

Day 1: Phuntsholing

- Arrive at Phuntsholing
- Check in to hotel
- Sightseeing at Phuntsholing if it's late

Over-night: Phuntsholing

Day 2: Phuntsholing to Paro (4-5Hrs.)

- Complete all immigration formalities
- Drive towards Paro
- Lunch on the way
- Upon arrival to Paro visit Paro dzong and museum

Overnight: Paro

Day 03| Paro Sightseeing

- Morning drive to the base for the hike (3 hrs. uphill) to Tiger's Nest, the most revered temple in the country that literally hangs on a granite cliff overlooking the Paro valley. Most of the day will go on the hike.
- On the way back, if you have the energy and time visit the Kichu Lhakhang, one of the oldest temples in Bhutan which marks the beginning of Buddhism in the country.

Overnight: Paro

Day 4: Druk Path Trekking starts from Paro-Thimphu (5 nights)

The six day trek is the most popular trek in the country as it passes through a gorgeous natural landscape of blue pine forests, high ridges and pristine lakes while at the same time offering the opportunity to visit some ancient Lhakhang's, Dzongs and villages.

The Druk Path Trek is also a fairly easy hike to undertake as the distances between rest camps is fairly short. The trail takes you through forests of fir, blue pine and dwarf rhododendrons at altitudes ranging between 2400-4200 m. On the third day hikers will arrive at Jimiling Lake, whose crystal clear waters are home to gigantic trout.

This trek also offers hikers stunning views of Mt. Gangkar Puensum, the highest unscaled peak in the world. The best times to embark on the Druk Path Trek are between March-June or September-November.

Max Elevation	4200 m
Min Elevation	2400 m
Difficulty	Medium
Season	March, April, May, June, September, October, November

Day 1: Paro-Jili Dzong

- Although today's trekking day is short, we keep slow and steady pace as altitude gain is significant. After breakfast, you will drive to the road head at the National Museum (2487m) above Paro from where you will start your trek. We will walk from the Museum heading up hill through apple orchards, smallholdings of Damchena village and pine forests. Visit Jili Dzong (3,490m), perched on a whaleback ridge. Jili Dzong is mostly in ruins and there is a Lhakhang with the statute of Buddha Sakyamuni. On a clear day, the views of Paro town far below and of mount Jomolhari (7,314m) are breathtaking.

Overnight: camp at 3480m.

Day 2: Jili Dzong –Jangchulakha

- Begin with gradually ascent and then descend below the ridgeline to walk through the trail of thick alpine forests and rhododendrons. You may see yak herders in the area. There are fascinating views of Jhomolhari and other snowcapped mountains and you can also hear some monal peasants during the day. We continue our up -hill walk to reach a yak herders' pasture at Jangchulakha (3,780m) with outstanding views of the Himalayan range. We camp in a yak pasture near the hillside

Day 3: Jangchulakha - Jimilangtsho Lake

- The trail follows the ridge and at times through juniper trees and dwarf rhododendrons. The views of the mountain valleys of Thimphu and Paro are sensational. After making an ascent and then a steep descent, we arrive at Jimilangtsho Lake (3,880m). The lake is famous for their giant sized trout's. Near the camp, you can have great views of 6,989m Jichu Drake, the peak representing the protective deity of Paro.

Overnight: camp close to Jimilangtsho Lake.

Day 4: Jimilangtsho via Janetsho Lake – Simkota

- The trail takes you through dwarf rhododendron trees and bypasses the lake of Janetsho. You may come across some yak herder's camp and get an idea how these people live. Trail winds and undulates with magnificent view of the Himalaya across deep valleys. Simkotatsho Lake (4,110m) can be seen below after crossing one final spur. We continue our trek until we reach the yak pasture where we camp for tonight.

Day 5: Simkota via Phajodhing (3,870m) - Thimphu city

- Today you will begin with a gradual climb to a small saddle at 4,150m from where you enjoy majestic view of Mount Gangkar Puensum and other Himalayan peaks on clear weather. You will then descend to another small lake and then climb to the Phume La pass (4,210m) which is adorned with beautiful prayer flags. From here, you will enjoy great view of Thimphu city far below. The trail slowly descends through junipers trees to a community hall near Phajodhing (3,870m)

Overnight: Phajodhing Monastery

Day 6: Phajodhing- Thimphu city

- Walk way down -hill to Thimphu through forests of blue pine and juniper until you arrive the road head of Sangaygang on the outskirts of Thimphu valley where our vechile will be ready to pick us up and drop at hotel.
- Rest at hotel after reaching Thimphu and if you all have energy one can visit the most crowded town of the counter at evening to have some leisure time.

Overnight: Thimphu

Day10 : Thimphu sightseeing

- Visit Changangkha Lhakhang, the oldest temple in the valley offering a beautiful view of the valley.
- Visit the largest and the newly built statue of Buddha offering magnificent view of entire Thimphu valley.
- Visit the School of Arts and Crafts where students learn 13 different arts used predominantly in Bhutan. Visit Folk Heritage Museum which explains how a traditional house used to be like in the olden days
- After 5 PM, visit the fortress of Thimphu, Tashichho Dzong, which houses the throne of the king.

Overnight: Paro

Day 11| Departure

- Drive towards Phuntsholing from Paro
- Overnight at Paro/Drop to Bagdora

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