

Exploring Ho Chi Minh City's Coffee Value Chain through the Unique Intersection of Specialty Coffee and Tourism

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Abstract

The study dives into the thriving coffee culture of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, and investigates its significant impact on tourism and economic growth. As the world's largest producer of Robusta coffee, Vietnam, notably Da Lat, has emerged as a global coffee production powerhouse, with an increasing emphasis on specialty coffee. The integration of coffee into tourism activities, as well as initiatives to improve quality and sustainability throughout the coffee value chain, demonstrate Vietnam's innovative approach to coffee industry development. The study illuminates the lessons and insights that Vietnam's coffee sector can provide to the global coffee community by investigating the nexus of coffee culture, tourism, and economic empowerment. Vietnam's coffee sector, which combines tradition and innovation, is a fascinating illustration of how coffee can drive economic progress, promote sustainability, and enrich cultural experiences. Vietnam's success has far-reaching ramifications for other coffee-producing countries, providing significant lessons on how to use coffee tourism, improve sustainability standards, and promote economic empowerment for local populations.

Keywords: Coffee culture, Tourism integration, Economic development, Specialty coffee, Coffee sustainability, Local empowerment

Abstrak

Studi ini menyelami budaya kopi yang berkembang pesat di Kota Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam, dan menyelidiki dampak signifikannya terhadap pariwisata dan pertumbuhan ekonomi. Sebagai produsen kopi Robusta terbesar di dunia, Vietnam, khususnya Da Lat, telah menjadi pusat produksi kopi global, dengan penekanan yang semakin besar pada kopi spesial. Integrasi kopi ke dalam kegiatan pariwisata, serta inisiatif untuk meningkatkan kualitas dan kelaparan di seluruh rantai nilai kopi, menunjukkan pendekatan inovatif Vietnam terhadap pengembangan industri kopi. Studi ini memberikan pembelajaran dan wawasan yang dapat diberikan oleh sektor kopi Vietnam kepada komunitas kopi global dengan menyelidiki hubungan antara budaya kopi, pariwisata, dan pemberdayaan ekonomi. Sektor kopi Vietnam, yang menggabungkan tradisi dan inovasi, merupakan ilustrasi menarik tentang bagaimana kopi dapat mendorong kemajuan ekonomi, mendorong kemiskinan, dan memperkaya pengalaman budaya. Keberhasilan Vietnam memberikan konsekuensi yang luas bagi negara-negara penghasil kopi lainnya, memberikan pelajaran penting tentang bagaimana memanfaatkan wisata kopi, meningkatkan standar kemiskinan, dan mendorong pemberdayaan ekonomi bagi masyarakat lokal.

Kata Kunci: Budaya kopi, Integrasi pariwisata, Pembangunan ekonomi, Kopi spesial, Keberlanjutan kopi, Pemberdayaan lokal

INTRODUCTION

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, is an important location where cultural heritage, economic growth, and tourism dynamics intersect. The city's thriving coffee culture represents a microcosm of these linked factors. The fragrant aromas of freshly brewed coffee pervade its bustling streets, representing not just a beloved daily ritual but also a vibrant enterprise that influences the region's socioeconomic landscape. In

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this investigation of the complexity of Ho Chi Minh City's coffee value chain and its link to local tourism, applicable theoretical frameworks can be used to shed light on the underlying mechanisms and ramifications of this symbiotic relationship.

The Global Value Chain (GVC) theory, pioneered by Gereffi (1994), is central to this inquiry. It gives a complete framework for analyzing the many stages of production, distribution, and consumption within an industry. In the context of Vietnam's coffee sector, the GVC lens enables the dissection of the complicated web of activities that contribute to the creation, transformation, and distribution of coffee products, from bean cultivation to café consumption. Tracing the flow of value-added activities along the coffee value chain provides insights into the distribution of economic advantages, power dynamics among industry actors, and potential for improvement and innovation.

Furthermore, this investigation is guided by cultural tourism theories, which emphasize the importance of cultural heritage and experiential authenticity in affecting tourist behavior and destination preferences (Lee et al., 2020). As tourists seek immersive and transforming experiences, Vietnam's robust coffee culture emerges as a captivating draw, transporting visitors to the heart of local life through their senses. Tourists interact with both the tangible and intangible sides of coffee production through guided tours of coffee farms, participatory roasting demonstrations, and tastings of various coffee blends, forming emotional connections with the place and its people.

