

# 5 Days Bagan & Inle Lake Explorer

(Yangon-Bagan-Inle Lake- Yangon)

## Day 01 : Arrive Yangon (by flight)



Welcome to the Garden City Yangon! Upon arrival, welcome by our representative with welcome present: postcard, and Map of Myanmar. Then transfer to Hotel for check in.

In the evening, enjoy the sunset at the magnificent **Shwedagon Pagoda** located on top of Singuttara Hill, where many locals and Buddhists come to worship. This Pagoda is thought to have been built between the 6th and 10th Centuries; however it has been rebuilt many times. It is here that eight strands of Buddha's hair are said to be kept. The pagoda is covered in gold and contains diamonds, rubies and emeralds. As well we can observe the

customs of Buddhists in prayer, offering water, flowers etc. Overnight at Hotel in Yangon.

Breakfast: by own

Lunch: by own

Dinner: by own

## Day 02 : Yangon-Bagan (by morning flight)

Morning fly to Bagan. Welcome to the Ancient City Bagan! After hotel check in, sightseeing tour with a visit start to **Nyaung U local market & Myinkabar colorful market** where you can close to observe the ways of local people and road side sellers, then the golden pagoda of **Shwezigon pagoda**, which is Pagan's most important reliquary shrine look out for images of 37 "Nats" housed in a small hall. See 12th century frescoes adorning the corridors of **Kyansitta "Cave" temple**. Continue to **Gubyaukgyi**, another "cave" temple with fine frescoes of "jataka tales". Next stop is **Htilominlo**, the last Bamar style temple built in Bagan, with old murals and friezes. Pass through Tharaba Gateway into Old Bagan.



In the afternoon, visit **Manuha Temple** with gigantic Buddha images, a captive king's impression of life in prison; Nanpaya, an Early-style temple with the finest stone carvings, **Ananda temple**, a whitewashed masterpiece of Mon architecture with four standing Buddhas, and the adjacent brick monastery from the early Bagan era with well-preserved murals. Making a photo stop at the tallest temple measuring 61 meters **Thatbuinnyu** known as "temple of omniscience" and dating from 1091, **Dhamayangyi**, a massive-looking temple dating from end of 12th century which is famous for its interlocking mortar less brickwork, **Mingalarzedi**, the last of the large pagodas built in the 13th century, representing the pinnacle of Bamar pagoda architecture, **local lacquer workshop** to watch craftsmen skillfully making this most famous of Bagan handicrafts.



Late this afternoon we'll take a relaxing native horse cart ride through the temple area, winding your way along the roads past dozens of monuments. Stop as you wish to take photos or explore the temples. Continue to an elevated temple to watch the sun set before returning to your hotel. Then enjoy the part of New Year Gala Dinner at the hotel.

Overnight at the hotel in Bagan.

Breakfast: at the hotel

Lunch: by own

Dinner: by own

## Day 03 : Bagan-Heho-Inle Lake (by morning flight)

Morning transfer without guide to the airport for fly to Heho. Welcome to the Wild Nature of Myanmar Shan State ! Upon arrival, welcome by local guide with the name board then transfer to the Nyaung Shwe jetty where gate way to Inle lake and then take a boat to transfer to the hotel for check in.



Today tour excursion on the lake includes: **Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda**, one of the famous principal shrines in Myanmar. Five small Buddha images are housed and are revered by the lake dwellers. Once a year, late September/early October, a pagoda festival is held where four of the five Buddha images tour around the lake in a colorful barge. Here you will see and learn the art of silk weaving on wooden handlooms, **Nga Phe Kyaung Monastery**, is an attractive wooden monastery built on stilts over the lake, constructed at the end of the 1850s. Aside from its collection of Buddhas the monastery is interesting to visit since its monks have taught a few of the many cats living with them to jump through hoops. You will also make a stop at **handicraft workshops** such as Blacksmith, Silk and Lotus weaving, cheroot making and traditional boats making factory, etc. On your return trip to the hotel, you will pass the endless floating gardens, where fruit and vegetables are grown in the middle of the lake.



