

What's the buzz in Hai Phong?

The highly anticipated U Series of Poker is making a comeback in the bustling, vibrant port city of Hai Phong, Vietnam. Teaming up with Crown Poker Club, the tournament will be held at a new venue, Dream Dragon Resort, with the poker extravaganza running from September 11th to September 23rd, 2024.

With a prize pool of VND 60 billion, this edition promises to be the most thrilling in USOP history, drawing poker enthusiasts from around the world. Get ready for an extraordinary poker experience, featuring a diverse lineup of 66 events for players of every skill level. This series highlights a guaranteed prize pool of VND 60 billion, with VND 15 billion guaranteed for the main events.

High rollers will be in for a treat with 11 exclusive tournaments, which include prestigious tournaments such as the elite High Roller Championship, the Superstar Challenge, and the exclusive Billionaire Club Challenge.

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Great food for you without stepping away from your Poker game

An exquisite selection of food for you while still enjoying your poker game. You can have the best of both worlds without stepping away from the poker table.

Specia	Price	(Exc	usive	for P	layers)

Club Sandwich © 15 min	⁴ 205,000	Spaghetti Bolognaise Sauce	^d 220,000
Tuna Sandwich	^d 205,000	© 20 min	****
Charcoal Sandwich	⁴ 350,000	Spaghetti Tomato Sauce © 20 min	⁴ 200,000
Dream Dragon Beef Burger	⁴ 400,000	Spaghetti Seafood © 20 min	⁴ 250,000
© 15 min Fresh Spring Roll	^d 220,000	Beef Fried Rice © 20 min	⁴ 220,000
© 15 min Deep Fried Crab	⁴ 305,000	Seafood Fried Rice © 20 min	² 250,000
Meat Spring Roll © 15 min		Salmon Congee © 20 min	⁴ 190,000
Garden Salad With Yoghurt ^{© 15 min}	⁴ 220,000	Beef Congee © 20 min	d150,000
Smoked Salad with Sesame Dressing	^d 220,000	Pork Congee © 20 min	⁴ 150,000
⊙ 15 min		Stir-fried Noodles	^d 200,000
Soup of the Day © 15 min	^d 220,000	with Beef © 20 min	
Fried Squid © 15 min	⁴ 400,000	Stir-fried Noodles with Seafood © 20 min	⁴ 220,000
Deep Fried Calamari Paste © 15 min	⁴ 450,000	Traditional Noodles of the Day © 20 min	^d 250,000
French Fries © 20 min	^d 110,000	Salmon with Cream Butter Sauce	^d 550,000
Fresh Fruit	⁴ 350,000	① 25 min	W IFT



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Where & What To EAT? (Local Cuisine)



Crab Noodle Soup

Crab noodle soup, known as "Bánh Đa Cua," is a beloved dish in Hai Phong. This comforting soup features wide, flat rice noodles in a rich, savoury broth made from fresh crab, pork bones, and spices.

Sánh Đa Cua 43 48 Lạch Tray, Ngô Quyển, Hải Phòng, Vietnam. https://maps.app.goo.gl/7urnDxzJehRTcLwJA



Spicy Breadsticks

The spicy breadsticks of Hai Phong, known as "Bánh Mì Cay," are a beloved local snack. These mini baguettes are crispy on the outside and soft on the inside, filled with a spicy pâtéate made from pork liver, chilli, and various seasonings.

Bánh Mì Cay 24 192 P. Hàng Kênh, Hàng Kênh, Lê Chân, Hải Phòng, Vietnam. https://maps.app.goo.gl/cfsxRziT9NkppiKcA



Spicy Fish Noodle

The spicy fish noodle dish, known locally as "Bún Cá Cay," is a popular specialty in Hai Phong. This dish features tender white fish fillets, typically fried or grilled, served over a bed of vermicelli noodles in a spicy, flavorful broth.

Q Bún Cá Cay Quán Xưa
151 P. Hò Sen, Dư Hàng, Lê Chân, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/QY9cFmsLAHD3DWkz9





Crab Roll

Crab rolls in Hai Phong are a beloved local delicacy, featuring fresh, flavorful crab meat wrapped in rice paper or a thin pastry. These rolls are often deep-fried to a crispy golden-brown and served with a tangy dipping sauce. They are a popular street food, celebrated for their rich taste and satisfying crunch, making them a must-try when visiting the city.

Quán Nga Nem Cua Bể 92 P. Trần Nhật Duật, Cầu Đất, Ngô Quyển, Hải Phòng 840225, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/SNNccDGgYV8KisFJ7



Coconut Sweet Gruel

Coconut sweet gruel, known as "Chè Bà Ba" in Hai Phong, is a traditional Vietnamese dessert that's both soothing and indulgent. This dessert features a sweet, creamy mixture of coconut milk, sticky rice, and sugar, often enhanced with a variety of ingredients like beans or fruit.

