



A DAY CRUISE ON THE AYEYARWADDY RIVER VISITING MINGUN AND AVA

Tour Code: INS-MN13

Duration: Half day

Mandalay and the other former royal capitals around it have all been capital cities for a while for one major reason: they are all situated on the Ayeyarwaddy River (Irrawaddy). Feel the breeze from the river and imagine how it must have been to arrive by boat in Mingun or at the court of Ava. From the jetty in Mandalay we go upstream to Mingun and visit the Mingun Pagoda with the crack caused by an earthquake and the giant bronze bell. We will then take a leisurely boat cruise for about 3 hours downstream to Ava. A simple lunch packed in rattan baskets will be served while cruising down the river. Arriving in Ava, horse carts are ready to take us around this magnificent site with various ancient temple ruins that used to be majestic buildings during the 400 years that Ava was the capital. Return to Mandalay by car. An ideal excursion if you don't take the boat from Mandalay to Bagan since the most interesting part of the long boat ride is covered in this shorter cruise.

Inclusions:

- Private transfer during trip
- English speaking guide
- Private cruise
- Lunch
- Water, snow towels
- Entrance fees where mentioned

Exclusions:

- International and Domestic airfares and airport departure taxes
- Visa (visa is compulsory and must be arranged in advance)
- Any gratuities for the guide and driver
- Meals if not specified in the itinerary
- Travel insurance (we highly recommend that you purchase adequate insurance)
- Personal expenses such as laundry, telephone, drinks etc.
- All other services which are not specified in the itinerary