

REPEAT OF ONE OF OUR MOST POPULAR TOURS

THE CLASSIC IRRAWADDY RIVER CRUISE



MYANMAR BY PANDAW RIVERSHIP – MANDALAY TO RANGOON

13-27 October 2016 | 16 days

TOUR

This is a dynamic time to visit Myanmar. After decades in isolation, this extraordinary country is embarking on a path towards democracy. The Irrawaddy River is the backbone of the country – a vital means of trade, transport and income – so travelling on the river allows you to observe the rhythms of daily life. Shore visits every day offer chances to engage with the local people and see them working in their cottage industries producing earthenware pots, woven silk and lotus textiles, and lacquer ware. Visits to villages, markets, schools and monasteries also give fascinating insights far from the usual tourist track. In the river valley, two millennia of art, architecture and archaeology survive, including the 3000 standing monuments at Bagan. This archaeological gem of South East Asia makes a lasting impression. Located on the banks of the river it is home to the largest concentration of Buddhist temples, pagoda and stupas in the world. You may want to add on a trip to Lake Inle to further enrich your trip.

THE SHIP

Enjoy the comfort of a classic ship with no more than 48 guests. The ship – Pandaw II – is the stately queen of the Pandaw fleet of ships that ply the Irrawaddy. She is classically finished in teak and brass, exuding an old world colonial charm.

Priced from \$11,900pp twin share

Includes airfares, a tour manager from NZ, local guides, all accommodation, most meals, sightseeing, entrance fees.



FEEDBACK FROM A 2015 TOUR PARTICIPANT

'I am glad to have come here at such an interesting time in Myanmar's political history. Life on the Pandaw II is one of luxury, superb care and delicious meals presented by charming waiters. Each time we dock, a crew member cuts steps in the sandy silt of the river bank. A line of crew members assist us from step to step on both the upward and downward journey and a cool drink awaits us on our return, along with shoe cleaning. We have had such experiences, seen such sights, learned much about this country, its agronomy and the influence of Buddhism on that economy.'



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