

7 DAYS JEWELS OF MYANMAR – Yangon, Bagan & Inle Lake

Specially Prepared for SEA

Group Departure (20 - 26 Dec, 2018)



Tour Price:

Twin Sharing From: **RMB 14,390/** person
Single Supplement: **RMB 5,690/** person

Travel Date:

20-26 Dec, 2018

Registration Closing Date:

when availability is sold out

Deposit Amount:

RMB 6,000/- per person

Early Bird Promotion:

RMB 300/ person discount if book with deposit by 28 Sep, 2018

Highlights:

- Take circular train to experience local life
- To see the most famous Shwedagon Pagoda at Sunset
- Picnic lunch amidst the temples
- Visit Inle Lake, a scenic gem with its famous one leg-rowing Intha fisherman, colourful floating markets, local family visit on the Inle Lake to taste the real local life
- Small group size of maximum 16 persons

ITINERARY SUMMARY



This trip concentrated on covering Yangon – the gateway to the country and city of the Shwedagon Pagoda, a 98-metre pagoda coated with 60 tons of pure gold before we fly to Bagan. Bagan is a spectacular religious archaeological site with thousands of stupas, temples and monasteries spread over a sprawling 42 square kilometers of the countryside set along the Ayeyarwady River.

Spend two days touring amazing remains, with choice of bike, cruise and horse-cart ride. For those who want to get away from the tourist trail to experience the authentic lifestyle of the Burmese, take a trip to Pakokku for its lively market and street life. Nestled on the Shan Plateau, Inle Lake is a scenic gem with its famous leg-rowing Intha fisherman, colorful floating markets, home to various ethnic tribes and a great place to unwind and relax.



DETAILED ITINERARY

DAY 01
20 DEC (THU)

SHANGHAI/YANGON

Fly Shanghai Pudong / Hong Kong KA 875 1640/ 1940 (2h)
Hong Kong / Yangon KA 252 2220 / 0010+1 (2h 50m)

Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

Overnight: Sule Shangri-La Yangon
Meals: Nil

DAY 02
21 DEC (FRI)

YANGON

After a good rest, enjoy an introductory tour of Yangon. Take a short joy ride on the **circular train** from the busy platform of Thamine station that partly serves a wet market. Enjoy the rumbling ride passing the colonial stations, greeting the eager food vendors and watch the change of the scenery from the open window.

Yangon downtown is unique with much of its colonial-era architecture still standing. You find one of Asia's most impressive collections of late nineteenth and early twentieth-century buildings, religious and secular. Starting after breakfast or lunch this walking tour will take you through downtown Yangon, focusing on its old colonial buildings. Your guide will walk you through the back streets in a relaxed tempo and explain you the history of each building some of them empty, some getting restored and some used for different purposes than when built. This walk along the streets of Yangon will at least architecturally take you a step back in time. The walk ends with a drink at Gekko, a cosy cocktail lounge in the old Sofaer & Co building at Merchant Street.

Overnight: Sule Shangri-La Yangon
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

DAY 03
22 DEC (SAT)

YANGON / BAGAN

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Bagan.

Fly Yangon / Bagan YJ 143 0630 / 0750 (1h 20m)

Spend the day touring the Bagan Temples. Climb atop a pagoda and take in the fantastic view of the plains dotted with temples and pagodas. Tour the temples including the few popular ones such as **Gubyaukgyi Temple** for its frescoes, **Ananda Temple**, rated by many as the most beautiful and the uncompleted **Dhammayangyi stupa**.

Enjoy a **picnic lunch** amidst the temples! As the day wanes we take a **horse cart** ride through village and temples before reaching a quiet spot for a dramatic sunset over Bagan!

Overnight: The Hotel @ Tharabar Gate
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

DAY 04
23 DEC (SUN)

BAGAN

Optional: At sunrise, take a magical ride on the balloon as you glide quietly over the Ayeyarwady plain and the thousands of temples. This has to be the highlight of all trips to Myanmar! (Weather dependent)

Due to popular demand and limited seats, advance booking is strongly recommended.

An early start, **4x4 jeep** driving out of Bagan meeting local women carrying fire wood etc for the market while the sun rises behind them. **Nyaung Gyi** is the first village visit and you stop to see a black smith work shop. In **Se Ywa** Village, visit several local whorshops like Plum purifying, cooking oil producing and wooden slipper maker, etc. Then continue to **Taung Kong** Village where majority of the people are farmers but also making pottery. (2hours drive each way by jeep).

In the late evening, take a boat ride down Ayeyarwady River for a different view of Bagan and enjoy a sundowner on a sandbank (if water level permits). For the active, **ride a mountain bike through the temples** to the pier before boarding.

Overnight: The Hotel @ Tharabar Gate

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

DAY 05
24 DEC (MON)

BAGAN / INLE LAKE

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Heho.

Fly Bagan / Heho YJ 143 0805 / 0920

Arrive Heho airport and drive about an hour to Nyaung Shwe, the gateway to Inle Lake. Make a stop at the ancient **Shwe Yan Pyay monastery**, an interesting teak monastery famous for its oval windows and richly decorated mosaics walls.

Enjoy a **Shan lunch** with view of the mountain and river before you begin your boat ride on the lake. Be welcomed by a **local Intha family** living on stilts and navigate through strips of their **floating vegetable farms** - "land" if you wish!

