09 DAY MYANMAR TEMPLES & TRIBES

Let's explore thousand Temples of Myanmar plus it's several of hill tribe villages...! On this fascinating 09 Day tour you will not only have the chance to visit the popular destinations but also have experience the unspoiled landscapes, rural way of life and cultural traditions of Myanmar's ethnic minorities.



❖ Tour Code : VC29

Tour Style : Culture/Ethnicity

❖ Physical Rating : ●●○○○

Destination : Yangon – Bagan – Mandalay - Inle – Loikaw

Tour Type : Private Tour – can be customized

HIGHLIGHT

DAY 01. Arrival Yangon DAY 02. Yangon - Bagan DAY 03. Bagan & Village DAY 04. Amarapura - Sagaing DAY 05. Mandalay & Mingun DAY 06. Mandalay - Inle Inle – Sakar – Loikaw Day 07. Padauna ethnic group village Day 08. Loikaw - Yangon/Depart Day 09.



ITINERARY

DAY 1. Arrival and explore Yangon

Mingalar Bar, you will be welcomed by our Guide at Airport and transferred to hotel. Start your Sightseeing of Yangon, formerly known as Rangoon. City tour, with as highlights our visit to the vibrant downtown area with its colonial-era buildings; the massive reclining Buddha at Kyaukhtatgyi Pagoda; Kandawgyi Park; the royal floating barge named Karaweik Palace; Bogyoke(Scott) Market and the world-famous golden stupa, Shwedagon Pagoda.

Stay overnight in Yangon. (D)

DAY 2. Yangon to Bagan by morning flight and visit Bagan

Today we will fly to Bagan for a comprehensive tour of this beautiful city, one of Myanmar's premier historical and cultural centres, home to more than 2,000 temples and pagodas..! Our tour includes shrines such as Ananda, Htilominlo, Thatbyinnyu, Dhammayangyi, Sulamani, and Shwezigon Pagoda, plus secular sights such as Nyaung U market and traditional workshops.

Complete the day by watching an unforgettable sunset over the plains from hill. Enjoy puppet show and dinner.

Stay overnight in Bagan. (B,D)

DAY 3. Continue exploring Bagan & Surrounding Villages

Take a relaxing horse cart ride(or) bike through the less visited temples area, winding your way along the roads past dozens of monuments. Stop at some temples to explore. Then we will visit the rural village where you can see cotton weaving and harvesting of the crops.

Late afternoon boat tour on the Irrawaddy River, finishing as the sun sets on riverside villages and temples.

Stay overnight in Bagan. (B,L)

DAY 4. Bagan to Mandalay by road. Visit Sagaing & Amarapura

Today leave Bagan and drive (approx 4 hrs) to Mandalay, the last royal city of Myanmar Kingdom. On arrival in Mandalay, we will visit the holy Sagaing Hill, the hub of Buddhism in Myanmar. Take time to visit Swan Oo Pon Nya Shin and U Min Thone Sae Pagodas as well as clay pot making and nunnery to learn the daily life of Buddhist nuns.

Enjoy sunset at U Bein, the world's longest teak bridge stretching close to 1200 meters across Taungthaman Lake.

Stay overnight in Mandalay. (B,L)

DAY 5. Mandalay & Mingun

Embark on a morning boat trip up the famous Irrawaddy River to Mingun (approx 1 hr). Explore the ruins of the vast Mingun Pagoda, the beautiful Hsinbyume Paya and the famous Mingun Bell. Sail back to Mandalay.

In the afternoon, continue the tour of Mandalay with a visit to the Shwenandaw Monastery– noted for its exquisite woodcarvings, Gold Leaf Pounding Workshop and Kuthodaw Pagoda – known for containing the world's largest book. Then, head to the top of Mandalay Hill as the sun begins to set to enjoy magnificent views of the city. Stay overnight in Mandalay. **(B, L)**

DAY 6. Mandalay to Heho by flight and visit Inle Lake

Transfer to the airport and short flight to Heho. Upon arrival at Heho, proceed by road to Inle Lake.

Full-day tour of beautiful Inle Lake which is referred as the Venice of Asia, featuring stilt houses and villages, floating gardens, fishermen using ancient techniques such as legrowing, and, on the shores, workshops of traditional artisans, e.g. weavers and cigar-makers. We will visit Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda, Nga Phe Chaung Monastery and the local family workshops which feature silversmiths, cheroot making, and weaving by the 'Ring-neck ladies'.

Stay overnight in Inle Lake. (B,L)

DAY 7. Boat trip to Loikaw. Visit Sagar village

Set off this morning for Sagar, the far southern region of Inle Lake. After 3hr magnificent boat journey we will arrive Sagar Village, famous for its centuries-old 'sunken' stupas and quaint surrounding villages. You can obseve into the unspoiled culture and traditional lifestyle of ethnic minority villages set against the backdrop of surrounding hills. Continue down the lake to the small town of Phe Khone. Here, transfer to a car for the final hour drive to Loikaw.

