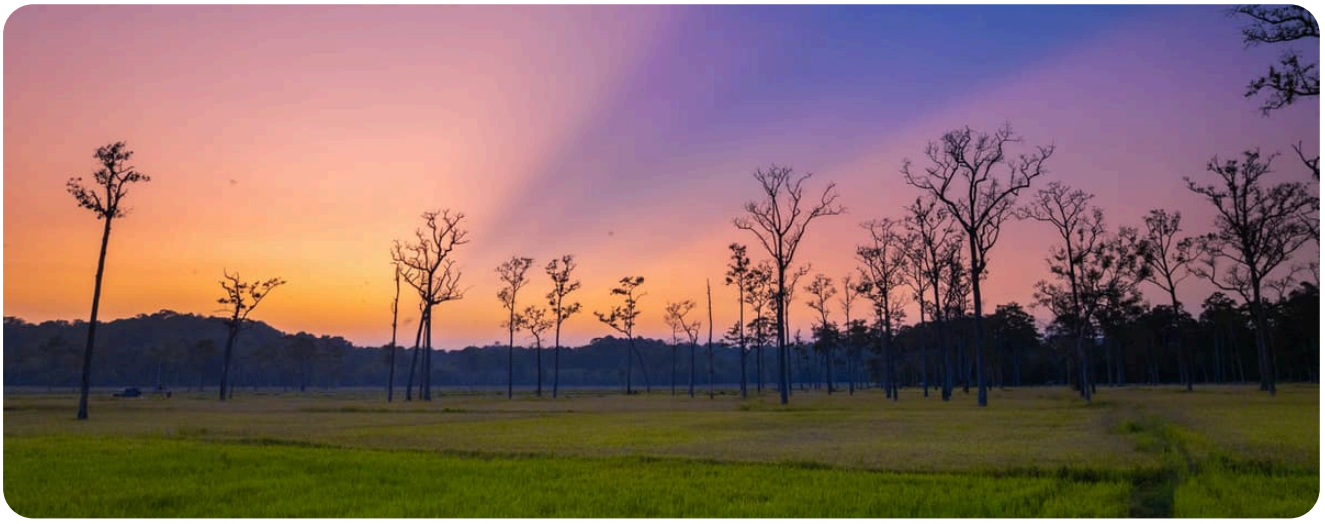
Cat Tien Wild Safari Adventure

This exclusive two-day, one-night safari is your invitation to escape into the untamed heart of Cat Tien National Park, a globally recognized haven of biodiversity and cultural heritage in Southern Vietnam.



Tour details

DURATION
2 days 1 night

EXCLUSIVE
Maximum 8 guests/group

AGE
12-70 years old

DIFFICULTY LEVEL
Easy

PRICE
~USD 250 • VND 6,600,000/pax

MEALS
Breakfast, lunch, dinner & snacks

DRINK
Water, softdrink

PICKUP AND TRANSFER
Thiso Mall - 10 Mai Chi Tho Street, An Khanh Ward, HCMC (Hoang The Thien Street front)

ACCOMMODATION
National Park Guest House

TOUR LOCATION
Cat Tien National Park, Dong Nai Province, Vietnam

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Cat Tien Wild Safari Adventure Overview

This exclusive two-day, one-night adventure with Katien Safari offers a direct and immersive introduction to the ecosystems and conservation efforts of Cat Tien National Park. Designed for small groups of up to eight guests, the journey balances exploration, education, and time in the field, allowing you to experience the forest as it is, not as a staged destination.

Your journey begins with a transfer from Ho Chi Minh City into the heart of the park, where you settle into the National Park Guest House, a simple base surrounded by forest and open grasslands. From here, you step into the landscape through a guided jungle trek that reveals the remarkable diversity of Cat Tien within just a few kilometers. Moving from ancient forest stands into bamboo groves, you will witness firsthand how different habitats coexist and transition across the terrain. The day concludes at Ta Lai rice fields, where the forest opens into a wide, quiet landscape, an ideal setting to pause and watch the sunset before returning to the Guest House.

On the second day, the focus shifts to conservation with a visit to the Center for Rescue and Conservation of Species. Here, you'll learn how displaced wildlife is rehabilitated and cared for in preparation for their return to the wild.

