

An ancient ceramic village in Hoi An

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Located in the city of Hoi An in central Quang Nam province, the ancient ceramic village of Thanh Ha has existed for more than 500 years, and has well upheld its traditional craft of making ceramics. In the 15th century, artisans from Thanh Hoa province settled in Hoi An and established the village. They practiced their traditional craft and handed it down to the present-day potters. In the 16th and 17th centuries, the craft flourished together with the rapid development of Hoi An, providing ceramic products to the whole central region.

Thanh Ha ceramics and other crafts, such as Kim Bong wood making, Cam Kim mat making and Tra Que vegetable growing, have contributed to the creation of a series of craft villages around Hoi An city. Ceramic products of different shapes and sizes are produced at Thanh Ha, including pots, bowls, vases, cups, jars, bricks, tiles, and other things of artistic values. Currently, about 20 local households are engaged in making ceramics, which are renowned for their unique features, distinctive characteristics, and special colours as they are manually made and burned in kilns.



A corner of ceramic craft village.



An ancient temple in Thanh Ha village.



Making ceramic products in a traditional way.



Heating ceramics.



Preparing raw materials.



Working in pairs.



Shaping ceramic products.



Traditional ceramic products.



Decorating pottery products.



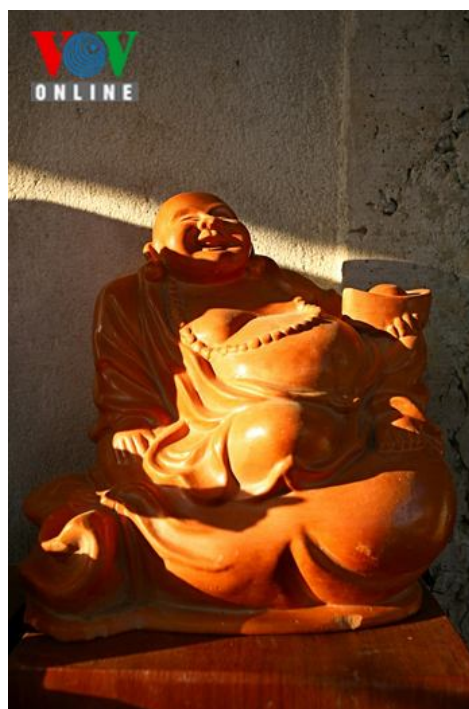
New designs.



Cau (Bridge) Pagoda.



Sculpturing with a flourish.





A good try by tourists.



A model of ceramic cultural park.