

## Things you should not miss this festive season

The festive season, spanning Christmas Eve through New Year's Day, is – according to the carol anyhow – ‘the most wonderful time of the year’. So, to make the most of it for your friends and family, we have taken a look at some ways you can celebrate it this year.

### Choose nearby destinations

With Christmas' Eve falling on a Thursday and Christmas Day on a Friday, the stars are aligned for a four-day getaway this year. Still, you don't need to spend all that time and effort on flights and logistics with so many amazing getaways on your doorstep in Ho Chi Minh City. Within a couple of hours of The Thanh Pho are destinations including Ho Tram, Vung Tau, Ho Coc, and Can Gio all with great options for visitors.

Long considered the capital of tourism in southern Vietnam, with its beaches, entertainment and natural beauty coupling with easy access to Saigon via buses, limousines and hydrofoils, it has proven an irresistible drawcard to sun-seekers for decades. The area has both stunning sunrises and sunsets thanks to its natural topography, as well as long cultural and historical traditions. 30 kilometers up the coast lay the emerging destination of Ho Tram, with its year-round sunshine and pristine beaches.

Just a two-hour drive from the nation's largest metropolitan city, Ho Chi Minh City, The Grand Ho Tram Resort & Casino is the jewel in the Ho Tram crown. The integrated resort is one of the go-to destinations for travelers from near and far looking for respite from the pressures of city life. Its acclaimed services, restaurants and amenities have long been heralded nationwide, and remain a huge drawcard for the resort.



### Enjoy festive foods and beverages

Conjuring images of a sleigh-riding Santa and tinsel-topped-trees, Christmas is also known as a season for family feasts! Offering up turkey with all the trimmings, shredded duck leg, special Yuletide desserts, and Vietnam’s largest gingerbread house, The Grand has the festive spirit covered in its restaurants.



Home-cooks delight in seasoning and roasting their turkeys, but for the rest of us, with no time for that, letting a five-star chef do all the work (and the team do all the cleaning up!) definitely has its own appeal! So look for places with a special Christmas set – either a full buffet or a traditional set menu lunch or dinner. The Grand Bistro this year will be offering such sets between 24 & 25 December. Meanwhile, Ginger will be offering a roast beef buffet on 25 December, as well as a premium surf-and-turf seafood and rib buffet on 31 December and 1 January.



Throughout the festive season The Grand will have Santa visits, handing out cookies to kids, roving carol-choruses, and activities ranging from cookie painting to paper craft. Additionally, the kitchen-crew has gone all-out this year, building a 3-meter tall Gingerbread house – perfect for that Insta-shot.



Guests can enjoy special room packages for Christmas and New Year, including 01-night accommodation on Christmas or New Year's Eve with buffet on each day for 2 guests, starting from 3,658,000++VND/night.

### **Dance your way through the festive season**

No festival is complete without music, so take the chance to enjoy live jazz at The Grand this year. And of course Roxy Night Club will be reminding us that Ho Tram starts with H-O-T, with The Grand Masquerade Party ringing in the New Year. Guests will all be given a party mask and sparkling wine on arrival, while Vietnam's hottest DJs and dancers take care of the entertainment. Guests will also enjoy 25% discounts on beer packages all night when they book directly with The Grand.



### Information box:

The Grand is offering numerous promotion packages along with Christmas and New Year activities:

- **Christmas Package:** starting from VND 3,658,000++/room/night, including dinner buffet at Ginger for 2 guests, applied only on 25 December
- **New Year package:** starting from VND5,554,000++/room/night, including seafood buffet at Ginger for 2 guests, applied only on 31 December.
- **Suite rooms package:** starting from VND 4,680,000++/Grand Suite room/night with numerous benefits such as free Cabana, 1 beer bucket. Prices and benefits will be vary depending on each suite type.

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