

## Option 4: Proposal for 5 Days/4 Nights

### Day 1: Arrival at Putao Airport

Arrival at Putao Airport and transfer to Malikha Lodge in time for lunch,

### Yegyawdi village and Nam Lang River Elephant Trek - Half Day

We may offer an elephant excursion after lunch once our two elephants have returned from a night of foraging in the jungle. Setting off from the Main Lodge, the elephants take you through the fast flowing clear waters of the Nam Lang River and up through the terraced rice fields to the village of Yegyawdi opposite our lodge or downstream along the banks for the Nam Lang River, before a final river crossing brings you back to the lodge. By prior arrangement there is the opportunity to view the elephants being washed by the mahouts. Dinner and drinks at the main lodge in front of our open fireplaces and accommodation at Malikha Lodge, Putao,

**Meals: Lunch, Dinner**

### Day 2: Hiking through Tribal Villages – Full Day

Breakfast, A full day's hiking through the different tribal villages – Lisu, Rawang and Shan, Hiking through these villages is a unique way to meet local people and view their daily lives. You may meet a hunter who will invite you to try out his crossbow by shooting a grapefruit nailed to a tree in his front garden, be invited to have a cup of tea at a local Christian church, view Buddhist Stupas and a Shan monastery along the way, meet an old war veteran and admire his 1942 medals. Across the plains from the villages a picnic lunch is served by a duck filled pond under the shade of bamboo groves as village life passes by. Hike on through further villages and across suspension bridges to Machanbaw where Malikha Lodge's jeep awaits with an eski of cool beer for the drive back to the Lodge. Dinner and accommodation at Malikha Lodge, Putao,

### Day 3: Malikha Rafting and Cruise - Full Day

Breakfast, This full day excursion combines gentle rafting from Mulashidi suspension bridge by the Lodge down the Nam Lang to join Malikha river, through its scenic river gorge to our picnic spot. A picnic lunch is prepared in a spectacular riverside beach inside the gorge. From there we venture downstream in Malikha Lodge's own long boat on the Malikha River through forested hills and past white river beaches, where villagers may often be seen panning for gold until our arrival at the picturesque village of Manchanbaw. After a short stroll through the village return by vehicle to Malikha Lodge in time for sunset. Dinner and accommodation at Malikha Lodge, Putao

**Meals: Breakfast, Picnic Lunch, Dinner**

### Day 4: Cultural and Traditional visits

Breakfast, Guests at Malikha Lodge will have the opportunity to experience and learn about life in Mulashidi village and the Putao Valley and view some of the cottage industries and visit the Wildlife Conservation Society Museum. For early birds there is also the chance to visit Putao market, to try a steaming bowl of Shan noodles for breakfast and to practice your haggling skills over spectacular Rawang village headman woven hats, colourful longhis and fine baskets. Lunch at Malikha Lodge,

### Bike Adventure - Half Day

In the afternoon, we have many bike routes to follow with our guides from the Lodge - we discuss and arrange these upon our guests' arrival dependent on their level of fitness and special interests. Returning to the Lodge in the evening to a huge, hot bath in our fabulous teak bathtubs and/or a massage from our own spa staff in Bungalow is a very welcome treat. The last evening we invite our guests to a hosted group dinner in the Main Lodge. Accommodation at Malikha Lodge, Putao

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

### Day 5: Departure Putao

After a final leisurely breakfast at Malikha Lodge, check out and transfer to Putao Airport to connect with your onwards flight in the direction of Mandalay and Yangon.

**Meals: Breakfast**