



Enchanting Bhutan

Discover the natural and cultural wonders of Bhutan on one of our most intriguing South Asian tours.

Take an in-depth look at Bhutan's stunningly diverse natural and cultural heritage on this touring style journey.

The itinerary is timed to include the Bumthang local festival. We may also see the rare Black necked Cranes that return to winter over in the Phobjikha wetlands in October.

We visit the key provincial centres and make easy short and part day walks, excursions to wildlife sanctuaries, nature reserves and monasteries.

ARRIVE EARLIER ~ STAY LONGER

Talk to us about things to do if you would like to travel via Delhi and stay a day or two longer (en route to or from Paro), or join our Kashmir-Ladakh Pashmina road itinerary before this trip. .

US\$ 4900

We plan to operate this itinerary in 2019 at a similar time and hopefully at a similar price. We will update this information later in the year.

all inclusive, based on twin share. Trip price is based on minimum of six travellers - a two person price is available. Single Room Supplement available

Escorted by our local English speaking guide.



Trip Details

DURATION - 17 days

AVERAGE TEMP - 10°C - 25°C

ACCOMMODATION STYLE
- Hotels

SIGHTSEEING STYLE
- Included

GROUP SIZE STYLE
- 12

DATES OF TRIPS
Commences Paro
8 October 2018

Concludes Paro
24 October 2018

MEALS
included

TRAVEL STYLE
Tour coach, one domestic flight

Daily Itinerary

Day 1 - Arrive Paro (2200m) to Thimpu

Arrive Paro, drive 1.5hrs to Thimpu. Enroute visit an ancient temple. Local tour at Thimphu.

Day 2 -Thimpu

Sightseeing Thimpu including a Painting school, textile museum, local paper factory, Takin enclosure and the large Buddha statue.

Day 3 -Thimpu

Trek to Tango/Cheri monastery through old growth sub alpine forests. Opportunity to view wildlife including mountain

goats, Langurs (long tailed monkeys) and birds. Walking time approx 3.5 hours return

Day 4 - To Punakha

Drive to Punakha via the 3000m Dochula Pass. En route visit Botanical Park to walk in the giant Rhododendron forest

Day 5 - Punakha

Full day for sightseeing in Punakha including a visit to the Dzong (Ancient fortress) showcasing traditional architecture and walk across rice fields through the village to visit a temple perched on a hill with a birds eye view of Punakha valley.

Day 6 - To Phobjikha Valley

Drive to Phobjikha Valley (2.5 hours) Bhutan's largest wetland valley and winter habitat for the endangered Black Necked Cranes. This afternoon sightseeing and rural tour in the valley.

Day 7 - To Chummey Valley

Drive to Chummey Valley via Trongsa (3 hrs) Sightseeing in Trongsa including the Tower Museum.

Day 8 - to Yonkola (Mongar)

Morning drive to visit old Monastery. Continue to Yonkola (in Mongar district). Enroute time for a short walk in Ura Village.

Day 9 - to Mongar

Drive to Mongar town (1.5hrs), enroute sightseeing. This afternoon sightseeing in Mongar town.

Day 10 Mongar

Full day excursion to Lhuntse. Sightseeing in Khoma and meet local weavers. Visit Lhuntse Dzong perched high on a hill. Also visit Giant Guru statue. Evening drive back to Yonkola.

Day 11 - to Bumthang

Full day's drive to Bumthang (5.5hrs) - sightseeing en route

Day 12 -Bumthang

Watch local mask dances and other cultural performances as part of the Jakar Festival as well as other sightseeing around Bumthang.

Day 13 - Bumthang

Day tour to Tang Valley approx 1 hr drive. Visit local family museum and walk in the village. Option to stay in Bumthang to watch the Festival.

Day 14 - To Paro

Morning at leisure. Afternoon transfer to the airport for the afternoon flight to Paro.

Day 15 - Paro

Full day walk to visit Tigers nest Monastery - Bhutan's most popular cultural icon.

Day 16 - Paro

Drive to the Pass for start of 4 or 5 hour walk with panoramic views of Paro and Haa Valley. Option spend time at the Pass and visit Haa Valley by road. Farewell dinner tonight with local dance troupe.

Day 17- Depart

Transfer to airport for departure flight.



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