

GETTING THERE

Mergui Archipelago

Arriving to Kawthaung & Ranong

Our port of departure for our cruises within the Mergui Archipelago is Kawthaung in Myanmar's south, just across the Thai border. Getting there is easy and you have several travel options.



Flying to Kawthaung

If you are arriving from within Myanmar, you can fly directly to Kawthaung Airport, which is connected to various domestic airports and served by several local airlines. The most reliable and convenient one is **Myanmar National Airlines**. We'd be more than happy to help you organise transportation and meet you at the airport.

Arriving via Phuket

Phuket International Airport is a convenient and well-connected place to fly to. From there, it's a scenic 4 hour car ride to Ranong. We can help you to book a car & driver.

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.

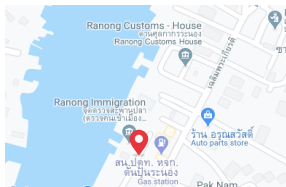
Once you are in Ranong, we will take a longtail boat across the Pakchan River to Kawthaung on the Myanmar side, which takes around 30 minutes. We will help you with the immigration procedures before boarding the yacht.

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Crossing the Thai-Myanmar border

In the case you arrive through the Thailand side and doesn't want our assistance, here is a quick step by step instruction to cross the border between the 2 countries.



1. Drive to Ranong Longtail Pier (Saphan Pla Pier)

Take a taxi to the pier in Ranong, from which boats leave for Kawthaung. The car ride from Phuket usually takes 4 hours. From Ranong Airport it takes about 30 minutes. The small pier is hidden behind a PTT petrol station, so don't be surprised. Here are the directions in Thai, in case you want to show them to your driver:

กรุณาไปส่งที่ ท่าเทียบเรือ
เทศบาลตำบลปากน้ำระนอง
ถนนเฉลิมพระเกียรติ



2. Border Checkpoint (Exit Thailand)

You have to go through Thai immigration and border control, just to your right inside the border checkpoint area. Right in front of to the immigration area is the longtail boat pier.

Once your passport stamped, you will need to get into a local longtail boat to cross the border between Thailand & Myanmar. There is a crowd of drivers waiting at Ranong Pier to transport tourists across the river.



3. Crossing the River

The small and somewhat adventurous-looking boats are the only means of transport to Kawthaung. If you rent a boat for yourself, the trip across the river will cost 300 to 400 Thai Baht. Crossing the river between Thailand and Myanmar takes 30 to 40 minutes. There are two more checkpoints along the way where the driver has to show your passport copies to customs officers. Usually you won't have to get off the boat.



4. Arriving in Kawthaung (Enter Myanmar)

The longtail boats from Thailand arrive at Myo Ma Jetty, which is the Myanmar Immigration Pier.

Walk along the poontoon and the immigration will be directly to your right in a small building.

Our crew will be waiting for you at the Jetty, they will assist you getting your visa on arrival and bring you to the yacht.

If you have any trouble finding us, you can always call us on our hotline +66 2 1070 445.