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HISTORIC RELICS AND CÚ CHI TUNNEL COMPLEX

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## BEN DUOC MARTYRS' MEMORABLE TEMPLE

As Ho Chi Minh City cultural and historic project, commenced to build since 19/05/1993 and inaugurated its Phase 1 on December 19, 1995 to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Southern part completely liberated, unification of the country.

The temple was built on a 70.000 square meter large land site, included of three-tiered gate, Literary Epitaph building, 9-floor tower approx. 40m high and the main temple hall. In the main hall there is emplaced with the epitaph carved the names of approximate 50.000 children of the Vietnam fatherland who had combated and sacrificed on the land of Saigon – Gia Dinh. Since 1995 to now, Ben Duoc Martyrs' Memorial Temple has been reconstructed and upgraded 2 times substituted with

composite material in stone and copper such as designs on the column-bases, dragons, calligraphic, cranes...in aiming to bear the permanence, as well as to add more lists of the martyr's names carved on the stone epitaph. The Temple's basement, invested for building to exhibit the represented events with a topic "Saigon-Gia Dinh people staunch and dauntless" in anti-French and anti-American resistances with statues, images, sand-modules, prototypes combined with sound and light effects, will be inaugurated and opened for visiting by late 2008. The exhibited items in the Tower and the walkway connecting the basement over the Tower being invested for construction and will be early commissioned for serviced of tourists' visiting.



The Leaders visit the Temple



National spirit symbol

## BEN DUOC UNDERGROUND TUNNEL COMPLEX



Sight-see the secret basement cover

Situated within Cu Chi Battlefield underground tunnel system, Ben Duoc underground tunnel complex was Saigon – Gia Dinh Regional Party headquarters and Military Command, has been classified as national – level Relic under Decision No. 54/VHQĐ on 29/04/1979. This is an unique project of architecture, as an underground system of tunnel deeply located in the ground bed with

numerous floors, several deviated alley like a cobweb over 200 km long with its places of boarding, accommodation, meeting and fighting.

The Underground tunnel system indicated the will of determination, wisdom, pride of Cu Chi people, as the symbol of the Vietnamese people's revolutionary heroism.

## SAIGON-CHOLON-GIADINH ARE UNYIELDING, UNDAUTED

Basement is the place to exhibit the rough sand models, pictures, sculptures, which illustrate the typical revolution campaigns, exampled characters in the resilient undaunted fight of Saigon, Cho Lon, Gia Dinh people. The basement has 9 spaces, each illustrates a specific period of the over-100 year history against French, American invaders.



Visitors see Basement of Ben Duoc Temple

## PROJECT OF RECOUNTING CU CHI LIBERATED ZONE

The work reappearing liberated area is a place to reappear stages of history from 1960-1975 where express condition of life and struggle of Cu Chi People before and in anti-American resistance war. Zone is divided into areas as liberated area, conflicting area, enemy-occupied area (strategic hamlets)...it expresses village scene of Cu Chi before war lively with luxuriant tree-fruit, bearing heavy fruit in four season; scene of it was destroyed by American bomb, strategic hamlet model which was applied by American to control inhabitants, scene of young boy-and girl fervent enlisting to fight enemy...



Productive views in liberated area

# CHARACTERISTIC FORESTS OF THE 3 PARTS AND LANDSCAPING LAKE SIMULATED THE EAST SEA

Valuable wooden forest in three regions North – Middle – South is planted as S letter with area of about 4,6 ha that it's enclosed by a lake at two sides for imitating East Sea and West Sea with area of 6,8 ha. On the area planting valuable wooden as its region are built miniature three specific models: One-Pillar Pagoda (Hanoi), Ngọ Môn Gate (Hue), and Nhà Rộng Harbor (HCMC). This work shall help educating love of country and nature, learning value of Vietnamese culture-history to tourists, especially for the younger generation. It's a place to learn useful lessons on nature, sightseeing famous historical-cultural monument models of Vietnam.



Three-region-forest and imitation pool of East Sea

## ONE-PILLAR PAGODA MODEL

One-Pillar Pagoda has connected closely with history of Hanoi Capital and for a long time, it has been a symbol of Thang Long in civilized lifetime. One-Pillar Pagoda has been listed as historical monument, architecture, art by Ministry of Culture dated April 18<sup>th</sup> 1962. Miniature One-Pillar Pagoda model in the tunnels of Cu Chi-historical monument is only equal to 0,9 against with real One-Pillar Pagoda in Hanoi, it's started work on dated May 24<sup>th</sup> 2008 and finished on dated December 19<sup>th</sup> 2009.