Enjoy the panoramic sunset view of Loikaw from the hill of Taungwe Zedi. Stay overnight in Loikaw. **(B,L)**

DAY 8. Panpet Village

Start your day with colorful local market and visit to the beautiful monastery formerly served as the palace. After that head to the South of Loikaw to visit Panpet village where you may see Padaung tribe ladies wearing brass rings around their extraordinary long necks. Enjoy a Short Trek along the villages lead by local community guide. Visit the Kayhtobo site and Hunting Shrine, to learn about local beliefs and spiritual life. You can also have the opportunities to try traditional Kayah dress and enjoy their music at the

local musician's house. Return to Loikaw and continue the visits: Catholic Church and the Kayah State Museum.

Stay overnight in Loikaw. (B,L)

DAY 9. Return to Yangon and Departure

Transfer to airport and fly back to Yangon. The day is free to relax or soak in a few more sites in Yangon. As the time approaches, transfer to the Yangon International Airport for your onward flight. **(B)**

TARIFF in USD (\$) PER PERSON FROM <u>01 OCTOBER 2019</u> TO <u>31 MARCH 2020</u>								
HOTEL CATEGORY	2 PAX	3 РАХ	4-5 PAX	6-9 PAX	10-14 PAX	15-19 PAX	20 PAX	SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
3 Star	1255	1180	1085	990	955	910	890	190
4 Star	1485	1400	1300	1210	1170	1130	1105	415
5 Star	1750	1660	1565	1470	1435	1390	1365	675

TARIFF in USD (\$) PER PERSON FROM <u>01 APRIL 2020</u> TO <u>30 SEPTEMBER 2020</u>								
HOTEL CATEGORY	2 PAX	3 рах	4-5 PAX	6-9 PAX	10-14 PAX	15-19 PAX	20 PAX	SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
3 Star	1220	1145	1050	955	915	875	860	170
4 Star	1370	1300	1205	1110	1070	1030	1015	325
5 Star	1600	1530	1420	1320	1285	1240	1220	535

The accommodation will be provided in the below hotels or similar in case the priority hotel is unable to accommodate the booking					
	3 STAR	4 STAR	5 STAR		
YANGON	Grand United Hotel	Rose Garden Hotel	Melia Hotel		
BAGAN	Bagan View Hotel	Amazing Bagan Resort	Heritage Bagan		
MANDALAY	The Home Hotel	Eastern Palace Hotel	Mandalay Hill Resort		
INLE	Amazing Nyaung Shwe	Inle Resort & Spa	Sanctum Inle Resort		
LOIKAW	Gold Hotel	Keinnara Loikaw Lodge	Keinnara Loikaw Lodge		

INCLUSIONS

- √ 08 night hotel accommodation (Twin/Double Share)
- √ 08 Breakfasts, 06 Lunches, 02 Dinners
- ✓ Private transport in air-conditioned vehicles

- √ 03 domestic flights
- ✓ Local English-speaking Station guides
- ✓ Drinking water and refreshing towels on touring days
- ✓ Entrance fees for visits mentioned in program
- ✓ Boat fee in Bagan, Mingun and Inle Lake

EXCLUSIONS

- International flights to/from Yangon
- * Travel insurance
- Visa stamp fees
- Early check-in & late check-out surcharge
- × Personal expenses
- * Meals & Drinks not mentioned
- ✗ Tips & gratuities for guide and driver
- Tour Options (quoted separately)

REMARK

Child Policy (1-12 years old, not over 4 feet in height)

- 100% charge for a child with extra bed
- 85% charge for a child without extra bed

SURCHARGES FOR OTHER LANGUAGE SPEAKING GUIDE (in USD) PER PERSON

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Speaking Guide throughout the trip	150	105	80	60	40	30

SURCHARGES FOR OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES (in USD) PER PERSON

Balloon flight over Bagan or Inle	300
Cooking Class in Bagan or Inle	45
Yoga Class in Bagan/Inle/Yangon	20
Cultural Show at Karaweik Palace	30

EXPERIENCE MORE

This tour can be combined with

- 🖶 Beaches (Ngapali (or) Ngwe Saung) (3D/2N), (4D/3N), (5D/3N)
- 🖶 Islands (Mergui Archipelago) (5D/4N), (7D/6N)
- 🖶 Cruising in the Mergui Islands (5D/4N), (7D/6N)
- Caves in Hpa-an (3D/2N)
- Awesome Caves and astonishing Pagodas in Monywa (2D/1N)

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