



Mergui Sailing Adventure

5 Nights / 6 Days in Myanmar Mergui Archipelago

The Ultimate Archipelago Adventure

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PRISTINE BEACHES & ISLANDS
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Be one of the first to Explore an Untouched World

Located just across from the Thai border, the Mergui archipelago only opened up to foreigners as recently as the late 1990s. With only a few of the 800 islands home to a sparse population, The Moken, and a scarce amount of visitors to the entire region each month, the Mergui Archipelago remains one of the planet's most unspoilt destinations.

Think white beaches lined with palm trees and dense jungle. Think swimming in azure water amongst colorful reef fish, spotting coral, and collecting seashells. Now picture eagles circling above, gibbons and monitor lizards eyeing you from the thickets, while a sundowner is being mixed for you on board the yacht.

Best of all: you have this entire experience to yourself. You can sail for days on end and not see a soul except the odd fisherman in a dugout canoe.





Visit the Moken, the last "Sea Gypsies"

The traditional inhabitants of the Mergui Archipelago are the Moken, a people who live off, and on, the sea. Sometimes called "sea- gypsies", this ethnic minority group leads a traditional, semi-nomadic lifestyle, dominated by diving for sea cucumbers, fishing and bartering.

Over the generations, they have adapted to their environment and developed incredible skills useful for a life lived partly underwater. Moken divers often decent to depths of more than 20 meters without oxygen tanks. Studies of Moken children have shown that they have incredible underwater vision—twice as good as that of European children of the same age.

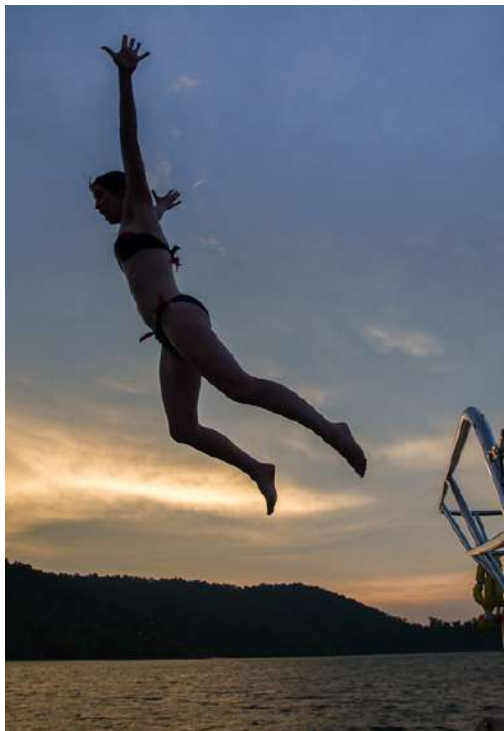
The Moken used to roam the archipelago in their traditional sailing boats, called Kabangs. In recent years, some families have settled on the islands and fish the surrounding waters from their dugout canoes.





"The rarely visited islands present white-sand beaches for sunbathing and starlight barbecues, diving, snorkelling and fishing, and a chance to meet and talk with the local sea nomads who sail the waters in dugout canoes."

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A paradise all for yourself

Explore tropical forests, hiking through valleys and up hills, walk along kilometres of beach with the only foot prints those behind you, kayak through enchanted mangroves, swim, snorkel, and go fishing: you've got it all. The Mergui Archipelago is teeming with wildlife.

Due to government neglect and the region's long isolation, its 800 plus islands have remained virtually untouched. They are composed of limestone and granite and vary in size from tiny to islands larger than Singapore.

Most of them (we have yet to find one that isn't) are covered in thick jungle growth, which drops into azure waters, interrupted only by beaches, rocky headlands, tidal rivers, and mangrove forests. Lampi, one the largest islands, is part national park and home to some of the planet's oldest mangrove forests.

5 Nights / 6 Days itinerary

This itinerary will make you discover some of the most hidden and remote islands of the Archipelago. You will also have the chance to visit Moken village and enjoy the best snorkeling spots.

DAY 1 - Noon - After the welcome aboard your yacht will set sail towards **Barwell island** and we will spend some time swimming before sunset, cocktail and dinner on board.

DAY 2 - After the breakfast, sail to **Tang La Bo island** for some amazing snorkeling spots and strolling on the pristine beach. Lunch on board and set sail toward **Pony island**. Birdwatching (toukan, hornbill & sea eagles) and ample swimming time before sunset. Anchor & overnight in one of the bay of **Nyaung Wee island**.

DAY 3 - We set sail toward **Lampi National Park**, and according to the tide we either visit the mangrove or set for an excursion of the Moken village. Overnight anchor near the quiet bay of **Pulo Bunai Island** where you can often watch bioluminescent plankton at night.