Furthermore, this investigation is set within the context of sustainable development, as outlined in the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and sustainable tourism ideas (Hall & Williams, 2019; Maspul, 2023a). In Vietnam, the relationship between coffee and tourism creates both opportunities and obstacles for accomplishing long-term goals such as economic success, environmental conservation, and social fairness. Vietnam's coffee industry can help achieve sustainable development goals while preserving its cultural heritage and natural resources for future generations by taking a holistic approach that balances economic growth, environmental stewardship, and community empowerment.

As one navigates the complexities of Ho Chi Minh City's coffee value chain and its relationship to local tourism, theoretical frameworks guide the inquiry, providing individuals with analytical tools to understand the diverse dynamics at work. The goal of empirical research and case studies is to uncover the underlying mechanisms, challenges, and opportunities inherent in this symbiotic relationship, ultimately contributing to the scholarly discourse on coffee culture, economic development, and sustainable tourism in Vietnam and beyond.

RESEARCH METHOD

This study combines qualitative academic rigor with real-world insights from local coffee professionals in Ho Chi Minh City Vietnam, providing a comprehensive understanding of the coffee value chain and its relationship to tourism. This study delves into the complexities of Vietnam's coffee sector, analyzing creative practices and issues faced by stakeholders, using a detailed literature analysis, interviews, focus groups, and observational studies. The objective of the study is identifying relevant trends, possibilities, and challenges to sustainable growth in the coffee business by evaluating qualitative data and developing illustrative case studies. The validation of findings through peer review and stakeholder feedback guarantees that the study results are strong and applicable. Furthermore, it is vital to contribute to the body of knowledge on coffee tourism and SME empowerment by offering practical insights for policymakers, practitioners, and industry stakeholders striving to ensure a more sustainable future for Vietnam's coffee industry.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, is known for its growing tourism industry and low-cost lifestyle, making it an attractive place for business and economic development (Nguyen, 2013; Huynh, 2017). Specialty coffee, in particular, contributes significantly to tourist attraction and economic growth in Vietnam. With its status as the world's leading producer of Robusta coffee, Vietnam, notably Da Lat, has emerged as a global hub for coffee production, including Arabica (Chen *et al.*, 2021). The government's support for the creative economy improves Vietnam's position in the global coffee market (Pham *et al.*, 2024). The following discussion will go deeper into Vietnam's coffee value chain, its relationship to local tourism, and the innovative efforts underway to develop a sustainable and productive coffee business. It also looks at the lessons that can be learned from Vietnam's approach to the international coffee community.

Exploring the Rich Aromas and Flavors of Ho Chi Minh City's Coffee Culture

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam's largest city, is well-known for its vibrant coffee culture, providing a unique experience for those wishing to appreciate the rich fragrances and flavors of this famous beverage (Hoang & Tučková, 2021). Vietnam has a distinct coffee scene and a high prevalence of Robusta beans known for their severe bitterness, therefore coffee culture is deeply embedded in the daily lives of both inhabitants and visitors (Grant, 2014). The traditional preparation method, "ca phe sua da," which includes condensed milk to temper the bitterness, is now synonymous with Vietnamese coffee culture (Dao, 2019). The coffee culture has shifted considerably in recent years, with a rise in the popularity of Arabica beans and efforts to improve the quality of Robusta beans (Byrareddy *et al.*, 2020; Ho, 2018).

Arabica beans, which are recognized for their softer flavor and complexity, are making inroads into the Vietnamese coffee landscape. Robusta beans have long dominated the market because of their durability and high caffeine content (Jeszka-Skowron *et al.*, 2020). However, rising demand for specialty coffee and a desire for diverse flavor profiles have led to increased Arabica bean farming in Vietnam (Azavedo, 2021; Fortunel *et al.*, 2023). This movement is driven by a growing desire to taste new coffee flavors and experiences, as well as a recognition of the global market for Arabica beans in specialty coffee shops.

