named "instant idiot" promotion: all-you-can drink beer and cocktails for 3 hours straight (between \$13 and \$26, depending on drink types); groups of 10+ get a discount.

There's a noble cause behind what may at first seem like mindless fun – part of the proceeds goes towards preventing human trafficking and child abuse.

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Address: 19 Biệt Thự, Lộc Thọ, Thành phố Nha Trang

Opening hours: 6-12am
Phone: +84 258 6560 570

Night Market



Vendors set up shop along Tran Phu Road every afternoon to compete for tourists' attention with wares such as cheap clothing, jewellery, accessories, and traditional souvenirs en masse – if you haggle, you'll likely get a substantial discount. Some stalls sell street food.

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Address: Tran Phu Road, Nha Trang

SHOPPING



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Apart from the usual knick knacks, some of the items worth seeking out in Nha Trang include clothing (tailoring is relatively big here, and one could get a custom piece made inexpensively), high-quality crafts (such as silk embroidery or pottery), pearl jewellery, and small souvenirs such as tin coffee brewers and beans from farms across Vietnam.

LIVIN Collective



Hip to the bone, LIVIN Collective is a restaurant, hangout, co-working space and designer souvenir shop all at once.

The store sells cool souvenirs designed by independent Vietnamese artists, which include items like posters and photographs, accessories, clothing, edibles, and more.

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Address: 77 Bạch Đằng, Tân Lập, Thành phố Nha Trang

Phone: +84 91 863 83 49

Internet: <https://livincollective.tumblr.com>

XQ Embroidery Village



Watch craftspeople at work at this blend of workshop and embroidery atelier styled to look like a village with a courtyard of its own.

Treat this one like a visit to an art gallery, with the added possibility of buying any of the display pieces. Embroidery types range from the more traditional nature and landscapes to portraits – you can even have one embroidered of yourself.

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Address: 64 Trần Phú, Lộc Thọ, Thành phố Nha Trang

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Address: Tran Phu Road, Nha Trang

Dam Market



Dam is Nha Trang's central market that's primarily a shopping spot for locals, but those temporarily in town might still enjoy browsing

through endless exotic wares such as dried seafood and tropical fruit, and there are a few souvenir stands mixed in. There are lots of small eateries here, too, with prices that are often even lower than the already affordable median price tag.

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Address: Vạn Thạnh, Thành phố Nha Trang

Opening hours: 5am-6.30pm

Phone: +84 258 3812 388

Nha Trang Center



The air-conditioned Nha Trang Center is a nice respite from the outdoor heat with dozens of stores, a large supermarket and food

court with several options (Vietnamese and international). The Center is located just across the road from the beach.

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Phone: +84 258 6261 999

Internet: <http://www.nhatrangcenter.com>

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



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Passport / Visa



Short (some as short as 15 days) visa-free stays are possible for citizens of Cambodia, Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore,

Thailand, The Philippines, Brunei, Myanmar, Belarus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Norway, Russia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom. Citizens of Chile can enter the country for 90 days, visa-free.

Citizens of a further 46 world countries are eligible for an E-visa as of February 2017, these are granted for a period of 30 days. To confirm whether or not you will need a visa to enter Vietnam, please contact your local consulate.

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Best Time to Visit Nha Trang



Temperatures are at their most comfortable during the spring, roughly from February until early May. If you plan a trip during summer, be aware that

temperatures may reach extreme highs in May already, which can make anything other than lounging on the beach a difficult feat to accomplish.

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Nha Trang Cruise Port



Nha Trang is a popular stop on many cruise ship itineraries. Nha Trang proper begins a few kilometres north of the disembarkation point,

and cruise ship passengers will either need a pre-arranged transfer to get into town or a cab that can be hired right on the spot.

If choosing to hire a cab, make sure the meter is turned on as you board, or agree on the price prior to departure. If a meter is not being used, try to bring the original price down by at least a third (a one-way trip into town shouldn't cost more than \$10). If the first cabbie you speak to refuses to come down with the price, walk away confidently and look for a different car, of which there is normally no shortage.

