



MYANMAR
Tour Planner

ICS
TRAVEL GROUP
icstravelgroup.com

ICS TRAVEL GROUP is one of the first international DMCs to open own offices in our destinations and has since become a market leader throughout the Mekong region, Indonesia and India. As such, we can offer you the following advantages:



Global Network.

With a centralised reservations centre/head office in Bangkok and 7 sales offices.

Local Knowledge and Network.

We have operations offices on the ground at every major destination - making us your incountry expert for your every need.

Quality Experience.

Our goal is to provide a seamless travel experience for your clients.

Competitive Hotel Rates.

We have contract rates with over 1000 hotels and pride ourselves on having the most attractive pricing strategies in the region.

Full Range of Services and Products.

Wherever your clients want to go and whatever they want to do, we can do it. Our portfolio includes the complete range of products for leisure and niche travellers alike.

Rapid Response.

All quotation and booking requests are answered promptly and accurately, with no exceptions.

Innovative Online Booking Engine.

Our booking and feedback systems are unrivalled in the industry.

Creative MICE team.

Our team of experienced travel professionals in each country is accustomed to handling multi-national incentives.

International Standards / Financial Stability

All our operational offices are fully licensed and financially stable. All guides and drivers are thoroughly trained and licensed.





Contents

Introduction 3



Tours 4



Cruises 20



Hotels 24

Yangon 24

Mandalay 30

Bagan 34

Mount Popa 37

Inle Lake 38

Nyaung Shwe 41

Ngapali 42

Pyay 45

Mrauk U 45

Ngwe Saung 46



Excursions 48



MYANMAR |

Myanmar is Asia at its best. More than any other Asian country, Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, has preserved its cultures and traditions. Myanmar is a deeply religious Buddhist country and is well known by travellers for its abundance of sights and sounds, interesting cultures, diversity of nature and most of all for its charming and friendly people. A kind of magic shrouds the whole land with its tropical plains, the Himalayan highlands, teak-filled jungle and the Irrawaddy River.



Myanmar Classic 2, 9 days |

**Day 1 Yangon |**

Arrive in Yangon and transfer to hotel for check in. Yangon lies in the fertile delta of southern Myanmar, on the wide Yangon River. The city is filled with tree-shaded boulevards, while shimmering stupas float above the treetops. The city became the capital only in 1885, when the British completed the conquest of Upper Myanmar and Mandalay's brief period as capital of the last Burmese kingdom ended. Start to discover this exciting city by visiting the SULE PAGODA. The pagoda's peculiarity is its octagonal-shaped stupa, which retains its shape as it tapers to the spire. Proceed to the KANDAWGYI LAKE, also known as the Royal Lake, which is a good place for strolling and picnicking. The lake is attractive at sunset when the glittering Shwedagon pagoda is reflected in its calm waters. Continue to BOGYOKE AUNG SAN MARKET, also known as Scott Market, this building contains over 2000 stalls and is the best place in Yangon to browse through the complete range of local handicrafts. Finally visit the SHWEDAGON PAGODA, the highlight of any visit to Yangon, this pagoda dates back about 2500 years and was built to house eight sacred hairs of the Buddha. Its bell-shaped superstructure, resting on a terraced base, is covered in about 60 tons of gold-leaf, which is continuously being replaced. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colors of twilight. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 2 Yangon - Bagan |

Take a flight from Yangon to Bagan. Bagan is a spectacular plain stretching away from the Irrawaddy River, dotted with thousands of 800-year old temple ruins. Although human habitation at Bagan dates back almost to the beginning of the Christian era, Bagan only entered its golden period with the conquest of Thaton in 1057 AD. Begin the sightseeing tour by visiting SHWEZIGON PAYA, a pagoda partly built by King Anawrahta to enshrine some relics of Buddha. The stupa's graceful bell shape became a prototype for virtually all later stupas over Myanmar. Proceed to GUBYAUKHYI TEMPLE at Wetkyi-Inn. This Temple with its distinguished architecture was built in the early 13th century and has great colourful painting about the previous life of Buddha. Continue to ANANDAPAHTO, one of the finest, largest, best preserved and most revered of the Bagan temples. Continue to GUBYAUKGYI TEMPLE at Myinkaba. This temple is famous for its well-preserved Stuccos from the 12th century on the outside walls and has magnificent paintings considered to be among the oldest ones in Bagan. Thereafter visit the MANUHA TEMPLE which enshrines the unusual combination of 3 seated and one reclining image Buddha.



Afterwards visit SHWESANDAW PAYA, the first monument in Bagan, which features stairways leading up from the square bottom terraces to the round base of the Stupa. This Pagoda is ideal to watch Bagan's magnificent sunsets. Last but not least take the opportunity to learn about the painstaking process of lacquerware making and decoration in one of the LACQUERWARE WORKSHOP in the villages around Bagan. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 3 Bagan |

Today's excursion leads to MOUNT POPA, a curiously cylindrical hill rising sharply from the surrounding plain and is considered to be the home of the country's most important nats (spirits). Visitors ascend up a winding covered staircase encircling the mountain, observed by the curious monkeys that populate the area. At the top is a monastery and temple complex, with shrines to the 37 nats and a spectacular view over the region. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 4 Mandalay |

Take a flight from Bagan to Mandalay, a city considered to be the cultural and religious capital of Myanmar, with a long history stretching back to religious time being also the last capital of royal Burma. This day tour visits three former royal capitals, each with its own unique atmosphere. In the morning, drive to AMARAPURA, and visit MAHAGANDAYON MONASTERY. Every day at mid-morning, monks and novices line up to receive their daily offering of alms and food from faithful Buddhists. Next, head to SAGAING, the spiritual centre of Myanmar. Hundreds of stupas, monasteries, temples and nunneries are to be found in Sagaing Hill, also known as a living Bagan. Thousands of monks and nuns retreat here for meditation and contemplation. Stop at some of the most famous temples, such as TUPAYON PAYA and HSINMYASHIN PAYA, the Pagoda of many Elephants. Cross the river by ferry to INWA, situated on the banks of the Irrawaddy River.

Once a royal capital, Inwa is now a quiet rural oasis. Enjoy a leisurely horse-cart ride around the peaceful countryside, briefly visiting BAGAYA KYAUNG, a beautiful teak wood monastery, MAHA AUNGME BOZAN KYANG, and NAN MYINT TOWER. On the way, stop and observe how local artisans make the famous alms bowls out of iron. Finally, return to AMARAPURA, to end the day at U BEIN'S BRIDGE, a picturesque teak bridge which extends over one kilometre across Taungthaman Lake. At dusk, the bridge teems with monks and local people as they stroll home or linger to enjoy the colours of the sunset. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 5 Mandalay |

Continue to discover the fascinating city and begin the tour at MAHAMUNI PAYA. The Mahamuni image enshrined here is perhaps the most venerated image in Myanmar, covered in over 15 cm of gold leaf. Worshippers flock daily to the shrine at four in the morning to observe the unique face-washing ceremony. Afterwards, head to SHWENANDAW KYAUNG, also called the Golden Teak Monastery. Continue to KYAUKAWGYI PAYA, famous for its monumental seated Buddha, carved from a single block of marble, and the elegant SANDAMANI PAYA. Finally, visit KUTHODAW PAYA, known also as the world's biggest book. Around the central stupa are miniature pavilions, housing altogether 729 slabs of marble inscribed with the entire Tripitkata, the Buddhist scriptures. In the afternoon take an excursion by boat to MINGUN. Enjoy the atmosphere of the river life - fishing villages, market boats, women attending to their washing, and children playing in the water. Explore the ruins of the vast MINGUN PAYA, a monument to human ambition. After visiting other nearby pagodas, return downstream by boat to Mandalay. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 6 Mandalay - Kalaw |

Transfer by vehicle from Mandalay to Kalaw, a popular hill station in the British days. Kalaw sits high on the western edge of the Shan Plateau. The small population is a mix of Shan, Indian Muslim, Bamar and Nepali. Overnight in Kalaw.

Day 7 Kalaw - Inle Lake |

Discover the peaceful and idyllic town by visiting THEIN TAUNG PAYA, a temple perched on the hill overlooking the Thazi-Taunggyi Road. Proceed to AUNG CHANG THA ZEDI, a glittering stupa covered in gold-coloured mosaics. Thereafter admire the DHAMMA YON two-storey temple and its fair views of the town, Dhamma Yanhi Paya and the ruins of the Hsu Taung Pye Paya. Continue to HSU TAUNG PYE PAYA and NEE PAYA with its gold lacquered bamboo Buddha. Finally proceed to the CHRIST THE KING CHURCH: a brick Catholic Church under the supervision of the Burmese Father Paul, and the Italian Father Angelo Di Meo, who have been in Myanmar since 1931. Discover the surrounding plateau by trekking to the villages inhabited by people of the Palaung and Pao tribes. Continue the journey by vehicle and boat from Kalaw to Inle Lake. Overnight in Inle Lake.



Day 8 Inle Lake - Heho - Yangon |

The beautiful and calm lake, rimmed by high hills is located in Shan State and is dotted with idyllic patches of floating vegetation and fishing canoes. The lake's shore and islands bear 17 villages on stilts, mostly inhabited by the Intha people. During the boat excursion, enjoy the spectacular scenery and observe the skilled fisherman using their leg-rowing technique to propel themselves around the lake. Visit the floating gardens, a market and an Intha village around the lake. The day sightseeing also includes a visit to the PHAUNG DAW OO PAGODA, INN PAW KHON VILLAGE, known for their Lotus and silk weaving skills and the NGA PHE KYAUNG MONASTERY. Finally travel by vehicle from Inle Lake to Heho and from there take a flight to Yangon. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 9 Yangon |

Transfer to airport. End of the tour.

REMARK | Please note that there are several tour options on offer with various tour routings. For more details and tour options please visit our Tariff Online and/ or our ICS website.

Temples and Sands, 7 days |

Day 1 Yangon |

Upon arrival in Yangon, transfer to the hotel to check in. Yangon lies in the fertile delta of southern Myanmar, on the wide Yangon River. The city is filled with tree-shaded boulevards, while shimmering stupas float above the treetops. The city became the capital only in 1885, when the British completed the conquest of Upper Myanmar and Mandalay's brief period as capital of the last Burmese kingdom ended. Start to discover this exciting city by visiting the SULE PAGODA, a gleaming octagonal pagoda that stands squarely at the centre of the city. Afterwards, visit the NATIONAL MUSEUM to gain an insight into Myanmar's history, art and culture other fascinating artefacts. Finally, continue to the SHWEDAGON PAGODA, the highlight of any visit to Yangon. Towering over the city, this pagoda is the most sacred spot in the country, built to house eight hair relics of the Buddha. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colors of twilight. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 2 Yangon - Bagan |

Transfer from hotel to airport for a flight from Yangon to Bagan. The city is a spectacular plain stretching away from the Irrawaddy River, dotted with thousands of 800-year old temple ruins. Start a day of sightseeing by visiting SHWEZIGON PAYA, a pagoda partly build by King Anawrahta to enshrine some relics of Buddha. The stupa's graceful bell shape became a prototype for virtually all later stupas over Myanmar. Proceed to GUBYAUKHYI TEMPLE at Wetkyi-Inn. This Temple with its distinguished architecture was built in the early 13th century and has great colorful painting about the previous life of Buddha. Continue to ANANDA PAHTO, one of the finest, largest, best preserved and most revered of the Bagan temples. Continue to GUBYAUKGYI TEMPLE at Myinkaba. This temple is famous for its well-preserved Stuccos from the 12th century on the outside walls and has magnificent paintings considered to be among the oldest ones in Bagan. Thereafter visit the MANUHA TEMPLE which enshrines the unusual combination of 3 seated and one reclining Buddha image. Afterwards visit SHWESANDAW PAYA, the first monument in Bagan, which features stairways leading up from the square bottom terraces to the round base of the Stupa. This Pagoda is ideal to watch Bagan's magnificent sunsets. Last but not least take the opportunity to learn about the painstaking process of lacquerware making and decoration in one of the LACQUERWARE WORKSHOP in the villages around Bagan. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 3 Bagan |

Today's excursion includes a visit to MOUNT POPA and SALAY. MOUNT POPA is a curiously cylindrical hill rising sharply from the surrounding plain and is considered to be the home of country's most important nats (spirits). Visitors ascend up a winding covered staircase encircling the mountain, observed by the curious monkeys that populate the area. At the top is a monastery and temple complex with shrines for the 37 nats and a spectacular view over the region. Continue and explore the local life in the unspoiled Burmese town SALAY, the oldest surviving wooden monastery, with beautiful carvings of court life and scenes from the Ramayana. Continue to wander around the town, visiting the market and the Thar Ta Na Yang Chi monastery, which also serves as orphanage. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 4 Bagan - Ngapali |

Transfer to the airport for a flight from Bagan to Thandwe. Upon arrival in Thandwe continue to Ngapali to check in. Ngapali is named by homesick Italian sailors after their beloved Naples and is an unforgettably peaceful retreat. Overnight in Ngapali.

Day 5 Ngapali |

Free day at leisure. Overnight in Ngapali.

Day 6 Ngapali |

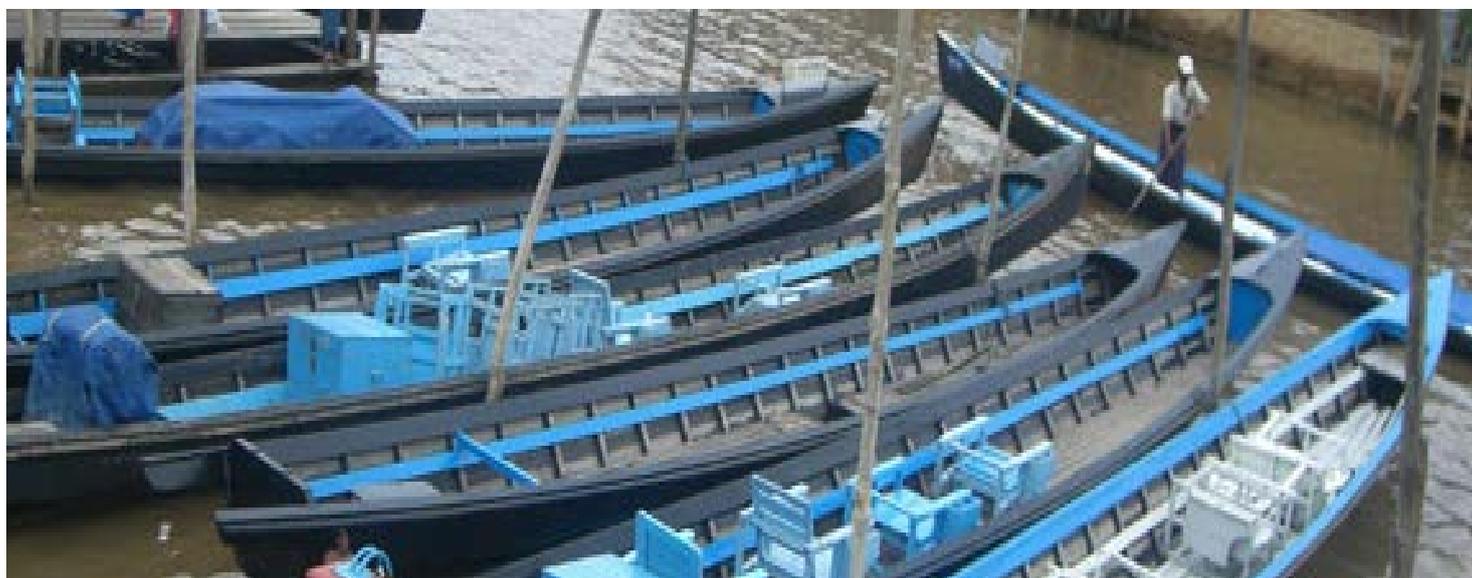
Free day at leisure. Overnight in Ngapali.

Day 7 Ngapali |

Transfer from hotel to airport and catch a flight from Thandwe to Yangon. End of the tour.



Temples and Sands



Myanmar Odyssey, 20 days |

Day 1 Yangon |

Arrival in Yangon and transfer to the hotel for check in. Yangon lies in the fertile delta of southern Myanmar, on the wide Yangon River. The city is filled with tree-shaded boulevards, while shimmering stupas float above the treetops. The city became the capital only in 1885, when the British completed the conquest of Upper Myanmar and Mandalay's brief period as capital of the last Burmese kingdom ended. Transfer to hotel and overnight in Yangon.

Day 2 Yangon |

Start to discover this exciting city by visiting the SULE PAGODA, a gleaming octagonal pagoda that stands squarely at the centre of the city. Afterwards, visit the NATIONAL MUSEUM to gain an insight into Myanmar's history, art and culture, such as the eight meter high Sihasana Lion Throne, used by the last Burmese king, and other fascinating artifacts. Enjoy a break at BOGYOKE AUNG SAN (SCOTT) MARKET, a pleasant and lively market containing crafts, gems and fabrics from all corners of Myanmar.



The beautiful and calm lake, rimmed by high hills is located in Shan State and is dotted with idyllic patches of floating vegetation and fishing canoes. Enjoy the spectacular scenery and observe the skilled fisherman using their leg-rowing technique to propel themselves around the lake. Visit the floating gardens, a market and an Intha village around the lake. The day sightseeing also includes a visit to the PHAUNG DAW OO PAGODA, INN PAW KHON VILLAGE, known for their Lotus and silk weaving skills and the NGA PHE KYAUNG MONASTERY. Overnight in Inle Lake.

Day 5 Inle Lake |

Tour's excursion by boat to the western shore of the lake, leads to a stairway to the hidden INDEIN temple complex. Located on the shore of the lake, this site consists of hundreds of small stupas overgrown by moss and greens. Continue by foot past rice fields to the village of SAE MA. Take the opportunity to explore the village and the local school and in the afternoon meet the people of the villages on the lake. Before returning by boat to the hotel, visit one of the monasteries to observe the interesting monastic activities. Overnight in Inle Lake.



In the afternoon, visit a few of the well known pagodas, including BOTATAUNG PAGODA, named after the 1000 military leaders who escorted relics of the Buddha from India over 2000 years ago, and NGADATKYI PAYA, with a giant seated Buddha image. Finally, continue to the SHWEDAGON PAGODA, the highlight of any visit to Yangon. Towering over the city, this pagoda is the most sacred spot in the country, built to house eight hair relics of the Buddha. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colors of twilight. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 3 Yangon - Heho - Pindaya |

Take a flight from Yangon to Heho and from there on continue by vehicle to Pindaya. Discover the fascinating PINDAYA CAVES, ensconced in a limestone ridge overlooking the lake. Inside the cavern there are more than 8000 Buddha images arranged in such a way as to form a labyrinth throughout the various cave chambers. Near by the caves, just below the ridge visit SHWE U MIN PAYA, a cluster of low stupas. Overnight in Pindaya.

Day 4 Pindaya - Inle Lake |

Take a trip by vehicle from Pindaya to the Inle Lake where one can enjoy a pleasant boat excursion.

Day 6 Inle Lake |

Journey up into the mountains through beautiful landscapes, passing to Pa O villages and the opportunity to visit a market on the way. Explore the magnificent KAKKU TEMPLE COMPLEX, a collection of over 2000 Buddhist stupas that date from the 12th and 13th centuries concentrated in the space of one square km. Several Buddha statues lie scattered around the ruins, overgrown with vegetation. Return to Nyaung Shwe by vehicle and transfer by boat to the hotel. Overnight in Inle Lake.

Day 7 Inle Lake - Heho - Mandalay |

Take first a jetty back to the mainland and then a vehicle to Heho. From Heho take a flight to Mandalay. Relax in the afternoon and overnight in Mandalay.

Day 8 Mandalay |

While Yangon is the economic capital of the country, Mandalay is considered the cultural and religious capital of Myanmar, with a long history stretching back to religious time being also the last capital of royal Burma. In the morning, head to MAHAMUNI PAYA. The Mahamuni image enshrined here is perhaps the most venerated image in Myanmar, covered in over 15 cm of gold leaf.

