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## Mystical Myanmar – 7N/8D

Visiting: Mandalay (3N) | Bagan (1N) | Inle Lake (1N) | Yangon (2N)

**Sightseeing: Mandalay:** U Bein Bridge, City tour, Mingun Pagoda, Buddhist Nursing home, Mahamuni Pagoda, Kuthodaw Pagoda, Shwenandaw Monastery, Mandalay Hill | **Inwa:** Maha Aungmye Bonzan Monastery, Ava Watch Tower, Bargaya Teak Wood Monastery | **Bagan:** Elevated Temple, Shwezigon Pagoda, Gulbyauki, Htilominlo Temple, Ananda Temple | **Heho:** Shwe Yan Pyay Monastery, Nyaung Shwe, Inle Lake, Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda | **Yangon:** Sule Pagoda, Bogyoke Market, Shwedagon Pagoda, Chaukhatatgyi Pagoda, Kandawgyi Park



### Itinerary

#### Day 01: Arrival Mandalay & Sunset U Bein Bridge

Upon arrival at Mandalay International airport, you will drive directly to U Bein Bridge, the world's longest and 200 year-old teak bridge. Enjoy a stroll along the bridge and the fabulous views of the surrounding farms and streams. You will be greeted by your guide who will accompany and transfer you to your hotel. Mandalay is Myanmar's cultural capital. The natural focus of the city is an abrupt hill, rising above a vast moated and walled square.

Overnight at hotel in Mandalay. **Meals: Breakfast**



#### Day 02: Mandalay – Mingun – Mandalay Sightseeing

Today we'll explore the historic sites around Mandalay. Visit to iconic attractions include Mingun's gigantic stupa stub, and Mandalay city tour. This morning we'll take a short river journey to visit Mingun Pagoda. Then, continue your visit to the world's



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largest uncracked bell called Mingun Bell. Across the road, you can visit a Buddhist nursing home for family-less elderly folk.

This afternoon, we'll visit Mahamuni Pogada, 13ft-high seated Buddha image which is one of Myanmar's most famous. Continue your tour of Mandalay with a visit to Kuthodaw Pagoda, whose 729 marble stone slabs of Buddhist scriptures have earned it the title 'World's Biggest Book'. Continue to Shwenandaw Monastery, the only remaining building from the 19<sup>th</sup> century Royal Palace. This grand teak building is known for its exquisite woodcarving. Head to the top of Mandalay Hill as the sun begins to set to enjoy magnificent views of the city and Irrawaddy River. Overnight in Mandalay. **Meals: Breakfast**

### Day 03: Mandalay – Sagaing – Inwa Sightseeing - Mandalay

After breakfast, excursion by road to the former Royal Capital of Innwa [Ava], take a small boat for a few minutes and visit Maha Aungmye Bonzan Monastery, ruins of ancient Ava Watch Tower, fort walls and brick causeway and Bargaya Teak Wood Monastery. Then proceed to Sagaing by driving over 1-kilometer-long Bridge across the Ayeyarwaddy River to Sagaing Hills, with numerous Pagodas and monasteries and a retreat for Buddhist devotees, for sunset. Overnight at hotel in Mandalay. **Meals: Breakfast**



### Day 04: Mandalay – Bagan Sightseeing

This morning, you'll transfer to the airport for the flight to Bagan (NyaungOo). Bagan, located on the banks of the Ayeyarwady (Irrawaddy) River, is home to the largest and densest concentration of Buddhist temples, pagodas, stupas and ruins in the world with many dating from the 11th and 12th centuries.



On arrival, your journey begins with a visit to an elevated temple from where you will have a panoramic view of the magnificent plains of Bagan. Continue with a visit to the golden Shwezigon Pagoda, first and prototype monument, which was built in Myanmar style in 1087. Then, visit to Gubyaukgyi, a cave temple @ Wetkyi-Inn Village which is well-known for its exquisite *jataka* mural paintings and the elegant Htilominlo Temple noted for its fine plaster carvings and glazed sandstone decorations.

This afternoon begin with a visit to a traditional lacquer ware workshop where you can observe the production of one of Myanmar's best-known handicrafts. Continue to Ananda Temple, an architectural masterpiece and one of Bagan's most beautiful temples. Built in the early Mon-style, Ananda contains two unique Buddha images whose expressions seem to change depending on the distance from which the statue is viewed. From here, travel by horse cart for a tour passing Thatbyinnyu, the highest temple in Bagan, massive Dhammayangyi Temple, noted for its remarkable brickwork, and Sulamani Temple.

Enjoy an unforgettable sunset over the plains from the upper terrace of one of the temples. Overnight in Bagan. **Meals: Breakfast**



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### Day 05: Bagan – Heho – Inle Lake Sightseeing

After breakfast, transfer to Mandalay Airport for a flight to Heho. From Heho, a scenic one-hour drive leads to Nyaung Shwe, the gateway village to Inle Lake. Along the way, stop at the wooden Shwe Yan Pyay Monastery which is an elegant ancient monastery with its oval-shaped windows. We will also stop in Nyaung Shwe for a short walk around town and visit to the colorful market if it is being held that day. Upon reaching the edges of Inle Lake, board a private motorboat to head out to Inle Lake, one of Myanmar's most spectacular sights. Pass villages built on stilts over the lake, observe the leg-rowing fishermen and see their floating gardens built up from strips of water. Visit Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda, famous for the 800 years old Five Buddha statues which are covered in gold leaf. Explore the local crafts of Inle Lake with a stop at the weaving village of Inpawkhone and a *cheroot* factory, where the typical Burmese cigars are made by hand.



