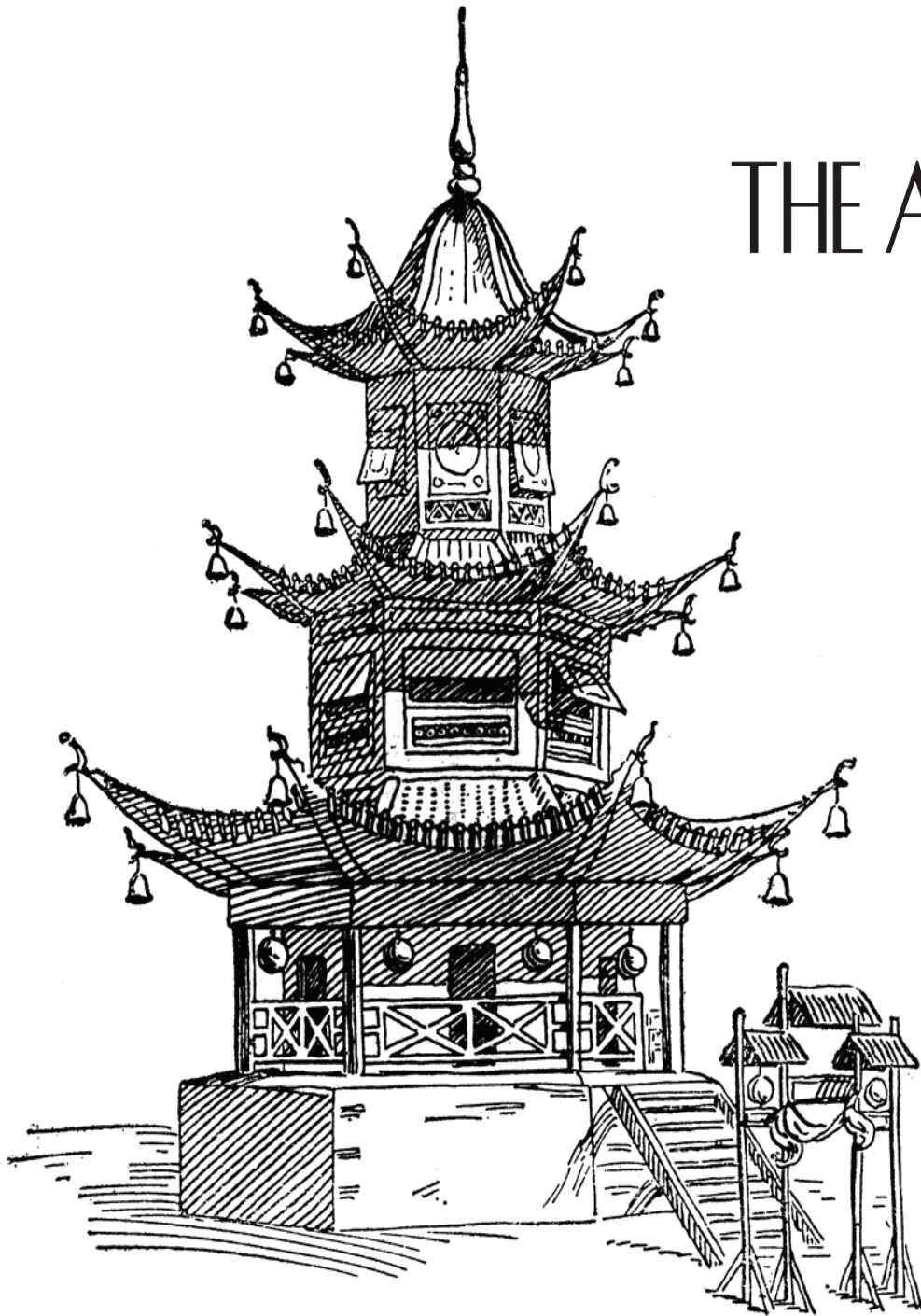


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*Myanmar Tours*



## 1. Burmese Antiques Tours In Yangon Sunday - Sunday // 1 - 3 Day Tour

Yangon, formerly known as Rangoon, is the largest city in Myanmar and home to Burma's most iconic landmark the Shwedagon Pagoda. The glittering skyline dotted with the golden temples of Yangon is juxtaposed against the crumbling remnants of the bygone British era. This phenomena of the existence of a local and an imported culture gives rise to a selection of antiques that is vast and varied. While the British ruled for over 100 years, the Burmese do not consider these colonial-era pieces as part of their artistic heritage, thus offering an opportunity for savvy buyers in the know to source some of the most scarce antiques in Southeast Asia. On this Myanmar (Burmese) antique tours your guide will take you into both private homes and antique warehouses as well as formal antique emporiums and markets. Having been a closed country for nearly five decades, American buyers are few and far between – giving you the opportunity to be first on the ground sourcing antiques in Myanmar. With very few antique dealers working with export licenses, knowing where to go, what you can buy and how to get your purchases exported is key to your success in buying antiques in Asia. While Colonial Era pieces are top in buyers' minds, one should not neglect to remember there is so much more on offer in Yangon including religious and temple architectural salvage to lacquerware, Chinese pottery, tribal Burmese textiles, antique wood carvings and Nat figurines, as well as brass and bronzeware. On tour we will translate and negotiate on your behalf, maximizing your time and money. We also liaise you with a shipper to get your purchases home.



## 2. Bogyoke Market (Formerly known as Scotts Market), Yangon Tuesday - Sunday // Full Day Tour

Weaving your way through cobblestone streets into the sprawling colonial maze of this famous covered market, the Bogyoke Market is essentially a Burmese Bazaar. As a foreigner shopping in Myanmar it's an essential stop for buying tourist goods from handicrafts, jewelry and art to antiques. While the general perception is that not many antiques worth collecting remain on this tourist track, our guides know where to go – up back alleyways and stairs – where the truly hidden sources with noteworthy collections are tucked away. Experts in navigating the markets and separating the kitsch from collectables, your guide will point out the antique of tomorrow as well as share her favorite sources for antique Burmese textiles and lacquerware, carvings and statuettes. On the surrounding streets around the market vendors set up shop offering antique opium weights and tattoo needles, old tools and antique implements such as measuring scales and irons. Knowing when to go to score the best deal and how to bargain like a native are just a few of the skills your guide will teach you as she takes you on a Myanmar (Burmese) antique tours. On tour we will translate and negotiate on your behalf, maximizing your time and money. We also liaise you with a shipper to get your purchases home.