Worshippers flock daily to the shrine at four in the morning to observe the unique face-washing ceremony. En route to the pagoda, stop to observe the laborious process of gold-leaf beating, where gold is painstakingly hammered into tissue-thin squares. Before lunch, visit a CRAFT WORKSHOP specializing in one of the arts for which the city is famous: bronze-casting, marble-carving, wood-carving, or puppetry. The afternoon's tour includes some of the city's most interesting temples and palaces. Begin at SHWENANDAW KYAUNG, also called the Golden Teak Monastery. Continue to KYAUKAWGYI PAYA, famous for its monumental seated Buddha, carved from a single block of marble, and the elegant SANDAMANI PAYA. Finally, visit KUTHODAW PAYA, known also as the world's biggest book. Around the central stupa are miniature pavilions, housing altogether 729 slabs of marble inscribed with the entire Tripitkata, or Buddhist scriptures. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 9 Mandalay |

This day tour visits three former royal capitals, each with its own unique atmosphere. In the morning, drive to AMARAPURA, and visit MAHAGANDAYON MONASTERY, every day at mid-morning, monks and novices line up to receive their daily offering of alms and food from faithful Buddhists. Next, head to SAGAING, the spiritual

centre of Myanmar. Hundreds of stupas, monasteries, temples and nunneries are to be found in Sagaing Hill, also known as a living Bagan. Stop at some of the most famous temples, such as TUPAYON PAYA and HSINMYASHIN PAYA, the Pagoda of Many Elephants. Cross the river by ferry to INWA, situated on the banks of the Irrawaddy River. Once a royal capital, Inwa is now a quiet rural oasis. Enjoy a leisurely horse-cart ride around the peaceful countryside, briefly visiting BAGAYA KYAUNG, a beautiful teak wood monastery, MAHA AUNGME BOZAN KYANG, and NAN MYINT TOWER. On the way, stop and observe how local artisans make the famous alms bowls out of iron. Finally, return to AMARAPURA, to end the day at U BEIN'S BRIDGE, a picturesque teak bridge which extends over one kilometre across Taungthaman Lake. At dusk, the bridge teems with monks and local people as they stroll home or linger to enjoy the colors of the sunset. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 10 Mandalay |

Travel upriver by boat to MINGUN, enjoy the atmosphere of the river life - fishing villages, market boats, women attending to their washing, and children playing in the water. Explore the ruins of the vast MINGUN PAYA, a monument to human ambition. After visiting other nearby pagodas, return downstream by boat to Mandalay.



Back in Mandalay visit Zeigyo (Zay Cho) where just about everything made in Myanmar can be found, from everyday consumer goods to jewelery and fine fabrics. Finish this exciting day in a relaxing atmosphere on Mandalay Hill at sunset. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 11 Mandalay |

Journey northeast, across the plains, uphill twisting roads into the hills where one can enjoy a spectacular view. Discover the fascinating town PYIN OO LWIN, home to Nepalis and Indians due to its role as British hill station during the colonial era. It has a very pleasant climate because of the altitude and offers refreshing cool air even during the hot season. Visit the BOTANICAL GARDEN which was built up by Turkish prisoners during World War II. Admire the PURCELL TOWER, a clock tower near the town entrance which was a present from Queen Victoria. On the top of the hill at NAUNG KAN GYL PAYA enjoy a wonderful view on the idyllic town. Continue to the CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, a 100-year-old church featuring a large brick sanctuary, a bell tower with impressive vaulted wooden ceilings and a well appointed interior. Finally proceed to the PEIKCHIN CAVES. This large Hindu-Buddhist shrine cave was developed by local Nepalis and is adorned with modern Buddha images and models of Myanmar's most famous pagodas. Return and overnight in Mandalay.

Day 12 Mandalay - Bagan |

Take a trip by vehicle from Mandalay to Bagan. Bagan is a spectacular plain stretching away from the Irrawaddy River, dotted with thousands of 800-year old temple ruins. Although human habitation at Bagan dates back almost to the beginning of the Christian era, Bagan only entered its golden period with the conquest of Thaton in 1057 AD. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 13 Bagan |

Start a day of sightseeing by visiting SHWEZIGON PAYA, a pagoda partly built by King Anawrahta to enshrine relics of Buddha. The stupa's graceful bell shape became a prototype for virtually all later stupas over Myanmar. Proceed to GUBYAUKHYI TEMPLE at Wetkyi-Inn. This Temple with its distinguished architecture was built in the early 13th century and has great colorful painting about the previous life of Buddha. Continue to ANANDA PAHTO, one of the finest, largest, best preserved and most revered of the Bagan temples. Continue to GUBYAUKGYI TEMPLE at Myinkaba. This temple is famous for its well-preserved Stuccos from the 12th century on the outside walls and has magnificent paintings considered to be among the oldest ones in Bagan. Thereafter, visit the MANUHA TEMPLE which enshrines the unusual combination of 3 seated and one reclining image Buddha.

Afterwards visit SHWESANDAW PAYA, the first monument in Bagan, which features stairways leading up from the square bottom terraces to the round base of the Stupa. This Pagoda is ideal to watch Bagan's magnificent sunsets. Last but not least take the opportunity to learn about the painstaking process of lacquerware making and decoration in one of the LACQUERWARE WORKSHOP by the villages around Bagan. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 14 Bagan |

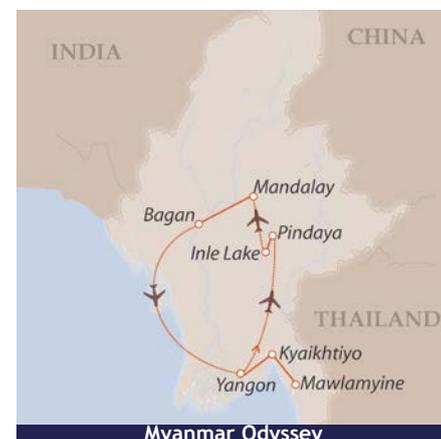
Today's excursion includes a visit to MOUNT POPA and SALAY. MOUNT POPA is a curiously cylindrical hill rising sharply from the surrounding plain and is considered to be the home of the country's most important nats (spirits). Visitors ascend up a winding covered staircase encircling the mountain, observed by the curious monkeys that populate the area. At the top is a monastery and temple complex, with shrines to the 37 nats and a spectacular view over the region. Descent from Mount Popa and explore the local life in the nearby unspoiled Burmese town SALAY. It is the oldest surviving wooden monastery with beautiful carvings of court life and scenes from the Ramayana. Wander around the town, visiting the market and the Thar Ta Na Young Chi monastery, which also serves as orphanage. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 15 Bagan |

The last full day in Bagan is filled with sightseeing highlights. Start at the MAHABODHI TEMPLE, that was inspired by the Mahabodhi at Bodh Gaya in India and was built during the reign of King Nantaungmya in the 12th century. Temples of this nature only appeared during the Late Bagan period and the Mahabodhi is the only one of this style. Continue to visit the DHAMAYANGYI TEMPLE, said to have one of the finest brickwork in Bagan but it is still unclear by which King the construction was started. Lastly proceed to one of the tallest monuments in Bagan, the 61 meters high THATBYINNYU TEMPLE built also in the 12th century by King Alaungsithu. Relax in the afternoon and overnight in Bagan.

Day 16 Bagan - Yangon - Kyaikhtiyo |

Take a flight from Bagan to Yangon and continue by vehicle west towards BAGO. Bago is a historic city originally founded in 573 AD by Thamala and Wimala, two Mon brothers of noble birth. Visit a typical local monastery to observe the daily lives of the monks, and then continue to the lifelike SHWETHALYAUNG RECLINING BUDDHA, the highly venerated SHWE-MAWDRAW PAYA, housing hair relics of the Buddha for over 1000 years. Highlights also include the KYAIK PUN PAYA, with four giant Buddhas leaned back against a square pillar and the MAHA KALYANI SIMA, also called 'Sacred Hall or Ordination'. Afterwards, continue the journey to Kyaikhtiyo and overnight in Kyaikhtiyo.



Day 17 Kyaikhtiyo - Mawlamyine |

KYAIKHTIYO is one of the most sacred pilgrimage sites in Myanmar, better known as the Golden Rock. The shrine at the top of Mount Kyaikto seems to defy gravity and local people believe the power of a Buddhist relic is what keeps the boulder in place. Proceed southwards by vehicle from Kyaikhtiyo to Mawlamyine and on the way make a stop to visit BAYING NYI NAUNG GU, a natural limestone cave with hot springs reputed to have healing powers. The springs are divided into three pools, one for monks, one for men and one for women. Afterwards, continue to HPA-AN, the capital of Kayin State and a busy commerce centre, inhabited mainly by Kayin people. Farmers from all around the region come to town in horse-carts or trishaws with baskets of products to trade at the market. Stroll through the market, visit SHWE YIN MYAW PAYA, and finish at the town hall for the best view over the distinctively shaped MOUNT ZWEKABIN in the background. Overnight in Mawlamyine.

Day 18 Mawlamyine |

Travel by local ferry to BILU KYUN, also called ogre island. Continue to the local villages and visit home industries making pipes, ballpoint pens, rubber bands, coconut-fiber ropes and other items for everyday life. Overnight in Mawlamyine.

Day 19 Mawlamyine - Yangon |

Today's excursion by boat leads to GAUNGSE KYUN, better known as the shampoo island. This picturesque island off Mawlamyine's north-western end, earned its name because during the Ava period the annual royal hair washing ceremony customarily used water taken from a spring on the island. Continue by vehicle from Mawlamyine to Yangon and on the way pass THATON. Long before the rise of Bagan, Thaton was an important centre for the Mon kingdom that stretched from the Irrawaddy River delta to similar deltas in Thailand. The town's centre is a leafy place, along the highway are colonial mansions and thatched-roof homes and a few older stupas on hillsides surrounding the town. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 20 Yangon |

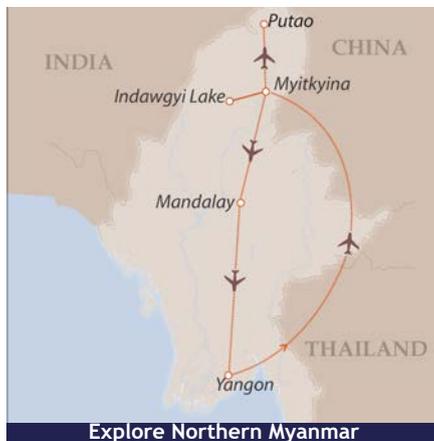
Transfer to airport. End of the tour.

REMARK | Please note that there are several tour options on offer with various tour routings. For more details and tour options please visit our Tariff Online and/ or ICS website.



Explore Northern Myanmar, 13 days

Please contact us regarding the operation of this tour.



Day 1 Yangon |

Arrival in Yangon and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Yangon lies in the fertile delta of southern Myanmar, on the wide Yangon River. The city is filled with tree-shaded boulevards, while shimmering stupas float above the treetops. The city became the capital only in 1885, when the British completed the conquest of Upper Myanmar and Mandalay's brief period as capital of the last Burmese kingdom ended. Transfer to hotel and overnight in Yangon.

Day 2 Yangon - Myitkyina |

After checking out of the hotel, proceed to the airport for a flight from Yangon to Myitkyina. Arrival in Myitkyina, considered as a gateway to the natural beauties of the north of Myanmar. Transfer to the hotel and overnight in Myitkyina.

Day 3 Myitkyina - Indawgyi Lake |

Take a pleasant journey down from Myitkyina to Indawgyi Lake, which is the biggest lake in Myanmar and stretches over 27 km in length and 14 km in width and is surrounded by mountains. This peaceful, remote area is home to many ethnic minority groups such as Kachin, Shan and Bamar as well as an extraordinary diversity of wetland birds. Transfer to the hotel and overnight in Indawgyi Lake.

Day 4 Indawgyi Lake |

After breakfast, proceed for an excursion by boat on Indawgyi Lake. The sightseeing tour includes visiting to the floating Swe Mintsu Pagoda, the Mote Soe Ma Pagoda and the old teakwood monastery. Stop for a walk around Nyaung Pin Thar Village to observe their daily lifestyle before proceeding for bird watching and then a boat trip back to the hotel. Overnight in Indawgyi Lake.

Day 5 Indawgyi Lake - Myitkyina |

Drive through the mountain scenery in the remote north of Myanmar. On the way, passengers can stop at the elephant camp and observe the grey giants and mahouts at work. Overnight in Myitkyina.

Day 6 Myitkyina - Putao |

After breakfast, proceed to the airport for a flight from Myitkyina to Putao. Situated in the north of Myitkyina, the capital city of Kachin state is surrounded by snow peaked mountains. Putao itself is a small, picturesque town and is predominantly Christian. Discover this fascinating little town by foot. Most churches are built in a style similar to the local houses. A small pagoda is located close to the market. Near the office of Myanmar Airways one can find Fort Hertz, founded by the British during the colonial period. Overnight in Putao.

Day 7 Putao |

Take an excursion to MA CHAN BAW. Set against a backdrop of snow-capped mountains, Ma Chan Baw is reached by foot over the Maylihka Suspension Bridge.

The Maylihka River itself is one of the two sources of the Irrawaddy river. Most of the inhabitants in the area are ethnic Lisu and Rawang. The Gubar Guesthouse offers an excellent view of the surrounding scenery. After a short trek reach the mysterious DRAGON STONE outside the village. Proceed by a pleasant boat ride along the Malikha river to KHAUNG MU LONE PAGODA. Return and overnight in Putao.

Day 8 Putao |

Today's soft trek excursion leads to Mulashidi with the opportunity to visit nearby villages. MULASHIDI is mainly populated by Rawang and some Lisu ethnics. A small market is located close to the impressive Mulashidi Suspension Bridge. This huge suspension bridge can only be crossed by foot. On the other side of the bridge, after some trekking, several ethnic Lisu and Kachin villages can be visited to gather some insights into the rural lifestyle. Return and overnight in Putao.

Day 9 Putao - Myitkyina |

Transfer to the airport for a flight to Myitkyina. The town is located in a flat valley and good starting point for visits to the surrounding Kachin villages. First stop at the CENTRAL MARKET, a good place to see the local hill tribe people and the wide variety of fruit produced in this state. Proceed to HSU TAUNG PYE ZEDIDAW, a pretty, gilded, 'wish-fulfilling' stupa on the banks of the Irrawaddy River.

Continue to the large ANDAWSHIN PAYA, which boasts a silver-plated zedi and is said to contain tooth relics and a Buddha footprint. Admire the PRAYING MOUNTAIN, a sacred site for Kachin and Lisu Baptists and the location of a bible school and seminary. Finally visit the KACHIN STATE CULTURAL MUSEUM, which was built in 1994 and displays costumes of the Kachin and Shan villages and contains artefacts, such as pipes, baskets, fishing nets, looms and musical instruments. Overnight in Myitkyina.

Day 10 Myitkyina |

Take an enjoyable excursion northwards to the confluence of Maikha and Malikha River that form the beginning of the Irrawaddy River. The afternoon is at leisure and overnight in Myitkyina.

Day 11 Myitkyina - Mandalay |

Transfer to the airport for a flight to Mandalay. Arrival in Mandalay and transfer to the hotel for check-in. While Yangon is the economic capital of the country, Mandalay is considered the cultural and religious capital of Myanmar, with a long history stretching back to religious time being also the last capital of royal Burma. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 12 Mandalay |

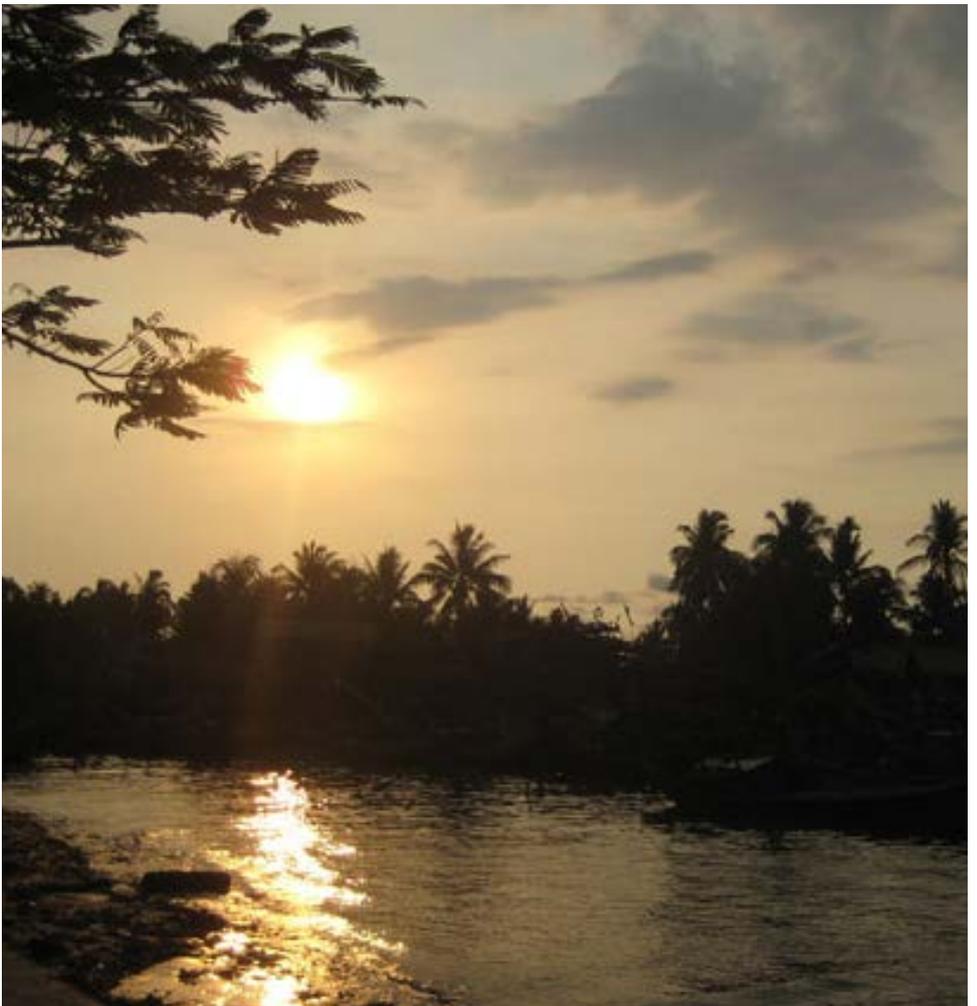
This day's tour visits three former royal sites, each with its own unique atmosphere. Travel upriver by boat to MINGUN, enjoy the atmosphere of the river life - fishing villages, market boats, women attending to their washing, and children playing in the water. Explore the ruins of the vast MINGUN PAYA, a monument to human. After visiting other nearby pagodas, re-board the boat and start downriver towards SAGAING, a former royal capital and the spiritual centre of Myanmar.

Hundreds of stupas, monasteries, temples and nunneries are to be found in Sagaing Hill, also known as a living Bagan. Stop at some of the most famous temples, such as TUPAYON PAYA and HSINMYASHIN PAYA, the Pagoda of many elephants.

Continue by vehicle to INWA, another formal royal capital, now a quiet rural oasis situated on the banks of the Irrawaddy River. Enjoy a leisurely horse-cart ride around the peaceful countryside, briefly visiting BAGAYA KYAUNG, a beautiful teak wood monastery, MAHA AUNGME BOZAN KYANG, and NAN MYINT TOWER. On the way, stop and observe how local artisans make the famous alms bowls out of iron. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 13 Mandalay - Yangon |

Transfer to the airport for flight from Mandalay to Yangon. Arrival Yangon. End of the tour.





Myanmar on Rail & Road, 13 days |

Day 1 Yangon |

Upon arrival in Yangon, transfer to the hotel to check in. Yangon lies in the fertile delta of southern Myanmar, on the wide Yangon River. The city is filled with tree-shaded boulevards, while shimmering stupas float above the treetops. Start to discover this exciting city by visiting the SULE PAGODA, a gleaming octagonal pagoda that stands squarely at the centre of the city. Afterwards, visit the NATIONAL MUSEUM to gain an insight into Myanmar's history, art and culture, and fascinating artifacts. Finally, continue to the SHWEDAGON PAGODA, the highlight of any visit to Yangon. Towering over the city, this pagoda is the most sacred spot in the country, built to house eight hair relics of the Buddha. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colors of twilight. Retire back to the hotel and overnight in Yangon.

Day 2 Yangon - Mandalay |

Continue a day filled with sightseeing and begin by visiting BOTATAUNG PAGODA, named after the 1000 military leaders who escorted relics of the Buddha from India over 2000 years ago. Proceed to CHAUKHTATGYI PAYA, this reclining Buddha is almost as large as the enormous figure in Bago. Finally visit BOGYOKE AUNG SAN MARKET, also known as Scott Market, this building contains over 2000 stalls and is the best place in Yangon to browse through the complete range of local handicrafts. Afterwards transfer to the airport and catch a flight to Mandalay. Check in into the hotel and overnight in Mandalay.

Day 3 Mandalay |

While Yangon is the economic capital of the country, Mandalay is considered the cultural and religious capital of Myanmar, with a long history stretching back to religious time being also the last capital of royal Burma. In the morning, head to MAHAMUNI PAYA. The Mahamuni image enshrined here is perhaps the most venerated image in Myanmar, covered in over 15 cm of gold leaf. En route to the pagoda, stop to observe the laborious process of gold-leaf beating, where gold is painstakingly hammered into tissue-thin squares. Before lunch, visit a CRAFT WORKSHOP specializing in one of the arts for which the city is famous: bronze-casting, marble-carving, wood-carving, or puppetry. The afternoon's tour includes some of the city's most interesting temples and palaces. Begin at SHWENANDAW KYAUNG, also called the Golden Teak Monastery. Continue to KYAUKAWGYI PAYA, famous for its monumental seated Buddha, carved from a single block of marble, and the elegant SANDAMANI PAYA. Finally, visit KUTHODAW PAYA, known also as the world's biggest book. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 4 Mandalay |

This day tour visits three former royal capitals, each with its own unique atmosphere. In the morning, drive to AMARAPURA, and visit MAHAGANDAYON MONASTERY, every day at mid-morning, monks and novices line up to receive their daily offering of alms and food from faithful Buddhists. Next, head to SAGAING, the spiritual centre of Myanmar. Hundreds of stupas, monasteries, temples and nunneries are to be found in Sagaing Hill, also known as a living Bagan. Stop at some of the most famous temples, such as TUPAYON PAYA and HSINMYASHIN PAYA, the Pagoda of Many Elephants. Cross the river by ferry to INWA, situated on the banks of the Irrawaddy River. Once a royal capital, Inwa is now a quiet rural oasis.