If time permits, there may be time to enjoy a short walk through one of the lakeside villages. Overnight on Inle Lake. **Meals: Breakfast**

### Day 06: Inle Lake – Yangon Sightseeing

After breakfast, you will drive to Heho airport and take the flight to Yangon. On arrival at Yangon, we'll first visit to Sule Pagoda which is a 2200-year-old temple surrounded by government buildings and commercial shop. Then, you'll pass along the way to Mahabandoola Park Where Independent Monument exists. After that, you will visit to Shwedagon Pagoda which is one of the wonders of the world. It was built 2500 years ago and enshrined with hair relics of Buddha and a place where to meet devoted Buddhists meditating and praying. Enjoy breathtaking views of the golden stupa from this vantage point. Overnight in Yangon. **Meals: Breakfast**



### Day 07: Yangon Sightseeing

After morning breakfast at the hotel, we'll visit Chaukhtatgyi Pagoda, one of Myanmar's more beautiful reclining Buddha's which is topped by a crown encrusted with diamonds and other precious stones. The feet of the statue carved with traditional symbols and often many locals gathering to pay homage and pray. Continue to Bogyoke Market, formerly known as Scott's Market, where you can browse through the wide selection of Myanmar handicrafts and other goods (Note: closed on Mondays and public holidays).



This afternoon, we'll visit Kandawgyi Park, one of central Yangon's greenest spots. Here you will see the glittering Karaweik barge, a replica of the royal barge, and the vast lake with views of Shwedagon in the background. Depending on the day of your visit Kandawgyi may be busy with local families who come here on the weekend to relax in the fresh air.

Overnight at hotel in Yangon. **Meals: Breakfast**



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### Day 08: Yangon International Departure

After morning breakfast, you will transfer to Yangon International airport for your departure flight. **Meals: Breakfast**



### Domestic Flights:

Sector	Airline
Mandalay – Bagan	Air Kanbawza / Mann Yadanarpon Airlines
Bagan - Heho	Air Kanbawza / Air Bagan
Heho - Yangon	Air Kanbawza / Air Bagan / Asian Wings / Yangon Airways / Mann Yadanarpon

**\*Flight time and airfares may be subjected to change without prior notice by airlines.**

### Inclusions:

- 7 Nights accommodation with breakfast on Twin/Double sharing basis
- All the transfers and excursion with private air-conditioned vehicles with drivers
- English speaking station guide (different guide in different city)
- Domestic flights (Mandalay- Bagan, Bagan – Heho and Heho - Yangon)
- Private motorized boat for Inle excursion and Mingun visit
- Horse cart in Ava visit
- Entrance fees for visiting places in the program
- Services mentioned in the program

### Exclusions:

- International flight in/out
- Porter charges at airports and jetties
- Meals not mentioned in the program
- Supplement cost for Christmas and New Year Eve Dinners
- Drinks, tips and personal expenses
- Visa and Insurance fees
- Any other items and services not mentioned in the program



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Location/Category	Premium	Deluxe	Standard
Bagan	Aureum Palace Bagan	Aye Yar River View Resort	Bagan Umbra Hotel
Mandalay	Mandalay Hill Resort	Sedona Mandalay	Mandalay City Hotel
Inle Lake	Pristine Lotus Spa Resort	Amata Garden Resort	Golden Island Cottage
Yangon	Chatrium Hotel Royal Lake	Summit Park View Hotel	Hotel Grand United Ahlone

**PRICE PER PERSON IN USD EXCL ST @ 9.00%**

ROOMING BASIS/CATEGORY	PREMIUM	DELUXE	STANDARD
ADL IN TWIN/DBL	1665	1374	1284

**PACKAGE VALIDITY: 1<sup>ST</sup> OCT'17 TO 31<sup>ST</sup> MAR'18 BARRING BLACK OUT AND PEAK SEASON PERIOD**

**IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- Package price refers to services mentioned under the package inclusions section in the proposal
- We urge you to use our services for Flight tickets / Rail tickets/pass (International), Visa and Insurance.
- Booking Conditions, Amendment and Cancellation charges are applicable as mentioned on the website under terms and conditions and on the booking form of WORLDTRAVEL STUDIO HNV PVT LTD.
- Package price will be subject to revision if the travel date falls during high season or during non-published conferences/special event dates.
- INR equivalent of the package price shown in foreign currency will be calculated on the basis of the rate of exchange (ROE) prevailing on the date of your payment as advised by us.
- If any of the mentioned hotels/services are not available, alternate hotels/services may be offered with or without a difference in cost.
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- As you are aware, airlines offer dynamic fares, it is advantageous to book flight tickets as early as possible.
- Also, booking the flight early helps you get the desired flight schedules.
- Likelihood of getting the desired hotel and room category is higher if you book early, thereby saving money.
- We highly recommend to opt for accommodation suggested by us as per the price points.

Precise information with regard to date of travel, duration, number of tour participants, accommodation category and sightseeing helps to get appropriate quotation in quickest time



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