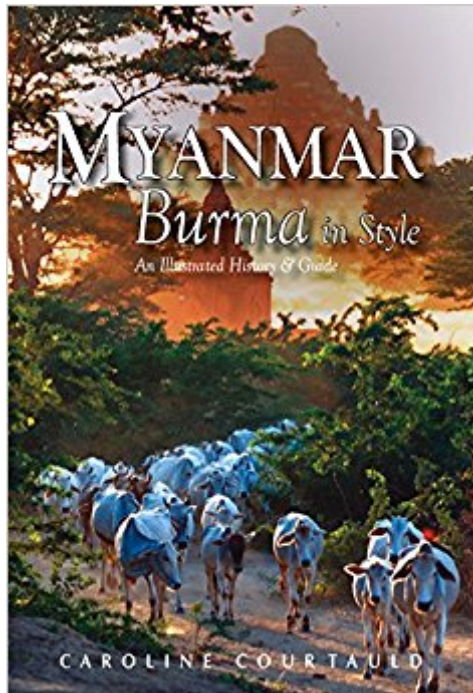




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This a a good book for pre-trip planning, as it is well written, inspiring and evocative. Not so good is the travel information, which is generally lacking, making it less practical to take with you to Myanmar. This is aimed at mid-level to high-end accommodation, so not so much a backpacker's book. The tone of the book is a little too nostalgic. Things change. Myanmar has changed. So in some parts the author's opinion or experiences color the book too much, as if to say 'I have been there before you, and had more authentic experiences than you will ever have if you go now'.

we've been to this country twice before and were looking for specific references~so easy to find in this book

Informative, up to date, with regularly a very personal remark and/or observation. This is my kind of a guide. It has plenty information on Myanmar's history, the different people, the many sights. If you want reviews of hotels and restaurants, this is not your guide. Enough are mentioned but the book is about what you see and what's behind it all.

A pretty comprehensive description of the country - mainly for the more well-off traveller. the accounts of the various "tribes/clans/peoples" that make up this colourful and diverse country are fascinating! Good stuff :-)

I purchased this book to assist me in preparing for a trip to the largely unknown (to me) country of Myanmar (Burma) in advance of a trip with friends. This provided me with detail and back story to many of the sights and sounds of the trip. Beautiful photos

Great book and just what I was looking for. Very informative with precise locations and great photos. Would recommend it.

I purchased this as a gift to my father who is from Burma. The illustrations in this book are beautiful. We hope to travel to Burma next year and this is serving as inspiration.

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