Enjoy a leisurely horse-cart ride around the peaceful countryside, briefly visiting BAGAYA KYAUNG, a beautiful teak wood monastery, MAHA AUNGME BOZAN KYANG, and NAN MYINT TOWER. On the way, stop and observe how local artisans make the famous alms bowls out of iron. Finally, return to AMARAPURA, to end the day at U Beins's Bridge, a picturesque teak bridge which extends over one kilometre across Taungthaman Lake. At dusk, the bridge teems with monks and local people as they stroll home or linger to enjoy the colors of the sunset. Overnight in Mandalay

Day 5 Mandalay |

Journey northeast, across the plains, uphill twisting roads into the hills where one can enjoy a spectacular view. Discover the fascinating town PYIN OO LWIN, home to Nepalis and Indians due to its role as British hill station during the colonial era. Visit the BOTANICAL GARDEN. Admire the PURCELL TOWER, a clock tower near the town entrance and from the top of the hill at NAUNG KAN GYL PAYA enjoy a wonderful view on the idyllic town.

Continue to the Church of the Immaculate Conception, a 100-year-old church featuring a large brick sanctuary, a bell tower with impressive vaulted wooden ceilings and a well appointed interior. Finally proceed to the PEIKCHIN CAVES, a large Hindu-Buddhist shrine cave. Return and overnight in Mandalay.

Day 6 Mandalay - Bagan |

Take a trip by vehicle from Mandalay to Bagan. Bagan is a spectacular plain stretching away from the Irrawaddy River, dotted with thousands of 800-year old temple ruins. Although human habitation at Bagan dates back almost to the beginning of the Christian era, Bagan only entered its golden period with the conquest of Thaton in 1057 AD. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 7 Bagan |

Start a day of sightseeing by visiting SHWEZIGON PAYA, a pagoda partly build by King Anawrahta to enshrine relics of Buddha. The stupa's graceful bell shape became a prototype for virtually all later stupas over Myanmar.

Proceed to GUBYAUKHYI TEMPLE at Wetkyi-Inn. This Temple with its distinguished architecture was built in the early 13th century and has great colorful painting about the previous life of Buddha. Continue to ANANDA PAHTO, one of the finest, largest, best preserved and most revered of the Bagan temples. Built around 1105 by King Kyanzittha, this perfectly proportioned temple heralds the stylistic end of the Early Bagan period. Continue to GUBYAUKGYI TEMPLE at Myinkaba. This temple is famous for its well-preserved Stuccos from the 12th century on the outside walls and has magnificent paintings considered to be among the oldest ones in Bagan.

Thereafter visit the MANUHA TEMPLE which enshrines the unusual combination of 3 seated and one reclining image Buddha. Afterwards visit SHWESANDAW PAYA, the first monument in Bagan, which features stairways leading up from the square bottom terraces to the round base of the Stupa. This Pagoda is ideal to watch Bagan's magnificent sunsets. Last but not least take the opportunity to learn about the painstaking process of lacquerware making and decoration in one of the LACQUERWARE WORKSHOP by the villages around Bagan. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 8 Bagan - Mount Popa |

Today's excursion leads to MOUNT POPA, a curiously cylindrical hill rising sharply from the surrounding plain and is considered to be the home of the country's most important nats (spirits). Visitors ascend up a winding covered staircase encircling the mountain, observed by the curious monkeys that populate the area. At the top is a monastery and temple complex, with shrines to the 37 nats and a spectacular view over the region. Overnight in Mount Popa.

Day 9 Mount Popa - Kalaw |

Transfer by vehicle from Mount Popa to Kalaw, a popular hill station in the British days. Kalaw sits high on the western edge of the Shan Plateau. It is still a peaceful and quiet place with an atmosphere reminiscent of the colonial era. The small population is a mix of Shan, Indian Muslim, Bamar and Nepali. Overnight in Kalaw.

Day 10 Kalaw - Inle Lake |

Take a train from Kalaw to Shwe Nyaung and continue by vehicle and finally reach the jetty to Inle Lake. The beautiful and calm lake, rimmed by high hills is located in Shan State and is dotted with idyllic patches of floating vegetation and fishing canoes. The lake's shore and islands bear 17 villages on stilts, mostly inhabited by the Intha people. Overnight in Inle Lake.

Day 11 Inle Lake |

Discover this peaceful lake with a boat excursion. Enjoy the spectacular scenery and observe the skilled fisherman using their leg-rowing technique to propel themselves around the lake. Visit the floating gardens, a market and an Intha village around the lake. The day sightseeing also includes a visit to the PHAUNG DAW OO PAGODA, INN PAW KHON VILLAGE, known for their Lotus and silk weaving skills and the NGA PHE KYAUNG MONASTERY. Overnight in Inle Lake.

Day 12 Inle Lake - Heho - Yangon |

Transfer from Inle Lake to Heho to catch a flight to Yangon. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 13 Yangon |

Transfer to airport. End of the tour.



People of Myanmar, 13 days |



Enjoy a break at BOGYOKE AUNG SAN (SCOTT) MARKET, a pleasant and lively market containing crafts, gems and fabrics from all corners of Myanmar. In the afternoon, visit a few of the well known pagodas, including BOTATAUNG PAGODA, named after the 1000 military leaders who escorted relics of the Buddha from India over 2000 years ago, and NGADATKYI PAYA, with a giant seated Buddha image. Finally, continue to the SHWEDAGON PAGODA, the highlight of any visit to Yangon. Towering over the city, this pagoda is the most sacred spot in the country, built to house eight hair relics of the Buddha. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colors of twilight. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 3 Yangon |

Today's exciting excursion leads to Dala and Twante. Cross the Yangon River by local ferry, observing the morning activity on the jetty and along the shores. After reaching Dala, take a trishaw ride past the local fish market, through green areas and past teashops.

Day 5 Pyin Oo Lwin - Mandalay |

Discover the fascinating town with a visit to the BOTANICAL GARDEN which was built up by Turkish prisoners during World War II. Admire the PURCELL TOWER, a clock tower near the town entrance. On the top of the hill at NAUNG KAN GYL PAYA enjoy a wonderful view on the idyllic town. Continue to the CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, a 100-year-old church which features a large brick sanctuary including a bell tower with impressive vaulted wooden ceilings and well appointed interior. Finally, before returning to Mandalay, visit the JAPANESE WAR CEMETERY. This cemetery contains around 50 graves and each year during the months of December and January, friends and families of the deceased come from Japan to pay their respects. Return and overnight in Mandalay.

Day 6 Mandalay |

While Yangon is the economic capital of the country, Mandalay is considered the cultural and religious capital of Myanmar, with a long history stretching back to religious time being also the last capital of royal Burma.



Day 1 Yangon |

Upon arrival in Yangon, transfer to hotel to check in. Yangon lies in the fertile delta of southern Myanmar, on the wide Yangon River. The city is filled with tree-shaded boulevards, while shimmering stupas float above the treetops. The city became the capital only in 1885, when the British completed the conquest of Upper Myanmar and Mandalay's brief period as capital of the last Burmese kingdom ended. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 2 Yangon |

Start to discover this exciting city by visiting the SULE PAGODA, a gleaming octagonal pagoda that stands squarely at the centre of the city. Afterwards, visit the NATIONAL MUSEUM to gain an insight into Myanmar's history, art and culture and fascinating artifacts.

Visit the Shwesandaw Pagoda for a dose of local legend. From there, proceed by vehicle to Twante. After visiting the third tallest pagoda, also called Shwesandaw, explore the daily life of the town itself by stopping to see local cottage industries including bamboo raft making. End the visit of the town at the Oh Bo pottery quarter and observe a demonstration of the local pottery making techniques. On the way back to Yangon, visit the Indian inspired Paung Daw Gyoke Pagoda. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 4 Yangon - Mandalay - Pyin Oo Lwin |

Transfer to the airport to catch a flight to Mandalay. From there travel to Pyin Oo Lwin, home to Nepalis and Indians due to its role as British hill station during the colonial era. It has a very pleasant climate because of the altitude and offers refreshing cool air, even during the hot season. Overnight in Pyin Oo Lwin.

In the morning, head to AMARAPURA, also a former royal capital and visit MAHAGANDAYON MONASTERY. In the morning, monks and novices line up to receive their daily offering of alms and food from faithful Buddhists. Pause to enjoy the atmosphere of U BEIN'S BRIDGE, a picturesque teak bridge which extends over one kilometer across Taungthaman Lake, and the highlight of any visit to Amarapura. From Amarapura, return to Mandalay and visit MAHAMUNI PAYA on the way. The Mahamuni image enshrined here is perhaps the most venerated image in Myanmar, covered in over 15 cm of gold leaf. En route to the pagoda, stop to observe the laborious process of GOLD-LEAF BEATING, where gold is painstakingly hammered out into tissue-thin squares. Continue to SHWENANDAW KYAUNG, also called the Golden Teak Monastery. Continue to KYAUKAWGYI PAYA, famous for its monumental seated Buddha, carved from a single block of marble,

and the elegant SANDAMANI PAYA. Finally, visit KUTHODAW PAYA, known also as the world's biggest book. End this eventful day on the Mandalay hill and enjoy the sunset. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 7 Mandalay - Heho - Pindaya |

Take a flight from Mandalay to Heho and from there on continue by vehicle from Heho to Pindaya. Discover the fascinating PINDAYA CAVES, ensconced in a limestone ridge overlooking the lake. Inside the cavern there are more than 8000 Buddha images arranged in such a way as to form a labyrinth throughout the various cave chambers. Near by the caves, just below the ridge visit SHWE U MIN PAYA, a cluster of low stupas. Overnight in Pindaya.

Day 8 Pindaya - Inle Lake |

Take a trip by vehicle from Pindaya to Inle Lake where one can enjoy a pleasant boat excursion. The beautiful and calm lake, rimmed by high hills is located in Shan State and is dotted with idyllic

called NAUNG TUNG LAKE it is a very scenic place dotted with ageing Buddhist temples and crumbling colonial British architecture. NAUNG TUNG LAKE is located at the centre of town and a pleasant place to stroll around and to soak up the atmosphere of this sleeping town. Overnight in Kengtung.

Day 10 Kengtung |

Continue to explore the town by visiting WAT JONG KHAM, a tall gilded zedi topped by a gold hti inlaid with silver, rubies, diamonds, sapphires, jade, and hung with tiny gold bells. Proceed to WAT PHA JAO LUNG a 19th century temple. Visit the fascinating WATER BUFFALO MARKET on the outskirts of the town and end the journey at the YAN GONE POTTERY VILLAGE where one can observe the traditional Shan method of pottery manufacturing. Overnight in Kengtung.

Day 11 Kengtung |

Today visiting villages and getting insights into the traditional live, local customs and cultural



patches of floating vegetation and fishing canoes. The lake's shore and islands bear 17 villages on stilts, mostly inhabited by the Intha people. Enjoy the spectacular scenery and observe the skilled fisherman using their leg-rowing technique to propel themselves around the lake. Visit the floating gardens, a market and an Intha village around the lake. The day sightseeing also includes a visit to the PHAUNG DAW OO PAGODA, INN PAW KHON VILLAGE, known for their Lotus and silk weaving skills and the NGA PHE KYAUNG MONASTERY. Overnight in Inle Lake.

Day 9 Inle Lake - Heho - Kengtung |

Drive from Inle Lake to Heho and catch a flight to Kengtung. Upon arrival, transfer to hotel and take a walking tour of Kengtung, a sleepy but historic centre for the state's Khun culture. The town is surrounded by different ethnic villages and due to its location around a small lake,

differences is the main focus. Take the opportunity to get fascinating insights into the culture of the AKHA, WA and LAHU villages located in Ho Kyn. Observe and get to know these local hill-tribes with their unique manufacturing skills by trekking from village to village. The AKHA, for instance have no written language so their history was carried to this century on the backs of many colorful legends, proverbs and rituals handed down from one generation to the other. The LAHU women are skilled in weaving cloth, both on back-strap and foot-treadle looms, producing delicate patchwork trims, and unusual embroidery work.

The WA on the other hand are darker-complexioned and stocky, one of the better known of the smaller ethnic groups. They used to practice headhunting as a part of their fertility rites until fairly recently. Overnight in Kengtung.

Day 12 Kengtung-Yangon |

The morning is spent at leisure and in the afternoon transfer to the airport to catch a flight from Kengtung to Yangon. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 13 Yangon |

Transfer to airport. End of the tour.

Golf & Temple Tour 1, 12 days |



Day 1 Yangon |

Arrival in Yangon and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Yangon lies in the fertile delta of southern Myanmar, on the wide Yangon River. The city is filled with tree-shaded boulevards, while shimmering stupas float above the treetops. The city became the capital only in 1885, when the British completed the conquest of Upper Myanmar and Mandalay's brief period as capital of the last Burmese kingdom ended. Transfer to hotel and overnight in Yangon.

Day 2 Yangon - Golf at Yangon Golf Club |

Begin the day with a transfer to the golf course and enjoy a round of golf at the Yangon Golf Club. After a pleasant round discover the city by visiting the SHWEDAGON PAGODA, the highlight of any visit to Yangon. Towering over the city, this pagoda is the most sacred spot in the country, built to house eight hair relics of the Buddha. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colors of twilight. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 3 Yangon - Bagan |

Take a flight from Yangon to Bagan. Bagan is a spectacular plain stretching away from the Irrawaddy River, dotted with thousands of 800-year old temple ruins. Although human habitation at Bagan dates back almost to the beginning of the Christian era, Bagan only entered its golden period with the conquest of Thaton in 1057 AD. Start a day of sightseeing by visiting SHWEZIGON PAYA, a pagoda partly built by King Anawrahta to enshrine some relics of Buddha. The stupa's graceful bell shape became a prototype for virtually all later stupas over Myanmar. Proceed to GUBYAUKHYI TEMPLE at Wetkyi-Inn. This Temple with its distinguished architecture was built in the early 13th century and has great colorful painting about the previous life of Buddha. Continue to ANANDA PAHTO, one of the finest, largest, best preserved and most revered of the Bagan temples. Continue to GUBYAUKGYI TEMPLE at Myinkaba. This temple is famous for its well-preserved Stuccos from the 12th century on the outside walls and has magnificent paintings considered to be among the oldest ones in Bagan. Thereafter visit the MANUHA TEMPLE which enshrines the unusual combination of 3 seated and one reclining Buddha image. Afterwards visit SHWESANDAW PAYA, the first monument in Bagan, which features stairways leading up from the square bottom terraces to the round base of the Stupa. This Pagoda is ideal to watch Bagan's magnificent sunsets. Last but not least take the opportunity to learn about the painstaking process of lacquerware making and decoration in one of the LACQUERWARE WORKSHOP in the villages around Bagan. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 4 Bagan - Golf at Bagan Golf Course |

Tee off at the Bagan Golf Course. The dry and hot conditions and the unique location within the temples make this 9-hole golf course a challenge for every golf lover. In the evening one can enjoy a panoramic view of the sun setting over the plain of Bagan from one of the pagoda platforms. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 5 Bagan - Mandalay - Golf at Shwe San Yar Golf Course |

Take a flight from Bagan to Mandalay, a city considered to be the cultural and religious capital of Myanmar, with a long history stretching back to religious time being also the last capital of royal Burma. After arrival, transfer to the Shwe San Yar Golf Course. It is best played between October and February. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 6 Mandalay - Heho - Kalaw - Golf at Pine View Golf Course |

Take a flight from Mandalay to Heho. From there on continue by vehicle to Kalaw, a popular hill station in the British days. Kalaw sits high on the western edge of the Shan Plateau. Enjoy a round of golf at the Pine View Golf Club in the heart of Kalaw. Overnight in Kalaw.

Day 7 Kalaw - Taunggyi |

Today's journey leads to Taunggyi and includes sightseeing at Pindaya on the way. Travel eastwards to the western edge of the Shan Plateau. Make a break at AUNGBAN, a small highway town and an important transport junction for cargo and passengers moving between Taunggyi and Thazi. The second stop is at the fascinating PINDAYA CAVES, ensconced in a limestone ridge overlooking a lake. Inside the cavern there are more than 8000 Buddha images arranged in such a way as to form a labyrinth throughout the various cave chambers. Proceed and overnight in Taunggyi.

Day 8 Taunggyi - Inle Lake - Golf at Aye Tha Yar Golf Club |

Taunggyi is the capital city of Southern Shan State lies 1,430 meters above the sea level and has a moderate climate. Begin the day with another pleasant round of golf at the Aye Tha Yar Golf Club. Afterwards get to know the peaceful town by visiting the CENTRAL MARKET. Located in the centre of town, it is a good place to see colorful hill tribe people and the popular local handicraft of basket making. Proceed to the cheroot factory, the hand-rolling technique is impressive. Continue travelling by vehicle from Taunggyi to Inle Lake. After a transfer by boat overnight in Inle Lake.

Day 9 Inle Lake |

Enjoy a boat tour on the beautiful and calm lake, rimmed by high hills and dotted with idyllic patches of floating vegetation and fishing canoes. The lake's shore and islands bear 17 villages on stilts, mostly inhabited by the Intha people. Enjoy the spectacular scenery and observe the skilled fisherman using their leg-rowing technique to propel themselves around the lake. Visit the floating gardens, a market and an Intha village around the lake. The day sightseeing also includes a visit to the PHAUNG DAW OO PAGODA, INN PAW KHON VILLAGE, known for their Lotus and silk weaving skills and the NGA PHE KYAUNG MONASTERY. Overnight in Inle Lake.

Day 10 Inle Lake - Heho - Yangon |

Take first a boat back to the mainland and then a vehicle to Heho. From Heho take a flight to Yangon. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 11 Yangon - Golf at Pun Hlaing Golf Estate |

Start in the day with a final round of golf at the Pun Hlaing Golf Estate. This is the only golf course in Myanmar with an impressive view of the Shwedagon Pagoda. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 12 Yangon |

Transfer to the airport. End of the tour.

Mysterious Kachin, 6 days |

Please contact us regarding the operation of this tour.

Day 1 Mandalay - Myitkyina |

Take a flight from Mandalay to Myitkyina and transfer to the hotel for check-in. The pleasant town is considered as a gateway to the natural beauties of the north of Myanmar and is located in a flat valley, a good starting point for visits to the surrounding Kachin villages. First stop at the CENTRAL MARKET, a nice place to see the local hill tribe people and the wide variety of fruit produced in this state. Proceed to HSU TALUNG PYE ZEDIDAW, a pretty, gilded, 'wish-fulfilling' stupa on the banks of the Irrawaddy River. Continue to the large ANDAWSHIN PAYA, which boasts a silver-plated zedi and is said to contain tooth relics and a Buddha footprint. Admire the Praying Mountain, a sacred site for Kachin and Lisu Baptists and the location of a bible school and seminary. Finally visit the KACHIN STATE CULTURAL MUSEUM, which was built in 1994 and displays costumes of the Kachin and Shan villages and contains artifacts, such as pipes, baskets, fishing nets, looms and musical instruments. Overnight in Myitkyina.

Day 2 Myitkyina - Indawgyi Lake |

Transfer from Myitkyina to Lake Indawgyi. The Lake is the biggest in Myanmar and stretches over 27 km in length and 14 km in width and is surrounded by mountains. This peaceful, remote area is home to many ethnic minority groups such as Kachin, Shan and Bamar as well as an extraordinary diversity of wetland birds. Transfer to the hotel and overnight in Indawgyi Lake.

Day 3 Indawgyi Lake |

After breakfast, proceed for an excursion by boat on Indawgyi Lake. The sightseeing tour on the lake includes visiting to the floating Swe Mintsu Pagoda, the Mote Soe Ma Pagoda and the old teakwood monastery. Stop for a walk around Nyaung Pin Thar Village to observe their daily lifestyle before proceeding for bird watching and then return by boat back to the hotel. Overnight in Indawgyi Lake.

Day 4 Indawgyi Lake - Myitkyina |

Drive through the mountain scenery in the remote north of Myanmar. On the way, passengers can stop at the elephant camp and observe the grey giants and mahouts at work. Overnight in Myitkyina.

Day 5 Myitkyina |

Take an enjoyable excursion northwards to the confluence of Maikha and Malikha River that form the beginning of the Irrawaddy River. The afternoon is at leisure and overnight in Myitkyina.

