

EMERAUDE CRUISE FACTSHEET



DESTINATION

Only a mere 3 hours drive from Hanoi, Vietnam is one of the great natural wonders of the world and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Halong Bay covers an area of 1,500km over which are scattered thousands of limestone islands and grottoes rising from the clear, emerald waters of The Gulf of Bac Bo. The majestic beauty of the bay and its islands is only fully appreciated while meandering among the islands, fjords and inlets.

HISTORY

In 1910 a paddle steamer called the Emeraude was offering unforgettable cruises in Halong Bay for visitor to what was then French Indochina. The Emeraude was part of a flotilla owned by the Roque family who has left Bordeaux in 1858 in search of adventure and fortune. Over a period of more than 50 years they found both. After several ups and downs including successful trading and timber businesses, near bankruptcy and being taken hostage by pirates, the Roque brothers built Emeraude, Perle, Saphir, Rubis and Onyx to ferry passengers and freight along the waterways of Indochina and cruise on magnificent Halong Bay.

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CONCEPT

The Emeraude offers a regular one night 2 days cruise and charter service on board a luxurious replica steamer with 37 cabins meticulously designed to evoke the nostalgic charm of colonial Indochina. A chance to experience timeless elegance and nostalgia of a by-gone era on board Halong's finest.

ACCOMMODATION

Each bespoke cabin exudes warmth and character with high standards of workship, distinguished style and impeccable service. With its polished wooden floors and brass fixtures and fittings the Emeraude's rooms offer timeless elegance. All cabins have two way air-conditioning, en suite bathrooms with private shower.

CABIN CONFIGURATION

- 34 Luxury cabins (12 Superior + 22 Deluxe)
- 01 Paul Roque Suite
- 01 Suite Emeraude
- 01 Captain's Suite

On the Emeraude, buoyed by one of the world's most beautiful bays, little things matter. Colonial style brass fans. Hardwood floors. Beadboard walls. And the most comfortable beds on the bay. In every cabin, the rich decor evokes another age, when craftsmanship mattered more than the bottom line.

But make no mistake: The Emeraude makes concessions to the modern era, with air conditioning, electricity and other amenities typical of an upscale hotel room. No need to bring your own hair dryer. We've got that. Umbrellas, slippers, bathrobes. We've imagined all the contingencies so you'll be fully prepared to enjoy your cruise.

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The Captain's Suite

Also housed on the sundeck and benefiting from the same stunning views is the Captain's Suite.

At nearly 19 square metres, the port-side suite is spacious and comfortable and lined with colonial-era bamboo matting.



On the wall, antique maps will help you plot the vessel's path through the karsts and islands of Halong Bay.

The Emeraude Suite

At 22 square metres, the luxurious Emeraude Suite is roomy enough for a queen-sized bed, as well as a large sofa and space to entertain, which makes it a favourite with families.



Its cream and green colour scheme adds warmth and nostalgia to the wooden fixtures and flooring. A sundeck location on the starboard side and ample windows deliver wide views across the bay.

Outside, an adjacent sitting area is the perfect place to enjoy a drink or relax and marvel at the passing scenery.



The Paul Roque Suite (Cabin: 18,4 m2 & Balcony 17 m2)

Named after the original Emeraude's first owner, this

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was the vessel's suite.

At nearly 35-square metres, it is the smallest of the three but has a trump card. The popularity of the Paul Roque Suite remains unrivalled due to a private deck. The deck features both sun loungers and chairs for uninterrupted relaxation.



Its situation on the bow's upper deck adds to a feeling of unhurried, truly tranquil travel.

Inside, comfortable chairs, a rug and checked wall coverings add to the "golden age" feel.



Wide windows ensure fabulous views.

34 Deluxe and Superior Luxury Cabins (12m2)

Emeraude's twin and double rooms each feature innerspring mattresses to ensure a comfortable night's sleep.



Each room is equipped with all the necessary amenities, from air conditioning to hot showers.

Ultimately, the greatest attraction remains outside your cabin door. Each room opens directly onto the deck.

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Superior rooms are located on lower deck with deluxe rooms on the upper deck.

Room to relax

Space, privacy and relaxation are themes that run throughout the Emeraude.



On the main and upper decks, there are a number of quiet seating areas. And there's always an opportunity to stretch out on a sundeck lounger.

The emphasis is always on the bay itself. The aim is to provide true comfort at all times in order to best enjoy the surroundings.

DINING

The Restaurant

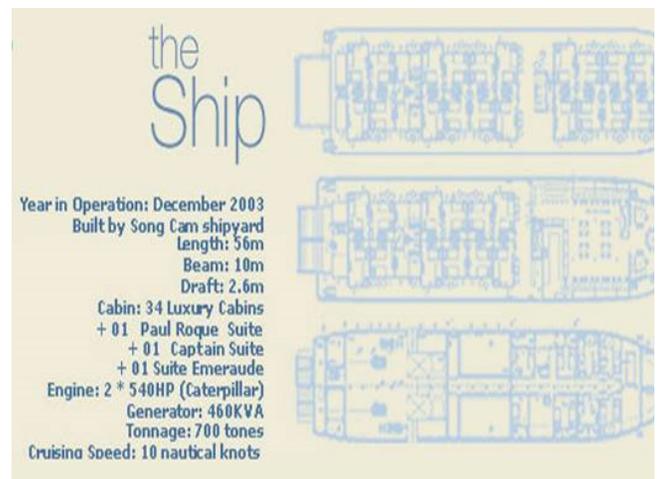
The Emeraude's restaurant offers delicious, freshly caught seafood

and other specialties.

Sun deck Bar

A bar lounge serves refreshing cocktails and beverages, provides

relaxing sun beds.



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ACTIVITIES

- Tai chi classes on the Sun deck
- Kayaking
- Vietnamese food preparation demonstrator
- Squid fishing
- Visit Sung Sot Cave or Surprise Grotto
- Visit to Cua Van Fishing Village
- Evening Movie show "Indochine"
- Swimming

FACILITIES

- Spa Facilities
- Collection of reading material
- Souvenirs and gifts
- First aid and life jackets
- Multilingual Staff

SHUTTLE SERVICE

For independent travelers, Emeraude ferries passengers between Hanoi and the vessel's Pier on Halong bay daily. It leaves Hanoi Sales Office each morning at 08.30AM and departs the pier at 12.00PM.

EMERAUDE CAFÉ

Before setting sail, passengers can idle over a cup of coffee, a deli sandwich or a cold beer at Emeraude Café. The Café also features a range of unique gifts, complimentary WIFI access and on-site terminals for last minutes dispatches before a memorable voyage of a lifetime.



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