Overnight: Pristine Lotus Spa Resort Inle

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

DAY 06
25 DEC (TUE)

INLE LAKE

Enjoy a full day boating around the lake, including the rotating **five-day markets**, **Intha fisherman** rowing in the one-legged style. We will also visit the **Phaungdaw U Pagoda**, a **local cheroot factory** (Burmese cigar), **Intha Heritage House** where the Burmese cats are bred and a weaving factory. Then, cruise through the creeks to arrive at the "forest pagodas" at **Indein**, home to several Pa O villages. Take a short hike if you wish.

Enjoy **lunch on a rice barge**, where the floating kitchen prepares and serves you lunch right on the lake while you take in the beautiful sight and continue tour after lunch.

Overnight: Pristine Lotus Spa Resort Inle
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

DAY 07
26 DEC (WED)

INLE LAKE / YANGON / SHANGHAI

Today, boat back to Nyaung Shwe and drive about an hour to Heho airport for your flight to Yangon.

Fly Heho / Yangon YJ 143 0935 / 1045

Enjoy a **LUNCH AT LinkAge Restaurant**, run by a NGO volunteer group named Forever Humanitarian. This restaurant helps disadvantaged street kids by providing them with training in Food & Beverage education and supports them with lodging, food and clothing.

Hop off at **Scott market** and continue your journey on foot for about 30 minutes strolling pass **U Thant Mausoleum** and colonial mansion and enjoy a refreshing drink at a local teashop. Arrive **Shwedagon Pagoda** before sunset to witness the massive emerald reflecting the last rays of sun and stay until the pagoda illuminates and devotees arrive to say their prayers.

After refresh in the day use hotel, enjoy the farewell **dinner at Le Planteur Restaurant**, it is situated in a lovely colonial manor which a lush tropical garden turned into a romantic candle lit outdoor dining space.

Fly Yangon / Hong Kong KA 251 0105 / 0525
Hong Kong / Shanghai Pudong KA 802 0745 / 1015

Arrival Shanghai on 27 Dec morning.

Overnight: Nil
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

QUOTATION

PRICES PER PERSON:

- This trip requires minimum 6 passengers to run

Hotel Selected	Adult on twin sharing	Child (2-12 years old) With extra bed	Single Supplement
For group of 6-9 people - Yangon: Sule Shangri-La (Superior room) - Bagan: The Hotel @ Tharabar Gate (Deluxe room) - Inle Lake: Pristine Lotus Spa Resort (Floating Duplex)	RMB 16,690	RMB 14,260	RMB 5,690
For group of 10-16 people - Yangon: Sule Shangri-La (Superior room) - Bagan: The Hotel @ Tharabar Gate (Deluxe room) - Inle Lake: Pristine Lotus Spa Resort (Floating Duplex)	RMB 14,390	RMB 12,850/-	RMB 5,690
Balloons over Bagan on Standard service	RMB 3,850		
Air fare (Shanghai to Hong Kong to Yangon to Hong Kong to Shanghai)	Per Person Price		
Economy class (M Class)	RMB 5,830 + TAX (RMB 760)		
Economy class (K Class)	RMB 6,430 + TAX (RMB 760)		
Economy class (H Class)	RMB 7,430 + TAX (RMB 760)		
Economy class (B Class)	RMB 8,430 + TAX (RMB 760)		
Economy class (Y Class)	RMB 12,320 + TAX (RMB 760)		
Business class (C Class)	RMB 11,900 + TAX (RMB 760)		
Business class (J Class)	RMB 16,160 + TAX (RMB 760)		
Notes: *Flight schedule is subject to change when making actual booking *Reservation closing date: when availability is sold out. *Early Bird discount of RMB 300/- per adult if book with deposit by 28 Sep, 2018 *Deposit: RMB 6,000/- per person			

COST INCLUDES:

- Domestic flights as stated in the itinerary
- 5 nights' accommodation as stated on twin or double sharing basis.
- Tours and transfers with a private English speaking guide in private air-con vehicle
- All entrance fees as stated.

- Meals as stated.

COST EXCLUDES:

- Airfare: Shanghai / Yangon / Shanghai on economy class including airport taxes and fuel surcharges. (Separately quoted)
- Visa (if required).
- Travel insurance
- Beverages in the restaurants where meals are included.
- Gratuities to guide and driver.
- Personal and other expenses such as bar bills and laundry not stated in the itinerary.

HOTEL DESCRIPTIONS



In Yangon Sule Shangri-La Hotel

A modern high-rise 4-star hotel under the Shangri-la group with comfortably appointed rooms. The hotel is centrally located in the city, opposite the Bogyoke market.

<http://www.shangri-la.com/yangon/suleshangrila/>



In Bagan The Hotel @ Tharabar Gate

Located in old Bagan, the hotel is surrounded by numerous temples. The cottages are decorated with teak floors and Burmese furniture.

<http://www.tharabargate.com/>



In Inle Lake Pristine Lotus Spa Resort

The new 50-room Pristine Lotus Spa Resort at Inle Lake will feature a natural spa (hot spring) and high-quality designer accommodation affording great views of the Lake

<http://www.pristinelotus.com>

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