Day 6 Myitkyina - Mandalay |

Transfer to the airport for flight Mandalay. End of the tour.



Beach Package |



Dawei and Myeik, 5 days |

Day 1 Yangon - Dawei |

Take a flight from Yangon to Dawei and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Explore Dawei, a peaceful seaside town and an important centre of Buddhism in Myanmar. Begin with the major temples, the PA SHU KYAUK PAGODA, with an impressive Buddha statue and SHIN MOUT HTI PAGODA, which was built in 1438 and contains a relic from the original Boddhi Tree. Round up the day with a stroll downtown to soak up the unique atmosphere of the town, passing Chinese temples and colonial style buildings as trishaws and horse carts pass by. Overnight in Dawei.

Day 2 Dawei |

Start the day by visiting Dawei's largest fresh market, located near the river. Here vendors sell the day's first catch of fish, fresh fruit, flowers, vegetables and meat. In the afternoon, head westwards to MAUNG-MAGAN BEACH, stopping en route at the YEI BU HOT SPRINGS. Relax at Maungmagan beach before continuing to HMYAW YIT BEACH, the "Wishing and Waiting Beach", and visit the HMYAW YIT PAGODA, a pagoda located just offshore on the water, next to a scenic bay and lovely stretches of beach. Relax at the pleasant beach before returning to Dawei. Overnight in Dawei.

Day 3 Dawei - Myeik |

Today's eventful day leads to Sabar Taung, the rice hill. Begin the ascent, which takes approximately one hour before reaching the summit.

At the top, enjoy a panoramic view over the Dawei River and the surrounding mountains. This place is especially beautiful at sunrise and sunset. Thereafter transfer to the airport and take a flight to Myeik, a quiet seaside town. Enjoy a sightseeing tour in this peaceful town, walk along the waterfront and through the downtown area, passing colonial-style buildings, an old Portuguese church side by side with a Buddhist pagoda. Enjoy sunset at THEINDAWGYI PAGODA, also known as LAY KYUN SEO MI PAGODA, whose terrace offers a great view over the port. End the day at a local Chinese house to get the opportunity to observe the production of the bird's nests. Overnight in Myeik.

Day 4 Myeik |

Begin the day with a visit to the central market and thereafter gasp the opportunity to get to know Kala Kyun and Padet Island. Set out by local motorboat towards KALA KYUN, the Indian Island, stopping en route to visit a SOFT SHELL CRAB FARM. After arriving at the island, one can enjoy several hours to relax and sunbathe or swim. In the mid afternoon, head back to Myeik by boat, stopping at the twin PATAW and PADET ISLANDS to briefly explore and visit ATULA SHWE THALYAUNG PAGODA with its reclining Buddha image. Overnight in Myeik.

Day 5 Myeik |

Today, discover different aspects of the local lifestyle and industries, visiting a LOBSTER FARM, a BETEL NUT, CASHEW NUT and CANDLEMAKING WORKSHOP. Finally transfer to the airport and catch a flight back to Yangon. End of the tour.

REMARK |

This tour can also be booked with a beach extension to Kawthaung. Please check our Tariff Online and/or ICS website for more details.



Extended Bagan, 4 days |

Day 1 Bagan |

Upon arrival in Bagan transfer to the hotel for check in. Bagan is a spectacular plain stretching away from the Irrawaddy River, dotted with thousands of 800-year old temple ruins. Start a day of sightseeing by visiting SHWEZIGON PAYA, a pagoda partly built by King Anawrahta to enshrine some relics of Buddha. The stupa's graceful bell shape became a prototype for virtually all later stupas over Myanmar. Proceed to GUBYAUKHYI TEMPLE at Wetkyi-Inn. This Temple with its distinguished architecture was built in the early 13th century and has great colourful painting about the previous life of Buddha. Continue to ANANDA PAHTO, one of the finest, largest, best preserved and most revered of the Bagan temples. Continue to GUBYAUKGYI TEMPLE at Myinkaba.

This temple is famous for its well-preserved Stuccos from the 12th century on the outside walls and has magnificent paintings considered to be among the oldest ones in Bagan. Thereafter visit the MANUHA TEMPLE which enshrines the unusual combination of 3 seated and one reclining image Buddha. Afterwards visit SHWESANDAW PAYA, the first monument in Bagan, which features stairways leading up from the square bottom terraces to the round base of the Stupa. This Pagoda is ideal to watch Bagan's magnificent sunsets. Last but not least take the opportunity to learn about the painstaking process of lacquerware making and decoration in one of the LACQUERWARE WORKSHOP by the villages around Bagan. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 2 Bagan - Mount Popa |

Travel by vehicle from Bagan to Mount Popa and visit Salay. Explore the local life in this unspoiled Burmese town.

Visit the Yoke Son Kyaung, the oldest surviving wooden monastery, with beautiful carvings of court life and scenes from the Ramayana. Continue to wander around the town, visiting the market and the Thar Ta Na Yang Chi monastery, which also serves as orphanage. Overnight in Mount Popa.

Day 3 Mount Popa - Bagan |

Today's excursion includes a visit to MOUNT POPA itself, a curiously cylindrical hill rising sharply from the surrounding plain and is considered to be the home of the country's most important nats (spirits). Visitors ascend up a winding covered staircase encircling the mountain, observed by the curious monkeys that populate the area. At the top is a monastery and a temple complex, with shrines for the 37 nats and it offers a spectacular view over the region. Return by vehicle to Bagan. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 4 Bagan |

Transfer to airport and catch a flight. End of the tour.

REMARK |

This tour can also be extended/ shortened. For more details and tour options please check our Tariff Online and/ or visit our ICS website.

Discover the town of Pyay, 4 days |

Day 1 Yangon - Pyay |

After arrival in Yangon, journey southwards towards Pyay. On the way make a stop at SHWEDAUNG PAYA, a small town which contains two famous payas. Visit one of them, the Shwemyethman Paya, also known as the Paya of the Golden Spectacles. This is a reference to a large, white-faced sitting Buddha inside the main shrine wearing gold-plated glasses, first added to the image during the Konbaung era. Proceed and overnight in Pyay.

Day 2 Pyay |

Pyay which was formerly named Prom, is located on the eastern bank of Irrawaddy River. The town is recognized as one of importance archaeological sites of Myanmar. Start to discover this fascinating town by visiting a local market, several Sri Ksetra ancient monuments and the corresponding site museum. As for the highlight of the day, visit the SHWESANDAW PAYA, a Buddhist pagoda in the centre of the town. It is said to contain several Buddha's hairs, as it's name means Golden Hair Relic. Overnight in Pyay.

Day 3 Pyay |

Early morning, proceed to the Paduang Village by car. Enjoy visiting the village to see how pottery is being made. Continue to the Kyee Thae Village, a weaving village, which is located at the east bank of Irrawaddy River. Take a boat to reach Ah Kauk Taung, the Ah Kauk Mountain, which is located the west bank of Irrawaddy River. Enjoy some sight-seeing in this area before proceeding to Htone Bo. After a pleasant lunch outside, return to Pyay and enjoy the afternoon at leisure. Overnight in Pyay.

Day 4 Pyay - Yangon |

Return by vehicle to Yangon. End of the tour.





The Mahamuni image enshrined here is perhaps the most venerated image in Myanmar, covered in over 15 cm of gold leaf. En route to the pagoda, stop to observe the laborious process of gold-leaf beating, where gold is painstakingly hammered into tissue-thin squares. Before lunch, visit a CRAFT WORKSHOP specializing in one of the arts for which the city is famous: bronze-casting, marble-carving, wood-carving, or puppetry. The afternoon's tour includes some of the city's most interesting temples and palaces. Begin at SHWENANDAW KYAUNG, also called the Golden Teak Monastery. Continue to KYAUKAWGYI PAYA, famous for its monumental seated Buddha, carved from a single block of marble, and the elegant SANDAMANI PAYA. Finally, visit KUTHODAW PAYA, known also as the world's biggest book. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 2 Mandalay |

This day tour visits three former royal capitals, each with its own unique atmosphere. In the morning, drive to AMARAPURA, and visit MAHAGANDAYON MONASTERY, every day at mid-morning, monks and novices line up to receive their daily offering of alms and food from faithful Buddhists. Next, head to SAGAING, the spiritual centre of Myanmar. Hundreds of stupas, monasteries, temples and nunneries are to be found in Sagaing Hill, also known as a living Bagan.

Stop at some of the most famous temples, such as TUPAYON PAYA and HSINMYASHIN PAYA, the Pagoda of Many Elephants. Cross the river by ferry to INWA, situated on the banks of the Irrawaddy River. Once a royal capital, Inwa is now a quiet rural oasis. Enjoy a leisurely horse-cart ride around the peaceful countryside, briefly visiting BAGAYA KYAUNG, a beautiful teak wood monastery, MAHA AUNGME BOZAN KYANG, and NAN MYINT TOWER. On the way, stop and observe how local artisans make the famous alms bowls out of iron. Finally, return to AMARAPURA, to end the day at U BEIN'S BRIDGE, a picturesque teak bridge which extends over one kilometer across Taungthaman Lake. At dusk, the bridge teems with monks and local people as they stroll home or linger to enjoy the colors of the sunset. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 3 Mandalay |

Travel upriver by boat to MINGUN, enjoy the atmosphere of the river life - fishing villages, market boats, women attending to their washing, and children playing in the water. Explore the ruins of the vast MINGUN PAYA, a monument to human ambition. After visiting other nearby pagodas, return downstream by boat to Mandalay. Another excursion to Yae Tagon waits in the afternoon. Before leaving Mandalay, visit an ORCHID FARM, where several varieties of this exotic flower are grown. Continue to YAE KYI VILLAGE, just outside of Mandalay near the base of YAE TAGON MOUNTAIN, and observe the activities of daily life, making bamboo fans, gardening, and the cultivation of indigenous medicines. Drive up to the caves situated halfway up the mountain and enjoy the picturesque views of the golf course and endless green rice paddies. From there, begin trekking uphill through jungle landscape to the SHWE HIN THA CAVE area, with a natural stone representation.

Day 4 Mandalay |

Transfer to airport and catch a flight to whichever destination required. End of the tour.

REMARK | This tour can also be extended by a short trip of 2 days to Monywa. For more details and tour options please check our Tariff Online and / or visit our ICS website.

Ancient Rakhine, 5 days |

Please contact us regarding the operation of this tour.

Day 1 Yangon - Sittwe |

Arrival in Yangon and take a connection flight to Sittwe. The port city sits at the mouth of the Kaladan River. Visit the highlights of this seaside town beginning with the MAHAKUTHALA BUDDHA MUSEUM. This is the most extensive collection of Rakhine-style Buddha images. Thereafter proceed to the SITTING BUDDHA (THET KYA MUNI PAGODA), one of the highlights of this town. This is located in the same area with U Ye Kyaw Thu Monastery. Continue to the FISHING PORT, which is quite interesting in the evening when boats are returning from the fishing. From the view point one can enjoy a wonderful panoramic view on the sunset over the Bay of Bengal. Overnight in Sittwe.

Day 2 Sittwe - Mrauk U |

In the morning visit a local market in Sittwe. Afterwards journey by charter boat first on the Kaladan River, then on the Theinganadi River and finally on the Henyakaw River towards Mrauk U. This town was formerly one of Myanmar's most powerful kingdoms and namely amongst the most impressive group of ruins in Southeast Asia. Spend the afternoon visiting the major temples MRAUK U MUSEUM AND PALACE RUINS. Proceed to the complex SHITTAUNG, where over 80,000 Buddha images ornament, terraces and stupas can be found. Continue to the ANDAW THEIN PAYA, a smaller eight-sided monument surrounded by 16 zedis around the southern, northern and western platforms. Afterwards, visit the LAY MYATNAR PAYA before continuing to SHAKAMA THET VILLAGE where many of the older women still wear their distinctive oversized earrings and chat while smoking their traditional pipes. At the end of the day, relax atop DUK KAN THEIN PAYA and enjoy the view of sunset over the plain. Overnight in Mrauk U

Day 3 Mrauk U |

Today's excursion leads to the fascinating Chin villages. Among other things, Chin women are famous for tattooing their faces. Visit a beautiful pagoda to enjoy the sunset. Return and overnight in Mrauk U.

Day 4 Mrauk U |

Start into this eventful day with an excursion to WETHALI. Archaeologists believe that this kingdom lasted until the 8th century. Continue to visit MAHAMUNI, located at the north-eastern corner of the old Dhanyawady city site. This was the original site, known as the original site of Mandalay's famous Mahamuni Buddha. After returning to Mrauk U, spend the afternoon visiting the graceful KOE THAUNG PAGODA, also called the temple of 90,000 images, one of the biggest temples in the Mrauk U. Continue to PAYSU PAYA and visit a village of traditional fan production, ZEE NAT MAN AUNG and ZINA MAN AUNG. Proceed further to Harri Taung hill to enjoy another beautiful sunset over the plain. Overnight in Mrauk U.

Day 5 Mrauk U - Sittwe - Yangon |

Transfer by charter boat southwards from Mrauk U to Sittwe. On the way, the boat stops at the town of Ponnagyun on the Braham Island. Take a flight from Sittwe to Yangon. End of the tour.

REMARK | This tour can also be extended with a stay in Yangon. For more details and tour options please check our Tariff Online and / or visit our ICS website.

Monywa, 2 days |

Day 1 Mandalay - Monywa |

Travel by vehicle from Mandalay to Monywa, crossing the Chindwin River by a local ferry and continue westwards towards the Pow Win Daung caves by open jeep. Monywa is now the second biggest town in Upper Myanmar and serves as a major trade centre for agricultural products from the surrounding Chindwin Valley, especially beans, pulses and palm sugar. The POW WIN DAUNG Mountain contains a series of caves set in the hillside along a meandering path and contains Buddha images and beautifully preserved murals dating from the 14th - 16th centuries. Admire the SHWE BA TAUNG PAYA shrine and pavilions which are carved into the sandstone hillside here, colorfully decorated with mosaics and Buddha images. Overnight in Monywa.

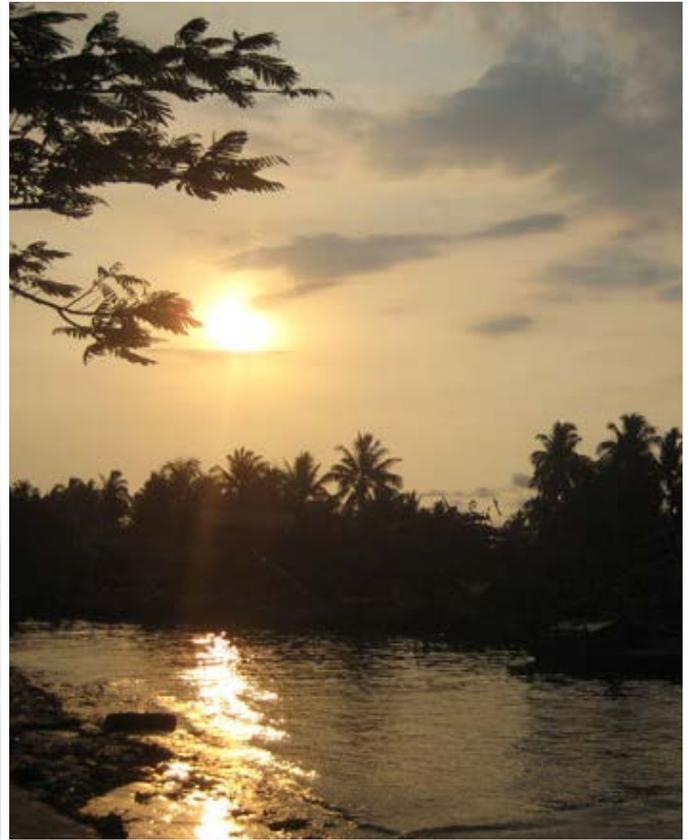
Day 2 Monywa - Mandalay |

Start into this eventful day and begin with sightseeing in Monywa. Visit THANBODDHAY PAYA temple, where every spare surface, inside and outside, is covered with thousands of miniature Buddha images the cumulative effect of the almost 600,000 images is spectacularly colorful. Proceed to SHWE GU NI PAYA, which due to its main zedi, with its ability to grant wishes, is considered amongst the most important pilgrimage site in Myanmar. Afterwards admire one of the largest RECLINING BUDDHA'S. Perched atop a hill it offers a spectacular view across the plain. Finally continue to BODDHI TATAUNG, a grove of banyan trees with a Buddha image at the base of each one. Return to Mandalay. End of the tour.

Mandalay Classic, 4 days |

Day 1 Mandalay |

Arrival in Mandalay and transfer to the hotel for check in. While Yangon is the economic capital of the country, Mandalay is considered the cultural and religious capital of Myanmar, with a long history stretching back to religious time being also the last capital of Royal Burma. In the morning, head to MAHAMUNI PAYA.



The Golden Rock, 2 days |

Day 1 Yangon - Kyaikhtiyo |

Take a journey from Yangon westwards to BAGO. Bago is a historic city originally founded in 573 AD by Thamala and Wimala, two Mon brothers of noble birth. Visit a typical local monastery to observe the daily lives of the monks. Continue to the lifelike SHWETHALYAUNG RECLINING BUDDHA, the highly and venerated SHWEMAWDAW PAYA, housing hair relics of the Buddha for over 1000 years. Highlights also include the KYAIK PUN PAYA, with four giant Buddhas leaned back against a square pillar and the MAHA KALYANI SIMA, also called 'Sacred Hall or Ordination'. Afterwards, continue the journey to Kyaikhtiyo and overnight in Kyaikhtiyo.

Day 2 Kyaikhtiyo |

KYAIKHTIYO is one of the most sacred pilgrimage sites in Myanmar, also known as Golden Rock. The shrine at the top of Mount Kyaikto seems to defy gravity and local people believe the power of a Buddhist relic is what keeps the boulder in place. Continue by vehicle towards Yangon through scenic countryside dotted with rice paddies and streams. Stop on the way to observe local people in their daily activities, visiting a MON WEAVING VILLAGE, as well as a POTTERY VILLAGE and BASKETRY VILLAGE. Before reaching Yangon, pay a short visit to the HTAUK KYAN ALLIED WAR CEMETERY. End of the tour.

REMARK | This tour can also be extended with a short trip to Mawlamyine. For more details and tour options please check our Tariff Online and/ or visit our ICS website.

The South, 5 days |

Day 1 Yangon - Kyaikhtiyo |

Take a journey from Yangon westwards to BAGO. The city is a historic city originally founded in 573 AD by Thamala and Wimala, two Mon brothers of noble birth. Visit a typical local monastery to observe the daily lives of the monks, and then continue to the lifelike SHWETHALYAUNG RECLINING BUDDHA; the highly venerated SHWEMAWDAW PAYA, housing hair relics of the Buddha for over 1000 years. Highlights also include the KYAIK PUN PAYA, with four giant Buddhas leaned back against a square pillar and the MAHA KALYANI SIMA, also called 'Sacred Hall or Ordination'. Afterwards, continue the journey to Kyaikhtiyo and overnight in Kyaikhtiyo.

Day 2 Kyaikhtiyo - Mawlamyine |

KYAIKHTIYO is one of the most sacred pilgrimage sites in Myanmar, also known as the Golden Rock. The shrine at the top of Mount Kyaikto seems to defy gravity and local people believe the power of a Buddhist relic is what keeps the boulder in place. Proceed southwards by vehicle from Kyaikhtiyo to Mawlamyine and on the way make a stop to visit BAYING NYI NAUNG GU, a natural limestone cave with hot springs reputed to have healing powers. Continue to HPA-AN, the capital of Kayin State and a busy commerce centre, inhabited mainly by Kayin people. Farmers from all around the region come to town in horse carts or trishaws with baskets of products to sell in the market. Stroll through the market and along the riverfront, visit SHWE YIN MYAW PAYA, and finish at the town hall for the best view over the distinctively shaped MOUNT ZWEKABIN in the background. Overnight in Mawlamyine.

Day 3 Mawlamyine |

Mawlamyine is an attractive, leafy, tropical town with a ridge of stupa-capped hills on one side and the sea on the other. The town served as capital of British Burma from 1827 to 1852.

Visit some of the major pagodas, including MAHAMUNI PAYA and KYAIKTHANLAN PAYA. Located on a hill with a panoramic view, overlooking the Thanlwin River, this is an especially beautiful spot for sunset or sunrise. Travel by local ferry to BILU KYUN, also called ogre island. Continue to the local villages and visit home industries making pipes, ballpoint pens, rubber bands, coconut-fiber ropes and other items for everyday life. Overnight in Mawlamyine.

