

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 topic is of great interest in terms of preserving a region's heritage and identity.

However, the structure of the article is not clear.

It needs an introduction that includes:

- Contextualisation of the article. Why and how does it come about?
- Its objectives. What is the aim of this article?
- The methodology used
- The results obtained or expected

The methodology is missing. The bibliographical research could be more consistent and broader. Although there is no specific information on the Ben Tre City case, information could be used by analogy; for example, what has been done in the French neighbourhood of Ha Noi or in Hoi An city. Both are examples of heritage and identity preservation with touristic and locals utilisation, which are widely recognised and publicised.

There is a lack of overall images. There is a lack of urban cartography that allows us to read the relationship between the houses and the existing urban fabric, as well as the relationship/articulation between the houses and the surrounding space and landscape.

Results are lacking. If there are no results at the end, those expected at the conclusion of this article should be presented. For example, the completion of the aforementioned inventory could be a result, as well as a proposal for the use/dissemination of these houses and their ensemble. Of this landscape space.