

Itinerary RM2
08 August 2008 – 23 August 2008
16 days / 15 nights
Road to Mandalay (Yangon – Mandalay)

8 August – Rangoon (Yangon)

-/Lunch/Dinner

International arrivals in Rangoon. Transfer to RV Pandaw II moored in the heart of colonial 'Downtown' Yangon. Afternoon sight seeing and visit to the spectacular Shwedagon Pagoda for sunset.

9 August – Delta

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Sail with the first tide up the Rangoon River and enter the Twante Canal, which connects the Yangon River with the Irrawaddy Delta. We stop on the route at the Twante village to visit the potteries there, famed for their enormous water pots. Arrive Yandoon for evening walk in this delightful Delta town.

10 August – Danupyu

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Continue our exploration of Delta creeks and stop at Donabyu, another little known town with a busy pot and bustling markets. In the First Anglo Burmese War of 1825 the Burmese general Maha-Bandoola was defeated here following a long and near disastrous campaign by the British. Moor overnight at Tonbo.

11 August - Manaung and Tonbo

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Sailing all day we stop to visit the markets and see old colonial building in the sleepy Delta town of Manaung and now enter the Irrawaddy River itself. We continue to moor the night at Tonbo.

12 August – Prome (Pyay)

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Stop at the famous A Kauk Taung to explore the spectacular stone carving on the cliff. We reach Pyay by early afternoon and travel by coach to the 5th-8th century archaeological site of Thiri-ya-kittiya, former centre of the Pyu civilization with a fascinating museum of early Buddhist artifacts and sculpture.

13 August - Thayetmyo Frontier Post

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

This pleasant colonial town once guarded the border between Royal Myanmar and British Myanmar following the 2nd Anglo Myanmar War of 1855. Many of the buildings including the covered market date from this period. Thayet also boasts the oldest golf course in Myanmar (1885). We visit the market, see the colonial houses and ride our by horse cart to the golf course, passing through the former British botanical garden.

14 August - Minhla Forts

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Minhla and Gwechaung – We visit the two Italian built forts constructed to keep the British at the bay from Royal Myanmar. We climb the Gwechaung hill for the view. These were captured by the British in the 3rd Anglo Myanma War. The fight for the Minhla redoubt was the only serious action in the war and the death of a young subaltern inspired Kipling to write a poem.

15 August - Magwe Gold Bricks

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

We ride Trishaws to reach th magnificent Myat-thalon Pagoda, constructed with solid gold bricks. Of the interest are the many nat shrines and hermitages within the temple precincts.

16 August – Sale (Saley)

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Here we visit the Yout-saun-kyauing (Youqson monastery) with its spectacular wood carvings; we also explore an area of splendid colonial-style houses. Moor at the Tan-chi-taung mountain and ascend by WWII jeep for the spectacular sunset over Bagan.

17 August – Pagan (Bagan)

We tour a selection of the 3,000 listed monuments.

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

18 August – Pagan (Bagan) – Theingone Monastery

Further explorations of Pagan. We cast off at lunchtime and proceed to the Theingone village to make a tour of construction of both the new school and the monastery.

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

19 August – Yandabo

This small rural village specializes in pot marketing. We visit the Pandaw School and the new dispensary both built with past donations from Pandaw passengers.

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

20 August - Ava and Amarapura Old Capitals

We explore these ancient capitals visiting the teak Bagaya Kyaung, Menu Ok-kyang. We cross the famous U Bein Bridge to see the paintings in a temple and come back in sampan.

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

21 August - Sagaing Hills and Mandalay

The true delight of Sagaing lies in its 1,000 hermitages and sanctuaries, rich in woodcarving and religious art. In the afternoon we tour central Mandalay visiting the Mahamuni Pagoda and Shwe-im-bin teak carved monastery. We see tapestry making and other traditional crafts.

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

22 August - Mandalay to Rangoon (Yangon)

Disembark Pandaw II and fly to Yangon. Transfer to the Inya Lake Hotel. Afternoon trip to Scots market.

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

23 August - Rangoon (Yangon)

Transfers for international departures.

Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Tour Price in US\$ per person:

**Upper Deck and Main Deck Cabins, all same RATE!!!!
No Single surcharges for this trip!**

Cabin Type	US\$ per person twin sharing	US\$ per person single use
Upper Deck	2700	2700
Main Deck	2700	2700

BOOK NOW!

Costs inclusive:

Accommodation in Yangon, Cabin as per booking, transfers and transportation as per itinerary, sightseeing, domestic flight as per itinerary, main meals as mentioned, English speaking Guide, all entrance fees, free flow of soft drinks, coffee, tea, Mineral Water

Costs exclusive:

**International flights, Visa fees, fuel surcharge, imported drinks/alcohols, INSURANCES!!!
Personal expenses such as tips, telephone, laundry, minibar, tips**

Payment Terms:

1. 20% deposit is required upon confirmation of any booking and is non-refundable!
2. Final balances must be paid 60 days before departure or the booking may be cancelled and the deposit forfeited.

