

# **BEST TRAIL OF MYANMAR - 10 DAYS**

(Group tour with fix departure dates)

**Group size:** maximum 10 riders

**Departure dates in 2018:** 01 Oct, 29 Oct, 26 Nov, 17 Dec

**Departure dates in 2019:** 28 Jan, 25 Feb, 25 Mar, 29 April, 27 May, 24 June, 22 July, 30

Sept, 28 Oct, 25 Nov, 16 Dec

**Hotel class:** mix of 2 and 3 star

Mileage: 1,332 kilometers (828 miles)

**Daily rides:** 60 to 230 kilometers (37 to 143 miles)

**Skill level:** intermediate, advanced

### **BRIEF ITINERARY:**

DAY	BRIEF ITINERARY	
Day 1	Mandalay - Myinmu - Pakokku (200 km) (L/D)	
Day 2	Pakokku - Pauk - Mindat & Mindat sightseeing (160 km) (B/L/D)	
Day 3	Mindat - Kyar Htoe - Aye Camp - Kanpetlet (100 km) ( B/L/D)	
Day 4	Kanpetlet - Seik Phyu - Chauk - Bagan (180 km) (B/L/D)	
Day 5	Bagan sightseeing by car & Bagan - Popa by motorbike (60 km) (B/L/D)	
Day 6	Popa - Meikhtila -Thazi - Yim Mar Bin - Kalaw (230 km) (B/L/D)	
Day 7	Kalaw - Look Pyin - Nan Thale Thee - Kyauk Su- Inle (135 km) (B/L/D)	
Day 8	Inle sightseeing by boat (B/L/D)	
Day 9	Inle - Pindaya - Ya Sa Kyi Village (82 km) (B/L/D)	
Day 10	Ya Sa Kyi - Ywan Ngan - Kyauk Se – Mandalay - Departure (185 km)	
	(B/L)	

### **ACCOMMODATION:**

CITY	HOTEL
Pakkoku	Thukha Hotel
Mindat	Hotel Mindat
Kanpetlet	Pinewood Villa
Bagan	Bagan Airport Hotel
Mountain Popa	Hotel Linn
Kalaw	Green Heaven
Inle	Nanda Wunn Hotel
Ya Sa Kyi Village	Village monastery

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### **QUOTATION:**

Price in US\$ per rider based on double/twin room, used *Kawasaki KLX150BL*.

DESCRIPTION	PRICE	SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ROOM
Rider	US\$ 2,080	US\$ 245
Pillion	US\$ 1,483	

# Supplement for Honda CRF250 is available with: US\$ 305/bike

### **INCLUSION:**

- 9 night accommodation at carefully selected quality hotels, resorts, monastery
- 9 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 9 dinners
- Mineral water, soft drinks, coffee or tea served in the meals
- Myanmar driving permits
- Motorcycle rental with unlimited mileage
- Gasoline, petrol
- Third party liability insurance for motorcycles
- Mandalay airport pick-up and drop-off
- English speaking professional Road Captain with license on a motorcycle leading group
- All entrance fees and sightseeing fees
- Riding gears (Helmets, Gloves, Knee Guards)
- T-Shirt for souvenir and MORE!

## **EXCLUSION:**

- Airfares
- Myanmar visa fee
- Alcoholic beverages
- Single supplement (upon request)
- Room service, laundry, phone charges
- Damage to the motorcycle caused by the user (exclude reasonable wear and tear)
- Travel insurance (cover against cancellation costs, medical expenses, including repatriation, in the event of accident or illness)
- Tips & Gratuities to guide
- All other services not mentioned

#### **DETAILED ITINERARY:**

# Day 1: Mandalay - Myinmu - Pakokku (200 km) (L/D)

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Today is what we have all been waiting for to begin a journey like no other and discover this truly incredible beauty of Myanmar. We will start riding to Myinmu just 73 km away from Mandalay. Myinmu is a river town in the south-east of the Sagaing Division in Burma. The town has a rich history linked to World War II during the Burma Campaign against the Japanese in 1944.

Take a short break at Myinmu before start off driving to Pakokku by passing through local village. On the way, you can stop by some villages where you will see the people making incense sticks, bamboo made items and the village of weaving factory. Upon arrival to Pakokku, check in hotel and overnight.

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Hotel in Pakokku

Day 2: Pakokku - Pauk - Mindat & Mindat sightseeing (160 km) (B/L/D)



Enjoy a big breakfast at hotel, you'll need it! We've got a full day of outstanding riding ahead of us today! Expect a good mix of road/gravel and single trails as we ride some excellent terrain. It is a journey to vanishing face of Burma - Mindat. Located in the western part of Myanmar, Mindat is accessible by road from Bagan, one of the most famous ecotourism sites in Myanmar. A visit to Chin region is an opportunities to observe their strange traditional custom and chin women with tattoos on their faces.

