

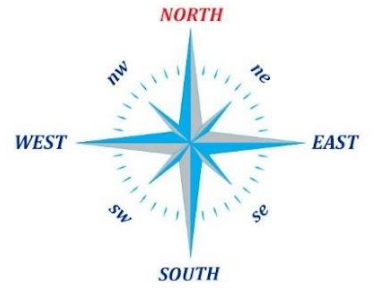


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AM-HONEYMOON TRIP-12D/11N

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Burma occupies the most Western part of Asia, formed by the long North-South valley of the Irrawaddy. You will be able to discover Yangon and Mandalay, the cities with miles of pagodas, the forgotten temples of Bagan and Lake Inle will be present to you. We have considered that Myanmar is the most romantic, exciting and visually stunning honeymoon destination in Southeast Asia. This is the vacation that you and your special will remember throughout your life.

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE













DAY	DEPART	ROUTE	VISIT	ARRIVE	RANK
01	BANGKOK			MANDALAY	**
02	MANDALAY		MGN	MANDALAY	***
03	MANDALAY		PWT	MONYWA	***
04	MONYWA		PKKU	BAGAN	***
05	BAGAN			BAGAN	***
06	BAGAN		POPA	BAGAN	***
07	BAGAN		HEH / PDY	KALAW	**
08	KALAW		NS	INLE	***
09	INLE		INDEI N	INLE	***
10	INLE		HEHO	YANGON	***
11	YANGON			YANGON	***
12	YANGON			BKK/ ?	

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DAY 01 - BANGKOK OR OTHER DESTINATION – ✈️ -MANDALAY 🚗

Our experienced guide welcomes you at the international airport on arrival.

Departure for **Amarapura** and continuation towards the 200-year-old **U Bein bridge**, built in 1782 when **Amarapura** was the royal capital, entirely built of teak wood. In the afternoon, visit the **Shwenandaw monastery** (or Golden Palace monastery), a superb example of traditional work. The world's largest book is **Kuthodaw Pagoda**, which consists of 729 marble slabs engraved with Buddhist scriptures.

[Dinner and overnight at](#) the hotel.

DAY 02– MANDALAY – 🚗 - MINGUN – 🚤 - SAGAING- 🚗 -AVA-MANDALAY

Breakfast at the hotel.

Mingun is approximately 45 minutes away from the boat excursion on **the Ayeyarwaddy River**.

Visit one of the world's largest bells, the **Mingun Bell**, weighing 90 tons, and the unfinished Mingun Paya, built as one of the largest Saodis by **King Bodawpaya**. Return by boat to **Mandalay**.

Upon arrival, go to **Sagaing**, a retreat for Buddhist devotees, to have a stunning view of the surrounding area. Then stop at the **Pagoda Soon U Ponnya Shin** to enjoy the panoramic view.

[Lunch on boat](#).

Continue your visit to the ancient **royal capital of Ava**, which can be reached with a short public boat.

Visits by horse-drawn carriage to the **Nan myint Watch Tower**, **the remains of the palace building** nicknamed the 'leaning tower of Ava'. **Maha Aungmye** is a beautiful monastery built of brick and stucco, and **Bagayar Monastery** is famous for its impressive ornate wood carvings and teak posts.

Return to **Mandalay**.

[Diner and overnight at](#) the hotel.

DAY 03 - MANDALAY- 🚗 -MONYWA - PO WIN TAUNG – 🚗 - MONYWA 🚗

After breakfast at the hotel, drive to **Monywa** (3h approximately) by coach.

Stop on route to visit the **KaungMudaw Pagoda** with its enormous white dome and its some 800 stone pillars located at the base. Visit the multicolored **Thanboddhay temple**, built from the dream designs of a noted monk. [Lunch at the restaurant](#).

Depart from the splendid temple-caves of **Po Win Taung** (1hr), a seldom-visited complex of cave temples and shrines (some dating back to the 15th century) that contain an abundance of Buddha images and some beautiful mural paintings. Moreover, continue to discover the maze of temples **Shwe Ba Taung**.

Head back to Monywa.

[Diner and overnight at](#) the hotel.

DAY 04 - MONYWA – 🚗 - PAKKOKU – 🚤 -CRUISING ON THE IRRAWADDY – 🚗 - BAGAN

Breakfast at the hotel.

