

Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam, as being described by a lot of visitors worldwide, is such a quaint, chaotic, and full of life city (something more like a big village) with enthralling street foods and inspiring energy. Despite Hanoi does not have the nightlife like Bangkok's nightlife, or the trending culture of Tokyo, it still has a distinct flavor as well as energy of its own. It features a fascinating blend of Eastern and Western cultures with a big deal of Chinese influence. The city of Hanoi with more than 1000 years of history, not mention to its difficult past, is like an outlet mall, where visitors can shop for treasures made in dozens of small craft villages around it. With the vast modernization and urbanization that this city has been undergoing, it is currently reckoned as one of the most targeted shopping destinations in the tourism industry.

Here is no lack of choice when it comes to shopping in Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam. This one-thousand-year old city offers tourists a wide range of items for those who love shopping. The city has also a good range of day and night markets, both outdoors and indoors. If you are particularly enthusiastic about quality textiles, handicrafts and clothes, shopping in Hanoi will not disappoint. Actually, Hanoi is a great place to purchase specialized products like pottery, silver, and silk products. So, now if you are wondering what to buy and where to buy when shopping in Hanoi, then you should not skip this article as here we will give you some of the most interesting and useful ideas about shopping in Hanoi, Vietnam.

Apart from being a renowned attraction in Hanoi with the Turtle Tower serenely surrounded by the bluish water and deep blue sky, Hoan Kiem Lake is also a favorite spot for photographers. With 1.7 kilometers of pavements filled with freshly green trees running along its circumference, the place makes itself being a vividly colorful background to take photographs with. And when the sun goes down, sparkling lights on the trees will sparkle just for photographers to catch such precious moment on the verge of the sky turning twilight. Tourists can stay at Hanoi Old Quarter and book a room on [hotels in Hanoi](#) with cheapest price.

Long Bien Bridge is not only famous for being a living historical relic but also for its great architecture designed by French architects from Daydé & Pillé. Therefore, photographers come here regularly to bring history in their photographs with the typically ancient brown of the past on the rust screws from the remaining spans. On the dry season, the alluvial patch below the bridge becomes an exceptionally photogenic spot with breathtaking natural scene filled with rows of green banana trees and yellow maize.

The best time to visit West Lake, which is another wonderful spot for taking photographs, is during the summer when the brilliant lotuses paint a corner of the sky with bright pink and fresh green. Heading straight on West Lake's lakeside road, you will eventually catch sights of pretty girls wearing all kinds of clothes from miniskirts to the traditional "Ao Dai", making the lotus pond being consistently lively. Specially, there is a whole service leasing equipment's such as small boats, lotus bouquets and "Yem" (a unique ancient Vietnamese bodice) for photo shoots with reasonable prices. The vast daisy field has recently been a popular spot for amateur photographers along with teenagers since it was discovered few years ago. They come to the field being pleasantly drenched in the vibrant yellowness of thousands daisy flowers: pretty girls eagerly posing in their finest clothes while young photographers eagerly capturing the stunning moments. The only little trouble is its location being a bit far from the city center: head straight through Chuong Duong Bridge on Nguyen Van Cu Street, turn left at the gas station opposite the factory, turn left again at Y Lan Road then turn right again at the cemetery. Being here, you will have to ask the locals for the remaining road leading to the field.

Hardly a beautiful day passes by at Bach Thao Park without couples coming here to take their memorial wedding photo shoots. With its extremely large and clean yard filled with hundred-year-old trees, the place attracts photographers who want to embrace the essence of cool fresh air in their pictures in which vivid colors blending together. The most popular spot in here is the beautiful white bridge on a small pond right in its heart. Bach Thao Park is another easily accessible photo spot in

Hanoi center its location on the beginning of Hoang Hoa Tham Street.

If you want to buy some silver products as the gifts when visiting and shopping in Hanoi, Vietnam, then Hang Bac Street is your best destination. Being one of the oldest streets in Vietnam, Hang Bac Street (Phố Hàng Bạc) is famous for silver jewelry and antiques. Silver goods produced here are made with secret methods that have been passed down for many generations. This is really a charming street to explore, rich in culture and history aside from jewelers selling beautiful Vietnamese pieces. There are also stores selling antiques and art here.

When tourists ask local people or tour guides where they could find a variety of traditional Vietnamese gifts to buy like souvenirs, most of them will get the answer “Hoan Kiem Lake” (Hồ Hoàn Kiếm) and “The Old Quarter” (Phố Cổ). The reason behind this is that they are the most exciting tourist areas in Hanoi where seductively attract a lot of foreigner tourists to visit daily, so there are various souvenir and present shops situated in these areas. Those international tourists are easily caught wandering around this area both daytime and nighttime to visit and explore the historical and cultural beauty of Hoan Kiem Lake and the ancient houses in the Old Quarter, and to buy some souvenirs or handicrafts to bring home as a great memory of such a charming city like Hanoi.

Particularly, in the evening, visitors can walk along those popular shopping streets like Hang Ngang (Hàng Ngang) and Hang Dao (Hàng Đào). These streets turn to walking streets in the evening, and more foreigners come to those busy and crowded streets to merge with locals and experience the amazingly exciting atmosphere of those places.