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

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This article deals with a subject of great interest: the preservation of heritage understood from multiple dimensions. Although the way in which it is structured raises doubts, if it is a research article, it is very important to detail the methodology. It is also essential to include a theoretical framework section, especially in the case of qualitative research. In any case, a literature review section is necessary in order to know the state of the art.

I also believe that the authors should reflect on the line of development of the article, i.e., whether they want to focus on the material values that these buildings possess or on the power dynamics that underlie heritage issues. Depending on the focus, it would have to be related to the work of classical authors who have previously dealt with the subject. For example, in the case of cultural transmission, mentioning Régis Debray would be of interest.

For the moment, the article tries to cover these dimensions without the necessary depth, which detracts from the value of the article.

I would also suggest that authors avoid opinionated phrases and use more neutral expressions.