Overnight at Hotel in Inle Lake.

Breakfast: at the hotel

Lunch: by own

Dinner: by own

#### Day 04 : Inle Lake –Indein visit –Heho-Yangon (by latest flight)



After breakfast, travel by boat to the western shore of the lake to a stairway and walk roughly for 10 minutes to the hidden **Indien Temple Complex** of decaying wooden stupas surrounded and overtaken by huge banyan trees offers an evocative and contemplative scene reminiscent of the Khmer temples at Angkor Wat. In the region of Indein village there are two ancient groups of pagodas, **Nyaung Ohak** and **Shwe Inn Thein**. The first one near the boat landing is Nyaung Ohak, means “group of banyan trees”. Most of the pagodas have not been restored but some are well preserved, while others have plants

and trees growing out of them. Many pagodas are decorated with sculptors of celestial beings or mythological animals as Naga serpents and Chinthes. Some enshrine images of the Buddha. **Shwe Inn Thein pagodas** From Nyaung Ohak a climb leads to the second group of pagodas named Shwe Inn Thein located on top of a hill. A 700 meter covered walkway leads up to the pagodas. The walkway is lined with stalls where vendors sell Shan shoulder bags, longyis, shirts and other items. The site is believed to date back to the days of the Indian emperor Ashoka, who sent monks in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century BC across Asia to spread Buddhism. Centuries later, two kings of the Bagan Empire, Narapatisithu and Anawrahta built pagodas at the site. The site contains hundreds of pagodas, known as Shwe Inn Thein pagodas. Most are from the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century; the earliest one with an inscription dates to the 14<sup>th</sup> century. The hti, a top element shaped like an ornamental umbrella is missing at many of the un-restored stupas. A number of stupas have been restored by donors, both Burmese and foreign. At the center of the Shwe Inn Thein group is the shrine of the Inn Thein Buddha image. The shrine, believed to have been built by King Ashoka houses a golden Buddha image in the meditation mudra. From the top of the hill there is a magnificent view of Indein village and the surrounding area.

You will see some “**Padaung People**” known as the “Long Neck Karen Hill Tribe.” On the way back to the boat, walk through a bamboo forest at the riverside, where you will observe local people bathing in the river.

Then transfer to the airport for return flight to Yangon. Overnight at Hotel in Yangon.

Breakfast: at the hotel

Lunch: by own

Dinner: by own



#### **Morning visit to 5 days rotational market (1 hour) if we coincide**

This rotating market changes locations every five days and is where the local tribal peoples come to buy and sell their goods. Items range from hand-made crafts to produce grown on the floating gardens. Take notice and enjoy of the colourful clothes worn by the different hill tribes as they barter in this lively setting.



**Day 05 : Departure Yangon (by flight)**

Morning green **Kandawagyi Royal Park** where you can see the glittering Karaweik barge, a replica of the royal barge, photo stop at the heart of Yangon such as **Sule Pagoda, Maha Bandoola Park** with Independence Monument, City Hall, High Court and many colonial style buildings, shopping in the **Bogyoke market** formerly "Scott market", where you can get a wide range of Myanmar handicraft, jewelries, fabrics, lacquer wares and so on. (note: Bogyoke market is closed on Mondays.)

Then transfer to International airport for your home flight.

Breakfast: at the hotel

\*\*\*\*\*End of our services\*\*\*\*\*

**Below is the best price (LAND TOUR ONLY) for above program.**

**Validity: from 01 October 2016 – 31 March 2017 (Peak season)**

**(Excluded compulsory dinners at the hotels for the night of 24<sup>th</sup> Dec (X'mas Eve) & 31<sup>st</sup> Dec (New Year Gala).**

Hotel star	2pax	(3-4)pax	(5-6)pax	(7-9)pax	(10-12)pax	Single Suppl.
3*	999/pax	949/pax	889/pax	859/pax	839/pax	239/pax
4*	1209/pax	1149/pax	1089/pax	1059/pax	1039/pax	419/pax
5*	1429/pax	1289/pax	1209/pax	1179/pax	1129/pax	479/pax

Notes;

\* Above tariff price is per person in SGD.