Throughout the journey, the experience is grounded in real conditions, from walking forest trails to observing how conservation work is carried out on the ground. This is not only a wildlife experience, but an opportunity to understand the living system of the forest and the role of ranger patrols in protecting it.

Detailed Itinerary

DAY 1

Ho Chi minh City - Ta Lai Jungle Trek - Sundowner

Morning: From City to Canopy

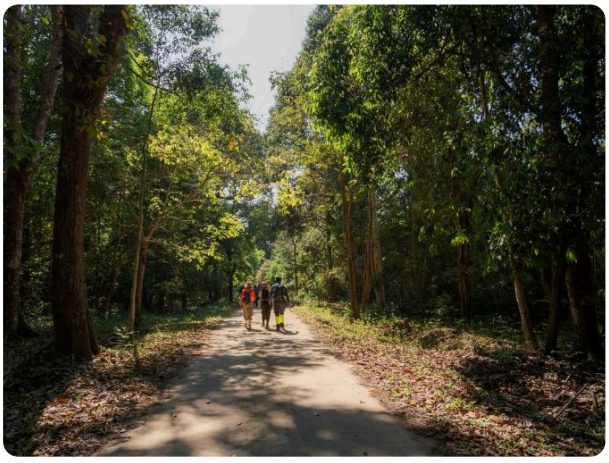
Kick off your adventure at 7:30 AM with a private pickup from Thiso Mall - 10 Mai Chi Tho Street, An Khanh Ward, HCMC (Hoang The Thien Street front). You'll travel by private vehicle to Cat Tien National Park, where your guide will meet you at the park entrance and accompany you for the rest of the journey. After checking into National Park Guest House and fueling up with lunch at the Safari Restaurant, it's time to head into the forest.

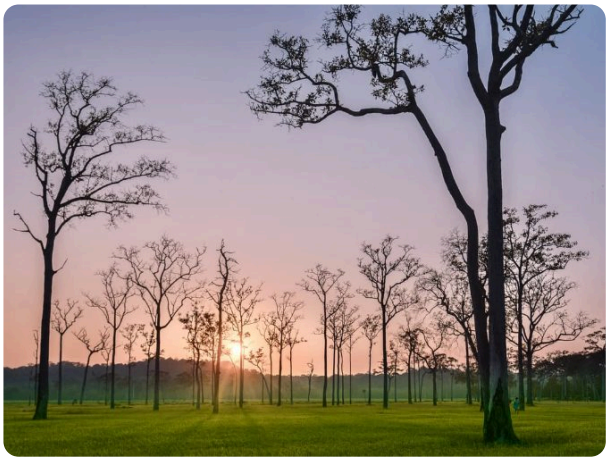
Afternoon: The Jungle Trek

At 2:00 PM, gear up with boots and gloves for a 6-kilometer guided trek. Along the way, you will observe the rich diversity of flora and fauna while gaining insight into the forest's ecology. What makes this journey especially unique is the visible transition of habitats within a relatively short distance, from ancient towering trees to quiet bamboo groves, offering a rare opportunity to experience the layered ecosystems that define Cat Tien National Park.

Evening: Sundowner in the Rice fields

The trek leads you to the stunning Ta Lai Rice Fields. Trade your trekking boots for a camping chair and a cold drink. This is the ultimate "sundowner" moment-watching the sunset over a vast, golden landscape. A safari vehicle will be waiting at 5:30 PM to whisk you back for a 7:00 PM dinner at National Park Guest House.







DAY 2

Animal Rescue Center - Chau Ma Village - Saigon

Savor a quiet breakfast before dedicating your morning to the heart of the park's mission: wildlife conservation. You'll enjoy an intimate look at the Center for Rescue and Conservation of Species, witnessing the vital work being done to protect the Yellow-cheeked Gibbon and other rare species. The morning concludes with a rugged, off-road safari across sweeping, sun-drenched grasslands-perfect for spotting the park's larger inhabitants.

Saying goodbye to our wildlife friends, the group will head back to the National Guest House to check out. The journey then takes you to Ta Lai village for a visit to the traditional brocade weaving house. Here, you can witness firsthand the meticulous craftsmanship of the Ma people through every loom and thread, while gaining deeper insights into their unique local customs.

Following this cultural immersion, the group will enjoy a cozy lunch at a local home, savoring rustic and distinctive flavors.