DAY 4 - After breakfast, sail toward Nga Namm Island for snorkeling, kayaking & best fishing spot in the islands. Lunch on board and sail to **Kyun Pila**. If time permit, a quick swim before our bonfire and sunset cocktails on the beach. (Option: Scuba-diving available at Pila island on request)

DAY 5 - Breakfast on board, sail to **115 island**, trekking in the jungle & lunch. Sail and quick stop to **Taung La Bo or Kyun Pya Gui** according to the wind and tide. Special Captain's Farewell diner around **Hasting Bay**.

DAY 6 - Last swim & final passage towards **Kawthaung**. Casual Brunch before departure around noon.

**Sample itinerary - can be modified by the captain according to the weather conditions*



"No cities, no hotels, no container vessels. The islands are covered by jungle stretching all the way to the beach and there's not a single footprint to be seen in the sand."

Yacht Magazine



Trip Highlights

*Barefoot
Luxury*



*Adrenalin
Rush*



*Great
Food*



*Amazing
Sunset*



*Underwater
Encouter*



*Discover
& Explore*



*Paradise
Beaches*



*Dedicated
Crew*





SY Meta IV

Meta IV was designed by the naval architect Thomas E. Colvin, who gave the vessel her beautiful shape and robust hull. She is made entirely of Thai teak, one of the best woods for building classic boats.

Boat Type	Classic Ketch
Year build	1998
Last refit	2018
Flag State	Malaysia
Length (LOA)	85ft / 25.9m
Beam (width)	18ft / 5.4m
Speed	6-11 knots
Passengers	8 guests (4 cabins: 3 doubles & 1 twin)
Air Condition	Yes
Electricity	12V / 220V
Crew	4 (1 captain, 1 chef, 1 guide, 1 deckhand)
Equipments	Water maker - tender boat - 2 kayaks - fishing gear - stand up paddle

