



South East Asia Silk Route

Trace historic trade routes from the Tibet plateau to ancient Pagan and beyond to Chiang Rai.

Discover the wonderful cultural heritage and stunning scenery of Yunnan and Myanmar on this touring style trip as we trace historic trade routes from the edge of the Tibet plateau to the ancient Burmese kingdom of Pagan and beyond. In China we follow the Burma Road from Dali to the China-Myanmar border for a flight to Mandalay and explore the "Golden Land" of Myanmar (Burma) with its spectacular archaeological site at Bagan and Inle Lake's magical floating handcraft villages.

ARRIVE EARLY ~ STAY LONGER

Talk to us about things to do if you would like to arrive in Kunming a day or two earlier, or continue from Chiang Rai to Luang Prabang via the Mekong River.

USD 5100

All inclusive, based on twin share and minimum of two travellers
Single Room Supplement available

Escorted by SRA local professional tour leader



Trip Details

DURATION - 22 days

AVERAGE TEMP - 10°C - 33°C

ACCOMMODATION STYLE
- Hotels

SIGHTSEEING STYLE
- Included

GROUP SIZE STYLE
- 6

DATES OF TRIPS
Commences Kunming
21 October 2020
Concludes Chiang Rai
11 November 2020

MEALS
Included

TRAVEL STYLE
Coach, car, boat, 3 flights

Daily Itinerary

Day 1 ✈️ Arrive Kunming

Our representative will meet you on arrival and transfer you to the hotel. Our tour arrangements commence with dinner tonight.

Day 2 ✈️ To Zhogdian and Tiger Leaping Gorge

This morning our representative will transfer you to the airport for the flight to Am flight to Zhogdian. On arrival set out with our local guide for sightseeing to include Song Zan Lin Monastery and village. Lunch will at local house Tibetan house

This afternoon drive afternoon to Tiger Leaping Gorge and overnight.

Day 3 ✈️ To Liming

This morning drive to Shigu, Liming. Along the way stop at the first bend of the Jinsha (Yangtse) river and Tehong Bridge. At Liming take the cable car to Qiangui Mountain. Overnight at liming.

Day 4 To Tiger Leaping Gorge

Today set out for sightseeing to Yulong Liming - Laojunshan National Geopark by shuttle bus. Late PM return drive to Tiger Leaping Gorge for overnight.

Day 5 To Lijiang

Today transfer about 2 hours by road to Lijiang. After arrival short orientation tour and some free time in Lijiang Ancient Town.

Day 6 Lijiang

The programme today includes selected sites in the old city as well nearby as ethnic villages.

Day 7 To Dali

This morning drive about 3 hrs down valley to Dali Ancient City. This afternoon take a short tour of Dali and enjoy some leisure time in the old city.

Day 8 To Mangshi

Get away early today for the 300km drive to Mangshi. The Expressway crosses the Mekong and Salween rivers cutting a contemporary concrete path across the twists and turns of the historic Burma Road. After arrival visit the local temple complex.

Day 9 Mangshi - flight to Mandalay

This morning take the 09.25am flight to Mandalay in Myanmar. On arrival our representative will meet you and transfer you to the hotel. If time permits today visit Mandalay Hill for sunset across the Ayeyarwaddy plain.

Day 10 Mandalay

Full day sightseeing includes the ancient Teak Palace, Kuthodaw Pagoda, Mahi Muni Pagoda, a gold leaf workshop, Buddha carving street and the National Handicrafts Centre, a veritable Aladdin's cave of puppets.

Day 11 To Bagan by river

Get away before day break today to join the Ayeyarwaddy river cruise down to Old Bagan. Enjoy both sunrise and sunset on the river arriving at Bagan as the day ends.

Day 12 Bagan

Today enjoy a full day sightseeing of Bagan archaeological zone where over the span of 7 centuries and 40 dynasties more than 13,000 stupas and pagodas were built. Late afternoon rest at the hotel, or enjoy the swimming pool, and this evening view the sunset from Shwesandaw Pagoda.

Day 13 Bagan

There is time today for both sightseeing and some leisure time. Take the opportunity to see how lacquer ware is made and perhaps shop for handicrafts.

Day 14 To Pindaya

A morning flight to Heho in Shan State and transfer by road to Pindaya, quintessential Myanmar pilgrimage centre and enjoy some countryside walks or visit Golden Cave

Day 15 to Inle Lake

Today transfer by road to Nyaung Shwe and take a longtail boat to the floating hotel on Inle Lake. On arrival check in to Lake view Hotel then Inle lake sightseeing.

Day 16 Inle Lake

This morning set out by longtail boat for a full day sightseeing around the craft villages and communities of Inle Lake. The stops include silk weaving and manufacturing , parasol making, Iron works plus market and the Monastery at Indein.

Day 17 to Namsang

Today depart Inle by long tail boat for the jetty at Nyaung Shwe. Then depart by road for Namsang via the regional centre of Taunggyi. The distance is about 160km. Expect the journey to take about 4 hours.

Day 18 to Mongping

Back on the road today for another 4-5hrs as National Route 4 burrows deep into the forested hills of south Shan state. The distance isn't great but this road has plenty of twists to make the journey interesting

Day 19 to Keng Tung

Mystical Kengtung is the destination today set at the heart of the infamous Golden Triangle. This once upon centre of illicit trade in guns and drugs is now a focus of legitimate commerce and tourism. Expect 3-4 hours on the journey today

Day 20 Kentung

Today make a leisurely start for an excursion to some of the local hill tribe villages.

Day 21 to Tachileik and Chiang Rai Thailand

It is a relatively straight run of 3hrs down to Tachileik on the Thai border. Complete immigration formalities and continue to Chiang Rai with our Local representative

Day 22 Chiang Rai conclude

This morning after breakfast conclude our arrangements.



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