

MONYWA EXTENSION

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Coverage:

Monywa

Tour Code:

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DAY (01) MANDALAY - MONYWA

Breakfast. Leave MANDALAY in the morning and drive to MONYWA. Tour highlights include; a sandstone cave PO WIN DAUNG, named after a famous 'Zawgyi' (alchemist) who once lived here. The Caves of PO WIN DAUNG, numbering more than one hundred, are full of Buddhist statues and murals. Most exhibit the AVA style but some may date from the 14th Century.

Nearby, visit SHWE BA DAUNG which features unique pavilions cut from the surrounding sandstone and filled with Buddha

images.

Overnight in Monywa.

DAY (02) MONYWA - MANDALAY

Breakfast. Morning, visit the local market.

Then, drive about 20 kilometres out of MONYWA to visit THANBADHAY PAGODA. The richly decorated central stupa has no less than 845 smaller stupas around it. Inside the Pahto, you will see thousands of Buddha images (reportedly over 500,000) decorating every wall, archway and niche. The buildings in the compound have interesting Jatakas relief and there is a huge RECLINING BUDDHA nearby.

Continue driving to Mandalay.