In the afternoon, our vehicle will depart for Ho Chi Minh City. You will arrive back at designated points by about 6:00 PM, concluding your memorable journey.







Weather and Climate

Cat Tien National Park has two distinct seasons throughout the year: the dry season and the rainy season, each offering a different perspective of the forest ecosystem.

From December to May, the dry season brings warmer temperatures ranging from 25 to 35°C. The weather is generally pleasant, with plenty of sunshine, though it can be hotter around midday.

From June to November, the rainy season transforms the forest into a lush and vibrant landscape. This period is characterized by higher humidity and frequent rain showers, contributing to the richness and activity of the park's biodiversity.

Each season reveals a unique side of Cat Tien, allowing visitors to experience the changing rhythms of the tropical forest. For the most accurate preparation, visitors are encouraged to check the latest weather updates before joining the adventure.

Physical fitness requirements

This tour is suitable for guests aged 12 to 70 who are in good health and have prior trekking experience. Private tours are available for guests from 8 years old, with customizable itineraries to suit your group's pace. A reasonable level of fitness is required to comfortably complete the itinerary, especially for activities such as walking on uneven forest terrain and extended outdoor movement. Children are expected to be physically active and maintain a healthy level of fitness.

While some guests may find the itinerary relatively comfortable, others may experience certain challenges depending on their fitness level. Our guides and porters are always available to provide support when needed.

For safety reasons, guides reserve the right to adjust the itinerary, shorten activities, or arrange an early return if a guest encounters significant difficulties during the tour. In such cases, refunds or rescheduling will not be applicable.

Safety and Risk management on tour

Safety is always a top priority on all Katien Safari tours, for both guests and our staff. All activities are led by experienced guides who are familiar with the terrain, wildlife behavior, and operating conditions within Cat Tien National Park. Our team is regularly trained in first aid, field safety, and responsible wildlife practices to ensure a safe and well-managed experience.

As the tour takes place in remote forest environments, conditions can be unpredictable and access to medical facilities may be limited. For this reason, careful planning and risk management are essential at every stage of the journey. Guests are required to follow all instructions from guides and porters at all times to ensure both personal safety and the protection of the natural environment.

Communication on tour

Katien Safari tours take place within Cat Tien National Park, where mobile phone signal is generally available, though it may be inconsistent in certain forest areas. There is no Wi-Fi during the tour, allowing guests to fully immerse themselves in the natural environment.

The tour operates in areas that are accessible, and in case of emergency, evacuation to the nearest access point can be arranged without significant difficulty.

Please note that communication during the tour is conducted in both English and Vietnamese.

Items to bring

Katien Safari tours take place across a variety of forest terrains and changing weather conditions, so proper preparation is essential. Guests are required to wear appropriate clothing for safety and comfort while trekking through the jungle, moving on uneven ground, and spending extended time outdoors.

Long trousers and long-sleeved shirts are recommended to protect against insects, vegetation, and environmental exposure. A good pair of trekking shoes is essential, providing stability and comfort on forest trails. Guests are encouraged to use well-fitted footwear that they are familiar with, and to test their shoes before the trip.

Our team will provide additional guidance to help you prepare appropriately before joining the tour.

You need to prepare

Essential clothing

- [ ] 1 medium size backpack to carry stuff that you need while trekking
- [ ] 1 quick-dry, bright, long-sleeved shirt
- [ ] 1 pair of quick-dry and long trekking pants
- [ ] 1 lightweight waterproof jacket
- [ ] 1 set of clothes for staying at National Park Guest House
- [ ] 1 set of clothes to change after tour
- [ ] 1 pair of calf-length, thick socks

Personal items

- [ ] Camera, cellphone, power banks
- [ ] Personal medication
- [ ] Mosquito repellent
- [ ] Sun cream, sun hat, sun-glasses
- [ ] Passport

Katien Safari provides

- [ ] Gloves for safety
- [ ] Water bottle
- [ ] First-aid kit and medical rescue equipment
- [ ] Hand fan
- [ ] Secure storage at office

Tour price includes

The tour price is $250 USD per person, which includes VAT, park entrance fees, and contributions to conservation and forest protection activities within Cat Tien National Park. The following services are included in the tour:

- Service team: Each group (maximum 8 guests) is accompanied by 1 experienced guide and local porter. The team ensures a safe, well-organized, and immersive experience throughout the journey.