Day 4 Mawlamyine |

Today's excursion by boat leads to GAUNGSE KYUN, better known as the shampoo island. This picturesque island off Mawlamyine's north-western end earned its name because during the Ava period the annual royal hair washing ceremony customarily used water taken from a spring on the island. From Mawlamyine, head southwards towards Thanbyuzat, stopping en route at the peaceful village KYAIKMAYAW, home to the largest RECLINING BUDDHA in the world and MUDON, an area famous for its weaving villages. After arriving in THANBYUZAT, immerse in World War II history. This was formerly the endpoint of the infamous "Death Railway" that crossed the River Kwai into Thailand. Today all that remains is one old locomotive and memorial plaque. Afterwards continue to the JAPANESE and the ALLIED WAR CEMETERIES. Return to Mawlamyine, stopping on the way to visit the beaches at SETSE and then at KYAIKKAMI to visit YE LE PAGODA, a simple pagoda built out into the ocean, with a beautiful view over the water. Overnight in Mawlamyine.

Day 5 Mawlamyine |

Continue by vehicle from Mawlamyine to Yangon and on the way pass THATON. Long before the rise of Bagan, Thaton was an important centre for the Mon kingdom that stretched from the Irrawaddy River delta to similar deltas in Thailand. Transfer to the airport. End of the tour.

Hiking & Trekking |

Himalayan Foothills, 4 days |

Please contact us regarding the operation of this tour.

Day 1 Putao |

Arrival in the picturesque town of Putao, surrounded by snow peaked mountains. Most churches are built in a style similar to the local houses. A small pagoda is located close to the market. Near the office of Myanmar Airways one can find Fort Hertz, founded by the British during the colonial period. Overnight in Putao.

Day 2 Putao |

Take an excursion to MA CHAN BAW. Ma Chan Baw is reached by foot over the Maylika Suspension Bridge. The Maylika River itself is one of the two sources of the Irrawaddy River. Most of the inhabitants in the area are ethnic Lisu and Rawang. The Gubar Guesthouse offers an excellent view of the surrounding scenery. After a short trek reach the mysterious DRAGON STONE outside the village. According to local superstition, this stone was once a snake which was petrified after being struck by lightning. Proceed by a pleasant boat ride along the Malikha river to KHAUNG MU LONE PAGODA. Return and overnight in Putao.

Day 3 Putao |

The morning begins with a visit to a LOCAL MARKET in town and where one can find mainly medicine made from local plants. Afterwards, a soft trek excursion leads to Mulashidi with the opportunity to visit nearby villages. MULASHIDI is mainly populated by Rawang and some Lisu ethnics. A small market is located close to the impressive Mulashidi suspension bridge. This huge suspension bridge can only be crossed by foot. On the other side of the bridge, after some trekking, several ethnic Lisu and Kachin villages can be visited to gather some insights into the rural lifestyle. Return and overnight in Putao.

Day 4 Putao |

Transfer to airport. End of the tour.

Pindaya Trekking, 2 days |

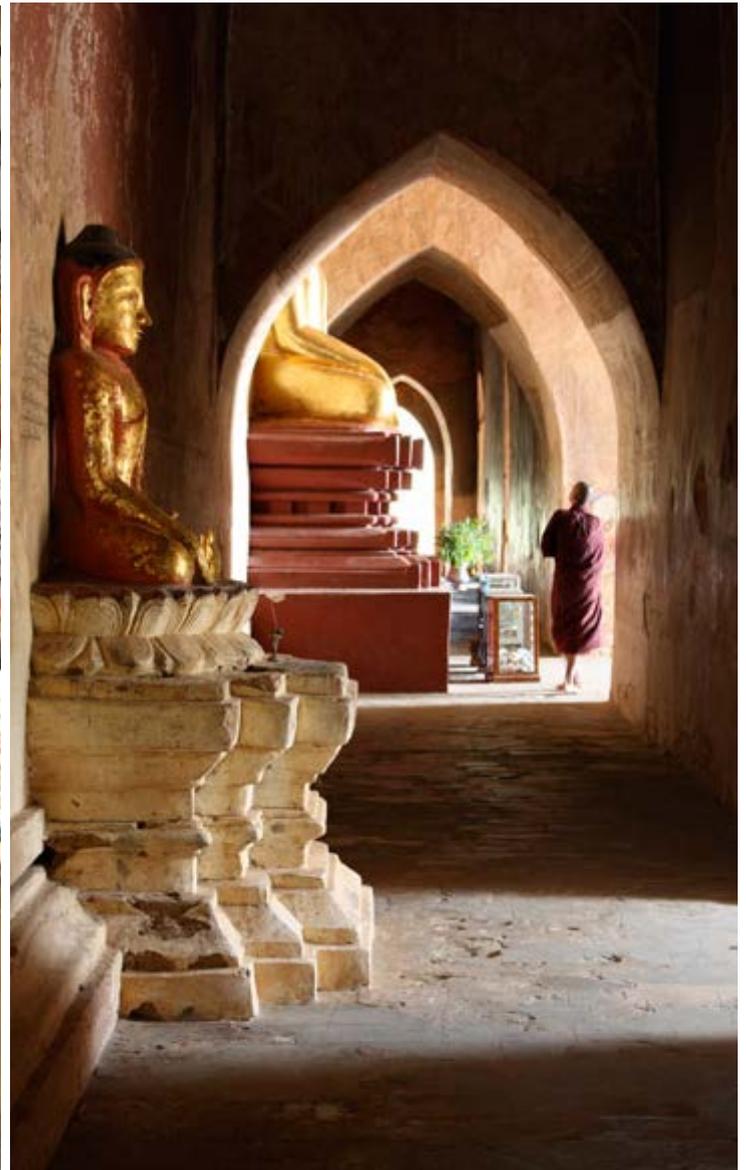
Day 1 Pindaya - Ya Sa Kyi Village |

Arrival in Pindaya, which is famous for its network of limestone caves and a good base for trekking in the nearby Shan Mountains. Start trekking towards the Ya Sa Kyi Village. Enjoy the wonderful landscape and the fresh air. After roughly 4 hours of walking (10 km), arrive at the remote

Palaung village of Yasakyi with an overnight stay in a traditional monastery. Another option would be a 2 hour climb one way on the Yasakyi Hill 2,300m and overnight in the Ya Sa Kyi Village.

Day 2 Ya Sa Kyi Village - Pindaya |

After a traditional breakfast, continue trekking from Ya Sa Kyi Village to Pindaya. This will take another 4.5 hour walk (12 km) and leads back to Pindaya. End of the tour.





Myanmar is a land of great beauty full of ancient traditions. A majority of the Burmese live in the three mountain ranges; Rakhine Yoma (Western), Bago Yoma (Central) and Shan Plateau (Eastern) where an arc of the Himalaya turns south toward Myanmar. These mountain ranges serve as the troughs in creating great rivers flowing south. The Irrawaddy river offers 1360 miles (2170 km) of cruising with various popular segments, such as Mandalay - Bagan, Mandalay - Bhamo, Bhamo - Myitkyina. Other navigable rivers include the River Salween, originating in Tibet and offering 100 miles of cruising, and the Chindwin River which merges into the Irrawaddy River. Sail through Myanmar's varying landscape and witness peaceful rural life along the way. The cruises pass by remote places remote that offer a glimpse of a timeless period, far from the usual tourist track.

Road to Mandalay |

After a 12 month period of renovation the Road to Mandalay was relaunched in August 2009. A cruise onboard the Road To Mandalay is the adventure of a lifetime. Gently cruising along the Irrawaddy River, passengers will encounter astonishing natural beauty, timeless landscapes, unparalleled cultural heritage and some of the most welcoming and hospitable people in the world. The cruise incorporates elegant Burmese materials and unique styles with high standards in decor and modern comfort.

Cabin |

5 newly refurbished cabin types are available, all of which feature a small personal safe, telephone, satellite television, en-suite bathroom and shower amenities. Deluxe (16), Governor's (1 cabin), State (18 cabins).

Single (4 cabins), Superior (4 cabins), All cabins come with en suite shower and WC facilities. The spacious en suite cabins are air-conditioned and furnished with beautiful fabrics, fine linens and soft towels.

Facilities |

Restaurant, Piano Bar, Boutique, Beauty Room & Massage, Small Library, Spacious Lounge.

Cruise Mandalay - Bagan (4 days 3 nights) |

DAY 1 - Mandalay |

Arrive by flight in Mandalay. Transfer to the Road To Mandalay berthed on the Irrawaddy River at Shwe Kyet Yet. After lunch, enjoy a guided tour of the key sights of Mandalay regarded as the centre of Burmese culture and Buddhist learning. Return to Road To Mandalay for dinner and local entertainment in the evening.

DAY 2 - Sagaing |

After an early breakfast visit Sagaing, the living centre of the Buddhist faith in Burma and famous for its silversmiths who still work in much the same way as their ancestors did. The ship gets underway mid-morning, and begins its journey south. The rest of the day is spent relaxing on board observing the local river life from the top deck. An on-board guide lectures on local places and customs. A casual cocktail party is followed by dinner on board.

DAY 3 - Bagan |

The ship arrives at Bagan where over 2,000 temples and pagodas are scattered on an awe-inspiring plain beside the river. A guided orientation tour introduces the most important temples. After lunch

use the opportunity to rejoin the guide and visit the inside of some of the more significant pagodas. Alternatively, hire a bicycle or horse-drawn cart and explore this fascinating area independently. Late afternoon watch the breathtaking vista of the sun setting over the plain. Dinner and local entertainment on board.

DAY 4 - Bagan |

After an early breakfast transfer to Bagan airport for onward flight to Yangon.

REMARK |

Please note that times mentioned here are estimates only and are subject to change upon weather condition and water levels without prior notice. There are several itineraries on offer with reverse order and/or different length of the tour. Please check our ICS website for more details.





RV Paukan 2007 |

The Paukan resembles a floating boutique hotel, beautifully furnished with a unique combination of modern and traditional motifs. The timber-walled cabins are furnished with colonial style cupboards, dresser and doors while the ceiling is traditional Myanmar. The single or double beds are proper beds and not mere bunks,. There is enough room for 55 passengers who will be looked after by a 30-member crew.

There are two massage rooms on the lower deck offering traditional Myanmar massage designed to sooth and relax. The sun deck has a stage for cultural performances, and a bar and lounge for relaxation and fun. The upper deck has a lecture / movie room with LCD projector and LCD TV screen. Meals in the dining room on the main deck include both East and West cuisine incorporated into dinner menus of delicious dishes. Vegetarian meals can be prepared when informed in advance.

Cabin |

29 cabins with private bathroom and shower

Upper Deck: 14 Deluxe (6 double, 8 twin) and 2 Suites in the bow

Main Deck: 10 Superior Twins

Lower Deck: 3 Single for guests and 4 Single for guests

Facilities |

Lounge and bar, dining room, massage room, lecture room and shop



Irrawaddy Princess |

Irrawaddy Princess, a catamaran three-deck vessel with capacity to accommodate 38 passengers, offers fully equipped 2 bed-cabins with an attached bathroom. It's attractively finished in rattan and teak. Each double cabin has its own air conditioning unit and private deck. Irrawaddy Princess operates only from September to end of May between the two ancient capitals of Myanmar, Bagan & Mandalay. It is also available for charter to any destination along the Irrawaddy & Chindwin Rivers.

Cabin | 3 DBL 7 TWN

Configuration | Cabin Size 14'x12' plus 7'x5' bath room

Note | Fully furnished air-conditioned room with bath attached. Mini bar.

Facilities | Restaurant, Bar

Bagan to Mandalay |

DAY 1 |

06:30 am Depart every Wednesday, Visit Pokokku in the morning and cruise all afternoon, Visit Yandabo in the evening and night stop.

DAY 2 |

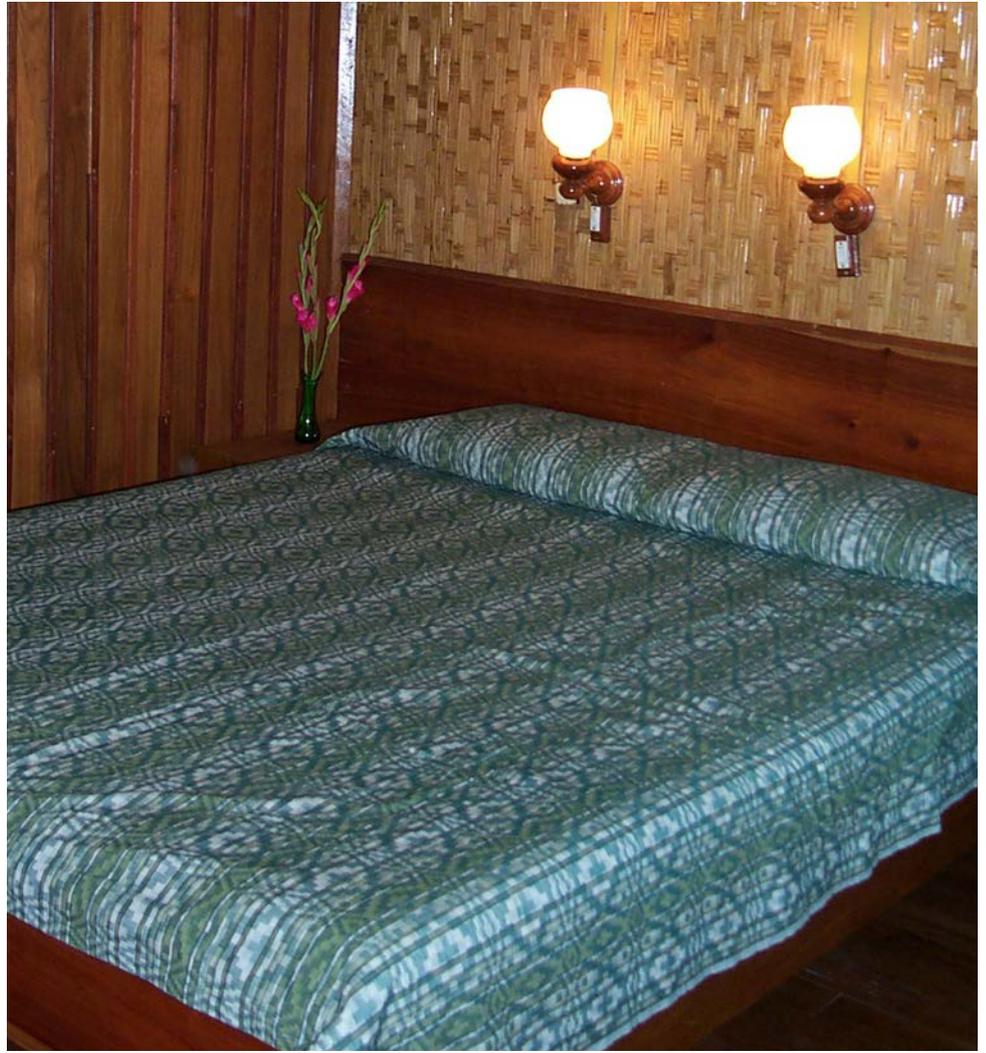
Depart early morning and cruise till evening

DAY 3 |

08:00 Arrive Shwekyetyet (Mandalay). Enjoy Breakfast and after that disembark.

REMARK |

This tour can also be booked from Mandalay to Bagan. Please note that times mentioned here are estimates only and are subject to change upon weather conditions and water levels without prior notice.





Irrawaddy Princess II |

Irrawaddy Princess II River Cruise is a traditional Myanmar riverboat travelling along the Irrawaddy River. Built in 1998, it measures 134' x 34' x 6'6" with three decks. Board the Irrawaddy Princess on any of the weekly cruises between Mandalay and Bagan and enjoy a great travel experience on the legendary Irrawaddy River.

Irrawaddy Princess II has a total of 20 cabins, all with their own bathroom with hot and cold shower. The fully air-conditioned comfortable rooms come with all standard facilities including mini bar, bed linen and towels. Delicious local, Chinese cuisine and western dishes are prepared by the experienced chef, and many kinds of drinks, tropical fruit cocktails are available at the Sun-deck bar.

Cabin |

20 cabins (18 with private bathroom and shower, 2 Suites (Sun deck))

- Upper Deck: 10 Superior (1 Double, 9 Twin)
- Main Deck: 8 Standard (Twins)

Facilities |

Lounge & Bar on the Sundeck/ Solarium



Yangon formerly Rangoon - was the capital of Myanmar until 2006, but still remains the most multi-ethnic, cosmopolitan and interesting city in the country. Located in the fertile delta region of central Myanmar on the wide Yangon River, it is the city where the main entrepreneurial spirit and commerce occurs. Filled with tree shaded boulevards, gleaming stupas, and faded colonial architecture, Yangon is still a city of the past. The skyline remains relatively untouched by modern skyscrapers, and the city bustles with Burmese men and women wearing traditional longyi conducting their business in the ubiquitous tea shops and markets. Some of the country's main sights are found here and no visitor should stop without a visit to the Shwedagon Pagoda, the Bogyoke Aung San Market (Scott's Market) and a trip around the colonial lined streets and buildings.

Around the city there are various attractions to discover along with experiences of the local life, cultural heritage and natural beauty. Please refer to our separate section of excursions for more details.

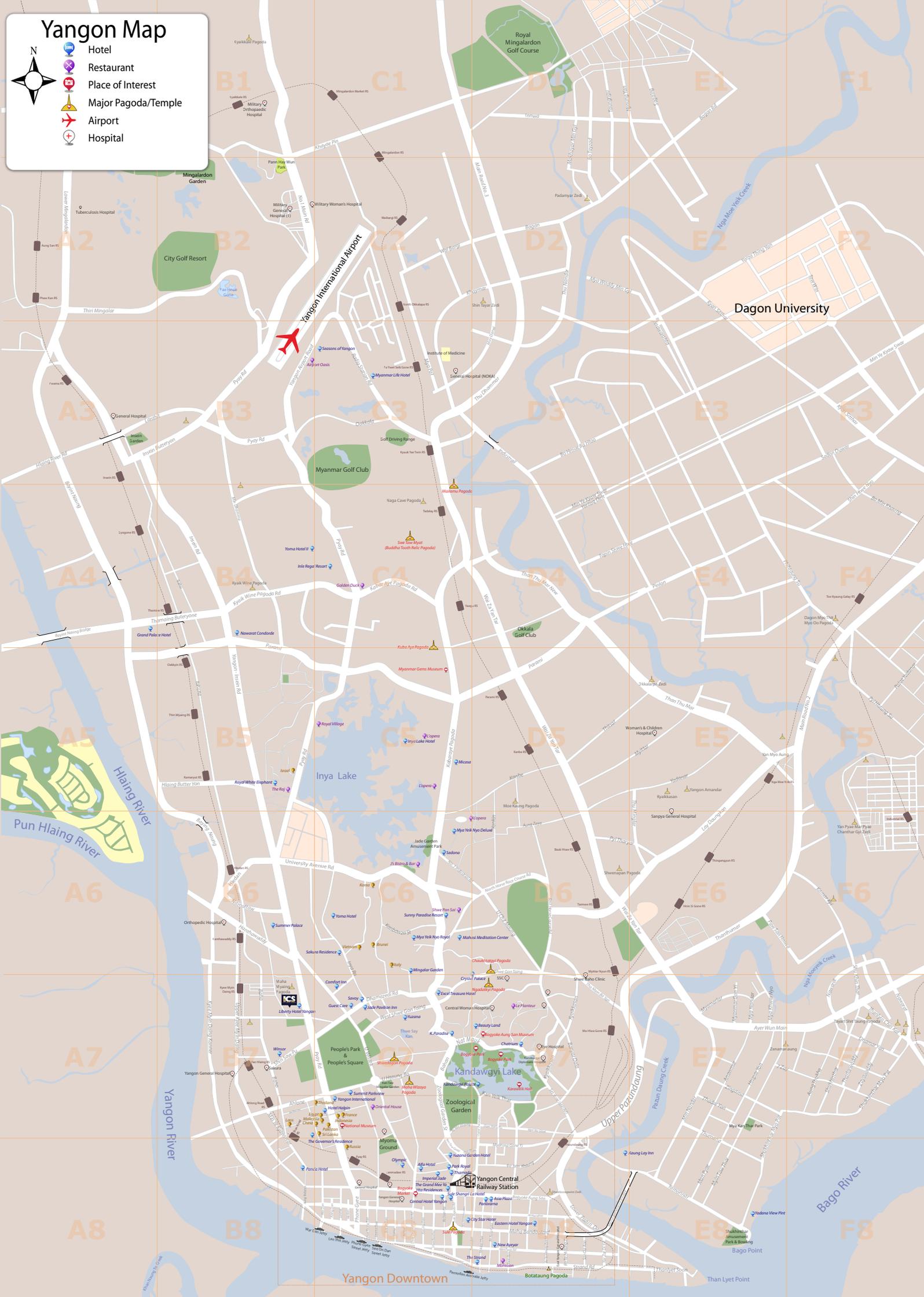


Yangon Map

N



- Hotel
- Restaurant
- Place of Interest
- Major Pagoda/Temple
- Airport
- Hospital



Yangon Downtown

Dagon University

Yangon Central Railway Station

Kandaway Lake

Myanmar Golf Club

Royal Mingalardon Golf Course

City Golf Resort

Inya Lake

People's Park

People's Square

Yangon General Hospital

Yangon International

Yangon Intercontinental

Yangon Marriott

Yangon Sheraton

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

Yangon Kempinski

Yangon Waldorf Astoria

Yangon Four Seasons

Yangon Ritz Carlton

Yangon Mandarin

Yangon Shangri-La

Yangon InterContinental

Yangon Hilton

Yangon Grand

Yangon Renaissance

</

Chatrium Hotel Yangon

★★★★★



Chatrium Hotel is situated in an exclusive area of the city. This elegant hotel, designed in English colonial style with lush gardens and open-air pool, offers a haven in the city. In close vicinity one can also find some of the most magnificent sights and landmarks of Yangon like the golden Shwedagon Pagoda or the stunning Karaweik Palace.