\* If clients would like to stay at Single room each, you have to add Single Supplement for each pax.

\* There will be compulsory dinners at the hotel on 24th Dec for X'mas Eve and on 31st Dec for New Year Gala dinner and it is to be advised.

Services Included	Services Excluded
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 04 nights accommodations with breakfast (Twin/Double sharing basis)</li> <li>- All transfers and transportation with private, 18/20 seats air-con vehicles</li> <li>2 pax: saloon car</li> <li>3-6 pax: minivan (Hi ace)</li> <li>7-12 pax: mini bus (18/ 20 seats)</li> <li>13-15 pax: coach of 29/30 seats</li> <li>- English speaking stationed guide fees (difference guide in each city)</li> <li>Yangon: 1 guide</li> <li>Inle Lake: 1 guide</li> <li>- Entrance fees as per detail program</li> <li>- Private boat fee for visit on the lake</li> <li>- 02 bottles of mineral water per person per day on bus</li> <li>- Governors' tax and service charges</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Visa fee for Myanmar</li> <li>- Tipping for Tour Guide &amp; Driver is USD4/day/pax</li> <li>- International airfares</li> <li>- Domestic airfares</li> <li>- Meals (Lunch &amp; Dinner)</li> <li>- Mineral water that beyond limit</li> <li>- Early check in &amp; check out</li> <li>- Beverages, laundry services, mini bar, etc.</li> <li>- Personal expenses such as Camera fees, Tips etc.</li> <li>- Any other items not mentioned in Service Includes</li> </ul>

**SURCHARGE FOR MEAL:**

For lunch: SGD 20

For Dinner: SGD20

Remark: Rate is per person per meal and all are at outside local restaurants. If at the hotels, the rate will be start from SGD 32 – 69 per person per meal depends on the choice Set Menu of the clients.

**HOTELS LISTS (subject to availability): below hotels or similar ones of same category:**

Cities	3* Hotels	4*Hotels	5* Hotels
Yangon	Green Hill Hotel Deluxe room <a href="http://www.greenhillhotelyangon.com">www.greenhillhotelyangon.com</a> It is located within 20 mins drive from the airport.	Kandawgyi Palace hotel Deluxe room <a href="http://www.kandawgyipalace-hotel.com">www.kandawgyipalace-hotel.com</a> located on the Royal Lake within 20 minutes drive from downtown	Sedona Hotel Premier Deluxe club room <a href="http://www.sedonahotels.com.sg">www.sedonahotels.com.sg</a> 15 minutes from the airport and downtown.
Bagan	Bagan Thande Hotel Superior room ( <a href="http://www.hotelbaganthande.com">www.hotelbaganthande.com</a> ) Bungalow type, located in Old Bagan on the river side and main archeological site	Tharabar Gate Hotel Deluxe room ( <a href="http://www.tharabargate.com">www.tharabargate.com</a> ) Located in old Bagan within 3 min walk to Anandar Temple and 10 mins drive from the airport	Aureum Palace Hotel (deluxe room) ( <a href="http://www.aureumpalacehotel.com">www.aureumpalacehotel.com</a> ) located in Old Bagan and Beside to Nan Myint Tower
Inle lake	Golden Island Cottages Hotel (Superior Room) ( <a href="http://www.gicmyanmar.com">www.gicmyanmar.com</a> ) Located on Inle Lake	Myanmar Treasure Resort Deluxe lake view room <a href="http://www.myanmar-treasure-resorts.com">www.myanmar-treasure-resorts.com</a> Located on the lake	Villa Inle Resort lake front single villa room ( <a href="http://www.hotelininle.com">www.hotelininle.com</a> ) Located in Maing Tauk Village

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