Chè Bà Ba 42 124 Lạch Tray, Ngô Quyền, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/r62e6c44nfw2rhnAA

"Chewing, one eats.

Reflecting, one speaks."

- Vietnamese proverb



Where To SHOP?



Go! Hai Phong

GO! Hai Phong is a modern shopping mall offering a wide range of retail stores, dining options, and entertainment facilities.

O Go! Hai Phong

Ngã Năm Sân Bay, 20 Khu Đô Thị Mới, Đông Khê, Ngô Quyền, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/VNpzYxijxmWfT3oXA



Vincom Plaza Hai Phong

Vincom Plaza Hai Phong is a large, modern shopping mall featuring a wide array of international and local brands.

It offers a variety of retail stores, dining options, and entertainment facilities, including a cinema and a children's play area.

Vincom Plaza Imperia Hai Phong

Vinhomes Imperia, Hồng Bàng, Hai Phong, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/JPJ9pw1WPHQkbwgs8



Cho Sat Market

Cho Sat is Hai Phong's city market, right next to Tarn Bac Bus Station. It's a bustling spot, sprawling across a large area, and definitely not a tourist trap. You'll find stalls selling everything under the sun, from clothes and groceries to cheap gadgets and electronics.

O Cho Sat Market

Quang Trung Street, Hong Thai, Hong Bang, Hai Phong, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/rY7GpYBnqFiRXv9t9



Parkson TD Plaza

Parkson TD Plaza is a prominent department store offering a diverse range of products, including fashion, beauty items, and home goods.

It features a selection of both local and international brands, along with a variety of dining options and specialty shops, providing a convenient and upscale shopping experience.

Q Parkson TD Plaza - Boutique Time World Shop
 Tàng 1Thùy Dương Plaza Lô 20A, Đ. Lê Hồng Phong,
 Đông Khê, Ngô Quyển, Hải Phòng, Vietnam
 <u>https://maps.app.goo.gl/nsckjt9PHoxNShJ9A</u>



What To DO?



Equestrian adventure at Vinpearl Horse Academy

You can embark on an equestrian adventure that includes riding lessons, guided trail rides, and interactive horse experiences with well-maintained facility, professional instructors, catering to both beginners and experienced riders.



Du Hang Pagoda Serenity

Du Hang Pagoda is a serene and historic Buddhist temple in Hai Phong, known for its peaceful atmosphere and traditional architecture.

The pagoda features intricate wood carvings, ancient relics, and tranquil gardens, providing a calming retreat for visitors seeking spiritual reflection and cultural enrichment.

Chùa Dư Hàng

121 P. Dư Hàng, Dư Hàng, Lê Chân, Hải Phòng 180000, Vietnam

https://maps.app.goo.gl/owkKJw4jLSQmLo3A6

Where are the BEACHES?



Đờ Sơn Beach

A popular coastal destination near Hai Phong, known for its sandy shores, clear waters, and lively atmosphere.

It offers opportunities for swimming, sunbathing, and enjoying seafood at local restaurants, making it a greatspot for relaxation and leisure.

O Do Son Beach

Khu du lịch Đồ Sơn, Vạn Hương, Đồ Sơn, Hải Phòng, Vietnam

https://maps.app.goo.gl/ij19UP66gk3ERMoC6



Cát Bà Island

Cát Bà Island is a scenic destination near Hai Phong, renowned for its stunning landscapes, including sandy beaches, lush forests, and dramatic cliffs.

The island offers a range of activities, such as hiking in Cát Bà National Park, exploring Halong Bay, and relaxing on beautiful beaches, making it a popular spot for nature lovers and adventure seekers.

Cát Bà Island

Trân Châu, Cát Hải, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/JQ3qTuG4UT2j9vQE9



Hòn Dấu Island

Hòn Dấu Island, located near Hai Phong, is known for its pristine beaches, clear waters, and lush landscapes. It offers a tranquil escape with opportunities for swimming, snorkelling, and exploring natural beauty. The island provides a serene setting for relaxation and enjoying the scenic surroundings.

O Hon Dau

Vạn Hương, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/munMokgnfLBYiVah9



Vạn Bội Beach

A charming coastal spot near Hai Phong, celebrated for its clear waters, sandy shores, and peaceful environment. It's ideal for swimming, sunbathing, and enjoying a relaxing day by the sea, offering a serene and less crowded alternative to more popular beaches.

Q Bãi tám Vạn Bội Vạn Hương, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/Xd8owEVBRonZDPez6



Interested in some HISTORY?



Hai Phong Navy Museum

The Hai Phong Navy Museum showcases Vietnam's naval history and maritime heritage.

It features exhibits on naval equipment, historical artefacts, and photographs, providing insights into the country's naval achievements and maritime culture.

