

Sample Itinerary

***The Buddhist Experience 1: Burma's Buddhist Civilizations—Pyu, Bagan, Sagaing, and Amarapura (11-Day)***

**Day One:** Singapore

*Morning:*

Lecture series 1

*Afternoon:*

Asian Civilization Museum  
Singapore History Museum

**Day Two:** Singapore

*Morning:*

Lecture series 2

*Afternoon:*

Buddha Museum (Cantonment Road)  
Fort Canning Archaeological Site

**Day Three:** Yangon

*Morning:*

Fly to Yangon

*Afternoon:*

**Mahavijaya Pagoda**

The symbolic memorial of the First Successful Congregation of the Sangha of All Orders held in 1980, this elegant pagoda is a unique blend of traditional patterns and the modern styles. The sanctuary contains the finely wrought Buddha image and a reliquary donated by the King and Queen of Nepal.

**Kaba Aye Pagoda**

The name Kaba Aye in Myanmar means "world peace" to which this pagoda is dedicated. This pagoda was built in 1952 for the 1954-56 Sixth Buddhist Synod. The 34 metre (111 feet) high pagoda also measures 34 metres around its base. It stands about 11 km north of the city, a little beyond the Inya lake Hotel. The Buddhist Art Museum and Maha Pasana Cave are also located in the same compound.

**Mahana Guha**

The "great cave" is a totally artificial "cave" built close to the Kaba Aye Pagoda. It was here that the Sixth Buddhist Synod was held to coincide with the 2500th anniversary of the Buddha's enlightenment. The cavern measures 139 by 113 metres (455 by 370 feet).

**Chauk Htat Gyi Pagoda**

The reclining Buddha image here is one of the largest images in Myanmar. The original image was built in 1907, but it has suffered damage due to climate over the years. In 1957 it was demolished and rebuilt in 1966. The pagoda is on Shwegondine Rd, only a short distance beyond the Shwedagon Pagoda.