LOCATION |

Located right on the quiet lakeside of Royal Lake the venue of several official Water Festivals, in the city centre of Yangon.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 303 rooms in traditional wood-accented decor with private balconies. Bathrooms which are equipped with separate showers.

Sedona Hotel Yangon

★★★★★



Sedona Hotel Yangon impresses travellers with its Myanmar-inspired decor and architecture. Guests can enjoy dining at the restaurant facing the pool. The hotel also features excellent meeting and convention facilities with a wide variety of function rooms equipped with the latest state-of-the-art audio-visual equipment.

LOCATION |

Located opposite the picturesque Inya Lake and is 15-minute drive from the airport and the bustling city centre.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 366 spacious rooms and suites equipped with air conditioning, telephone, satellite TV, in-room safe, hair-dryer, mini bar, tea/ coffee maker and bathroom amenities.

The Strand Hotel

★★★★★



Built in 1901, the Strand Hotel in Yangon evokes the opulence of a bygone era. Restored to its former glory, the Victorian-styled Strand combines the charms of the 1920s and 1930s with lavish modern-day amenities. All suite rooms have high ceilings, wooden floors, and an open plan bedroom and sitting area. It is a perfect abode for both leisure travelers and business-persons visiting the city.

LOCATION |

Located in the city centre close to the commercial & diplomatic areas.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 32 suites equipped with air conditioning, ceiling fan, satellite TV, IDD phones, mini bar, safe deposit box, hair dryer, iron/ ironing board, tea/coffee maker and bathroom amenities.

Inya Lake Hotel

★★★★★



The Inya Lake Hotel is set beside the tranquil Inya Lake on 37 acres of beautifully landscaped gardens. The resort is the perfect place to relax and appreciate the astonishing beauty of Yangon with its unique charm, golden pagodas, colonial architecture, tree-lined streets, tranquil lakes and many historical attractions.

LOCATION |

Located on the Shore of Inya Lake and a 15-minutes drive away from the city centre.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 211 rooms and suites equipped with air conditioning, IDD phones, satellite TV, mini bar, hair dryer, in-room safe and tea/coffee making facilities.

| Yangon

Kandawgyi Palace Hotel



Kandawgyi Palace Hotel is an exclusive boutique style city resort hotel, surrounded by the tranquil Royal Lake and the lush tropical gardens in bloom. The hotel offers colonial ambience with its manicured gardens and swimming pool.

Guest rooms are pleasantly designed with wooden floors and international facilities.

LOCATION |

Located in the city centre, 25 minutes drive from the airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 200 rooms equipped with air conditioning, IDD telephones, satellite TV, mini bar, hair dryer and in-room safe.



Parkroyal Hotel Yangon



The Parkroyal Hotel Yangon encapsulates the charm of colonial Myanmar in a modern setting. Rooms are splendidly furnished and plush. The hotel's exclusive Orchid Club Floor serves up an unprecedented level of privileges and complimentary services for discerning hotel guests.

LOCATION |

Located in the central business district and a short walk away from the Shwedagon Pagoda and Scott Market.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 267 rooms equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, IDD phones, safe deposit box, hair dryer, mini bar, tea/coffee maker and bathroom amenities.



Savoy Hotel



This is a small, privately run hotel offering personal service to all guests.

Designed in classic colonial style with a unique blend of teakwood and traditional European and Burmese furnishings and antiques that create an intimate atmosphere, the Savoy Hotel has spacious pastel coloured rooms with wooden floors and good amenities.

LOCATION |

Only 10-minutes drive to the city centre and 20 minutes from the airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 30 rooms equipped with air conditioning, telephone, satellite TV, mini bar, hair dryer and in-room safe.



The Governor's Residence



The Governor's Residence is an imposing teak mansion dating from the 1920s within the elegant Embassy Quarter and close to the spectacular Shwedagon Pagoda. Surrounded by lotus ponds, leafy gardens and a fan shaped swimming pool, its verandas are a blissful retreat in which to take tea in this previous residence of the Kaya State Governor.

LOCATION |

Located in the city centre and a 10-minutes drive away from the business centre.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 48 spacious teak rooms lavishly furnished with tropical cottons and silks, equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, IDD phones, safe deposit box, mini bar and luxury facilities.





Sule Shangri La Hotel

★★★★

Sule Shangri La Hotel is close to key local attractions such as the Sule Pagoda, Bogyoke Aung San Market and Chinatown. Rooms are large with views of the Shwedagon Pagoda or the magnificent city. With a blend of sophisticated elegance, international facilities and warm hospitality, Traders Hotel is the perfect base for a stay in Yangon.

LOCATION |

Centrally located in the commercial and shopping district. Only 30-minute drive to the airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 232 rooms and suites equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, IDD phones, safe deposit box, mini bar, hair dryer, tea/coffee maker and bathroom amenities.



Avenue 64

★★★

This new hotel offers contemporary and comfortable amenities including a restaurant offering international cuisine, laundry service and dry cleaning, sauna, steamroom, fitness centre, jacuzzi, business centre and garden. It is great base from which to explore the amazing sights that Yangon has to offer.

LOCATION |

Located outside the city not far from the airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

The 34 modern and well furnished rooms come with air conditioning, ironing facilities and balcony or terrace.



Central Hotel Yangon

★★★

With a ballroom, meeting room, restaurant, safety deposit boxes at the front desk and internet access, the Central Hotel Yangon is ideal for both business and leisure travellers.

LOCATION |

It is located in the heart of the Yangon within walking distance of Bogyoke Market and Sule Pagoda. Shwedagon Pagoda is 10 minutes drive away.

ACCOMMODATION |

All the 82 rooms come with air conditioning, hot and cold bath and shower, colour TV with satellite channels and in-house movies, mini bar and phone.



Green Hill

★★★

The amenities at this new and modern hotel include meeting facilities, Wi-Fi in public areas, concierge services and a restaurant that is open 24 hours and serves Chinese, European and Oriental Cuisine.

LOCATION |

Situated near Karawaik Palace and Kandawgyi Lake, 10 minutes walk to Shwedagon Pagoda, 10 minutes drive to downtown and 30 minutes drive to Yangon International Airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

All rooms are equipped with minibar, TV, bath & shower, hair-dryer, Internet access, balcony/terrace, desk and complimentary bottled water.

| Yangon

Summit Parkview Hotel



Summit Parkview Hotel is the ideal place to feel the warmth and gracefulness of the Myanmar culture.

Perfectly situated close to business districts and tourist attractions, Summit Parkview promises you the comforts of home, the facilities for your business needs, and excellent and friendly service.

LOCATION |

Located in the city centre opposite the People's Park and within walking distance of the Shwedagon Pagoda.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 140 rooms equipped with air conditioning, IDD telephones, satellite TV, mini bar and hair dryer.



East Hotel Dining Art & Craft



East Hotel is a boutique hotel set in the heart of the Yangon business district. It is conveniently located between two major roads. Sule Pagoda and Bogyoke Market are easily accessible from the hotel. The lobby area and dining room have wireless facility with internet access. Rooms also have wireless internet access.

LOCATION |

No. 234-240, (1) Quarter, Sule Pagoda Road, Kyauktada Township

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 45 guest rooms and 3 serviced apartments equipped with hair dryer, inhouse movies, coffee/tea maker, satellite/cable TV, air conditioning, plasma-screen TV, and complimentary bottled water



Asia Plaza Hotel



The Asia Plaza Hotel is a large hotel offering comfortable accommodation and good services whether you are there for business or leisure. Facilities include a restaurant and bar, business centre with internet access, meeting facilities and laundry service.

LOCATION |

Located on Bogyoke Aung San Road near to St Mary's Cathedral, the British Embassy and the Night Market.

ACCOMMODATION |

All 150 rooms have air conditioning, hot and cold shower and bath, hair dryer, satellite TV, mini bar, mini safe, tea/coffee making facilities and 24 hour room service.



Panorama Hotel



With panoramic views of the surrounding city, the 10-storey Panorama Hotel enjoys a prime location. Facilities include a business centre, meeting room and a restaurant serving European, Chinese, Indian & Myanmar cuisine.

LOCATION |

The main business, financial and shopping centres, the famous Sule Pagoda and government offices are within walking distance. It is only about 30-minutes drive from the Yangon International Airport.

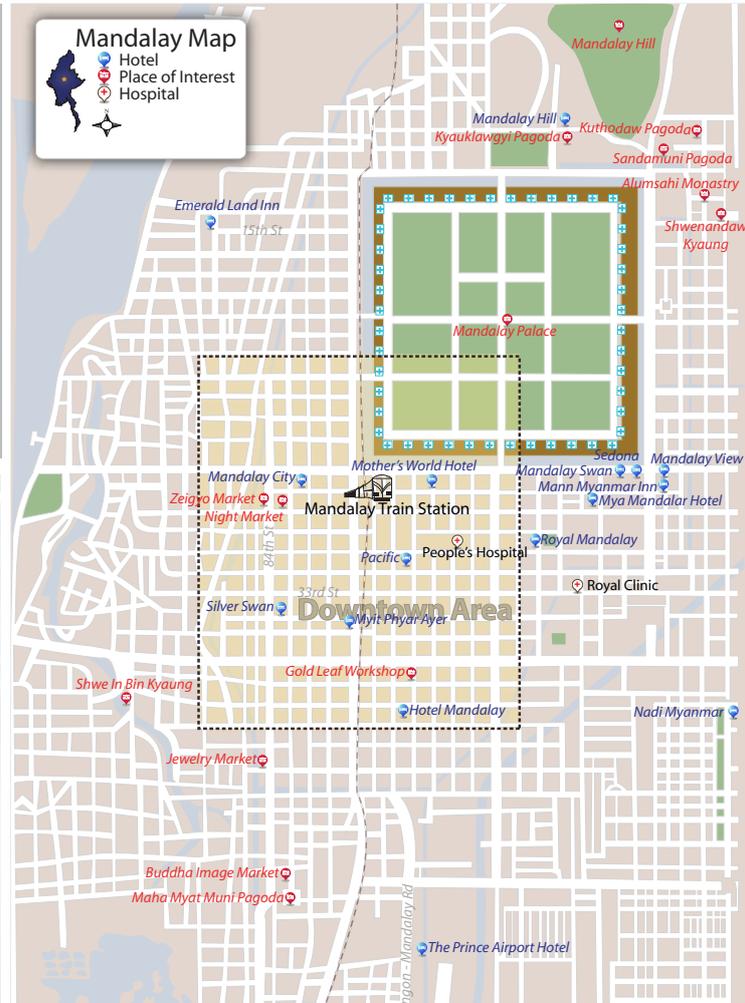
ACCOMMODATION |

102 guest rooms (superior/ suite) are tastefully decorated and come with individually controlled air-conditioners, satellite TV, mini-bars and attached bathrooms with hot/cold bath-tubs and showers.



While Yangon is the economic capital of the country, Mandalay is considered the cultural and religious capital of Myanmar, with a long history stretching back to religious times. The greater Mandalay area is actually composed of five different towns: Mandalay, Amarapura, Sagaing, Mingun and Inwa. Each of these has its own special atmosphere and highlights.

Around the city there are various attractions to discover along with experiences of local life, cultural heritage and natural beauty. Please refer to our separate section of excursions for more details.



Mandalay Hill Resort



The Mandalay Hill Resort is a landmark building set amongst the lush garden at the foot of Mandalay Hill facing the Royal Palace. The resort has modern well decorated rooms with stunning views over the Royal Palace and the Mandalay Hill. The 18-hole golf course and driving range are adjacent to the hotel making it a great place for relaxation and honeymoon.

LOCATION |

Located at the foot of Mandalay Hill with a panoramic view of a myriad of pagodas and 10-minute drive to the city centre.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 208 rooms and suites equipped with air conditioning, IDD telephones, satellite TV, radio, in-room safe, hair dryer and mini bar.



Rupar Mandalar Resort



Rupar Mandalar Resort is set in a peaceful location and offers an oasis from the bustling city. Facilities include a free form swimming pool, business centre, fitness centre, sauna, Jacuzzi, tennis court, free Wi-fi. Bicycles are available for rent.

LOCATION |

Located on the edge of Mandalay, a short taxi ride into the centre.

ACCOMMODATION |

The 16 guestrooms are adorned with beautiful local woods, rattan furniture and traditional Burmese fabrics and silks. They all have air-conditioning, satellite TV, minibar, tea/coffee making machines, IDD phones, hair dryer and built-in wardrobes.



| Mandalay

Sedona Hotel Mandalay



Nestled on four acres of landscaped gardens, Sedona Hotel Mandalay is ideally located in the heart of the city and faces the majestic Madalay Palace and Mandalay Hill. Guest rooms and suites are pleasantly designed and well equipped with an inviting décor that hints at a fusion of the ethnic and the modern. Cozy accommodation, comprehensive business facilities and fine recreational services make Sedona Hotel an ideal place to stay.

LOCATION |

Located in the heart of the city, a short drive from Zegyo Market and the Mandalay Palace.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 247 rooms and suites equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, mini bar, safe deposit box and IDD telephone.



The Hotel by the Red Canal



This boutique-style hotel is a celebration of all things Myanmar, featuring teak furniture and fixtures & fittings made from rattan, mother-of-pearl and other local materials. There is an outdoor pool, spa and a restaurant serving North Indian cuisine with indoor or outdoor seating.

LOCATION |

Within walking distance of the iconic Mandalay Palace.

ACCOMMODATION |

25 rooms are divided into 4 categories named after and decked in the cultural adornments of the 4 major ethnic groups in Myanmar: Chin, Kachin, Rakhine and Shan. All have Internet access, TV, air conditioning, hot and cold bath/shower, coffee & tea making facilities.



Ayarwaddy River View Hotel



This good value hotel offers comfortable rooms, a meeting room, boat and bicycle rental. A highlight is the roof top bar and open restaurant where you can dine with superb 360 degree views.

LOCATION |

Ayarwaddy River View Hotel is located on the bank of the Ayarwaddy River, just five minutes from the city centre and very near to the Royal Palace.

ACCOMMODATION |

Rooms are simply furnished and come with individually controlled air conditioning, cable TV, hot and cold bath and shower and mini bar.



Mandalay City Hotel



The Mandalay City Hotel offers a welcome respite for business and leisure travellers alike. There is a business centre, a selection of dining venues and an outdoor swimming pool shaded by lush tropical greenery and beautiful landscaping.

LOCATION |

The Mandalay City Hotel is situated in central Mandalay, within a 10-minute walk of Zegyo Market.

ACCOMMODATION |

The Hotel has 61 superior and 6 deluxe rooms representing good value for money. Each comes with air-conditioning, safety deposit box, tea/coffee making facilities, shower and bathtub and minibar.



Oriental Ballooning in Mandalay |

If you want to see more of Mandalay, then fly with Oriental Ballooning to discover hidden sights and treasures that can only be seen from the sky in the elegant luxury of a balloon!

Oriental Ballooning is the only balloon company that currently offers flights over and around Mandalay. There are 6 balloons, which can take 4 or 8 passengers each so you'll only ever be in a section in the basket with one other person.

Schedule

The balloons will launch just before sunrise, subject to suitable weather conditions. Sunrise is around 6.15am in October and November, 6.30am in December and January, approximately 6.45am in February and 6.30am in March.

Private Charter and Premium Service include:

- Pickup from your hotel or guest house in the balloon company's off-road cars
- Light, pre-flight breakfast service while you watch the balloons inflate
- Safety briefing from your pilot
- An intimate and interactive experience in the exclusive 4 and 8 passenger balloons.
- Flight normally takes 45 minutes to one hour

Balloon Capacity

The Capacity will be with 40 passengers in 6 balloons per day, 2 balloons with 4 passengers (total 8 passengers) and another 4 balloons with 8 passengers each (total 32 passengers).





Bagan is a spectacular plain nestled in the curve of the Irrawaddy River and dotted with thousands of temple ruins dating back 800-1000 years. The golden age of Bagan, as capital of the first Burmese empire, lasted from the early 11th century until it was conquered by Kublai Khan in 1287. Today the temples rival the temples of Angkor in their magnificence and remoteness. Bagan can be reached by boat along the Irrawaddy River or by land and is a must stop on any tour into Myanmar. The area is very laid back and quiet, with many visitors opting to see the temples by horse and carriage. Nearby Mount Popa is another interesting day trip from Bagan as it is the most important 'nat' worship centre in the country and is believed to be the home of the gods.

Around the city there are various attractions to discover along with experiences of local life, cultural heritage and natural beauty. Please refer to our separate section of excursions for more details.



Aureum Palace Hotel - Resort Bagan



★★★★★

The Aureum Palace Hotel & Resort occupies 27 acres of tranquil gardens and is close to the Bagan Viewing Tower. It is 5 minutes drive to Old Bagan and the Nyaung U Market.

The resort's highlights include superb restaurants with nightly entertainment.

Museum quality antiques and artifacts adorn each villa, complementing the majestic ambiance of the resort. Bedrooms are spacious and elegant: bathrooms are large and lavishly equipped with five star amenities.

Aureum Palace Hotel & Resort is ideal for those seeking, luxury, pampering and relaxation.

LOCATION |

Located in Nyaung U.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 72 villas and 42 deluxe rooms equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, telephones, mini bar and in-room safe.



| Bagan

Amazing Bagan Resort



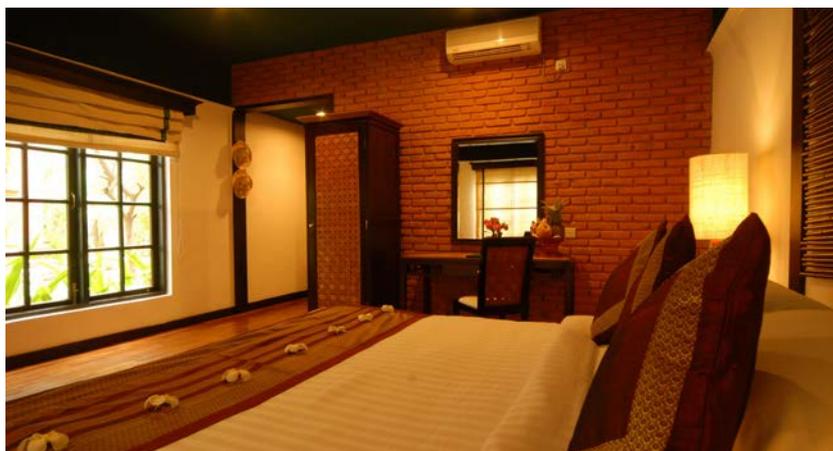
The hotel offers a welcoming ambiance and excellent service. Facilities include an outdoor swimming pool, free bicycle rental, 2 restaurants, spa, golf rental and the 9 holes Bagan Nyaung Oo Golf Course.

LOCATION |

Located adjacent to the Bagan Nyaung Oo Golf Club. 10 minutes from Old Bagan and most of the sightseeing points. Only 5 minutes from the Bagan Nyaung Oo Airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

The rooms and suites are decorated in ancient Bagan style, overlook the swimming pool and are equipped with air-conditioning, satellite T.V, mini bar, refrigerator, hair dryer and hot & cold shower with bath tub.



Bagan Thiripyitsaya Sanctuary Resort



Established 30 years ago, Bagan Thiripyitsaya Sanctuary Resort Hotel is situated on the banks of the Irrawaddy River. It offers beautifully decorated accommodation units that are elegantly furnished with an array of contemporary amenities to satisfy the needs of discerning travellers. It is the ideal base for relaxation, enjoyment and historical discovery.

LOCATION |

Located a few minutes drive from Nyaung U Airport and 6 kilometres away from the city centre.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 76 rooms equipped with air conditioning, private safe, satellite TV, telephone, hair dryer, mini bar and tea/coffee maker, outside veranda with river or garden view.