Recognizing the potential to improve the quality of Robusta beans, Vietnamese coffee growers and producers collaborated to improve their planting and processing techniques. This emphasis on quality enhancement aims to meet the evolving needs of discerning coffee consumers while also positioning Vietnam as a high-quality coffee producer (Nguyen & Sarker, 2018). The government intends to increase the flavor, aroma, and overall quality of its Robusta beans through programs like as improved farming practices, post-harvest processing procedures, and investments in cutting-edge equipment (Gunasekera *et al.*, 2017).

Within Ho Chi Minh City's thriving coffee scene, specialty coffee shops have emerged as havens for coffee enthusiasts seeking unique and artisanal experiences. These establishments provide a diverse range of coffee beans, brewing methods, and flavor profiles, allowing visitors to explore the world of coffee. The Workshop, a prominent specialty coffee store in Ho Chi Minh City, is known for its extensive menu of both local and imported coffee beans, as well as a range of brewing methods. 43 Factory Coffee Roaster specializes on high-quality roasting and brewing of imported coffee, with a focus on light roasts and customers seeking a refined coffee experience. 96B Cafe & Roastery stands out for its assortment of local and international beans, including unique blends that combine Vietnamese and Ethiopian coffees, resulting in a variety of flavor characteristics.

VCR Coffee Roastery, also known as Vietnam Coffee Republic, specializes in Vietnamese-style coffee and offers a cold brew bar and pour-over coffee to satisfy coffee enthusiasts. Saigon Coffee Roastery, located in an industrial building, offers a carefully curated range of both local and imported beans, as well as handcrafted wooden cookware. La Viet, recognized for its superb Arabica beans sourced from the picturesque Da Lat region, tantalizes the taste buds with its diverse roast profiles, displaying the diversity of Vietnamese coffee. Finally, A Coffeehouse's willingness to experiment with coffee roasting offers an immersive experience by showing a visible roaster at the cafe's back.

Although specialty coffee shops have gained popularity in Ho Chi Minh City, traditional coffee shops continue to have a particular place in the hearts of both locals and tourists seeking a more nostalgic experience (Tseng et al., 2018). The Coffeehouse, known for its gorgeous décor and Vietnamese coffee, adds a unique touch by serving coffee ice cubes to reduce dilution and create a refreshing twist (Luu & Westh, 2023; Vann, 2006). Highlands Coffee, also known as Vietnam's Starbucks, has multiple outlets and offers consumers a comfortable environment to drink their coffee (Fortunel, 2023).

To fully immerse oneself in the flavors of Vietnamese coffee, it is recommended to try a higher-quality Robusta bean, which may be purchased in specialty coffee shops. A traditional phin coffee brewing method with ice and condensed milk on the side is also worth trying because it embodies Vietnamese coffee culture (Brown, 2014; Budak, 2021). Ho Chi Minh City's coffee culture is a fascinating blend of tradition and change. With the rise of specialty coffee shops showcasing diverse flavors and brewing techniques, as well as efforts to increase the quality of Robusta beans and the continued appeal of classic coffee chains, coffee aficionados have.

Exploring the Coffee Value Chain and its Connection to Local Tourism in Vietnam

The Vietnamese coffee scene has changed dramatically in recent years, driven by the growing popularity of Arabica beans and efforts to increase the quality of Robusta beans (Liu *et al.*, 2019). In Vietnam, the coffee value chain encompasses all stages of production, from planting to consumption. Vietnam's coffee business stands out for its integration with local tourism, resulting in a mutually beneficial connection between the two sectors. This section examines the coffee value chain in Vietnam and its relationship to local tourism, drawing on Gereffi's (1994) Global Value Chain theory to better understand value-added activities and the symbiotic relationship between coffee and tourism.

The coffee value chain in Vietnam is a network of interconnected activities that contribute to coffee production, distribution, and consumption. Coffee is grown, processed, roasted, and consumed in coffee shops and cafés. Coffee farming is the cultivation of coffee plants, mostly Robusta but increasingly Arabica varieties, across multiple places in Vietnam (Hung, 2012). After harvest, the coffee cherries are processed, which includes depulping, fermentation, drying, sorting, and grading. The processed beans are next roasted to increase flavour and aroma before being distributed to coffee shops, cafés, and other retail locations for brewing and serving to customers (Poltronieri & Rossi, 2016).

