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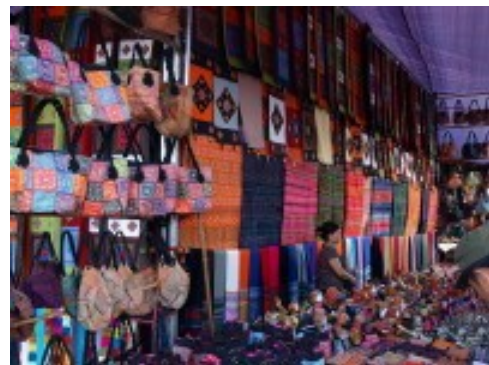
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Northwest Vietnam

I recently went on a trip to Vietnam, including some of the area northwest of Ha Noi.

Here are some sights from Bac Ha Sunday market, when the Flower H'mong people, a minority hill-tribe group, come to sell their wares. The Flower H'mong women wear several layers of dazzling clothing, made from tightly woven strips of multi-coloured fabric. Highly ornate cuffs and ankle fabrics are also part of their costume.



The town of Sa Pa was established as a hill station by the French in 1922. It overlooks a plunging valley of cascading rice terraces, with mountains towering above on all sides. The area is home to the Black H'mong hill-tribe. The Black H'mong people grow rice and corn as their staple food. The making of corn wine is also a specialty.