Cancellation Terms:

Pandaw got very strict cancellation periods therefore we need to ask for the same policy!

For cancellations of confirmed bookings, the following charges will apply:

70 days or more	-	20% of total amount
56 to 69 days	-	30% of total amount
29 to 55 days	-	40% of total amount
15 to 28 days	-	60% of total amount
8 to 14 days	-	90% of total amount
7 days or less	-	100% of total amount

Terms and Conditions of Carriage on Pandaw Ships:

1. Though every effort will be made to ensure that the published itinerary is followed as closely as possible, given uncertain river and other local conditions, all schedules and itineraries may be subject to alterations and delays at short notice.
2. The ship's purser and captain are jointly responsible for passengers' comfort and safety. Passengers must accept their decisions and instructions.
3. Whilst our crew do everything in their power to facilitate landings, access to ship at certain river stations can be difficult, with steep and sometimes slippery river banks. Elderly passengers should consult their doctor to ensure that they fit for travel. Wheel chairs are not allowed.
4. In the case of water levels being too high or low or defects to the vessel beyond the control of the company an alternative itinerary will be offered to passengers after consultation between the ship's captain and the company's management, subject to accommodation and meals being maintained on board the vessel unless by prior agreement with the passenger.
5. Should it prove difficult to embark or disembark passengers at the scheduled points the company are not liable to bear any extra cost of transporting passengers to and from the revised point of embarkation or disembarkation unless passengers or their agents have purchased a complete package tour which includes land services from us. Any reason for changing the points of embarkation or disembarkation can not count as a reason for canceling this contract.
6. Passengers should seek advice from their doctor regarding relevant inoculations and prophylactics for travel to these countries.
7. Passengers must be fully insured to cover any risk of medical expense and repatriation (which includes repatriation of remains) and the Company is in no way responsible for such liabilities. Passengers must settle before departure any medical bills incurred whilst on a company ship for doctor's attendance, drugs supplied, and any other medical facilities provided by the company for passenger.
8. Once a booking has been received through a sales agent or directly from the passenger a contract exists between the Company and the passenger and these terms and conditions must be adhered to by both parties.
9. Unless otherwise agreed agents are responsible for the transfer of their passengers to and for the ship on time and in the event of a late arrival the ship is not obliged to delay departure thereby upsetting tight schedules.
10. **The company accepts no liability or responsibility for loss or damage to passenger's property** whilst on board a company vessel.
11. During the river stops on the company provide a guide service in the English language. Foreign language guides must be pre booked and there may be extra charges for this. Personal guides must be booked at normal rates in passenger accommodation.
12. The company reserve the right to refuse to allow anyone on board if a ticket can be produced and the company can not guarantee the exact allocation of cabins and deck location which may in the event of extenuating circumstances differ from the cabin number indicated on the ticket.
13. Within the ticket price fuel costs have been calculated on average prices as of the publication of this document. Should fuel prices rise by more than 10% the company will be entitled to impose a fuel supplement equivalent to the amount by which the fuel price exceeds the price allowed for in the contract.
14. It is not permitting to allow any breed of animal on board.
15. Infants below the age of 4 years may sleep in their parent's cabin without extra charge but the company can not guarantee the available of a cot. Children of 4 years and + must solely occupy a berth and pay full rate.
16. In the event of a dispute the law of the country in which the vessel is operating will apply.
17. The company reserves the right to change the vessel without notice.

18. Payment terms and cancellation policy is printed on an invoice issued for each booking whether for an individual or for a group. Passengers and their agent must abide these terms and the company reserves the right to either cancel an existing reservation or to refuse passage in the event that these terms have not been adhered to.
19. In the event that one passenger enters into a commercial or other form of relationship or arrangement with other passenger the company is no way liable for the obligations of one passenger to another passenger or any claim arising thereof.
20. **For cruise departures where occupancy is less than 5 cabins the company reserve the right to cancel the departure giving all passengers with confirmed booking 30 days prior notice of this intention.** An alternative departure date will the cancelled cruise will be refunded. In the event that a passenger has cancellation fees and the Company subsequently cancels that departure then any cancellation fees (and down payment) will be refunded in full on the request of the passenger.
21. The company reserve the right to change a cabin allocated without notice and in the event that a passenger is downgraded to a cheaper cabin then the difference in cost between the cabins will be refunded to the passenger or the passenger's agent.
22. **Force Majeure: in the case of circumstances beyond normal control, such as war, civil or political unrest, strikes, catastrophes, epidemics or disruption to fuel supplies for the vessel, the Company may cancelled the cruise and there will be a full refund of all monies paid by the passenger. In the event of a cruise being cancelled as a result of the above force majeure situation following the commencement of that cruise period then monies will not be refunded.**