The Hotel at Tharabar Gate



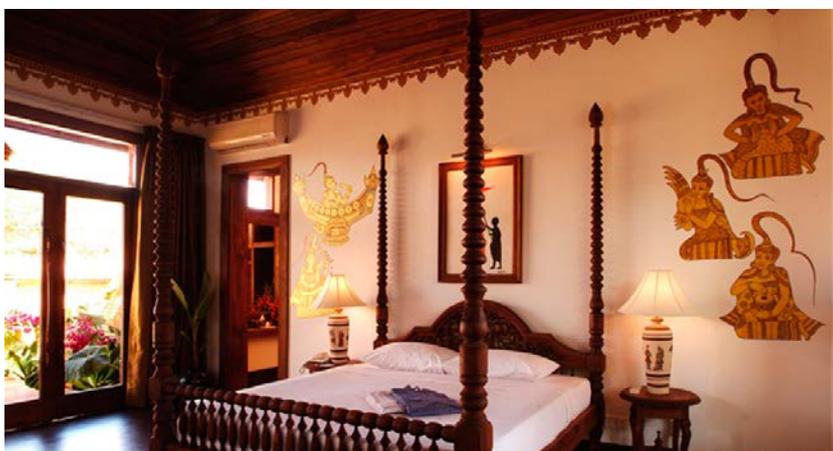
The Hotel Tharabar Gate features elegant decor, a welcoming ambiance and comfortable accommodation. Overlooking the Ananda Temple, the jewel of Bagan, this property is 10 minutes drive away from the Nyaung U Airport and sightseeing places of Bagan. Guest rooms are elegantly designed and well-appointed with a host of modern amenities to make guests stay a memorable one.

LOCATION |

Located right in front of the legendary Tharabar Gate and within walking distance to the spectacular Ananda Temple.

ACCOMMODATION |

Offers 86 rooms equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, mini bar, safe deposit box, hair dryer and tea/coffee making facilities.



Aye Yar River View Hotel



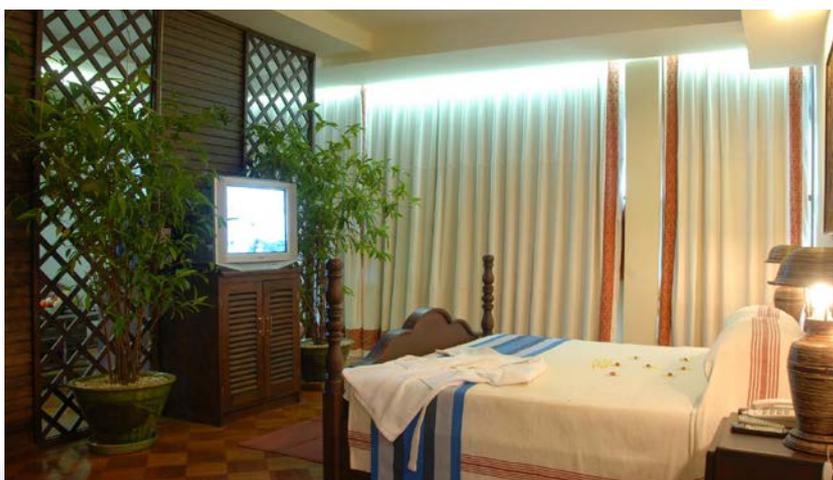
After a major make-over the hotel is now inviting the guests to a rejuvenating & refreshing experience in their property. With a charming tropical atmosphere and a prime location along the banks of the Irrawaddy River, the resort offers a mixture of ancient Bagan history and contemporary design.

LOCATION |

Along the Irrawaddy River bank in Old Bagan, close to many of the pagodas & stupas in Old Bagan,

ACCOMMODATION |

All 52 guestrooms & 32 Deluxe Rooms, River View or Garden View, are tastefully decorated and equipped with IDD Phone, satellite TV, mini bar and modern bathroom amenities.





Bagan Hotel River View

★★★★

The Bagan Hotel Riverview is set in a stunning peaceful location with fantastic views across the Irrawaddy River. Guest rooms are all similarly themed with wooden floorboards, local woods and rattan furnishings.

LOCATION |

Located just 10 minutes drive from Nyaung U Airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 108 rooms equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, hair dryer and mini bar.



Bagan Thande Hotel

★★★★

This two storey colonial building was built in 1922, for the then Prince of Wales when he visited Bagan. Facilities include an outdoor pool, restaurant and gardens. Boats, horse carts and bikes can be rented.

LOCATION |

Located at the south-west corner of the ancient walls of Old Bagan City, on the bank of the River Ayeyarwady.

ACCOMMODATION |

The 78 spacious rooms are furnished with teakwood and traditional handcrafts, overlooking the river, birds' sanctuary garden or pool.



Kumudara Hotel

★★★★

Kumudara Hotel is located in a quiet and serene area with views of the surrounding temples. Facilities include a swimming pool, massage, meeting room and a restaurant that serves traditional Myanmar cuisin.

LOCATION |

The hotel lies at the edge of the archeological zone, surrounded by farmland and ruins of temples.

ACCOMMODATION |

All 50 rooms are air conditioned and feature attached bathrooms with hot and cold shower & bathtubs.



Myanmar Treasure Resort (New Bagan)

★★★★

Surrounded by swaying palms and landscaped gardens, the Myanmar Treasure Resort offers guest rooms that have been elegantly furnished with teak wood and local materials.

LOCATION |

Located close to Bagan Archaeological Preservation Zone and 10-minutes drive from Old Bagan.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 92 Superior rooms and 2 Suites equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, mini bar and telephone.



Thazin Garden Hotel

★★★★

Thazin Garden Hotel offers guest rooms that are well furnished in rich teak wood, rattan furniture and traditional Burmese lacquer ware. The cottage style rooms are scattered around the garden. There is a restaurant and a small but chic swimming pool is available.

LOCATION |

Located in the city centre 10 minutes walk from local restaurants.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 60 rooms equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, mini bar, telephone and tea/coffee making facilities.

Bagan |

Balloons over Bagan



The magic of Bagan has inspired visitors to Myanmar for centuries. Here, ancient temples dot the landscape as far as the eye can see. Now “Balloons over Bagan” affords visitors a unique opportunity to see this ancient Kingdom, as it has never been seen before. The balloon is guided by gentle winds not exceeding 15mph, allowing passengers a serene and peaceful bird’s-eye view of ancient temples drifting by. Using his skill the pilot is able to guide the balloon to a gentle landing where the friendly crew and a celebratory glass of champagne will be on hand. On average, flights last between 45 minutes to 1 hour.

Balloon Capacity |

There are a maximum of 4 balloons operating at one time with capacity depending on the period of time/ travel.

The balloon capacity can be:

Pilot + 12 passengers

Pilot + 8 passengers

Pilot + 4 passengers

Sunrise Trip |

05:30

Pick up from the hotel and transfer to the balloon departure place.

06:00

Set off before sunrise for approximately 45 minutes. As the sun rises, the mist creeps back to reveal pagoda after pagoda as far as the eye can see, with golden spires gleaming as the first rays of sunshine reach them. A light breakfast (coffee, tea and 3 kinds of snacks) will be served before the flight.

REMARK |

Please note that times mentioned here are estimates only and are subject to change upon weather conditions without prior notice.

Mount Popa |

Popa Mountain Resort



The Popa Mountain Resort is perched at an altitude of 2,500 feet on a green hillside of Popa Mountain. It is an isolated, beautiful natural setting with panoramic views of the countryside and Mt Popa Temple. Rooms are spacious and constructed from timber which blends in with the natural environment. Modern in style, Popa Mountain Resort is a superior tourist class hotel that offers all the facilities and services in the city centre. =All guestrooms are well appointed to offer maximum comfort and convenience for the guests.

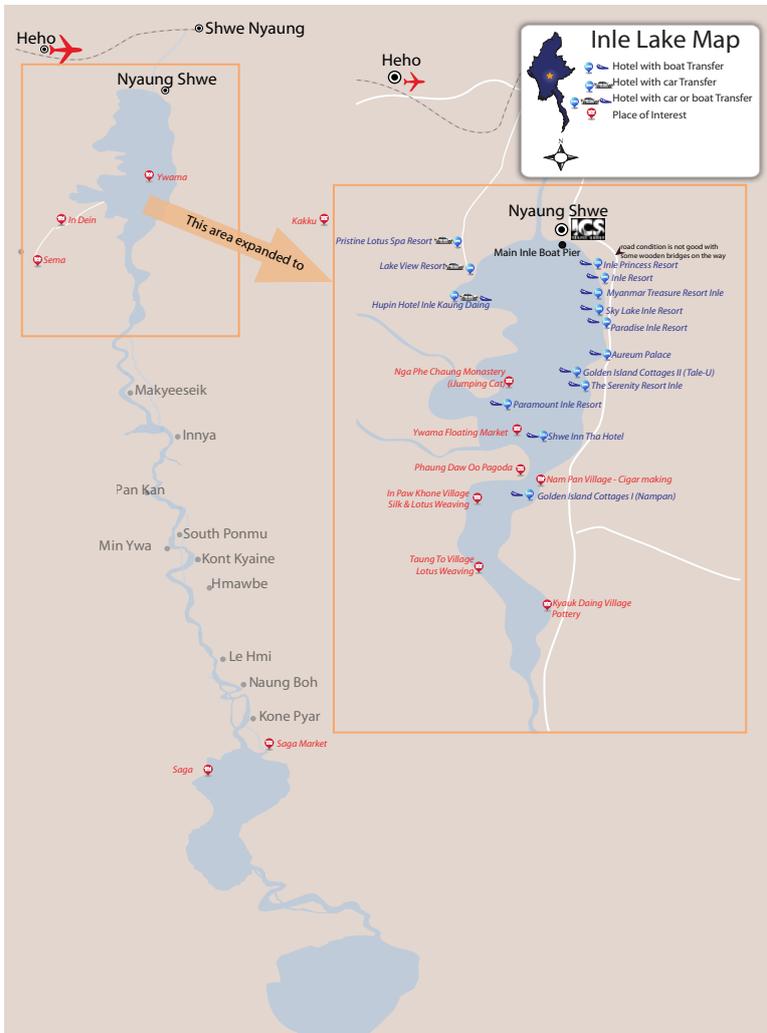
LOCATION |

Located 40 kilometers away from the airport and the railway station.

ACCOMMODATION |

Equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, telephone, hair dryer, mini bar and tea/coffee making facilities.





Nestled among the Shan Mountains are the glassy blue waters of Inle Lake. The major highlight here is taking a boat trip along the lake to see local life including floating markets, handicraft workshops, monasteries and the Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda. Every October, both local and foreign pilgrims flock to the pagoda for its annual three week long festival for well-known boat racing and other ceremonies. The local fishermen have a unique way of rowing their boats: they stand on one leg, use the other to row the boat and can then use their hands to cast the fishing nets.

Around the city there are various attractions to discover along with experiences of local life, cultural heritage and natural beauty. Please refer to our separate section of excursions for more details.



Aureum Inle Resort & Spa



Aureum Inle Resort and Spa offers unsurpassed luxury accommodation with villas built over the waters and shores of one of Myanmar's most stunning natural wonders, Inle Lake. Facilities include a swimming pool with sunbeds, a restaurant and bar serving local and international cuisine, and a spa offering massage treatments.

LOCATION |

Located on the edge of the beautiful and tranquil Inle Lake.

ACCOMMODATION |

Each expansive villa is elegantly decorated and features a separate living area. All the required amenities and facilities are provided including air conditioning, mini bar and coffee and tea making facilities. All have a private outdoor terrace for sitting and relaxing and viewing the spectacular sunset over the lake and hills beyond.



| Inle Lake

Pristine Lotus Spa Resort Inle



Pristine Lotus Spa Resort's main facilities and villas are gracefully laid out over a landscaped hillside that gently slopes into the lake, offering great views of the lake and the Shan hills beyond. The canopied lobby rests on an island connected by teak-wood bridges over landscaped gardens.

LOCATION |

Khaung Daing village on the west bank of Inle Lake, 20 minute by boat from Nyaung Shwe and 45 minutes from Heho airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

All 53 teak-tiled villas are decorated with handcrafted indigenous fabrics. They feature a separate living room, air conditioning and heater, mini bar, satellite TV, safe deposit box, separate shower cabin with hot & cold bathtub, coffee making facilities and Private Balcony.



Villa Inle Resort



This eco-friendly resort offers high standards of accommodation along with a bar, room service, Wi-Fi and a restaurant serving traditional Shan, Inthar and Myanmar cuisines.

LOCATION |

Located on the eastern fringe of Inle Lake in 21 acres of lush tropical gardens.

ACCOMMODATION |

The wooden Myanmar-style villas overlook the lake and come with floor-to-ceiling windows, hand-selected local paintings, antiques, high wooden ceilings, spacious living areas, air conditioning, flat-screen satellite TV and a refrigerator.



Inle Lake View Resort



Located on the western edge of the lake, the hotel offers luxury and elegance throughout. The spa centre is beautifully designed and able to cater to the most discerning visitor. The restaurant serves fine wine and cuisine using organic vegetables and salads from the hotel's private garden.

LOCATION |

Located on 24 acres of lush land with direct access to the lake from the hotel's jetty. The airport is 40 minutes drive away.

ACCOMMODATION |

The 38 rooms are large and spacious and all come with private balcony, excellent lake views and are tastefully decorated in Burmese style with soft tropical hues.



Inle Princess Resort



The architecture of Inle Princess was drawn from the traditions and culture of the Shan and Intha people. Facilities include a restaurant, bar, wine cellar, spa and internet access.

LOCATION |

Located on the eastern bank of Inle Lake next to the Magyizin Village and surrounded by views of the blue mountain ranges and rice paddy fields.

ACCOMMODATION |

Each Chalet has a large front facing glass window, divan, day bed, mini bar, safety deposit box, a chimney for the cold season & air conditioning for the hot season. Each has a terrace either facing the lake or gardens.





Inle Resort

★★★★

The Inle Resort is distinguished by its signature roof which is prominent on the Lake and provides a welcome beacon to its guests. The resort offers a business centre, spa, restaurant, bar and gardens.

LOCATION |

Located on the edge of Inle Lake.

ACCOMMODATION |

The 22 garden cottages have views of the pond while the 32 villas overlook the lake. All are well equipped with shower, satellite TV, air-conditioning/heater, mini-bar, tea and coffee making facilities and in-room safe-box.



Myanmar Treasure Resort Inle

★★★★

The name “Myanmar Treasure” signifies the round pillars of Myanmar teakwood that adorn each and every one of the resorts. Myanmar Treasure Resort Inle is designed to bring out the richness of nature, the freshness of forest trees and foliage, the freedom of open spaces and the elegance of wooden structures. Here you can experience the original hospitality of Inthas, the indigenous people of Lake Inle.

LOCATION |

On the Inle Lake in Shan State, 1 hour drive from Heho airport, 30 minutes boat drive from Nyaung Shwe jetty.

ACCOMMODATION |

Equipped with in-room telephone and mini bar.



Hupin Hotel Inle Khaung Daing

★★★

Hupin Hotel Inle Khaung Daing offers extensive views of Inle Lake in a quiet, peaceful, comfortable and safe location that is perfect for a relaxing holiday.

LOCATION |

Located on the West Bank of Inle Lake.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 46 chalets equipped with air conditioning, fan, satellite TV, mini bar/fridge, hot/cold shower and IDD phone.



| Nyaung Shwe

Amazing Nyaung Shwe Hotel



Operated by the Amazing Group this new addition is a landmark in the city of Nyaung Shwe. The combination of Burmese traditional architecture and modern conveniences provides the best in its category in town.

LOCATION |

Located in the city centre of Nyaung Shwe town, next to the morning market, overlooking Shan plateau.

ACCOMMODATION |

All 16 elegantly designed rooms are equipped with modern amenities, such as mini bar and IDD telephone.



ViewPoint Eco-Lodge & Fine Cuisine



The rooms at the ViewPoint Eco-Lodge blend harmoniously with the beautiful surroundings. The ViewPoint Restaurant is the best local restaurant in Myanmar according to the Routard Guide and Lonely Planet Travel Guide books.

LOCATION |

Located on the edge of the canal leading to the magnificent Inle Lake in the colourful Southern Shan State village of Nyaung Shwe.

ACCOMMODATION |

20 luxurious Cottage Suites are built in the traditional Shan way on pilings on the lake using local limestone, mud and rice straw, and reinforced with wooden beams. All are equipped with wireless internet, telephone, LCD TV, unlimited movies and music.



Hupin Hotel



This high rise building has 60 simply furnished rooms, laundry service, bar, 24 hour room service and a restaurant serving Chinese, Myanmar and Shan cuisine.

LOCATION |

Hupin Hotel is situated near the entrance of Nyaung Shwe township which leads to Inle Lake.

ACCOMMODATION |

Rooms are basic but all have mini bar and refrigerator, hot and cold shower and bath-tub, satellite TV and air conditioning.



Named by homesick Italian sailors after their beloved Naples, Ngapali is an unforgettably peaceful retreat. Miles of unspoiled sandy beach, brilliant turquoise seas and towering coconut trees make Ngapali a perfect place to unwind. In addition to being one of the most beautiful beaches, Ngapali offers high standards of beach accommodation with several high quality international class resorts. The best time to visit Ngapali is from October to May. The best way to reach Ngapali is by the nearby domestic airport Thndwe.



Ngapali Map

- Hotel
- Place of Interest
- Golf Course



| Ngapali

Aureum Resort & Spa Ngapali



The magnificent scenery of the Bay of Bengal provides a secluded and romantic setting for the elegant and beautifully appointed Aureum Hotel & Resort - Ngapali on Myanmar's Indian Ocean. This idyllic beach-front resort stands apart as a premier boutique hotel with one of the best spas in the area and offers the ultimate in personal service and quality.

LOCATION |

Ngapali beach.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 42 individually designed and spacious cottages with air conditioning, Jacuzzi, private veranda, candlelit bathroom and open air shower.



Amata Resort & Spa



The Amata, Myanmar's most exclusive international resort, stretches along the beautiful shoreline of Ngapali, Myanmar's premier beach. Guests are luxuriously accommodated in seventy teak, bamboo, cane and rattan cabanas, bungalows and suites.

LOCATION |

Situated near the delightful Mya Pyin village at Ngapali Beach. Thandwe Airport is a convenient 45 minutes direct flight from Yangon.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 80 rooms with air-conditioning, IDD telephone, in-room safe, satellite TV, personal bar, hair dryer, coffee and tea making facilities.



Amazing Ngapali Resort



Amazing Ngapali Resort is the crown jewel of resorts in Ngapali, offering the comfort of a first-class hotel with the relaxing tranquility of a secluded beach front resort. It's the ultimate hedonistic resort that redefines escapism in its beauty, luxury and concept.

LOCATION |

Situated in Zee Phyu Gone village, at the famous old Ngapali Beach by the Bay of Bengal.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 37 rooms with air conditioning, bath tub, coffee & tea making facilities, hairdryer, IDD telephone, satellite TV, in-room safe and mini bar.



Bayview Beach Resort



Bayview Resort is set amidst lush coconut palm trees on the unspoiled Ngapali beach. It's a place to relax with a number of water sport activities available. The less adventurous can spend the day watching local fishermen on their daily routines or stroll down the beach enjoying a fresh breeze from the Bay of Bengal.

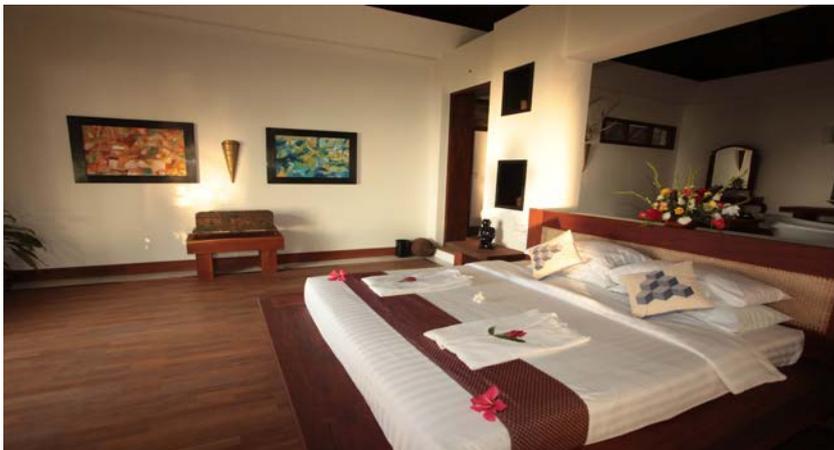
LOCATION |

On Ngapali beach, 15-minutes drive from Thandwe Airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 31 deluxe bungalows with bathroom amenities, air conditioning, mini bar, in room safe, IDD telephone, hairdryer, satellite TV & in house movies.





Ngapali Bay Villa and Spa

★★★★

Designed by a highly regarded British architect, David Wordsworth, all villas at Ngapali Bay Villas & Spa are unique. Featuring hand-selected local paintings and antiques, high wooden ceilings, and spacious living areas and bathrooms. There is an outdoor swimming pool, restaurant and bar.

LOCATION |

Located on Ngapali Beach.

ACCOMMODATION |

The 32 villas have views of the pristine waters of the Bay of Bengal and are equipped with king size beds, air conditioning, LED television and Internet access.



Sandoway Resort



★★★★

Sandoway Resort is nestled amongst coconut palm trees on the pristine beach frontage of Ngapali Beach in the Bay of Bengal. It is designed in traditional South-East Asian elegance and is constructed with local materials of various kinds including hard wood, stone carving and marble.

