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## The Strand Yangon to reopen in November



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The Strand Yangon will reopen on 15 November 2016 after a six-month renovation project that has seen the heritage hotel brought into the 21st century.



Local artisans have restored every architectural detail of The Strand Yangon, from the teak panelling and bedsteads, to traditional Myanmar lacquer ware and marble flooring. Meanwhile, the hotel's 31 rooms and suites have had their traditional décor complemented with air conditioning and in-room technology.

During the closure period, the team, including the Strand's famous butlers, underwent service training led by the hotel's new

operations manager, Mark Murraybrown.

“The Strand Yangon was one of the first luxury colonial outposts to open in South East Asia, founded in 1901 by the famous hoteliers, the Sarkies brothers, and it remains one of the most architecturally beautiful landmarks in the region,” commented Olivier Trinquand, vice president, The Strand Hotel & Cruise.

“This latest project has preserved the heritage at the heart of the hotel and honours the Strand’s part in Myanmar’s history, whilst creating a more relaxed, refined and glamorous setting for 21st century travellers and explorers.

“We are delighted to continue our investment in the revival of the Strand name in Myanmar, having successfully launched our 28-cabin ship, The Strand Cruise, on the Ayeyarwady River just over ten months ago.”



The Strand Yangon



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