

Review of: "Ancient Houses in Ben Tre City: A Multifaceted Approach to Preserve Artistic Architectural Heritage and Boost Local Tourism"

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The article deals with the potential present in TRE BEN CITY for tourist development based on the valorisation of the buildings built during the period of French occupation (1920s).

While the topic is interesting from a historical and economic point of view, it is not complete with the necessary information on individual buildings.

The tourist expectations in terms of attendance are not identified.

The economic benefits are not quantified.

The article does not identify what the uses for the identified buildings will be.

The article does not deal with the technical problems of conservation. The few indications are generic and should be supported by an executive project and a cost estimate in order to have a cost-benefit analysis.

The slant of the article should be more specific:

- Historical: knowledge of cultural heritage
- Economic: economic benefits of preserving these buildings
- · Architectural functional: what can be the best functions to attribute to buildings
- Technical: indication of the structural, architectural, and plant engineering works necessary for best use.

It is suggested to delve deeper into the different themes, including in various scientific articles.