Vietnam's coffee industry has recognized the potential for integrating coffee and local tourism to create a mutually beneficial relationship. Tourists visiting Vietnam are increasingly looking for unique and immersive experiences, and understanding the coffee value chain helps them connect with the country's rich coffee culture (Nghiem *et al.*, 2020). Coffee farms and processing facilities frequently offer guided tours, which allow visitors to learn about the coffee production process, interact with farmers, and even participate in harvesting or roasting activities. These interactions deepen tourists' connections to the local

coffee industry, creating an appreciation for the ingenuity and craftsmanship that goes into each cup of coffee (Will, 2013).

Gereffi's Global Value Chain Theory offers a framework for examining the value-adding activities in the coffee value chain and their relationship to local tourism. The concept highlights that value is created through a number of activities, including manufacturing, marketing, distribution, and consumption (Gereffi, 1994). Vietnamese coffee adds value at each stage of the value chain. Coffee producers help by growing high-quality beans, while processors guarantee that flavor and quality are preserved through proper processing techniques. Coffee roasters play a vital role in increasing the sensory experience of coffee, while coffee shops and cafes create a welcoming place for customers to enjoy their beverages. Tourists who engage in these value-added activities benefit the local economy by purchasing coffee products and attending coffee-related events such as farm tours or barista workshops (Gereffi, 1994).

The combination of coffee and tourism in Vietnam offers several advantages to both industries. Tourism raises the coffee industry's visibility and exposure to a wider audience, creating opportunities for market expansion and specialty coffee promotion (Zhang, 2014). Engaging with travelers encourages innovation and quality improvement across the coffee value chain. On the other hand, the tourist business benefits from the coffee industry's unique experiences, which attract coffee enthusiasts and generate a niche market for coffee tourism (Pan, 2023). Furthermore, combining coffee with tourism helps to diversify local economies, particularly in rural areas where coffee cultivation is a significant economic activity (Woyesa & Kumar, 2021).

The coffee value chain in Vietnam, which includes coffee cultivation, processing, roasting, and consumption, is intrinsically related to local tourism. The marriage of coffee with tourism creates a mutually advantageous relationship in which tourists interact with the coffee value chain, contributing to the local economy, while the coffee sector benefits from increased exposure and demand. Understanding the value-added activities in the coffee value chain and their relationship to local tourism sheds light on the dynamics of Vietnam's thriving coffee culture and its impact on the larger tourism industry. By fostering this integration, Vietnam's coffee industry may continue to grow while providing immersive and authentic experiences for coffee-loving tourists.

Empowering Local Economy and Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) through Coffee Tourism

The concept of strengthening local economies and small and medium-sized businesses (SMEs) is intrinsically linked to the argument over coffee tourism in Vietnam (Maspul, 2023). Aside from attracting international visitors, coffee-related tourism activities offer a unique opportunity to develop local communities by enabling small-scale coffee producers and businesses to thrive. This part will also look at SME empowerment in local economies and how it relates to sustainable coffee tourism in Vietnam, with a focus on the benefits of direct trade and collaboration between coffee growers and tourism operators (Civera *et al.*, 2019).

According to the notion of SME empowerment in local economies, supporting and empowering small businesses can help to boost local economic development. According to Andersen and Lema (2021), SMEs are important drivers of economic growth because they create jobs, stimulate innovation, and diversify local economies. Local communities can achieve long-term development and reduce economic disparities by empowering small enterprises. This approach is congruent with the context of coffee tourism in Vietnam, where small-scale coffee farmers and businesses play important roles in the local coffee value chain.

In Vietnam, coffee tourism fosters SME empowerment by allowing local producers to communicate directly with consumers, decreasing the need for intermediaries and ensuring they receive a fair share of the value created. Coffee tourism enables small-scale coffee growers to market their products, share their experiences, and sell directly to visitors. This direct trading method enables them to sidestep traditional supply chains, which usually disadvantage small manufacturers, and retain a greater portion of their sales (Barret *et al.*, 2022).

