

“Burma: Reflections on a Hidden Land”

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Synopsis

The land once known as Burma (now called Myanmar) is hidden behind a gold and silk curtain. Patricia Keith and Sean Cassidy explore Myanmar in their quiet and gentle way, seeking to find out what lies behind the facade commonly presented to visiting tourists. Burma is an amazingly beautiful land, rich in history and culture. Despite incredible hardships, the Burmese people are among the friendliest on Earth and welcome visitors with smiles and a surprising openness.

Come and investigate Bagan, a set of ruins that rivals Angkor Wat or Machu Piccu, yet is almost unknown to most people. Or watch the gossamer strands of silk be woven into gorgeous clothing. Visit an orphanage that survived the recent typhoon and witness the rebuilding process. And finally, meet the people of Burma; the monks and nuns who stood up to the government at a terrible personal price, the Baptist preacher who studied with local shamans, the nurse who earns \$5 a month taking care of the elderly, the comedian who went to prison for telling a joke, and the children who have few material belongings, but are full of joy and are the hope for Burma’s future.