Drive to **Pakkoku** (3h approximately) by coach.

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At Pakkoku, take advantage of **your private trishaw with your private driver** to visit around Pakkoku , for half an hour. Your tour starts from the **Pakkoku market** passing by the villages around the market, old temples, the main road, the schools and some hotels in that area. Then, take a pause near a temple in order you to take a photo. This short trip allows you to explore the daily life of the people living in the small town.

[Lunch at the local restaurant on the way.](#)

Then cruise to **Bagan** (2h 30), the occasion to discover the life of the banks of the river with its market gardening and its traditional villages of another time. Arrival in **Bagan** at the beginning of the afternoon.

Bagan is, without doubt, most astonishing site of Myanmar if it is all Southeast Asia. At the edges of Irrawaddy River, renamed from now on Ayeryarwaddy, and on the area of 40 km2 straighten up some hundreds of temples (2219 exactly). All of these remnants have been constructed of 11^{century} to 13^{centuries} by the sovereigns' successive who made the size of Bagan (Anawratha, Kyanzitha, Alaungsitthu and Narapatissithu,). This unbelievable concentration made of Bagan intense moment of your stay in Myanmar and the sunset of the site reminds an unforgettable moment.

Departure for **BAGAN** to discover the 11th-century archaeological site. Visit stops at one of the pagodas where you can sit for the beautiful sunset.

[Diner and overnight at the hotel.](#)

DAY 05 – BAGAN

Breakfast at the hotel.

Day devoted to discovering Bagan "the mystic" extraordinary archaeological site which does not have anything to envy that of Angkor with its 3000 temples and pilot pink brick stupas of the apogee of the Buddhist architecture of Myanmar. Starting a sightseeing tour with a diverse selection of the most important pagodas and temples such as **Shwezigon Pagoda**, built by King Anawrahta in the early 11th century, and discovered **temples Shwegugyi, Gawdawpalin** and colored market located in Old Bagan.

[Lunch at the local restaurant.](#)

Visit **Ananda Temple**, with its four substantial standing-Buddha images and numerous seated figures that arrange around the interior gallery and **GuByaukGyi Temple** (under the protection of UNESCO), noted for its ancient mural paintings.

Our guide will introduce you to the traditional « **Thanakha** ». Thanaka is a white-yellow cosmetic paste of plant origin. The cream of thanaka is made by grating the bark, the wood of the tree with a little water on a circular stone called kyauk pyin, equipped with a circular channel to drain the water. The cream is applied to the face but sometimes applied from head to toe. In addition to its cosmetic function, it provides a refreshing sensation, protects from sunburn, helps fight acne, makes skin soft and has antimycotic action. Make your own Thanaka and applied to your face.

Observe a sunset in the vicinity of Bagan's ancient monuments.

[Diner and overnight at the hotel.](#)

DAY 06 - BAGAN - MONT POPA - BAGAN

Breakfast at the hotel.

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Continuation of the visits of **Bagan** with the discovery of the ruins of **the Royal Palace; the Gate of Tharaba** and the unknown temple of **TayokPye**. Visit **the lacquer workshops in the village of Myinkaba**, whose manufacture has become a specialty of the region over the years.

After, a road trip to **Mount Popa**, a rocky peak overlooking the plain of Bagan and a place of worship dedicated to the Nats, the spirits of the Burmese pantheon. The **TaungKalat Pagoda** is located at its summit, which can be reached after climbing nearly 800 steps under the curious gaze of monkeys.

[Lunch at the local restaurant.](#)

(Note: The Mont Popa restaurant offers a magnificent view of the entire Mont Popa site and for people who cannot climb on the site this will allow them to appreciate the unique landscape from the terrace of the restaurant).

We will offer you a package of seeds on the day of arrival of your trip. Replanting is necessary in certain areas in Myanmar. Our experienced guide will guide you on how and where to spread these seeds to participate in the green environmental process and a convenient and responsible trip during your trip to Myanmar.

Return to **Bagan**.

[Diner and overnight at the hotel.](#)

DAY 07 - BAGAN – - HEHO--PINDAYA--KALAW

Breakfast at the hotel.

