Round trip: Myanmar grand discovery programme
Duration: 21 Days - 20 Nights
Itinerary:

Day 1: BANGKOK- YANGON, MYANMAR (B,G)
We transfer to airport for flight to Yangon. Arrive Yangon by international flight. Meet by your guide and transfer to hotel. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 2: YANGON (B,L,G,D)
A full day tour to discover the colorful capital of Myanmar with a close looks at the local life of this historical city. By car and partly on foot this tour takes in the Sule pagoda in the middle of the city, walk around to see the Mahabandoola Park, the colonial courthouse and the city hall. From there a rickshaw tour around the colonial area with the historical buildings will start, breaking at a local teashop to enjoy Burmese tea and the typical atmosphere. Continue by rickshaw along the famous Strand Road and visit the bustling Yangon harbor. In the afternoon excursion to Myanmar's holiest monument the Shwedagon Pagoda with its golden stupa covered with 60 tons of pure gold leaf. Continue to Bogyoke Aung San Market (formerly Scott's market, close on Monday and public holidays) for shopping and free time. Visit the colorful local Theingyi Market where fish, fruit and vegetables are sold. Continue to Yangon's oldest Chinese temple, Kheng Hock Keong, in China town. Overnight in Yangon.

Day 3: YANGON-MANDALAY- AMARAPURA (B,L,D,G)
After breakfast, fly to Mandalay (about 0700 hr flight). On arrival Mandalay, directly proceed to Amarapura. Visit MAHAGANDAYON, a famous Buddhist monastery, where more than a thousand monks live and study; continue to the 200-year-old U BEIN teak bridge, built in 1782 at the time when Amarapura was the royal capital. Visit of BAGAYA MONASTERY, with a superb collection of Buddha statues. En route stop at a traditional hand-weaving silk workshop. Afternoon sightseeing tour including MAHAMUNI PAGODA with its spectacular Buddha image covered with thick layers of gold leaves, visit to Gold Leaf Making Workshop and one of the most outstanding monasteries in the country, SHWE NAN DAW KYAUNG or GOLDEN PALACE MONASTERY, a superb example of a traditional wooden building and KUTHODAW PAGODA, known as the world's largest book, consisting of 729 marble slabs engraved with Buddhist scriptures. Sunset on the Mandalay Hill and overnight in Mandalay.

Day 4: MANDALAY (B,G)
After breakfast, visit NGOs. (name of NGOs to be advise later). Overnight in Mandalay.

Day 5: MANDALAY- MINGUN- MANDALAY (B,L,G)
After breakfast, boat trip on the AYEYARWADDY RIVER to MINGUN about 11 km (1 hour) upriver from Mandalay with visits to the MINGUN BELL, weighing 90 tons and being the largest uncracked bell in the world, to HSINBYUME PAYA and the unfinished MINGUN PAYA, built as one of the world's largest chedis by King Bodaw Paya. Return back to Mandalay. Overnight in

Mandalay.

Day 6: MANDALAY- HEHO- PINDAYA- INLE LAKE (B,L,D,G)

After breakfast, transfer to Mandalay Airport for domestic flight to Heho. Upon arrival in Heho, overland drive to PINDAYA (90 km - 2 ½ hours). Visit of the unique PINDAYA CAVES with thousands of Buddha images placed there by pilgrims over many centuries. Continue drive by road to INLE LAKE (120km-3 hours). Upon arrival Inle, transfer by boat to Hotel. Overnight on the lake. Lunch and dinner at local restaurant.

Day 7: INLE LAKE (B,L,G)

After breakfast, an excursion by boat on Inle Lake will include sights of the famous leg rowers, typical floating gardens, local methods of fishing and village life. In the afternoon, further visits are made to PHAUNGDAW OO PAGODA, the weaving village of INPAWKHON and other sights. Overnight on the lake.

Day 8: INLE LAKE (B,L,D,G)

Experience at staying village. Working and sleeping as same life of villager. Overnight at village. (Simple breakfast, lunch and dinner)

Home stay in village.

Day 9: INLE- TAUNGGYI (B,L,D,G)

After breakfast, transfer to jetty. Proceed to Taunggyi and staying hotel in Taunggyi. Daily visit to Orphanage school to teach student and to help their education and daily work (as making food, making cloth and cleaning the compound and renovation for school..etc..)

(Simple breakfast, lunch and dinner)

Day 10: TAUNGGYI- HEHO- MANDALAY (B,G)

Morning Farewell events. Transfer to Heho airport for afternoon domestic flight to Mandalay. Upon arrival Mandalay, transfer to hotel and overnight.

Day 11: MANDALAY- BAGAN (B,L,G)

Transfer to jetty. Take a boat trip to Bagan. Upon arrival Bagan, transfer to hotel. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 12: BAGAN (B,L,D,G)

Today sightseeing starting with the busy local market and continuing with visits to a diverse selection of the most important pagodas and temples such as SHWEZIGON PAGODA, built by King Anawrahta in the early 11th century, KU BYAUK GYI, a temple with exquisite murals of Jataka scenes, KHAY MIN GA TEMPLE, noted for its spectacular panoramic view of the area's many monuments and ANANDA TEMPLE with four huge standing Buddha images and numerous seated figures in niches around the galleried interior.

Afternoon a visit of a lacquer craftsmen's workshop in nearby MYINKABA village and sightseeing to MANUHA TEMPLE, built in Mon style in 1059, NANBAYA TEMPLE, a unique sandstone monument, said to have been the palace of King Manuha and MYINGABA GU BYAUKGYI TEMPLE, noted for its ancient mural paintings. In the evening, join Balloon over Bagan ride.

Overnight in Bagan.

Day 13: BAGAN- NAT HTAUNG KYAUNG- BAGAN (B,G)

Sightseeing with an excursion by boat on the Ayeyarwaddy River to the nostalgic NAT HTAUNG KYAUNG, a wooden monastery built in 1781 by a group of monks, famous for woodcarvings, a collection of ancient Buddha statues and lacquer boxes. Overnight in Bagan.

Day 14: BAGAN (B)

Visit important pagodas in Bagan by horsecart.
Overnight in Bagan.

Day 15: BAGAN- YANGON- NGWE SAUNG BEACH (B,G)

Transfer to Bagan Airport for domestic flight to Yangon. Upon arrival Yangon, transfer to Ngwe Saung Beach. Overnight in Ngwe Saung Beach.

Day 16: NGWE SAUNG BEACH (B)

Free day in Ngwe Saung Beach. Overnight in Ngwe Saung Beach.

Day 17: NGWE SAUNG BEACH (B)

Free day in Ngwe Saung Beach. Overnight in Ngwe Saung Beach.

Day 18: NGWE SAUNG BEACH (B)

Free day in Ngwe Saung Beach. Overnight in Ngwe Saung Beach.

Day 19: NGWE SAUNG BEACH (B)

Free day in Ngwe Saung Beach. Overnight in Ngwe Saung Beach.

Day 20: NGWE SAUNG BEACH- YANGON (B,G)

Afternoon, drive back to Yangon. En route visit Elephant Camp. Transfer contine to Yangon and overnight in Yangon.

Day 21: WELCOME HOME (B)

Free time until transfer to Yangon airport for your flight back to Bangkok, Thailand or next destination.
End of service.

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