

# Yangon & Golden Rock

(Yangon – Bago – Golden Rock - Yangon)

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## Itinerary Overview

Day	Destination	Meals
Day 1	YANGON ARRIVAL	/
Day 2	YANGON – CITY TOUR	B
Day 3	YANGON – BAGO – GOLDEN ROCK	B
Day 4	GOLDEN ROCK – BAGO - YANGON	B

**Note\*:** B: Breakfast / L: Lunch / D: Dinner

## Detailed Itinerary

### Day 1 YANGON - ARRIVAL

Warmly welcome you to Myanmar. When you arrive at Yangon International Airport, your representative will meet you at the airport for a transfer to your hotel in the city center. Please kindly note that the hotel rooms will be ready at 14:00 hrs. The early check in could be guaranteed with a surcharge.

Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure. Overnight in hotel in Yagon.

**Meal:** n/a

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Yangon

### Day 2 YANGON – CITY TOUR

Today, you will spend full day to explore Yangon city. Your trip will start at 8:00 am. Our first stop is

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the 2,500 years old Shwedagon Pagoda – which enshrines strands of Buddha’s hair and other holy relics. After that, we observe morning fish market and colorful Thirimingalar Vegetable Market, the biggest vegetable market in Myanmar. We can see many colorful and different kinds of fishes, vegetables and fruits from all over the country there. We continue with Sule pagoda, historical Botahtaung pagoda, Yangon river site and Strand Hotel, one of the most famous historic colonial buildings in Asia and end the morning with a lunch at local restaurant. After lunch, we proceed to the biggest Chaukhtetgyi reclining Buddha statue and Ngahtetgyi sitting Buddha image. In the evening, we stroll around in the downtown and visit China-town to see real lifestyle of the people in Yangon.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Yangon

### Day 3 YANGON – BAGO – GOLDEN ROCK

After breakfast, drive to Kinpun Base Camp via Bago, approx; 4 hours. Bago was once the ancient Mon Kingdom as well as the seat of second Myanmar Dynasty. On the way, you can stop and visit Htauk Kyant Allied War Cemetery, the biggest war cemetery in the country maintained by the Commonwealth War Grave Commission.

After Bago, you will reach Kyaik Hto, the junction town to go up the Golden Rock. Upon arrival at Kin Pun Base Camp, transfer by open-truck up to Hermit Hill. From there, walk about one hour to reach the Golden Rock. The trekking from Hermit Hill to the top is not very difficult cheering with Myanmar pilgrims on the way, encouraging each other.

After check-in at the hotel, walk to Golden Rock. Enjoy the marvel of the situation of the Rock and view the evening activities of many Myanmar Buddhist pilgrims. After sunset on the Golden Rock, walk back to your hotel. Overnight at Golden Rock.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Hotel in Golden Rock

### Day 4 GOLDEN ROCK – BAGO - YANGON

After breakfast, walk down to Hermit Hill and by open truck transfer to Kin Pun Base Camp. From there, drive to Kyaik Hto. You can visit Kyaik Hto Morning market where you can see a lot of local foods, seasonal fruits and vegetables, fish and prawns. Walk around in the market and take pictures. Talk to the vendors who are very friendly and not accustomed to the visits of foreigners. Then, proceed to Bago. On the way you may stop from time to time to take the photo opportunities at some villages.

Upon arrival at Bago, visit Shwe Maw Daw pagoda, the biggest and tallest Pagoda in Southern Myanmar, Bago Central Market, Shwe Thar Lyaung (Reclining Buddha) which dates back to centuries and which has the astounding history of its recovery from the bushes, and finally on the way to Yangon, visit the Kyaik Pun pagoda with four Giant Buddhas sitting in back-to-back position. Then drive on to Yangon. The tour ends at your hotel/or airport for departure flight.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** n/a

#### **Important Note\***

- PROGRAMS & SCHEDULES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE
- The itinerary can be customized basing on your interests (you can extend your stay at each location, add/remove activities)

## **Inclusions & Exclusions**

#### **Inclusions:**

- Overnights in selected hotels or similar
- All in-tour stationed local English speaking guide.
- Entrance fees for sightseeing mentioned in the itinerary
- Excursions as mentioned in the itinerary
- Transfers as mentioned by private air-conditioned vehicles (including airport pick up & see off)
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