Transfer to **Nyaung U** airport for domestic flight to **Heho**.

You are departing from the road (2h30 approximately) for **Pindaya's** cave, an impressively long way up into the hills and across the Shan Plateau, through fields of mountain rice.

Pindaya is especially famous for its natural caves in which ones were stored, with the passing of the centuries the donations of the pilgrims are more than 8000 statues of Buddha out of wood, alabaster, marble, cement. An occasion to discover the evolution that knew the representations of the Buddha through the time.

[Lunch at the local restaurant.](#)

Visit the magnificent **Pindaya cave** set in a limestone ridge overlooking a picturesque lake, where thousands of different types of Buddha images are displayed in the various cave chambers. Continue to visit some local houses where families produce **Shan paper and parasols**.

Drive-by Road to **Kalaw**.

[Diner and overnight at the hotel.](#)

DAY 08 – KALAW--INLE LAKE

Breakfast at the hotel.

Visit the hill of **Kalaw** where fantastic views allow to see the hole of downtown and enjoy the very clean air before proceeding to the road to **Nyaung Shwe, Inle Lake**.

Departure by road (2h 30), for **Nyaung Shwe**, at the edge of lake Inlé. Visit the monastery of **Shwe Yan Pyay**. Visit **NyaungShwe**.

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The idyllic framework blotted around the mountains, and the Inle Lake is a punctuated blue oasis of villages on pile, temples and monasteries. [Lunch at the local restaurant.](#)

Visit **Pagoda Phaung Daw Oo**, one of the most sacred shrines in Myanmar, dating back to the 18th century, and visit some of its many artisan factories of weaving of silk, cigars, etc. Return to the dugout to the setting sunset.

[Diner and overnight](#) at the hotel.

DAY 09 – INLE LAKE -INDEIN- - INLE

Breakfast at the hotel.

Today, you can discover the life of the lake: it's surprising **floating vegetable gardens**, fixed on the bottom of the lake by large piles of bamboo; its **fishermen into**, principal ethnic of the lake, which ancestral mode of fishing, with a bow net and while rowing with a leg, is unique in the world.

You can walk in the village and visit the old pagodas which were built in the 12th century.

In Dein is located on the southwestern bank of the principal lake. In the village one can say that it is the most picturesque part of the Inle lake. The brook which leads to the village animate with various activities on its banks. In-Dein village is used as a main door to approach the western part of the lake and to discover the close villages situated on the hills.

[Lunch at the local restaurant.](#)

Visit **monastery Nga Phe**, also called "monastery of the jumping cats" since its monks drew up cats to jump inside the rings. This monastery is made out of wood, built on piles, and contains an astonishing collection of statues of Buddha.

[Diner and overnight](#) at the hotel.

DAY 10 - INLE LAKE -HEHO- - YANGON

Breakfast at the hotel.

Transfer by the road for one hour to **the Heho airport** and fly back to **Yangon**.

Arrive to **Yangon**.

Visit **colonial quarters** such as **Maharbandula Garden, City Hall, High court**, etc.

Then walk through **Chinatown home**, along with colonial buildings are crumbling facades, an abundance of small shops, hawkers and street canteens.

[Lunch at the local restaurant.](#)

Visit the **Bogyoke market**, market lacquer, precious stones, fabrics. Free time for your last-minute shopping.

[Diner and overnight](#) at the hotel.

DAY 11 - YANGON

Breakfast at the hotel.

Take **the circular train** to observe the daily life of Yangon.

The bus will be waiting at **Insein market**. Visit **Chauk Htet Gyi pagoda** and of its great Buddha laying whose colossal stature is fortunately softened by the good naturalness of its expression!

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[Lunch at local the local restaurant.](#)

Visiting the **Shwedagon pagoda**, one of the world's most spectacular religious monuments, will conclude the tour of this picture garden city. The golden dome of the Shwedagon Pagoda rises 98 meters.

[Diner and overnight](#) at the **hotel**.

DAY 12 - YANGON – -BANGKOK OR OTHER DESTINATION

Breakfast at the hotel.

Leisure time until the transfer to the airport.

Transfer to the international airport, **take-off bound for Bangkok or other destination.**

Note.: An exclusive and special Honeymoon package will be added at the time of booking.

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