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According to the horse cart association in Bagan, the region is offering daily travel itineraries using pony carts to explore the cultural heritage sites of Bagan during the Thadingyut Festival.

Horse carts are accessible near popular locations such as Sakura, Tharapa, Bagan Thante, hotels, and notable temples and stupas in Bagan. Many tourists enjoy taking photographs while riding in the horse carts, with the pagodas in the background and during sunset.



Bagan offers horse cart tours for visitors during Thadingyut Festival

Both local and foreign travellers prefer horse carts in Bagan over other forms of transportation. Currently, two-wheeled horse carts can be found in Mandalay, Meiktila, Kyaukpadaung, Popa, Mingun, and Bagan, while four-wheeled carts are available in Taunggyi and PyinOoLwin.

U Myat Thu, the leader of the horse cart operators in Bagan, stated, "The horse cart drivers in Bagan always provide excellent service to both local and foreign travellers. Foreign tourists appreciate the warmth and friendliness of the drivers. Bagan has begun receiving inbound tourists, including

those from Spain and Canada. We are seeing more tourists today and warmly welcome all

visitors, as tourism is Bagan's main economic driver."

There are over 100 horse carts in Bagan serving the tour-

ism sector, with a charge of K15,000 per hour. Hotel bookings in Bagan for the Thadingyut holiday from 15 to 18 October are fully booked, with travellers arriving in Bagan since 13 October. — Nyein Thu (MNA)/TMT