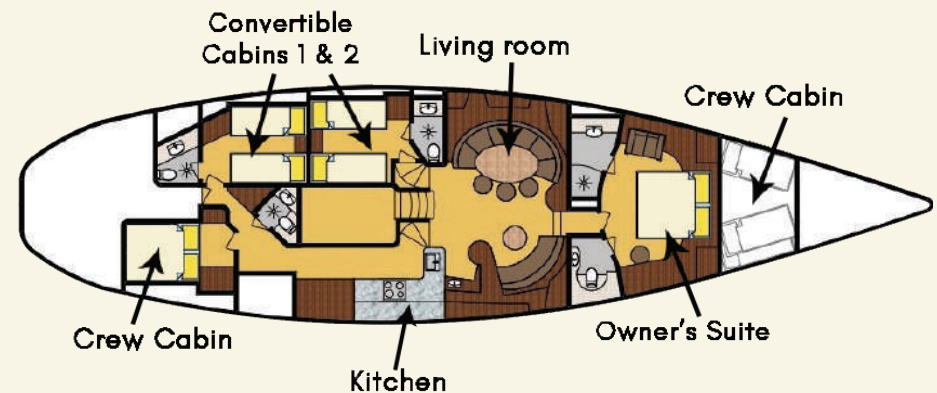


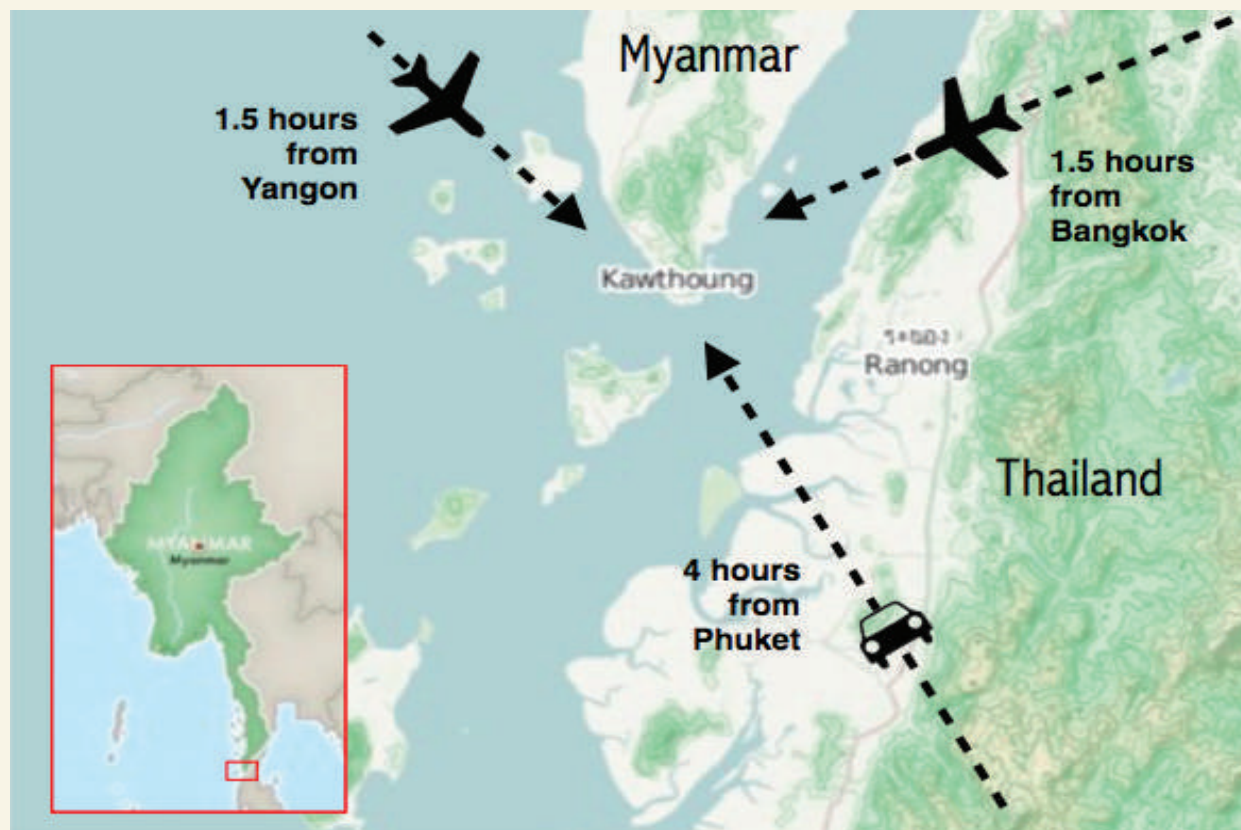


SY Y Not

The yacht Y-Not with her sophisticated exterior look and engineering is the work of Farr Yacht Design. Y-Not is a true high performance sailing yacht which combines excellent manoeuvrability, impressive speed, and 3 spacious guest cabins.

Boat Type	Cutter
Year build	1994
Last refit	2016
Flag State	New Zealand
Length (LOA)	80ft / 24.3m
Beam (width)	20.3ft / 6.17m
Speed	8-12 Knots
Passengers	6 guests (1 double & 2 convertibles cabins)
Air Condition	Yes
Electricity	12V / 220V
Crew	3 (1 captain, 1 chef, 1 guide)
Equipments	Water maker - tender boat - 2 kayaks - fishing gear - stand up paddle





Getting There is Easy!

All our regular 6-day trips in the Mergui Archipelago depart in Kawthoung in Myanmar's south, just across the border from Thailand. Getting there is easy and you have several travel options.

Flying to Kawthoung

If you are arriving from within Myanmar, you can book online and fly directly to Kawthoung Airport. We'd be more than happy to help you organise transportation and meet you at the airport.

Flying to Ranong

Another option is to fly to Ranong Airport. There are daily flights from Bangkok by Nok Air and Air Asia. The airport is well served by local taxi drivers but we can also pick you up from Ranong Airport, of course.

Once you are in Ranong, you will take a longtail boat across the Pakchan River to Kawthoung on the Myanmar side, which takes about 30 minutes. We will help you with the immigration procedures before boarding the yacht.

Arriving via Phuket

Phuket International Airport is a convenient and well-connected place to fly to. From there, it's a scenic 3 - 4-hour car ride to Ranong, the Thai border town. Here, too, we are happy to assist you.

F.A.Q

What's included?

All on-board meals, all non-alcoholic drinks, all activities, fuel, etc. Not included are visa fees, airport transfers, and the visitor fee the government of Myanmar asks foreigners to pay.

Do I need to know how to sail?

No. Our experienced crew can do all the sailing for you while you relax. If you like, get involved or learn sailing during your trip.

Will I need a visa for Myanmar?

Yes. Most travellers will get a visa- on-arrival in Myanmar and we will take care of the procedure when you enter the country while you relax or explore.

Is it safe to travel in Myanmar's Mergui Archipelago?

Yes, it is! There are no conflicts in our sailing area, nor are there any pirates. There is a mid- level malaria risk in southern Myanmar and you should take precautions by using mosquito-repellent and wearing long sleeves and trousers if onshore at night (which you are unlikely to be much).

What should I bring?

You don't need much. Bring your bathers, sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses, your camera and

you're pretty much set! It's best to also bring mosquito repellent and you may want to consider bringing anti-malaria tablets. Do remember to get a travel insurance before joining our cruise. On board, you won't need shoes but you can bring flip-flops or reef shoes for beach outings if you want. We provide full lodging, including bedding, towels, all meals, water and soft drinks. We also provide fishing and snorkelling equipment and first-aid, if necessary.

What's the best season to go?

The best time for sailing is between mid October and end of April. The rainy season start mid-May.

What temperature to expect?

During daytime about 28-32°C. The water temperature will be about 26-29°C.

Is there on-board power, fresh water, internet?

Every cabin has power points (plus fans and air-cons). There is fresh water for showering and in the kitchen. Internet is not available on-board. Will I have to share a bathroom? Every cabin has its own private bathroom and each comes with a shower, sink and toilet.

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13 - 18 October 2018
20-25 October 2018
27 Oct.-01 Nov. 2018
03-08 November 2018
10-15 November 2018
17-22 November 2018
24-29 November 2018
01-06 December 2018
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15-20 December 2018

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