

BHUTAN – LAND OF THUNDER DRAGON

2N Thimpu– 2N Punakha- 2N Paro

PACKAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- In Thimpu, visit Trashichhoedzong, National Library, Arts & Crafts School, Handicrafts Emporium and Memorial Chorten stupa
- Stopover at Dochula pass
- In Punakha, visit Punakha Dzong and local market
- Visit Simtokha Dzong- the oldest fortress of the Bhutan Kingdom
- In Paro, visit Ta Dzong the National Museum of the Kingdom, Rinpung Dzong and Taktsang Monastery
- Services of English-speaking guide during sightseeing tours
- Assistance at airport and sightseeing tours by private air-conditioned vehicle
- Starts From Delhi and Ends in Delhi

Day 01 Paro Airport – Thimphu (65 kms / approx. 2 hrs. / Altitude of Thimphu: 2350 mts.)

Rinpung Dzong

Meet our representative upon arrival at Paro Airport and transfer to Thimphu (7,710 ft.), the capital city of Bhutan, and check into the hotel. In the evening explore the lovely town of Thimpu by foot and stay overnight at Thimphu.

Day 02 Thimphu Sightseeing

After breakfast visit one of the most happening points in Thimpu - Kuensel Phodrang or Buddha point, where you will see a gigantic statue of Buddha that houses over 100,000 smaller Buddha statues. Also explore the National Memorial Chorten (Monument) & Folk Heritage Museum. In the afternoon visit the breathtaking Sangaygang View Point, the Changangkha Monastery and the Takin Preserve Centre where one can see the takin national animal of Bhutan. Also visit Tashichho Dzong (Fortress of the Glorious Religion) and stay the night in Thimphu.



Day 03 Thimphu – Punakha Sightseeing (77 kms / approx. 3 hrs. / Altitude of Punakha: 1310 mts.)

After breakfast drive to Punakha / Wangdue and en route stop at Dochu-La-Pass to witness a stunning 360 degree panoramic view of the magnificent Himalayan mountain range. After checking in at the Punakha hotel, visit Punakha Dzong, built in 1637 and arguably the most beautiful dzong in the country. The dzong was the 2nd to be build in Bhutan and served as the capital and seat of government until the mid 1950s. The Dzong was named Druk Pungthang Dechen Phodrang or Palace of Great Happiness. After this take a short excursion to visit the Chhimi Lhakhang, also known as "The Temple of Fertility" and built by Lama Drukpa Kuenley, "The Divine Mad Man". Spend the evening at your leisure and stay overnight in Punakha.

Day 04 Excursion to Gangtey (Phobjikha) (78 kms One way / approx. 3 hrs. / Altitude of Chele-La-Pass: 3810 mts.)

After breakfast, start for full day excursion trip to Gangtey valley (9,840 ft.) – a scenic splendor and the home of Black Necked Crane, which migrates from the arid plains of Tibet in the north. You can also visit Gangtey Gompha monastery. Stay overnight at Punakha.

Day 05 Punakha – Paro Sightseeing (140 kms / approx. 5 hrs. / Altitude of Paro: 2280 mts.)

After breakfast drive to the historical town of Paro (7,483 ft.). On the way stop at Lamperi to visit the Royal Botanical Park, which contains a rich biodiversity of flora and fauna, and features a variety of plant and animal species including endangered species. In the afternoon visit Ta Dzong - National Museum with an excellent collection of arts, relics, religious thangkha, and more, and Rinpung Dzong (or "fortress of the heap of jewels"). The Dzong now serves as the administrative and judicial seat of Paro. Spend the evening at your leisure and stay overnight at Paro.

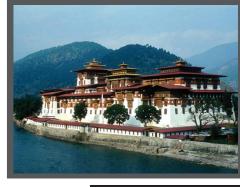
Day 06 Paro Sightseeing

After breakfast visit Drukgyel Dzong fortress. Also visit famous Taktsang Monastery (2hrs hike from the base camp) –also called "Tiger's Nest" owing to its 13 taktsang or "tiger lair" meditation caves. Next visit Kitchu Monastery, one of the oldest and most beautiful temples. Overnight stay will be at Paro.

Day 07 Paro Airport

After breakfast check out from hotel and get dropped off at Paro Airport for your onward journey.

- * Option available to condense into 4 night package
- * For customizations please feel free to get in touch with us at info@tamarindglobal.com
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Punakha Dzong