Burma

US State Dept Travel Advisory
The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Burma due to COVID-19 as well as areas of civil unrest and armed conflict. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws and special circumstances in this country.
https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements
US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country’s embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

US Embassy/Consulate
[95] (1) 753-6509; US Embassy in Rangoon, 110 University Ave, Kamayut Township, Rangoon, Burma; https://mm.usembassy.gov/; ACSRangoon@state.gov

Telephone Code
95

Local Emergency Phone
999

Vaccinations
An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations.
http://www.who.int

Climate
Tropical monsoon; cloudy, rainy, hot, humid summers (southwest monsoon, June to September); less cloudy, scant rainfall, mild temperatures, lower humidity during winter (northeast monsoon, December to April)

Currency (Code)
Kyats (MMK)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)
230 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): A, C, D, G, I

Major Languages
Burmese; note: minority ethnic groups use their own languages

Religions
Buddhist 87.9%, Christian 6.2%, Muslim 4.3%, animist 0.8%, Hindu 0.5%

Time Difference
UTC+6.5 (11.5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)
Potable Water
Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit
Suggested

Road Driving Side
Right

Tourist destinations
Shwedagon Pagoda in Yangon; Temples of Bagan; Inle Lake; Bogyoke Aung San Museum; Shwenandaw Monastery; Mandalay Royal Palace; Mandalay Hill; Pyu ancient cities (includes Halin, Beikthano, and Sri Ksetra)

Major Sports
Soccer, golf

Cultural Practices
It is impolite to sit on a chair with one's legs crossed, especially for women.

Tipping Guidelines
Tipping is not a common practice, but guides and drivers do expect to be tipped. Tipping guides $2-5 (USD) per person per day is customary; drivers should receive $1-2 (USD) per day.

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

- World Health Organization (WHO) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int
- To obtain an international driving permit (IDP). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association (AAA) (www.aaa.com) and American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA) (www.aataidp.com)

How to get help in an emergency? Contact the nearest US embassy or consulate, or call one of these numbers:
from the US or Canada - 1-888-407-4747 or from Overseas - +1 202-501-4444

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