

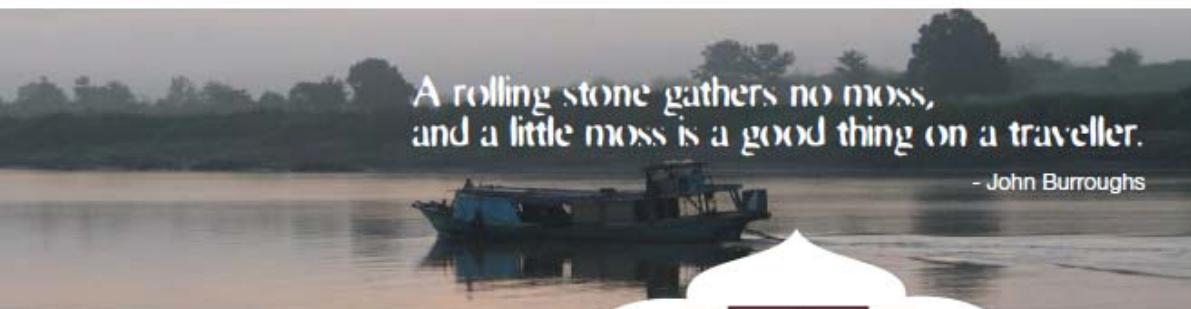
South East Asia Silk Route

Discover Myanmar's wonderful cultural heritage and stunning scenery on this **touring style** journey as we trace two historic trade routes to the ancient Burmese kingdom of Pagan. Follow the Burma Road from Mandalay to the China-Myanmar border and take the WWII Ledo link road across the Kachin hills to Bhamo. Cruise down the Ayeyarwaddy River to Mandalay by charter boat and explore the "Golden Land" of Myanmar (Burma) with its spectacular archaeological site at Bagan and Inle Lake's magical floating handcraft villages.

Visit Yangon, Mandalay, Lashio, Muse, Bhamo, Katha, Bagan, Inle Lake.



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| Length of trip | 18 days |
| Accommodation | Hotels. |
| Meals included | Yes |
| Travel Style | Tour coach, Charter boat, 4 domestic flights. |
| Escort | SRA tour leader for more than 6 travellers. Local English speaking escort for 6 or less travellers |
| Sightseeing and entry fees | Included |
| Maximum group | 12 |
| Commences | Yangon 23rd October 2012 |
| Concludes | Yangon 9th November 2012 |
| COST | NZ\$6,500 based on twin share. Single Rm Sup NZ\$450 |



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Itinerary at a Glance :

Tue, 23 October 2012 Arrive Yangon

Met on arrival. Transfer to hotel.

Wed, 24 October 2012 Yangon

Sightseeing of Yangon including a visit to the Bogyoke Aung San Market (Scott Market). Late afternoon visit to Shwedagon Pagoda for sunset.

Thur, 25 October 2012 To Mandalay

AM flight to Mandalay. PM transfer to the colonial era hill resort town of Pyin U Lwin.

Fri, 26 October 2012 To Lashio

Today we head off up the historic 'Burma Road' to the spectacular Gokteik Viaduct and the Shan hill towns of Kyaukme and Hsipaw. Arrive at Lashio late pm.

Sat, 27 October 2012 To Muse

This morning we wind northwards into the Shan hills to Kutkai and onwards to the Myanmar-China border town of Mu-Se. We plan to arrive early PM for a wander around the market.

Sun, 28 October 2012 to Bhamo

Morning depart for full day on the drive to Bhamo via Burma /Ledo link Road. Time to stop for short walks on the road through the jungle.

Mon, 29 October 2012 Bhamo

Today there is no need to get away early for sightseeing. We plan to visit the Ruins of ancient Sampanago and explore the old town.

Tue, 30 October 2012 To Katha (on boat)

Morning visit Bhamo market and town before boarding our charter boat for the journey down the Ayeyarwaddy River. We expect to be close to Katha for our first overnight stop. We'll either moor at Katha or alongside the river bank. Overnight on boat

Wed, 31 October 2012 to Shwebo (on boat)

This morning we plan to head off into the Teak forest to an elephant camp. PM set off on the boat for downstream destinations. Overnight on the boat.

Thur, 01 November 2012 To Mandalay

Our final day's journey down river. We expect to arrive in Mandalay early afternoon. Transfer to the hotel, rest of day at leisure

Fri, 02 November 2012

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. Conclude the day watching the sun set over the Mandalay Plains from Mandalay Hill.

Sat, 03 November 2012 to Bagan

Sightseeing in Mandalay this morning will include the ancient city of Ava, a silk weaving workshop and after lunch visit U-Bein bridge. Late afternoon flight to Bagan archaeological zone.

Sun, 04 November 2012 Bagan

Full day sightseeing of Bagan archaeological zone, including a visit to a Lacquer ware factory Evening return to the pagoda fields to watch the sunset

Mon, 05 November 2012 to Heho - Inle Lake

Morning visit nearby village in Bagan before transferring to the airport for afternoon flight to Heho and Inle Lake. Transfer by boat to the Hotel on the lake shore

Tue, 06 November 2012 Inle Lake

Sightseeing by longtail boat including a visit to the floating market and craft operators around the Lake.

Wed, 07 November 2012 Inle Lake

We have another full day for sightseeing and village explorations today. Our plan is to include a 2 hour village trek at Indein.

Thur, 08 November 2012 To Yangon

Transfer from our Hotel to head of lake, drive to Heho and connect with flight to Yangon.

Fri, 09 November 2012 Yangon depart

Transfer to airport for departure flight.

Explore more :

MYANMAR'S NGAPALI BEACH

If you have a hankering for sun and beaches unspoiled by clutter and hype then Ngapali beach on Myanmar's pristine bay of Bengal is the spot.

DURATION – 4 +/- days

INCLUDES – Quality beachside accommodations of your preference, meals according to your preference, road transport, domestic flights, transfers.

ROUTE – Yangon, Thandwe, Ngapali, Yangon.



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