Hunting is still practice and one can see various head bones of animals proudly hanged at walls of local houses. Their primitive weapon is the bow and arrow. So get ready to enjoy the incredible local jungle trails and featuring an abundance of lush greenery, varied terrain, rickety wooden bridges, and remote villages with a nice blend of single track thrown into the

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mix. We'll be greeted with cooler weather as you get to Mindat located at 1,481 metres (4,860 ft) above sea level.

Upon arrival to Mindat, enjoy the lunch and continue sightseeing to the remote village of tattooed women with different tattoo designs on their faces.

*Meals:* Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner *Accommodation:* Hotel in Mindat

## Day 3: Mindat - Kyar Htoe - Aye Camp - Kanpetlet (100 km) (B/L/D)



Today, we've got mixed terrain with a great range of jungle trails, and winding road sections edging through some outstanding jungle-covered mountains and wild rivers on the way to Kanpetlet by passing through Kyar Htoe Village where to see Primitive Tribe Of Tattooed women living in their traditional houses and Aye camp where to enjoy the picnic lunch before we head off to Kanpetlet which is a small town with a population of a few thousands and situates about 1,370 meters above the sea level. Upon arrival to Kanpetlet, free and easy for the rest of the day.

*Meals:* Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner *Accommodation:* Hotel in Kanpetlet

Day 4: Kanpetlet - Seik Phyu - Chauk - Bagan (180 km) (B/L/D)



Another awesome full day of riding (one of the best days on the calendar!) when you are heading into Bagan - the visual wonder of the world alongside with Angkor in Cambodia and

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# Riding of your lifetime

Borobodur in Indonesia. Bagan is simply vast, nearly 70 square kilometres in extent. we'll be passing a number of small remote villages. Doing some serious km's today as we tackle some bumpy trails, gravel roads and shall be arriving late afternoon into the unique unique and ancient city of Myanmar known as Bagan. Upon arrival to Bagan, check in hotel and enjoy the sunset cruise on the Ayeyarwaddy river.

*Meals:* Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Accommodation: Hotel in Bagan

Day 5: Bagan sightseeing by car & Bagan - Popa by motorbike (60 km) (B/L/D)



This morning we are going to explore the highlight of Bagan by car. After breakfast at hotel, we will be devoted to discover of Bagan - the mystic extraordinary archaeological site with its 3000 temples. Start a sightseeing tour with a visit to Nyaung Oo Colorful Market and a diverse selection of the most important pagodas and temples such as Shwezigon Pagoa, a prototype of later Myanmar stupas, built by King Anawrahta in the early 11th century, Wetkyi Inn Gubyaukgyi, fine mural paintings of Jataka scenes; and Htilominlo Pagoda, noted for its plaster curving, Ananda Temple, the best preserved masterpieces of Mon architecture and the Tharaba gate.

Then visit lacquerware workshop before we take a lunch break at good local restaurant. In the afternoon, you will drive to the enchanting Mt. Popa which is a great extinct volcano standing out as a green-clad landmark in the Dry Zone. Enjoy the scenic view of its surrounding from Popa Mountain Resort during the sunset.

Optional: Balloon over Bagan sightseeing is available from October to April upon request with additional cost of US\$290/person.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Accommodation: Hotel in Popa

Day 6: Popa - Meikhtila - Thazi - Yim Mar Bin - Kalaw (230 km) (B/L/D)

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# Riding of your lifetime



Time to climb! On the bikes that is, for another day of incredible adventure riding as you make your way up the twisty road of Shan Mountain Range trails to visit Kalaw which was an old hill station with a laid back atmosphere, refreshing climate and scenic views. Many of Kalaw's original colonial era buildings remain, and it is also known as Myanmar's trekking mecca. Upon arrival to Kalaw, check in hotel.

*Meals:* Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner *Accommodation:* Hotel in Kalaw

Day 7: Kalaw - Look Pyin - Nan Thale Thee - Kyauk Su- Inle (135 km) (B/L/D)



Another fantastic day goes ahead with Shan Mountains trails and experience incredible scenery, friendly locals and many waving children always excited to see. We'll pass through some small villages these are less visited by foreigners and stop at the village and spend your time to interact with local people to have the great fun. Enjoy the picnic lunch at the village on the way to Inle Lake. Upon arrival in Nyaung Shwe, you will check in hotel then be free to discover the town on your own.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Hotel in Nyaung Shwe

Day 8: Inle sightseeing by boat (B/L/D)

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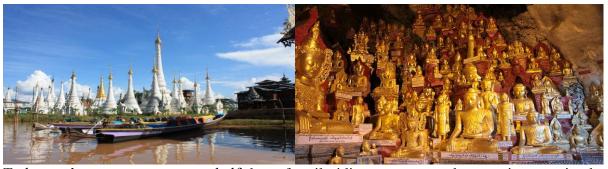
After breakfast, transfer to jetty and take a boat ride for full day sightseeing in Inle lake. You can start your lake exploration to one of the local five-day markets (if market day is coincided with your stay in Inle lake, and the highlights include Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda which enshrines the famous five Buddha statues who are totally covered by gold, the unique leg rowers and floating gardens, silk weaving village (Inpaw Khone Village) and then lunch break at good local restaurant in Inle lake.