#### **Exclusions:**

- Meals and services other than those noted in the itinerary
- Visa fee
- International flights pre/post tour
- Laundry, telephone calls, and personal expenditures
- Gratuities for guides, drivers, porters, boat crew, and personal, non-itinerary services

## **Cancellation Policy**

- Cancellation received 60 days or more before arrival date: 15% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 30 days to 59 days prior arrival date: 25% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 15 days to 29 days prior arrival date: 50% of total rate
- Cancellation received from 7 days to 14 days prior arrival date: 70% of total rate
- Cancellation received less than 7 days prior arrival date or No show: 100% of total rate

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## Children Policy

- For infant (<02 years old): FOC
- 02 – 10 years old without bed: 35% adult rate
- 02 – 10 years old with extra bed: 75% adult rate
- 02 – 10 years old in twin share: 90% adult rate
- from 11 years old: 100% adult rate

## Important Information

### Emergency Contact

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call the travel consultant whom you deal with and then our hot line contacts. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please send us a detailed message and contact information by email to the agent and to [info@indochinatreks.com](mailto:info@indochinatreks.com), we may check and return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

Our all travel consultants use WhatApps. Please ensure that you have the contact number. It's best to buy a local sim-card upon arrival. Most hotels offer free wifi. So it's very easy to contact in urgent case.

Emergency contact numbers

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### Internal Flights

For all internal flights, we would use Vietnamairlines, Vietjesair, Jestar, Cambodia Angkorair or Laos Airlines. Most domestic flights in Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar, airlines would use small 70 seat ATR72 for short distances. Most airlines in Vietnam use the Airbus A321. 20kg for checkin luggage and 7kg for hand-bag is included in the price.

International flights before/after the tour must be booked by yourself before travelling date.

### Accommodation

We would use different hotel categories and you can select any basing on your budget. So your travel companions would not stay at your hotel. A Hotel Voucher will be provided once your tour is confirmed with all hotel details.

### Packing List

#### Conservative Dress

- Modest clothing that covers knees and shoulders (Long pants, long skirts, shirts that cover shoulders)
- Shawl or scarf (for temple visits)

**Note\*:** Please pack clothing for the season in which you will be travelling. From Dec-Feb weather can be cold, so please pack warm clothing. From May-Nov it is the wet season, so please bring waterproof clothing.

#### Documents

- All tickets (required)
- Passport (required) (With photocopies)
- Required visas
- Hotel & Tour Vouchers
- Meeting sign (with your names and flight details that we will use for transfers)

#### Airport transfers

All airport transfers are included in the tour price. You should provide us your arrival/departure flight details and we will arrange things basing on the information. A meeting sign with your name and all flight details will be sent to you. Please be ready at the lobby at pointed time for pickup.

Driver/guide should always be present at the airport before your arrival time. If you could not find the driver, please contact your travel consultant who you deal with. For any reason that airport transfer could not be arranged, please take the taxi to the hotel. We will refund the money then.

#### Travel insurance

Travel insurance is not included in our tour price. When travelling with us, you are suggested to buy insurance that covers all medical coverage, cancellation, personal liability, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects.

#### Trip Specific Safety

We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage.

Be aware that petty theft can be an issue in some towns and cities especially late at night. A common tactic is opportunists on motorbikes that drive by and snatch bags. Please always leave valuables and passports etc in your hotel in safety boxes if available and only carry with you enough cash to spend for the day. Bags should always be carried over the neck and not left to sit on your shoulder.

## **Warming**

Please do not buy gems unless you know what you are doing. Even if genuine you should not expect to be able to sell them at home. If you fall victim to a gem scam, we are unable to assist you.

## **Tipping**

It is customary in Asia to tip service providers such as waiters, at approximately 10%, depending on the service. Tipping is expected - though not compulsory - and shows an expression of satisfaction with the people who have assisted you on your tour. Although it may not be customary to you, it is of considerable significance to the people who will take care of you during your travels. There are several times during the trip where there is opportunity to tip the local guides or drivers we use. Recommendations for tipping drivers and local guides would range from \$3-\$5 USD per person per day depending on the quality and length of the service.

## **Electricity**

Indochina Countries use 220V, and a mixture of flat 2-pin, round 2-pin or 3 pin plugs. It is recommended to bring a universal plug adapter.