CLASSIC MYANMAR 7 NIGHTS/ 8 DAYS

Yangon, Bagan, Inle Lake & Mandalay



Day 1 : Arrive in Yangon

Welcome to Myanmar, the then hidden country that now awaits the world to discover its unique Buddhist culture and heritage.

Upon your arrival in Yangon, the former capital of Myanmar your local guide will welcome you at the airport to escort you to hotel.

In the evening, enjoy a Myanmar royal style welcome dinner on a floating marble boat. Overnight in Yangoon. (*Meal: Dinner*)

Day 2: Full Day Yangon City Tour

Rise early in the morning to visit the *Shwedagon Pagoda* which is the largest pagoda painted in real gold at **Yangon.**

Transfer back to hotel for breakfast. After breakfast you will visit the Reclining *Buddha* (*Chaok- Htat-Gyi*) and *Mahabandoola Park*.

Post lunch relax at the hotel and later in the evening enjoy some free time wandering around in *Bogyoke Market* and explore the busy streets of *Yangon's famous China Town and Yangon Jetty*. Finish your day off at the riverside where you can enjoy the view of road flanked by colonized style builds which will give you the impression of Myanmar in old time. Overnight in Yangoon. (*Meals: Breakfast, Lunch*)

<u>Day 3 Yangon – Bagan</u>

This morning check out early and transfer to airport for domestic flight to Bagan (*arranged by us*). Upon arrival in Bagan, you will be welcomed by your local guide at the airport and transferred you to hotel.

Bagan, a town located in the Ancient City of 'Bagan' where one can see thousands of Buddhists pagodas spread all over which were once own by individual families during its prosperous time.

Later you will visit the *Nyaung Oo Market* where local people buy their daily food. Visit the *Shwezigon Pagoda* which is the largest pagoda in Bagan painted in real gold.

Post the sightseeing relax at the hotel in the afternoon and later enjoy a *Horse Cart Ride* for the sun set. Enjoy the unforgettable Horse Cart Ride on the off road treks through the pagodas in the quiet dusk.

Overnight in Bagan.



Day 4: Flight to Heho, Inle Lake

Today we start our journey to Heho. Transfer to airport for onward flight where you will be received and transferred to your hotel by the lakeside of *Inle Lake*.

Located in the highland of Myanmar, Inle Lake is situated at an altitude of 3,000 feet above the sea level.

On check in enjoy your day at leisure.

Overnight stay in Inle Lake.

Day 5: Full Day Inle Lake Excursion

Your Excursion today will be made by long tail boat to see life of *In-tha* (*name of local ethnic people*), to discover their unique floating farms and life on floating village. Here you will also see how the local fishermen conduct fishing with only one leg and one leg paddling the boat. One can also see the Long Neck Ladies who were relocated from the Myanmar and Thailand border.

Rest of the day is at leisure to relax.

Overnight in Inle Lake. (Meals: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 6: Flight to Mandalay, Half Day Mandalay City Tour

Enjoy free time in the morning until transfer to airport for onward flight to *Mandalay*. Upon you arrive in Mandalay, transfer to the hotel by our local guide you to hotel.

After a rest in the hotel, you will visit *Mahamuni Image* where you will see local people pray and stick gold paper on the Buddha for blessing.

On the way to the Mahamuni Image, you will visit a *gold paper factory* to see how people make the gold leaves. Visit the 19th century *Shwenandaw Monastery* also known as 'Golden Palace Monastery' known for its teak carving of Buddhist myths.

Later visit the *Kuthodaw Pagoda* a Buddhist stupa that contains the world's largest book on Buddhism. Finish your day at the top of Mandalay Hill for a stunning sun set. Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 7: Full Day Amarapura Tour

This morning start your day tour with 30 min. drive to Sagaing. Enroute cross Innwa Bridge, built by British in 1934. The first stop we visit is the *Maha Ganayon Kyaung Monastery* to see hundreds of monks lined up for daily meals. Then visit the *U Bein Bridge* which is world's longest teakwood bridge measuring 1.2 kilometers long.

Further we continue to *Kaung Mu Taw Pagoda*; the dome shaped pagoda that comprises of 812 stone pillars at its base. Continue visit to *Sagaing Hill*, the hill that has a number of small pagodas and meditation centers and later visit to *Soon U Ponya Shin Pagoda*; located on the same hill. On our journey you can also stop at monasteries and nunneries to talk with the monks and the other locals while sipping green tea and palm-sugar.

Enjoy a hearty lunch at a local restaurant in Sagaing and take a short break, then continue visit to Amarapura, the "City of Immortality" built in 1820 in the ancient town of Inva. Drive back to Mandalay and rest of the day is at leisure.

Overnight in Mandalay. (Meals: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 8: Departure from Mandalay

Enjoy relaxing time in the morning until transfer to airport for your onward flight back home.

COME HOME WITH WONDERFUL MEMORIES OF THE TRIP!!!

Inclusions:-

- 1. Domestic Flight tickets from Yangoon to Bagan, Bagan to Heho and Inle Lake to Mandalay.
- 2. 2 nights accommodation at 4 star Hotel Grand United Ahlone Yangon or similar
- 3. 1 night accommodation at 4 star Bagan Thande Hotel or similar
- 4. 2 nights accommodation at 4 star Inle Resort or similar
- 5. 2 nights accommodation at 4 star Best Western Plus Mandalay or similar

- 6. Private car and driver service.
- 7. Private English Speaking tour guide.
- 8. Entrance fee as mention in itinerary
- 9. Meals as listed in itinerary
- 10. Taxes and service fees

Exclusions:-

- 1. International flights
- 2. Meals not listed in itinerary
- 3. Personal expense
- 4. Tipping for guide, driver and bell boy, etc.
- 5. Visa and necessary travel document.
- 6. Travel insurance
- 7. Other items not listed in itinerary