After lunch, we are to continue excursion to Hand rolled cigar making factory, Black smith factory and Nga Phae Chaung monastery; well known for its ancient Buddha images made of teak, bamboo and lacquer and its nickname is "Jumping Cats Monastery" for its trained cats by monks to jump into the hoop. You are also to visit the stilt houses to observe the life style of the water dweller and floating gardens corner of Inle lake. Return to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Hotel in Nyaung Shwe

Day 9: Inle - Pindaya - Ya Sa Kyi Village (82 km) (B/L/D)



Today we've got an awesome half-day of trail riding, so get ready to enjoy again the incredible scenery and colorful plantation on the way to Pindaya. We will stop at Pindaya to enjoy the lunch and before driving up to Ya Sa Kyi Village - The village of Pa Laung Tribe. Free to hang around the village to interact with local people.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Village monastery in Ya Sa Kyi Village in Pindaya

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## Day 10: Ya Sa Kyi - Ywan Ngan - Kyauk Se - Mandalay (185 km) (B/L)



After breakfast at village monastery, it is time to say Good Bye to local people with the big smile and then start to drive down to Mandalay by passing through lots of villages and endless surrounding plantation that are still often ploughed using water buffalo. Stop at the view points and nice place where to relax and record the intact nature of Myanmar through your heart and camera. Enjoy the lunch at local restaurant on the way and upon arrival to Mandalay you will be transferred to hotel where you are staying overnight. END OF SERVICES!

*Meals:* Breakfast, Lunch *Accommodation:* N/A

Optional trip to Ngapali Beach & Yangon are available upon request with an EXTRA.

# **TRIP NOTES:**

### **DEPARTURE TIME**

The tour will start in the morning at 8.00am with a pick up from your hotel in Mandalay. Please be noted that you need to arrive at least one day before the tour starts (we recommend two days earlier to acclimate and avoid jet lag). We are pleased to arrange hotel in Mandalay upon your request with additional cost.

### **RETURN TIME**

The tour will end around 4.00pm or 5.00pm back in Mandalay, so it is possible for you to catch a departure flight on same day or take a connecting flight to extend your beach holiday in Ngapali (Ngapali beach is not recommended between May to end of August due to the rainy season).

### **LUGGAGE**

Most of touring time, you have to bring luggage along with you and pack it on the back of your bike. Chased pick-up truck is arranged on special requirement only. So, the luggage is recommended to be light and easy to tight up.

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#### **FITNESS**

While you don't have to be an athlete to join us on this adventure, we would not recommend this tour to those who cannot, for instance, climb a flight of stairs without puffing and blowing. Please note that there are some long days in the saddle. We reach some high altitudes on this tour, so if you have any existing medical condition, please consult your doctor before booking.

## **GEARS**

We strongly recommend that you bring your own gears to be the most comfortable and all protective. We also provide helmets, gloves, knee and elbow guards which are of high quality brands in many different sizes. Please be noted that we do not offer jackets, boots and trousers due to hygienic reasons. Good trekking or sport shoes and jeans should be enough.

### **ALL INCLUSIVE**

Since almost everything is included in your tour package (motorcycle rental; accommodation; fuel cost; tour guide; all entry fees; all meals: breakfast, lunch and dinner; soft drinks and more), your biggest expenses will be paid for alcoholic beverages in the evening and shopping.

200\$ should cover all your expenses if you are not a big drinker. Shopping is great so you might want to bring along some cash in case you see something you really like.

### **DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT**

To confirm booking, a deposit of 30% on total tour cost is required at the time of confirmation.

The remaining balance should be made at least 21 days prior to your travel date. All payments related to your bookings must be made by either major credit card or telegraphic transfer to our appropriate account which will be advised at the time of booking by our travel consultants. You can pay remaining balance in cash upon arrival to reduce any processing fees that may affect your cost.

*Note:* All the transaction or bank fee will be borne by clients.

## **CANCELLATION POLICY**

If a cancellation happens once the booking has been confirmed, you must immediately advise us in writing sent to us via fax or email. Your cancellations will incur the following charges:

- More than 60 days: No cancellation fee, your deposit paid to us will be fully refunded
- 60 days to 31 days: Your 30% deposit paid to us is non-refundable
- 30 days to 15 days: 50% of Tour cost
- 14 days to 8 days: 70% of Tour cost
- 7 days or less: 90% of Tour cost
- No show: 100% of Tour cost

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