



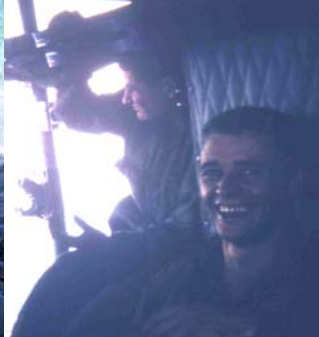
## Vietnam 40 Years On Anzac Day Tour

Earth Sea Sky Director David Armstrong would like to extend an invitation to all Vietnam Veterans, your families and friends to attend the very special "Vietnam 40 Years On Anzac Day Tour" to be held in Vietnam in 2009.

A unique and memorable tour concept, comprising flexible itinerary options, perfect for a truly individual and personal experience.

In designing this exclusive tour, Earth Sea Sky has developed an itinerary which can be customised to meet your individual needs. Personalised touches which ensure you can be part of the design process, creating the tour experience you want.





## TOUR LOCATIONS

- Binh Ba Battle Site
- Nui Dat
- Long Tan Memorial
- 21 July 1969 Mine Incident Site
- Barrier Minefield
- The Grand Hotel (Officers Club)
- Minh Dam (Secret Zone)
- Helicopter Crash Site
- Peter Badcoe Club
- Ned Kelly Bar
- Old Saigon Tour (HCMC)
- FSB's and much more....

## TOUR COSTS

Earth Sea Sky does not attempt to hide costs in order to secure business. The outlined cost is true and correct and represents the entire cost to participants, excluding alcohol.

- Vietnam Veterans \$3500pp Inc GST (\$200 per person deposit required)
- Family and/or friends \$4200pp Inc GST (\$300 per person deposit required)

## TOUR DATES AND INCLUSIONS

**DATES:** 21st - 28th April 2009

- International return flights from Sydney or Melbourne to Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- Airport transfers to and from Ho Chi Minh City
- Daily transfers from hotels to site locations in air-conditioned vehicles
- Entry fees to all museums, historical and battle sites
- 2 Nights accommodation at The Palace Hotel in Ho Chi Minh City
- 3 Nights accommodation at The Grand Hotel in Vung Tau
- Earth Sea Sky qualified Medics and Trek Leaders for the duration of the tour
- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner and drinks everyday (excludes alcohol)
- Customised itinerary with flexible tailored options, including unlimited consultations with ESS Director David Armstrong during planning
- Any and all research and planning undertaken by ESS to locate personal sites of interest not included in the existing itinerary
- Special ESS Gunfire Breakfast and drinks at Nui Dat on Anzac Day
- Visa, Departure tax and basic personal travel insurance.
- Earth Sea Sky departure pack containing trek shirt and hat for each participant to keep
- Sunscreen, cold towels, insect repellent, bottled water and shade umbrellas provided daily
- Tour DVD
- ESS Newsletter containing tour updates and correspondence in the lead up to departure



## FAQ'S

### 1. How safe is it?

Designed in accordance with our existing safety standards, which have seen ESS achieve a 100% safety success record since operation began, this special tour is completely safe and designed for optimum comfort. ESS is one of the only adventure providers to implement additional safety procedures as standard, above and beyond the general industry safety requirements.

### 2. What safety precautions, relevant to this trip, have been implemented?

ESS has commissioned the use of the very best in air conditioned vehicle transport for the duration of the travel components of the itinerary, including daily transfers between sites and accommodation. With years of experience in designing and leading treks throughout the world, ESS has a comprehensive and detailed understanding of climate conditions and the necessary precautions which must be implemented to ensure safety. Qualified trek leaders and medics will be on hand to assist and oversee any walking which may be undertaken, cold water, cold towels, adequate and comfortable trek clothing and shade umbrellas are provided as standard.

### 3. I don't deal well with the heat, how hot will it be on Anzac Day?

The average monthly temperature varies only 3-4 degrees throughout the year. The average temperature is between 25-29 degrees Celsius. ESS has comfort and safety procedures in place, designed specifically to accommodate the true temperature and climate conditions. The flexible itinerary allows you to walk sections if you feel comfortable or simply use the air conditioned vehicle service provided. You will also receive an ESS travel pack prior to departure which includes a specially designed adventure trek shirt and hat, custom made for trekking in the hotter climates. ESS trek leaders and medics are trained to detect and treat heat stress and will be assigned to each group for the duration of the tour.

