

GAY INFORMATION ON BURMA/ MYANMAR

Travel to Burma and discover a country of mythical landscapes, ancient possessions and some of the friendliest folk you will ever meet. Burma is a unique and fascinating destination where you will have a charming experience. Homosexuality being still illegal, the country does not offer a very open gay scene, but gladly you will find some gay friendly places. Of all, experience Burma for its beautiful places, distinctive features and culture.

YANGON

With a blend of British, Burmese, Chinese and Indian influences, Yangon is known for its colonial architecture. Visit the Great Dagon Pagoda, see the beautiful golden stupa and the mystical features surrounding the pagoda. Monthly on last Saturday nights, you will find an openly gay party, Fab at a venue called Mojo Bar. For entertaining night outs, also head to other bars and clubs of the city.

#Bars:

BME II (mixed crowd)

Location: Beside Summit Parkview Hotel at 350 Ahlone Road

Club Pioneer (mixed crowd)

Location: Ahlone Rd, Yangon

Ko Ko's

Location: 9 Sayar San Rd (near Mr. Guitar), Bahan Township

Lion World (mixed crowd)

Location: Corner of Anawyatar St and Shwedagon Pagoda Rd.

Silver Oak Cafe (mixed crowd)

Location: No.83/91, Bo Aung Kyaw St, Lower Block, Kyauktuda

YGN Bar (mixed crowd)

Location: 330 Ahlone Rd, Yangon International Hotel

#Clubs:

369 Disco

Location: Shwedagon Pagoda Rd, between Mahabandoola Rd and Anawratha Rd

9th Floor Disco

Location: At Mingal Zei group of buildings, north of the old British colonial area and close to Kandawgyi Lake. Ask taxi driver to go to JJ Disco. JJ is on 8/F and 9th Floor Disco is on 9/F.

#Restaurants:

365 Café (Western and Asian)

Location: 5 Alan Pya Pagoda St, Yangon

[50th Street Cafe Restaurant and Bar](#)

Location: [9/13 50th Street, Yangon, Burma](#)

Aung Thukha (Myanmar food)

Location: 17 (A) 1st Street, West Shwegondaing, Yangon

Ritz Café (western and Asian)

Location: 296/1 Shwedagon Pagoda Rd, Dagon Township, Yangon

Lavender (Myanmar, Korean and Taiwanese food)

Location: 179/181 Botataung Pagoda Rd

Monsoon (Myanmar, Thai, Vietnamese, and Cambodian cuisine)

Location: 85-87 Theinphyu Rd, (lower block), Botataung, Yangon

The Strand Café (Myanmar and international)

Location: 92 Strand Road, Yangon

MANDALAY

You will find friendly crowd around the fitness equipment by the southeast corner of the Palace wall (at 26th and 66th St to be precise), opposite Mandalay Swan and Sedona Hotels.

The Taungbyon Nat Pwe festival is held yearly at Taungbyone, a small village about 20km north of Mandalay. Gay men from different parts of the country come here to hang out and enjoy. Held for a week during august, thousands of people from all over Myanmar celebrate the *Nats* (spirit mediums). The majority of Nats are gay men. People dance, eat, drink and the area are covered with food tables and shop stalls. Everyone celebrates and makes merry with a vibrant atmosphere. For all these reasons, all and many gay men await the festival.