Mac Quyết Cầu Rào 1, Anh Dũng, Dương Kinh, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/9QaeFt9p5neQPD2YA



Tuong Long Tower

The tower, a relic from the Ly Dynasty, offers a glimpse into Vietnam's past with its traditional design and historical artefacts, making it a valuable site for exploring local history and heritage.

Chùa Tháp Tường Long
Vạn Hương, Đổ Sơn, Hải Phòng, Vietnam
https://maps.app.goo.gl/9QaeFt9p5neQPD2YA





Bao Dai Villa

Bao Dai Villa, located in Hai Phong, is a historical residence once used by Bao Dai, the last emperor of Vietnam. The villa showcases French colonial architecture and offers a glimpse into the opulent lifestyle of the royal family. Visitors can explore its elegant rooms, landscaped gardens, and learn about the historical significance of the site.

Dinh vua Bảo Đại Khu du lịch Đồ Sơn, Đồ Sơn, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/uCnvccQYNgmq38gK9



Hai Phong Opera House

A historic cultural landmark, known for its elegant French colonial architecture and vibrant cultural performances.

It hosts a variety of events, including music, dance, and theatrical productions, making it a key venue for experiencing the city's artistic and cultural life.

28 P. Trần Hưng Đạo, Hoàng Văn Thụ, Hồng Bàng, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/Ly5U4ZcAd1u6v3d58



Nha Tho Lon

Grand Cathedral in Hanoi, is a prominent historical and architectural landmark known for its striking Gothic design and intricate stained glass windows.

It serves as a centre for religious services and community events, and offers visitors a chance to appreciate its architectural beauty and cultural significance.

40 P. Nhà Chung, Hàng Trống, Hoàn Kiếm, Hà Nội 100000, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/HTUZTeMWsMmQsdCR9



Ben Binh Bridge

Ben Binh Bridge is a significant structure in Hai Phong, known for its modern design and role in connecting key areas of the city. It offers scenic views of the surrounding landscape and serves as an important transportation-link, facilitating travel and contributing to the city's infrastructure.



Trung Trang Cave

Located on Cat Ba Island, is a stunning natural attraction known for its impressive stalactites and stalagmites. The cave features intricate formations and expansive chambers, offering visitors a fascinating exploration experience amid the island's lush landscape.

Dường xuyên đảo Cát Bà, Trân Châu, Cát Hải, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/4YXgNJX2dYGwzAzw5



Where TRANQUILLITY meets SERENITY in Hai Phong.



Tam Bac Lake

It's a popular spot for leisurely walks, boat rides, and enjoying the serene environment right in the heart of the city. The lake provides a peaceful escape and a beautiful setting for relaxation and casual outdoor activities. It's also a great spot for photography, picnicking, and observing local life in a serene urban setting.

• Ho Tam Bac, Håi Phòng 35000 Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/vN9ArFgTmfVL3ZJH9



Voi Mountain

Located near Hai Phong, is known for its picturesque landscapes and lush greenery. The mountain features scenic hiking trails, offering panoramic views of the surrounding countryside and the city below.

Elephant Mountain An Tién, An Lão, Hải Phòng, Vietnam https://maps.app.goo.gl/GQoMuPGavpkwtr497



Tuyệt Tình Cốc

Known as the "Frozen Lake," is a picturesque natural attraction near Hai Phong, renowned for its serene, turquoise waters surrounded by dramatic limestone cliffs.

The site features a tranquil lake that reflects the stunning landscape, offering a peaceful spot for relaxation, photography, and enjoying the natural beauty of the area.

Q động Am Tiên

Trường Yên, Hoa Lư District, Ninh Bình, Vietnam. https://maps.app.goo.gl/iY1Ekv8Ck2bjBhyv5





Type of Currency Used

In Hai Phong, as in the rest of Vietnam, the currency used is the Vietnamese Dong (VND). It's a good idea to carry some cash for smaller purchases, though credit and debit cards are commonly accepted in larger establishments like hotels, restaurants, and shopping malls.





SCAN HERE for Currency Exchange

Visa in Hai Phong

Vietnam Visa Exemption, also referred to as Vietnam Visa Waiver, permits visitors to enter Vietnam and stay in the country for a specific duration without having to undergo the usual Vietnam visa process. This is made possible because the Vietnam government has established a bilateral or unilateral visa exemption agreement with the individual's country of applicants. For more info on your permitted duration of stay in Vietnam based on your nationality please click here https://www.getvisavietnam.com/vietnam-visa-exemption-countries-duration/

Please ensure your passport is valid for at least six (6) months beyond your planned stay and check the latest visa regulations before you travel, as they can change.



Cash Rules: What You Need to Know About Bringing Money into Vietnam

Foreigners are permitted to bring into or take out of Vietnam up to USD 5,000 or its equivalent. For amounts exceeding this limit, specific paperwork and approval are required. Ensure you complete the necessary documentation before bringing in larger sums of currency.

