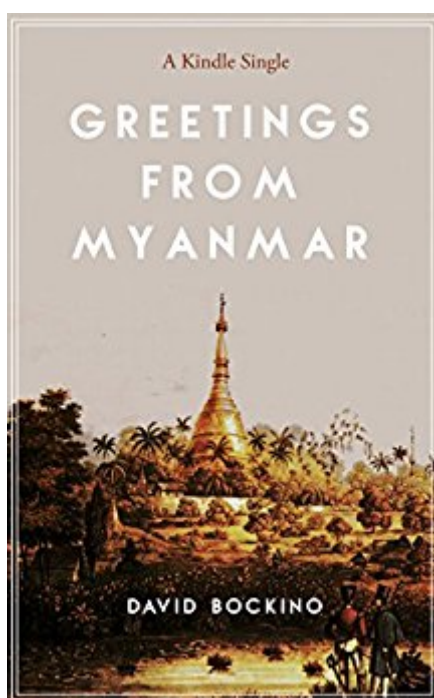


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## Synopsis

In just a few years, Myanmar has gone from destitution, dictatorship, and isolation from the international community to being hailed "World's Best Tourist Destination" a seemingly impossible transition that led David Bockino, in 2015, on a search to find out exactly what happened, and how. Traversing the country, he encounters a pompous Western businessman swindling his way to millions, a local vendor with a flair for painting nudes, and long ago legends of a western circus. Sensitively written and expertly researched, *Greetings from Myanmar: Exploring the Price of Progress in One of the Last Countries on Earth to Open for Business* is the story of a flourishing nation still very much in limbo and an answer to the hard questions that arise when tourism not only charts, but shapes a place as well. David Bockino is an assistant professor in the School of Communications at Elon University. He was born and raised in New York and currently lives in Durham, North Carolina with his wife, son, and daughter. More information available here: [www.davidbockino.com](http://www.davidbockino.com). Cover design by Evan Twohy.

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In high school English class, we were taught to "show not tell." Mr. Bockino could well have had the same lesson -- in an engaging style, he invites his reader to travel around with him in this

fascinating country and join in conversations with drunken businessmen, street artists, ambitious tour guides - and a prostitute. We learn about Myanmar's empty twenty-lane highways, "fake" temples, the giraffe-necked women of Paduang, and penguins. Yes, penguins. Take the trip with this new author -- he may just be the next Paul Theroux!

Pretty good book. Definitely worth the purchase price of a few dollars. Author has a knack for keeping reader engaged. And well versed on subject matter.

I've always been interested in Myanmar, it's such a unique and beautiful place. If you can't travel for various reasons, this is the closest thing to travel in many respects. Think of it as travel porn :) Mr. Bockino goes out of his way to describe in beautiful prose Myanmar, one of the most unusual countries in the world in my opinion. Until I can afford a plane ticket, this is how I'll tide myself over!

I knew nothing of Myanmar when I started reading this. The author describes the country and the culture of Myanmar in such an enjoyable fashion that he makes himself very personable. He's very practical in his opinions, and yet, when he's describing something that he finds astonishing, he manages to relate his surprise. It was a very informative book, and I would definitely recommend it for those who are new to Myanmar.

Part history, part current events, part travel log. Provides great insight into one of the most interesting countries on the planet. Loved it!

I'm always looking for new places to travel, and I found this to be a really interesting read. Much of the recent press on Myanmar has only been scratching the surface, but this work really gives you a sense for what it's like on the ground.

Loved this book. Opened up my eyes on a subject I really knew very little about. Also really enjoyed the writing style with tidbits from the past mixed in with present day exploration. Overall great read!!

Bockino paints such an understandable evolution to a country I knew so little about. Kudos to Bockino for enlightening me! I'll definitely pass along to everyone in my house !

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