- Food & Drinks: All meals are provided during the tour, including breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks. Drinking water and soft drinks are included. Vegetarian options can be arranged upon request.
- Accommodation: 1 night at National Park Guest House, located within the forest, offering a simple yet comfortable stay immersed in nature.
- Transportation: Round-trip transportation between Saigon and Cat Tien National Park is included, ensuring a seamless travel experience.
- Activities & Entrance Fees: All guided activities, including jungle trekking and visits to Center for Rescue and Conservation of Species, as well as park entrance fees.
- Basic equipment: Essential equipment for trekking such as gloves, and other necessary items will be provided.
- Travel insurance: Basic travel insurance is included for all guests during the tour. Guests are encouraged to arrange additional personal travel insurance for extended coverage.

Terms of tour cancellation

To confirm a reservation, guests are required to pay 100% of the tour price within 24 hours after their booking has been approved by Katien Safari.

Written cancellation requests must be received and acknowledged by Katien Safari.

- Cancellations made more than 7 days before the scheduled tour departure are eligible for a full refund.
- Cancellations made less than 7 days before the scheduled tour departure are not eligible for a refund.

Please refer to our Refund & Cancellation Policy for complete terms and conditions.

Frequently Asked Questions

How can I get to Cat Tien National Park?

Cat Tien National Park is located about 150 km from Ho Chi Minh City and 175 km from Da Lat. From Ho Chi Minh City, the most common option is taking a sleeper bus, such as Phuong Trang on the Ho Chi Minh City – Da Lat route. You can get off at Tan Phu Bus Station or Phu Lam Office, then continue by taxi or motorbike taxi to the park gate. Several local bus companies, including Xe Be, Kim Hoan, and Manh Hong, operate direct routes from Ho Chi Minh City to the entrance of the park, with travel time around 4–5 hours. From Da Lat or Bao Loc, visitors can take Phuong Trang or Thanh Buoi to Tan Phu. Private car services are also widely available for travelers who prefer a flexible schedule.

What is the weather like in Cat Tien National Park?

Cat Tien National Park has a tropical climate with warm temperatures all year round. The dry season runs from December to April and is the most comfortable time for trekking and wildlife activities. From May to November, the rainy season brings frequent showers and higher humidity, which can make trails slippery but also turn the forest lush and vibrant.

Is it allowed to take photos of wild animals?

Yes, photography is allowed in Cat Tien National Park, and many visitors come specifically for wildlife and nature photography. However, photos should be taken responsibly. Visitors should keep a safe distance, avoid using flash, and never disturb animals just to get a better shot.

Can I get close to the animals in Cat Tien National Park?

No, visitors should not get close to wild animals. The animals in Cat Tien are not domesticated and can become stressed or defensive if approached. The best way to see wildlife is by observing quietly from a distance, ideally with the help of a local guide who understands animal behavior.

Can I feed the wildlife or leave food behind?

Feeding wildlife or leaving food in the forest is not allowed. Human food can be harmful to animals and may change their natural behavior. Visitors are expected to take all trash with them and leave the park exactly as they found it.

Is there Wi-Fi inside Cat Tien National Park?

Wi-Fi is available in accommodation areas, tourist center, and park offices. The signal is usually limited and not suitable for heavy use. Inside the forest, there is little to no internet connection. Mobile signal may also be weak. Cat Tien is best enjoyed as a place to disconnect and focus on nature.

What should I wear during the tour?

You should wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, and lightweight breathable fabric. Neutral colors work best in the forest. Trekking shoes or closed sneakers are recommended. High socks pulled over the bottom of your pants help reduce the risk of leeches, especially in the rainy season. A hat and a rain jacket are also useful.

Is there a risk of getting lost in the jungle?

Yes, if you explore on your own or leave marked trails. Visitors should follow designated routes, respect park regulations, and join guided tours for deeper jungle exploration to avoid getting lost.

Are English-speaking guides available?

Yes, English-speaking guides are available in Cat Tien National Park. They are commonly offered for wildlife watching, night safaris, and trekking activities, and they help international visitors gain a better understanding of the park's ecosystem and wildlife.

Can I use a drone inside the park?

Drone use in Cat Tien National Park is generally restricted due to wildlife protection and safety concerns. Always check with park management and obtain permissions before bringing or flying a drone, as regulations may require special approval.