Another option for SME empowerment in coffee tourism is the formation of collaborations between coffee shops and local coffee producers. Collaboration with coffee shops benefits local farmers by providing access to a larger market and more consistent demand for their products (Maspul & Almalki, 2023). Coffee businesses, in turn, benefit from the unique selling points of locally sourced, high-quality coffee, which appeals to travelers who value authenticity and sustainability. These collaborations foster a win-win situation in which both parties profit from each other's success while simultaneously boosting local economic development (Hjalager, 2010).

Sustainable coffee tourism encompasses not just economic empowerment, but also environmental and social sustainability. The notions of sustainability in coffee tourism include activities that limit negative environmental impact, promote cultural preservation, and protect the welfare of local populations (Civera *et al.*, 2019). Coffee tourism in Vietnam can benefit both SMEs and the environment in the long run by implementing sustainable practices and attracting conscientious travelers seeking authentic experiences that align with their values (Mowforth & Munt, 2015).

Sustainable coffee tourism in Vietnam strengthens local economies and SMEs, creating opportunities for local economic development. Coffee tourism promotes equitable distribution and local business growth by connecting small-scale coffee farmers with customers and fostering ties between coffee shops and local growers. Furthermore, by embracing sustainability principles, coffee tourism may provide long-term advantages to both the environment and local communities. Understanding the notion of SME empowerment in local economies and applying it to coffee tourism can help Vietnam's coffee industry achieve equitable and sustainable growth.

Innovative Steps towards a Sustainable Future for the Coffee Value Chain in Vietnam

Vietnam has taken innovative initiatives to improve sustainability and quality throughout the coffee value chain, assuring its long-term viability and production. This section will look at Vietnam's specific measures to ensure the coffee industry's long-term success. These stages include using sustainable growing practices, investing in R&D, and training coffee specialists. These approaches are congruent with Seuring and Müller's (2008) sustainable value chain approach, which emphasizes social, economic, and environmental sustainability.

Vietnam recognizes the importance of sustainable farming techniques across the coffee value chain. Vietnamese coffee growers use eco-friendly growing strategies such as agroforestry, water management, and soil conservation to decrease their negative impact on ecosystems and sustain biodiversity (Nguyen *et al.*, 2020; Le *et al.*, 2021). Furthermore, encouraging organic coffee production reduces the need for synthetic inputs, enhances soil health, and protects the health of farmers and consumers. These sustainable agricultural practices not only contribute to the coffee industry's environmental sustainability, but also increase the quality and marketability of Vietnamese coffee.

Vietnam has invested heavily in R&D to improve the quality of its coffee. Working with research institutions and industry experts, the country wants to improve farming techniques, generate disease-

resistant coffee varieties, and introduce innovative processing technology (Do *et al.*, 2021). These programs not only produce higher-quality coffee, but they also improve coffee crop resistance to climate change and pests. Research and development activities ensure that Vietnam's coffee industry remains competitive in the global market and satisfies evolving consumer demands (Alonso-Monasterio, 2019).

Recognizing the value of human resources in the coffee value chain, Vietnam has prioritized the training of coffee professionals (Do *et al.*, 2020). Training programs and capacity-building initiatives aim to enhance the knowledge and abilities of coffee producers, processors, roasters, and baristas. These courses include a variety of topics, such as agricultural best practices, processing techniques, cupping and sensory analysis, and barista skills. Vietnam promotes high-quality coffee production by equipping coffee specialists with the necessary skills (Nguyen & Serker, 2018).

Vietnam's pioneering efforts to establish a sustainable coffee value chain are congruent with the approach given by Seuring and Müller (2008). This approach emphasizes the convergence of social, economic, and environmental sustainability. Vietnam addresses social issues such as farmer well-being, economic issues such as market competitiveness and profitability, and environmental issues such as biodiversity conservation and climate change mitigation through the implementation of sustainable farming practices, R&D investments, and the development of coffee professionals' skills. This comprehensive approach ensures that Vietnam's coffee industry is viable in the long run (Naseem *et al.*, 2010).