### 4. How safe is the 21 July Mine Incident Site and is it safe enough to go there?

After painstaking research, the 21 July Mine Incident Site which was the inspiration behind the song "I was only 19" was located and visited in February 2008 by ESS Director David Armstrong and Dave Sturmer. This significant site location is safe to visit provided groups are escorted by members of the ESS team, as we are the only company equipped with the necessary site information and the only company currently granted permission to take groups into the area on that basis. ESS does not recommend traveling through this area unless accompanied by an ESS trek leader, as our research has indicated some areas are still unsafe. ESS can arrange visits to different locations for those wishing not to participate in a site visit to this particular location.

### 5. Can I still take part if I have a disability?

Yes. The flexible tour itinerary can be customised to meet your individual needs. ESS will take care of any special travel arrangements and can provide additional assistance if required. Anyone with a disability is encouraged to enquire directly to David Armstrong where he will be more than happy to discuss the specifics of the itinerary and its suitability.

### 6. Can I visit other sites, not included in the itinerary?

Yes. Flexibility exists within the itinerary for you to customise your experience. This includes arranging visits to locations not listed in the existing itinerary. ESS will undertake the research and planning components at no additional charge and will be in regular contact with you as plans progress. It is important that requests are made well in advance of the April 2009 departure date, as research and planning can take in excess of six months depending on the location and the work involved.

### 7. Do I have the opportunity to extend my trip beyond the specified 7 days?

Yes you can arrange trip extensions past the specified 8 days. ESS has already designed a separate itinerary which includes visits to locations north of HCMC including FSB Coral / Balmoral, other fire support bases and day trips down the Mekong Delta. Those interested need to indicate their preference during the initial booking stage. Travel arrangements, personal tour guides, transfers and customised itineraries will be arranged by ESS prior to departure.

### 8. Is there training required?

No. Unlike other ESS adventures this special tour requires no additional training and preparation as there is no "trekking" component. Before departure all you will need to do is provide a current doctor's medical certificate, an assessment which confirms you are in good health and fit to travel. ESS will provide you with all the necessary documents when you book.

### 9. Will there be an Anzac Day Service?

Yes you will be able to take part in the moving Anzac Day Dawn Service held at the Memorial Cross in Long Tan. As Vietnam is a Communist country there are restrictions in place which prevent individual groups from conducting memorial services without government permission. ESS has arranged a special "gunfire" style breakfast, drinks and a commemorative game of "two up" to mark the occasion.

### 10. Why are there two separate prices for the Anzac Day Tour?

Veterans have been charged the cost price of \$3500pp, families and friends will be able to attend for the reduced price of \$4200pp. By offering an elite tour experience for Veterans at cost price, ESS is hoping that you, your family and friends will be able to take part and share in this moving and special tour concept. Earth Sea Sky will also be donating a portion of the proceeds to MIVAC and the AAVRG.



# Vietnam 40 Years On Anzac Day Tour Contact and Deposit Form



## Personal Details (Please Print)

**Family Name**

**Given Name**

**Title**     **Male**  **Female**  **Date of Birth**        
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## Address

**Number & Street**

**Suburb/Town/City**                     **State**

**Country**                     **Post Code**

## Phone Numbers (Please include Area Code)

**Home Phone**

**Mobile**

Are you a Vietnam Veteran? YES  NO

## Deposit

A \$200 pp (Vietnam Veterans') or \$300 pp (Family and Friends) minimum deposit is required in order to hold individual places.

Please indicate the number of places you wish to hold 1 2 3 4 5 6

## Payment Method

**Credit Card**  **Cheque**  **Money Order**

\* In order to be processed efficiently all Cheques and/or Money Orders must be attached to this document prior to sending.

**Card Type** VISA / Bank Card / Master Card **Expiry Date**

**Credit Card**

I \_\_\_\_\_ authorise Earth Sea Sky Australia Pty Ltd to debit my credit card for the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$200 pp or \$300 pp) as the required deposit to hold my place(s) on the Vietnam 40 Years On Anzac Day Tour 2009.

**NAME ON CARD** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** / /

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