LOCATION |

15-minutes drive from airport, 25-minutes drive to Thandwe, 45-minutes flight from Yangon.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 56 villas and cottages quipped with air conditioning, ceiling fan and mini bar.



Silver Beach Hotel

★★★

This is a simple and basic hotel located next to the beach in the resort of Ngapali. The restaurant serves traditional Myanmar cuisine as well as international dishes. Internet access and 24 hour room service is also available.

LOCATION |

Located just 10 metres from the beach and 10 minutes drive from Thandwe Airport.

ACCOMMODATION |

Rooms are chalet style and are set among the gardens and the coconut trees. They all have air conditioning, hair dryer and mini bar.



Thande Beach Hotel

★★★

Set among landscaped gardens, the Thande Beach Hotel faces the gentle waves of the Bay of Bengal. Facilities include an outdoor pool with Jacuzzi, spa and restaurant. Car, boat and bike rental is available.

LOCATION |

Located on the alluring Ngapali Beach.

ACCOMMODATION |

The 38 spacious deluxe bungalow type rooms have private terraces overlooking the Bay of Bengal. They are furnished elegantly with polished teak and rattan furniture, fine fabric and Myanmar traditional handicrafts. All have air conditioning.

| Pyay

Mingalar Garden Hotel



Mingalar Garden Hotel is a two star hotel, which is built next to the lake and gives the hotel a special, peaceful atmosphere. The rooms are cozy and clean.

LOCATION |

Located on the main road of Pyay - Aunglan, 10 minutes away from the railway station.

ACCOMMODATION |

Equipped with air-conditioning, cold & hot shower, telephone, TV, and mini bar.



| Mrauk U

Mrauk Oo Princess Resort



Staying at the Mrauk Oo Princess Resort guests can enjoy magnificent views over the blue mountain ranges, the Mrauk Oo River and rice paddy fields. The architecture of Mrauk Oo Princess Resort was inspired from the traditions and culture of the Rakhine people.

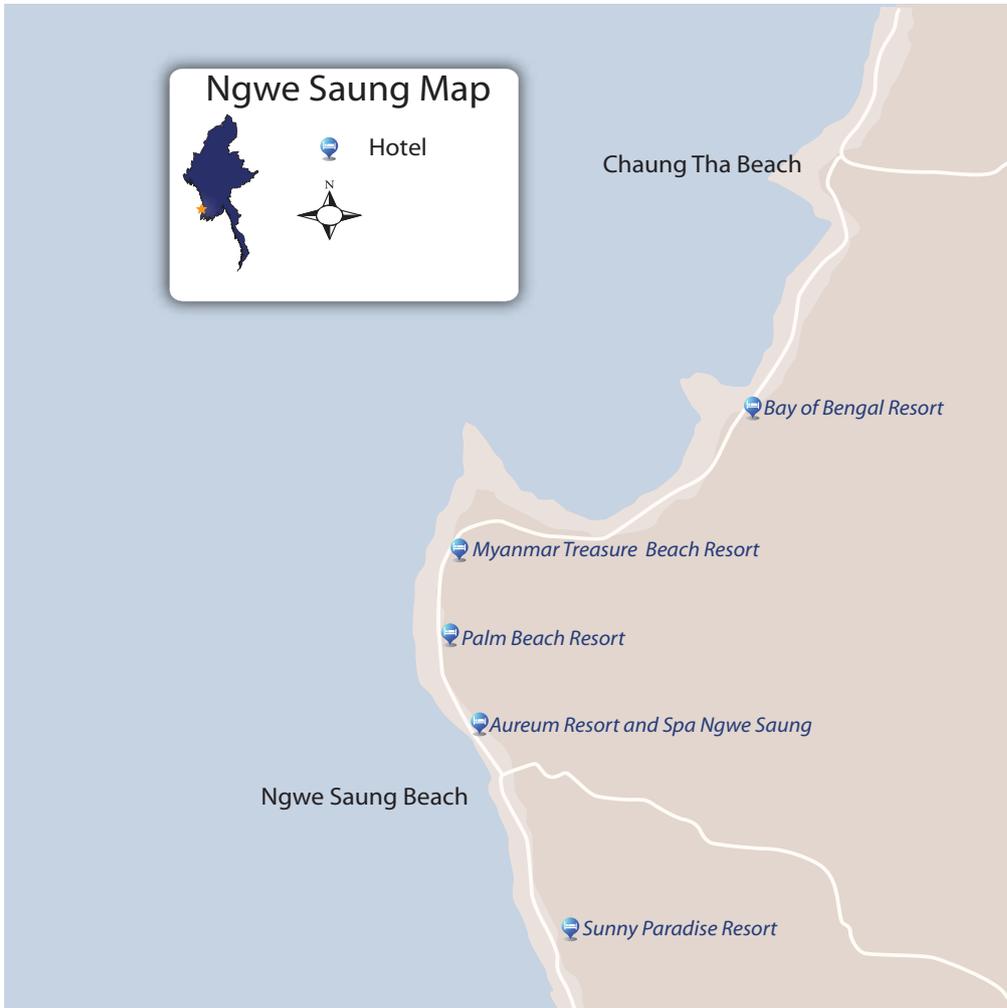
LOCATION |

Situated in western Myanmar, approximately 5 hours by boat from Sittwe.

ACCOMMODATION |

All 21 Village House-style guest rooms have views to the river, rice fields or garden. Interior facilities include a writing desk, coffee table and chairs, mini bar, IDD telephone & a wardrobe containing a safety deposit box.





Ngwe Saung is a small fishing village located on a 7 mile long stretch of white sandy beach, with clear water. The area remains relatively undeveloped, with only a few resorts. Blue waters, extensive silvery beach and scenic shoreline are set against a backdrop of tropical rain forests and the towering Rakhine Mountain. With these exotic natural attractions, Ngwe Saung has recently become popular with tourists.



Aureum Resort and Spa Ngwe Saung



Simplicity with every comfort, and blessed with the kind of service you may have thought was a thing of the past. Aureum Ngwe Saung is built in traditional, colonial style amongst the tropical vegetation with large verandas looking out to the sea.

LOCATION |

4-hours drive from Yangon, or 35-minutes flight to Patheingyi and 1-hour drive to the Aureum Hotel & Resort.

ACCOMMODATION |

The resort offers 55 beautiful, spacious bungalows, 6 Villas with a separate pool and butler service; the rooms are furnished with wood, rattan and cotton.



| Ngwe Saung Bay of Bengal Resort



The Bay of Bengal resort sits on a spacious 14.3 acres of land. The resort is an artistic contemporary interpretation of the traditional and graceful Myanmar style. The ultra-modern roof styling is specially designed to flood the resort with calming, filtered natural light.

LOCATION |

Ngwe Saung is one of Myanmar's most accessible beaches, and is a leisurely, scenic four-hour drive from the capital, Yangon.

ACCOMMODATION |

All 62 rooms are provided with air conditioning, hair dryer, telephone, satellite TV, mini bar, personal safe and tea/coffee making facilities.



Myanmar Treasure Beach Resort



Myanmar Treasure Resort is designed to tempt those who wish to escape from hectic city life. The Resort overlooks a 9-mile white-sand pristine beach in front of a crystal blue sea. The indigenous architecture of the teak-pillared lobby, the teak-house restaurant and the thatch-roofed bungalows provide the most romantic setting.

LOCATION |

5-hours drive from Yangon.

ACCOMMODATION |

Features 64 rooms with air conditioning, attached bathroom with hot and cold shower, in-room telephone, satellite TV, mini bar, in-room safe, hair dryer and coffee and tea making facilities.



Palm Beach Resort



Palm Beach Resort was opened in November 2000 on the west coast of Myanmar. It is set amidst lush gardens and close to the warm turquoise waters of the Bay of Bengal.

LOCATION |

Ideally located close to the beach front.

ACCOMMODATION |

Offers 20 ocean front and 11 executive view deluxe rooms furnished with wood, rattan and cotton furnishings, marble bathrooms and equipped with air-conditioning and satellite-TV.



The Emerald Sea Resort



The Emerald Sea Resort reflects local tradition through its architecture and use of local materials. Amenities include a swimming pool with children's area, restaurant, massage, laundry, bicycle rental service and free Wi-fi in the lobby.

LOCATION |

Set among five acres of palm grove and tropical gardens on Ngwe Saung Beach.

ACCOMMODATION |

Rooms have mini bar, air conditioning, satellite TV & DVD, hair dryer and 24 hour room service.



Travelling in Myanmar is a journey to the past. There are many things to see and do in this Golden Land. The Shwedagon Pagoda is as much one of the sights of Asia as the more than 2,200 pagodas and temples in the archaeological zone of Bagan and the famous Kuthodaw Pagoda in Mandalay. Yet there is still a whole lot more to be discovered. Take part in one of the following tours to unveil the beauty of Myanmar.

BAGAN |

Bagan (full day) |

This tour gives you an overall impression on Bagan with visits to some of the following highlights: Shwezigon Pagoda - this gleaming golden stupa was the first example of the distinctive shape later copied all over Myanmar, Htilominlo Pagoda, Mingalazedi Pagoda and Dhammayangyi Pagoda.

Bagan by Bicycle (full day) |

Explore the temples of Bagan at a leisurely pace, cycling past stupas in a peaceful countryside setting. You will enjoy the fantastic moment with healthier life.

Cycling excursion to Kyauk Gu U min (half day) |

This half day bike tour visits Kyauk Gu U min, a cave temple with notable sandstone carvings and a colossal Buddha image, located on the bank of the Irrawaddy river. Cycle in a north easterly direction with first a stop at Mani Sithu Central Market. Then, cross through Nyaung Oo town itself and follow the main road out until a point where turning on a dirt road to reach Kyauk Gu U min. The total cycling time is approx. 1 hour with a distance of 10-15 kilometers. Enjoy and observe the cave temple, before taking a boat for a cruise downriver towards Bagan.

INLE LAKE |

Inle Lake (full day) |

Take a full day boat trip on Inle Lake. Inle Lake, located in Shan State, is beautiful, with very calm waters dotted with patches of floating gardens and fishing canoes. High hills rim the lake on all sides. Enjoy the spectacular scenery and observe the skilled fisherman using their "leg-rowing" technique to propel themselves around the lake. Visit a local market and an Intha village around the lake.

Start trekking to Kyar Tun village with great wide angle panoramic views. Another hour from the foothill of U Daung Thauung leads to Kyar Tun village. The residents of the village are Pa O and Taung Yoe ethnic tribes. After the village visit take about 45 minutes back to the foothill of U Daung Thauung. From this point, walk uphill for about 45 minutes to a monastery. Visit U Daung Thauung Monastery and the burial site of the famous monk in this region. Enjoy a picnic style lunch there. Descend U Daung Thauung and continue back to Indein temple complex (approx. 60 min.). Visit the adjacent Sae Ma village and after that transfer back to Inle by boat. The total walking time is around 4 hrs and 30 minutes.

KALAW |

Cycling and trekking around Kalaw (half day) |

Transfer by vehicle to the starting point beyond Kalaw and start trekking for about 90 min. Alternately up and down with partly rocky surface to Pein Ne Pin village. Take time for a brief village visit before starting to cycle through deep Pa O territory in the Shan mountains offering overwhelming panoramic views.



A selection of these temples will be visited among others Ananda Pahto, Shwegugyi, Nathalaung Kyaung, Pahtothamy.

Mount Popa and Salay (full day) |

Take a day trip outside Bagan to the most sacred place in the country - MOUNT POPA. A curiously cylindrical hill rising sharply from the surrounding plain, Mount Popa is considered to be the home of Myanmar most important nats (spirits). Visitors ascend up a winding covered staircase encircling the mountain, observed by the curious monkeys that populate the area. At the top is a monastery and temple complex, with shrines to the 37 nats and a spectacular view over the region. In the afternoon, continue to SALAY. Explore local life in this unspoiled Burmese town.

Visit the Yoke Son Kyaung, the oldest surviving wooden monastery, with beautiful carvings of court life and scenes from the Ramayana. Continue to wander around the town, visiting the market and the Thar Ta Na Yang Chi monastery, which also serves as orphanage.

Excursion to Kakku (full day) |

Journey into the mountains through beautiful landscapes, passing to Pa O villages with the opportunity to visit a market on the way. Explore the magnificent KAKKU TEMPLE COMPLEX, a collection of over 2000 Buddhist stupas dates from the 12th and 13th centuries and is concentrated in the space of one square kilometer. Many Buddha statues lie scattered in and around the ruins, which are themselves overgrown with vegetation. Return to Nyaung Shwe by vehicle and transfer by boat to your hotel.

Pindaya Caves (full day) |

Pindaya Caves are in limestone ridge overlooking the Pindaya Lake and is full of thousands of Buddha images which have been put there over centuries and arranged in such a way as to form a labyrinth throughout the various cave chambers. In these caves, you may come across by people practicing meditation.

Trekking Explorer of Kyar Tun Village (full day) |

After breakfast, transfer by boat to the village of Indein. Take a short walk around the village, school and head to a covered stairway to the beautiful Alaung Sithou area (Indein Temple complex) where dozens of ancient stupas stand in an overgrown jungle like setting.

This ride takes about 80 minutes. Rest in Taung Ni village and continue cycling to Nawar Taung for about 90 minutes. Visit Nawar Taung and enjoy a picnic style lunch there. After lunch, proceed by bike to the intersection with the main road Pindaya, Aung Ban (approx. 30 min). Load the bicycles up and drive back to Kalaw via Aung Ban.

Trekking around Kalaw (full day) |

Set out from the outskirts of Kalaw, through pine forests and refreshing breezes. Continue walking through the valley for about 2 hours before arriving at the Danu village of Lut Pyin. After visiting with the villagers continue to another Danu village and break for lunch, while enjoying the panoramic views. Continue to Taung Gyi Che village for vistas of the Myin Ma Hit mountain and return to Kalay. Total trekking time is approximately 6 hours, on hilly terrain.

MANDALAY |

Amarapura, Sagaing & Ava (full day) |

This day tour visits three former royal capitals, each with its own unique atmosphere. In the morning, drive to AMARAPURA, and visit MAHAGANDAYON MONASTERY.

The next stop is SAGAING which is the spiritual centre of Myanmar. Hundreds of stupas, monasteries, temples and nunneries are to be found in Sagaing Hill, sometimes known as a living Bagan. Stop at some of the most famous temples, such as TUPAYON PAYA and HSINMYASHIN PAYA (the Pagoda of Many Elephants). Cross the river by ferry to INWA, situated on the banks of the Irrawaddy River. Once a royal capital, Inwa is now a quiet rural oasis. Enjoy a leisurely HORSECART RIDE around the peaceful countryside, briefly visiting BAGAYA KYAUNG, a beautiful teakwood monastery, MAHAAUNGME BOZAN KYANG, and NAN MYINT TOWER. On the way, stop and observe how local artisans make the famous alms bowls out of iron. Finally, return to AMARAPURA to end the day at U BEINS BRIDGE, a picturesque teak bridge which extends over one kilometer across Taungthaman Lake. At dusk, the bridge teems with monks and local people as they stroll home or linger to enjoy the colors of the sunset.

Mandalay by bicycle (half day) |

Explore the major highlights of Mandalay at a leisurely pace by bicycle. As dawn breaks, cycle to Mandalay Hill and ascend to the top on foot to enjoy the panoramic views.

and the Thanboddhay Pagoda, a colorful temple with hundreds of thousands of Buddha images. Monywa is now the second biggest town in Upper Myanmar and serves as a major trade center for agricultural produce from the surrounding Chindwin Valley, especially beans, pulses and palm sugar.

YANGON |

Bago (full day) |

This tour shows you the highlights of Bago including the Shwemawdaw Pagoda (one of the most venerated pagodas in Myanmar), Shwethalyaung (Reclining Buddha) and the Kyaik Pun Pagoda. Shwethalyaung is reputed to be one of the most lifelike of all reclining Buddhas. The Burmese say the image represents Buddha in a 'relaxing' mode.

City Tour (full day) |

This tour shows you the highlights of Yangon. In the morning visit the Sule Pagoda, a gleaming octagonal pagoda that stands squarely at the centre point of the city. Afterwards, visit the NATIONAL MUSEUM to gain an insight into Myanmar.

built to house eight hair relics of the Buddha. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colors of twilight.

Walking Tour of Yangon (half day) |

Transfer to Maha Bandoola Street, the starting point for the tour, and being strolling through Chinatown. This quarter of the city is especially alive during the mornings with fresh markets for vegetables, meat, and flowers. Stop at a typical shop to watch the making of flat rice noodles and rice flour pancakes. Continue into the Indian Quarter, visiting Hindu temples, passing the Jewish Synagogue and the famous Bogyoke Aung San or Scott's Market. Continue the tour by trishaw, passing colonial style municipal and government offices before ending the tour with a drink at the historic Strand Hotel.

Thanlying (half day) |

Excursion across the river to Thanlyin, which was a base during the late 16th century and early 17th century for the notorious Portuguese adventurer Philip De Brito. Visit the former major port town of the Rakhine, with a trip to the island Kyauktan Ye Le Paya, Hanlyin market and the Kyaik Khauk Pagoda.



Continue by bicycle to the major sights of Mandalay before riding back to the street to the north to reach downtown area.

Maymyo (Pyin Oo Lwin) (full day) |

This former British hill station, located in the foothills of the Shan Plateau, is known for its botanical garden, temperate climate and colonial era charm. Take a journey northeast along Highway 3 parallel to the railway line. The journey is across the plains, then up the twisting road into the hills. At the halfway mark one passes View Point, which has spectacular views.

Mingun (half day) |

Travel upriver by boat to MINGUN, enjoying the views of river life - fishing villages, market boats, women attending to their washing, and children playing in the water. Explore the ruins of the vast MINGUN PAYA, a monument to human ambition - never finished, its size would have dwarfed all contemporary pagodas. After visiting other nearby pagodas, return downstream by boat to Mandalay.

Monywa (full day) |

This city, located on the Chindwin River, boasts the grove of 1,000 Buddhas, a hilltop Reclining Buddha

and the Thanboddhay Pagoda, a colorful temple with hundreds of thousands of Buddha images. Monywa is now the second biggest town in Upper Myanmar and serves as a major trade center for agricultural produce from the surrounding Chindwin Valley, especially beans, pulses and palm sugar. Enjoy a break at BOGYOKE (SCOTT) MARKET, a pleasant covered market containing crafts from all corners of Myanmar, gems, fabrics and more. In the afternoon, visit some of the more well known pagodas, including BOTATAUNG PAGODA, named after the 1000 military leaders who escorted relics of the Buddha from India over 2000 years ago, and NGADATKYI PAYA, with a giant seated Buddha image. Finally, continue to the SHWEDAGON PAGODA, the highlight of any visit to Yangon. Towering over the city, this pagoda is the most sacred spot in the country, built to house eight hair relics of the Buddha. The Shwedagon and surrounding shrines are at their most beautiful during the sunset hour, as the golden stupa reflects the changing colors of twilight.

City Tour (half day) |

This tour brings you to see some of the highlights of Yangon. Start the tour at the SULE PAGODA, a gleaming octagonal pagoda that stands squarely at the centre point of the city. Afterwards, visit the NATIONAL MUSEUM to gain an insight into Myanmar. Finally, continue to the SHWEDAGON PAGODA, the highlight of any visit to Yangon. Towering over the city, this pagoda is the most sacred spot in the country.



Better Holiday with Better People



www.bayofbengalresort.com



YANGON

151 (B) Thiri Mingalar Lane, 8th Mile, Mayangone Tsp., Yangon, Myanmar
Tel : (+95-1) 667024, 66 1577, 664463, 65002 1
Fax : (+95-1) 664740, 650258

NGWE SAUNG

No. (1) Qtr, Zee Hmaw Village Track, Pathein, Ngwesauung Tsp., Ayeyarwaddy Division, Myanmar.
Tel : (+95-42) 40304, 40346, 40347,
09-520 0909, 09-856 9142 Fax : (+95-42) 40342

E-MAIL

info@bobresort.com, reservation@bobresort.com,
sales@bobresort.com



SANCTUM
Inle Resort Myanmar

OPENING DOORS ON A CONTEMPLATIVE JOURNEY

A destination as detached from the wider world as Inle Lake demands a resort where detachment is a priority. Where simplicity is the essence of elegance. Where contemplation, not bustle, reigns supreme.

SANCTUM INLE RESORT

Maing Thauk Village, Inle Lake, Nyaung Shwe Township, Shan State, Myanmar
E. info@sanctum-inle-resort.com

www.sanctum-inle-resort.com

YANGON OFFICE

No. 147, West Shwegonedaing Road, Yangon, Myanmar

T. + 95 (0) 1 860 4945
F. + 95 (0) 1 860 4946





A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON TRAVEL IN ASIA

VIETNAM

CAMBODIA

LAOS

MYANMAR

THAILAND

INDONESIA

INDIA

NEPAL

BHUTAN

SRI LANKA