In addition to supporting sustainability, Vietnam's creative initiatives seek to maintain the country's particular coffee heritage. The country's rich coffee culture, along with old coffee houses and unique brewing methods, enhances the whole coffee experience. Vietnam differentiates itself in the global coffee industry by investing in the preservation and promotion of its cultural heritage, attracting coffee enthusiasts seeking authentic and immersive experiences. Preservation of cultural heritage adds value to the coffee value chain and improves Vietnam's competitiveness (Burnham, 2019; Maspul, 2023b).

The Vietnamese coffee industry has taken innovative steps to ensure the coffee value chain's long-term stability. Adopting sustainable growing practices, investing in R&D, and developing the skills of coffee professionals all contribute to social, economic, and environmental sustainability. These measures align with the sustainable value chain framework and ensure that Vietnam's coffee sector remains competitive, resilient, and capable of satisfying the evolving needs of the global coffee community. Furthermore, by preserving its particular coffee history, Vietnam adds cultural value to its coffee industry, attracting visitors and coffee enthusiasts from around the world.

Lessons for Global Coffee Community Development

Vietnam's coffee industry is a source of immense inspiration and learning for the global coffee community. Vietnam has created a strong coffee value chain by incorporating coffee into its tourism business, positioning it as a desirable destination for coffee enthusiasts. This section digs into the lessons that may be derived from Vietnam's success, with a focus on coffee tourism, local economy empowerment, sustainability, and continuous innovation along the coffee value chain.

Vietnam's success in integrating coffee into its tourism business demonstrates the power of coffee tourism and place branding. Coffee tourism is the use of a coffee-producing region's unique characteristics to attract visitors interested in experiencing the local coffee culture (Luu & Westh, 2023). Vietnam has successfully positioned itself as a must-see destination for coffee enthusiasts by associating it with excellent coffee and offering immersive coffee experiences to visitors. This coffee-tourism integration adheres to the notion of place branding, which asserts that a particular location becomes associated with

a specific product or experience (Kavaratzis, 2004). Other coffee-producing countries should follow Vietnam's lead and look into the potential of coffee tourism to boost their economy and raise global awareness.

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Vietnam's emphasis on sustainability and continuous innovation throughout the coffee value chain establishes a benchmark for the global coffee community. Vietnam exemplifies the importance of adapting to changing market demands while prioritizing environmental stewardship by introducing environmentally friendly growing practices, investing in R&D, and enhancing the skills of coffee professionals (Pham *et al.*, 2020). Sustainable approaches benefit not only the coffee industry's long-term viability, but also the quality and marketability of the coffee it produces. Other coffee-producing countries should learn from Vietnam's example by implementing sustainable farming techniques, investing in R&D, and prioritizing skill development to ensure the sustainability and competitiveness of their own coffee value chains.

Vietnam's coffee industry gives valuable lessons to the global coffee community. Coffee tourism and place branding have successfully integrated coffee into the tourism industry, demonstrating coffee's capacity to attract visitors and boost local economies (Maspul, 2023). Furthermore, Vietnam's emphasis on local economic empowerment, sustainability, and continuous innovation throughout the coffee value chain highlights the need of fair trade, environmental stewardship, and adaptation to changing market needs. Learning from Vietnam's experiences can assist other coffee-producing countries in developing their own sustainable and successful coffee economies, encouraging economic development and strengthening their global position in the coffee industry.

CONCLUSION

The coffee industry in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, is not only a dynamic part of the local culture, but it also contributes significantly to tourism and economic growth. With Vietnam's standing as a top producer of Robusta coffee and its expanding presence in the specialty coffee market, the government's support for the coffee industry has strengthened its global position. The city's coffee sector, which combines traditional coffee culture with contemporary methods, provides a wide range of experiences, from conventional coffee shops to specialty roasteries. The incorporation of coffee into local tourism activities, such as farm visits and coffee-related events, has resulted in a mutually beneficial partnership between the coffee business and the tourism sector. Furthermore, Vietnam's emphasis on sustainability, quality improvement, and SME empowerment serves as a shining example for the global coffee community, providing invaluable lessons in developing a resilient and healthy coffee economy. Vietnam's coffee business illustrates a holistic approach to coffee production and tourism that other nations might emulate to promote economic growth and sustainability in their own coffee industries.

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