Use Local Transport

Hai Phong has various transportation options including taxis, motorbikes, and ride-sharing apps. Renting a bike or scooter can also be a convenient way to explore.



Taxis and Ride-Sharing

Taxis are readily available and can be hailed on the street or booked through local companies. Ride-sharing apps like **Grab** are also popular, providing a reliable and often more affordable alternative. These services are convenient for short trips around the city or to nearby attractions.

Public Buses

Hai Phong has a network of public buses that connect various parts of the city. While not as frequent or comprehensive as in larger cities, they are a budget-friendly option for getting around.



Cycling

Renting a bicycle is another enjoyable way to explore the city at a leisurely pace. It's ideal for short distances and allows you to experience local neighbourhoods up close.

Boats and Ferries

For trips to nearby islands like Cat Ba or Hon Dau, boats and ferries are available. They offer scenic travel and are essential for reaching these popular destinations.

Dress Appropriately

Vietnam's weather can be hot and humid. Wear **light**, **comfortable clothing** and bring sun protection like hats and sunscreen.

Bring a **light jacket** or **sweater** for cooler evenings or air-conditioned indoor spaces. Additionally, **comfortable footwear** is essential for walking and exploring the city.



Stay Hydrated

Keep hydrated, especially if you're visiting during the hotter months. Bottled water is widely available and refills it as needed. Beverages like coffee and alcohol can contribute to dehydration.

Pay attention to signs of dehydration, such as dry mouth, dark-coloured urine, or feeling fatigued. If you experience these symptoms, increase your fluid intake immediately. In addition, consuming fruits like watermelon, cucumbers, and oranges not only provide hydration but also essential vitamins and minerals.



Respect Local Customs

When visiting temples and pagodas, dress modestly and remove your shoes before entering. When interacting with locals, understanding and practising traditional etiquette can enhance the experience.

For instance, offering and receiving items with **both hands** is considered polite, and it's customary to use polite language and gestures.



Stay Connected

Consider getting a **local SIM** card or **portable Wi-Fi** device to stay connected and easily navigate your way around.

Vietnam has several major mobile network providers, including Viettel, MobiFone, and Vinaphone. Each offers various prepaid plans suitable for tourists. Visitors must provide a passport for registration when purchasing a SIM card.







Bargain Smartly

In markets and smaller shops, bargaining is common. Approach it politely and show genuine interest in the products.

When negotiating prices, start by offering a lower amount than what you're willing to pay, giving room for the vendor to counteroffer. Be prepared for a bit of back-and-forth, and remain patient and courteous throughout the process.

Check Weather and Travel Conditions

Keep an eye on the weather forecast and any travel advisories to ensure smooth travel plans.

The wet season, typically from May to October, brings frequent rain and high humidity, which can affect outdoor activities and sightseeing. Conversely, the dry season, from November to April, generally offers more pleasant weather, with lower humidity and less rainfall. Before travelling, check the weather forecast to pack appropriate clothing and plan activities accordingly.



Cable & Adapters

Vietnam typically uses power plugs of type **A**, **C**, and **D**. The standard voltage is **220V**, and the frequency is 50Hz so make sure your devices can handle this voltage or bring a voltage converter if necessary.

It is also advisable to bring a **universal travel adapter** with multiple plug options that is useful if you're travelling from a country with different plug types. However, if you forget your adapter, you can buy one at local electronics stores, convenience stores, or markets in Hai Phong. Major shopping malls like Vincom Plaza and GO! Hai Phong usually has electronics sections where adapters are available.

Languages Used

The primary language spoken is **Vietnamese**. While Vietnamese is predominant, you may also encounter some English, especially in tourist areas, hotels, and restaurants. In these places, staff often have basic English skills to assist international visitors.









Google Map

Essential for navigating the city, finding local attractions, and exploring nearby areas. It offers directions, traffic updates, and reviews of places.



GRAB

A popular ride-sharing app in Vietnam for taxis and motorbike rides. It's useful for getting around the city conveniently.



Shopee Food

A restaurant review and booking app that helps you find dining options, read reviews, and make reservations. Located within Shopee app.



Weather Apps

Apps like AccuWeather or Weather.com can provide up-to-date weather forecasts to help plan your activities.



Social Media

Facebook, Instagram, Tiktok & Youtube are the most popular social media apps being used with Zalo being more of a local messaging app.



While poker draws players to the tables, Hai Phong captivates with its dedication to preserving architectural heritage. The city's French-inspired colonial architecture evokes nostalgia and tranquillity. Take a break from the poker scene to explore the streets and experience the unique blend of Vietnamese structures and historical charm.

For more information and enquiries

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See you at Hai Phong!!

