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# Upper Irrawaddy River by RV Pandaw

## 8 days 7 nights

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### I. Itinerary Overview

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### II. Includes & Excludes

**Cruise Price Includes:** Entrance fees, guide services (English language), gratuities to crew, main meals, locally made soft drinks, local beer and local spirits, jugged coffee and selection of teas and tisanes, mineral water.

**Cruise Price Excludes:** International flights, port dues (if levied), laundry, all visa costs, fuel surcharges (see terms and conditions), imported beverages such as wines, premium spirits and

liqueurs, fancy soft drinks like Perrier, espressos and cappuccinos at bar and tips to tour guides, local guides, bus drivers, boat operators and cyclo drivers.

### III. Detailed Itinerary

#### Day 1

#### Mandalay

Set sail and visit the spectacular potteries near Kyauk-myung where the famous 50-gallon water pots are handmade. We see all stages of manufacture from the throwing of the pots to the weeklong firing in huge kilns. We return to the ship and enter the third defile of Irrawaddy.

Meals: Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Pandaw Cruise.

#### Day 2

#### Khanyat

Stop at Khan-nyat village with its many Buddhist monasteries and visit the former head teacher's house, which also includes his small museum collections. We go ashore and climb the Pagoda Hill at Tigyang with its stunning views of the Upper Irrawaddy River.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Pandaw Cruise

#### Day 3

#### Katha

We reach the enchanting colonial town of Katha, setting for George Orwell's *Burmese Days*. Little has changed since then. Of interest are the fire station's collections of the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company's ship's bells taken from sunken ships in the Second War. Katha was the final resting place of the old flotilla and here over a hundred ships were scuppered in 1942 in an Act of Denial before the advancing Japanese. We also visit an elephant logging camp at Katha in the hardwood forests of the hills that surround the town and further upstream.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Pandaw Cruise

**Day 4** **Sail upstream Kyunt Daw Island**

Transfer by Local boat and visit Kyun Daw village where we will visit countless small Pagodas.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Pandaw Cruise

**Day 5** **2nd defile of Irrawaddy**

Cruise through the 2nd Defile, the most dramatic of the three gorges with cliffs towering over the narrow channel. Sail downstream.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Pandaw Cruise

**Day 6** **Tagaung**

Walking tour of the ancient city of Tagaung viewing the fortifications, a famous nat or spirit shrine and the archaeological area.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Pandaw Cruise

**Day 7** **Mingun**

Slip our moorings early in the morning and stop at Mingun to see the largest working bell in the world and the unfinished pagoda that is the largest single mass of brick building in the world. We also visit the Mingun Old People's Home originally established with the assistance of the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company in the 1930s. Drive through the beautiful Sagaing hills to the hilltop to enjoy an amazing view over the region and Irrawaddy River.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Accommodation: Pandaw Cruise

**Day 8** **Mandalay**

Disembark after breakfast.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: N/A

## IV. Terms & Conditions

### GENERAL BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS

#### BOOKING PROCEDURE

- E-Travel Myanmar required deposit of at least 30% of total tour cost to guarantee the booking. This amount can be paid by credit card (through a secured payment system), bank transfer, Western Union or Paypal.
- Remainder of total tour cost must be paid in cash upon arrival or 2 weeks before departure date if by any other payment methods.
- Transfer fee, if any, must be paid at customer's end. E-Travel Myanmar will recognize the amount received only.

#### CANCELLATION

At E-Travel Myanmar Co.,Ltd, we do our best to minimize cancellation penalty for our guests but we must abide the cancellation policy of each service provider. Any cancellations should be made in writing.

##### **Cancellation by the customers**

Where the Customer cancels the tour, then the effective date of cancellation will be the date the company receives the written notification. The cancellation charge to the customer is listed below:

- More than 30 days before departure :deposit if forfeited
- More than 15 days before departure :70 % of total tour cost
- 14 day or less :100 % of total tour cost

##### **Cancellation by E-Travel Myanmar**

If tour is not paid by the due date, the company shall have the right to cancel the tour. If we, at the request of the customer, agrees to delay cancellation of the tour then the company still cancels the tour for the customer's non-payment, the cancellation charges set out shall apply and be payable by the customer.

##### **Special conditions**

E-Travel Myanmar reserves the right to change these cancellation conditions depending on airlines, hotels and cruises' cancellation policies. We will inform you in writing in case the above conditions need to be modified.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

Except in situation beyond human control, E-Travel Myanmar will be held responsibility for any additional expense resulting from the change caused by us in itinerary, transportation, accommodation. Except in situation beyond human control, E-Travel Myanmar shall provide compensatory service for participants or refund the difference in payment for service rendered below standard.

The detailed program and schedule flights are subject to change by airline without prior notice and in accordance with the weather conditionals and daily operation of flights. Consequently, itinerary concerned might be adjusted. If this occurs, E-Travel Myanmar will do all in its power to assist participants in boarding flights or finding alternative arrangements. This is done as a courtesy to

participants and E-Travel Myanmar can not held the responsibility for denied boarding, or additional charges occurred.

## **TRAVEL INSURANCE**

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Travel Insurane is not included. E-Travel Myanmar highly recommend you to have travel insurance when traveling around Asia. /