The street immediately next to the cruise port is a rather busy one, so last-minute shopping can be done here if there's need. There are also ATMs and money exchange services in the area.

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Address: Cau Da Port Pier, Nha Trang

Cam Ranh International Airport



The primary air hub serving the city of Nha Trang is Cam Ranh International Airport, some 30km south of the city. There is a taxi stand

right outside the airport, with fixed prices offered by official carriers (you will need to purchase a voucher at the airport prior to boarding a cab). A trip by car will take about 45 minutes.

A cheaper alternative would be taking the white-and-yellow Dat Moi bus number 18, which runs all the way into Nha Trang city centre (final stop at 10, Yersin Street). Tickets may be purchased at the Dat Moi counter in arrivals and their head office in Yersin Street.

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Address: Cam Ranh, Khanh Hoa Province
Phone: +84 258 3989 956
Internet: <https://www.nhatrangairport.com>

Getting Around Nha Trang



Public buses do exist, but they're usually not the easiest to navigate for foreign visitors, especially those on tighter schedules. If the distance

is too long to be walked or cycled, opt for a taxi, which can be both a motorbike and a car. A local app used to hire rides is called Grab, and covers both modes of transport. When hiring a cab off the street, make sure to either have the price agreed upon or the meter running.

There are also the touristic 'cyclos' (or pedicabs), but these tend to be pricey and serve more as a form of entertainment rather than transport.

If you plan to cover long distances or visit several places in one day, it may be worth hiring a private English-speaking driver to get around. Naturally, this option will come with a heftier price tag.

For inter-city travel, there are several companies that run convenient sleeper buses to destinations across Vietnam, and are very inexpensive (a ride on one of such sleepers from Nha Trang to Ho Chi Minh City will cost no more than \$20).

The Sinh Tourist Offices is where tickets for long-distance sleepers can be arranged:

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Address: Yersin Street 10, Nha Trang
Phone: +84 258 3819 189
Internet: <https://vexere.com/vi-VN>

Pharmacy



Some medications available over the counter in your home country may not be in stock in Vietnam, so it's best to have a supply of any medication you know you will require during your stay.

For immediate necessities, pharmacies that stock the largest variety of medications and receive regular deliveries are those run by hospitals (they are often adjacent to them).

In Nha Trang, the hospital many expats have had positive experiences with is VK Hospital:

Photo: Gemma Garner
Address: 34/4 Nguyen Thien Thuat, Nha Trang

Phone: +84 258 3528 866

Post



Packages can be shipped worldwide via Vietnam Post, which is relatively reliable but can take up to several months to deliver parcels (3-4 weeks

by air mail). Mind that it's possible there will be no English-speaking staff present at the public post office.

The Main Post Office in Nha Trang is located at:

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Address: 2 Trần Phú, Nha Trang

Phone: +84 258 3821 271

Telephone



Country code: +84 Area code: 58 followed by a 6-digit number

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Electricity



Most hotels will support various types of plugs or provide complimentary converters/adaptors. In Vietnam, the voltage can be both 110 and 220 V,

with 50 Hz frequency. Plug types in use are the standard Euro plug (type E & F), American plug (type A), plus a three round prong type D plug.

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Population

535,000
(2018)

Currency

Vietnamese dong
VND 25,000 ~ \$1

Opening hours

Normal shopping hours are from around 8 to 21-22.

The year's major holiday is Tet (Vietnamese New Year), during which shops may remain closed for several days on end. This often falls somewhere between January and March.

Newspapers

<https://discover-nhatrang.com>

Tuoi Tre News (<https://tuoitrenews.vn>)

Vietnam Insider (<https://vietnaminsider.vn>)

Emergency numbers

Police: 113

Fire: 114

Ambulance: 115

Search & Rescue: 112

Tourist information

A network of excellent tourist information offices/travel agencies for Russian speakers operates around Nha Trang; staff will likely also be able to advise in English.

<http://rusinfocenter.com>

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