One-Pillar Pagoda model

## NGỌ MÔN GATE HUE MODEL

Formerly, Ngọ Môn Gate was a place usually to take place important ceremonies under the Nguyễn Dynasty as Ban Sóc ceremony (grant a new calendar), Truyền Lô (pronounce name of new graduate doctors)...Miniature Ngọ Môn Gate model in the tunnels of Cu Chi has scale equal to 1/4 of real one, it's started work on dated May 24<sup>th</sup> 2008 and finished on dated December 19<sup>th</sup> 2009.



Ngọ Môn gate Hue model

## NHÀ RỘNG HARBOUR MODEL

This is a house with two dragons on the roof in style of "two dragon flanking a moon", so it called Nhà Rộng. Nhà Rộng Harbor has still kept a spiritual memory of President Ho Chi Minh to Vietnamese People. Miniature Nhà Rộng Harbor model in the tunnels of Cu Chi has scale equal to 1/4 of real one, it's started work on dated May 24<sup>th</sup> 2008 and finished on dated December 19<sup>th</sup> 2009.



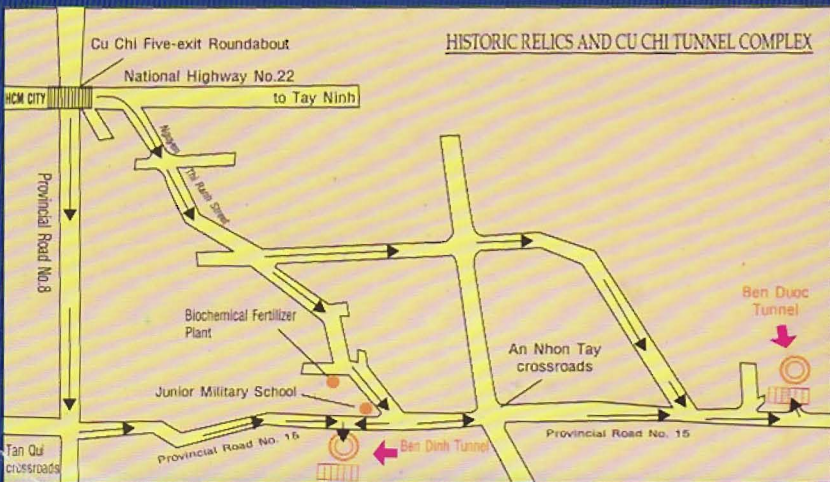
Nhà Rộng harbour model

# CỬ CHI TUNNEL

The tunnels of Cu Chi was the holy revolutionary base of Military Region Committee Saigon-Gia Dinh High Command of Cu Chi District Party Committee and all Cu Chi people, where was also a versatile battle formation to front enemy and to contribute significantly to task of enemy fighting and national unity.

The present Cu Chi underground relic is preserved in 2 areas of Ben Duoc and Ben Dinh, approximately over 70km from HCMC in the North-West. Tourists coming to Cu Chi underground, besides the visiting to learn of it with the resonant victories, also to visit the project of recounting Cu Chi Liberation Zone in the stage of 1960 – 1975. Tourists still come to pay a visit to Ben Duoc martyrs' Memory Temple to venerated the heroic martyrs who had sacrificed for the fortune of people liberation, visiting its basement floor where exhibiting in 9 spaces according to the topic "People of Saigon – Cholon – Gia Dinh Staunch and dauntless"; visiting the project of precious Timber Woods collected from 3 parts of the country and the characteristic symbol such as: One-Pillar Pagoda (Hanoi), Ngọ Môn Gate (Hue), Nhà Rỗng Harbour (Southern Part)... in addition, travelers shall have a good time, shopping memorial products in fresh, cool air. Travelers can be soaking in clear-blue water waves of a pool which is designed separately according to natural landscape and enjoy with local specialties. The Tunnels of Cu Chi is both attractive place of sightseeing, a meeting place to look back on tradition, and place of one of the best camping to organizations and students.

In coming to Ho Chi Minh City, visit Cu Chi Underground Tunnel, to understand how was the long – during fight of hardship, to properly comprehended our profound aspiration: *loving of peace, independent, happy and warmly well-fed permanently.*



# DIAGRAM OF THE TUNNELS OF CU CHI-HISTORICAL MONUMENT

