

Kingdome in the Clouds **08 Days/07 Nights**

Day 1: Arrival at Bagdogra, a drive to Phuntsholing (4-5 hrs.).

After your arrival to Bagdogra there will be our representatives waiting for the receptions. Your journey begins from here.

Start proceeding towards Phuentsholing through the green beautiful tea garden in Dooars. Arrival in Phuntsholing, check in hotel,

Overnight in hotel.

Day 2: Phuentsholing to Thimphu (5 hrs)

- After having your breakfast, our representatives will guide you to the immigration office to complete the visa/permit formalities and to obtain it. After getting your permits we will proceed towards Thimphu. to
- After that you will be enrooted drive through picturesque towns of Gedu University and Gedu waterfalls.
- Chhukha- Dam View Point with few possible sightseeing and Chuzom.
- Arrival in Thimphu (check into the hotel)
- Leisure time in town: visit craft bazaar initiated to promote the young talented rural based artists who master the arts and crafts of the age old traditional arts.
- After 5 PM, visit the fortress of Thimphu, Tashichho Dzong, which houses the throne of the king. Evening walk around the happening town, the largest and the most crowded town in Bhutan.

Overnight: Thimphu

Day 03| Thimphu

- Morning 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.
- Later visit the National Library which houses the collection of Bhutanese rich religious text and the contemporary Buddhism teachings from master all around the world.
- After Lunch visit the Memorial Chorten (temple) built in memory of the late 3rd King. This place now happens to be a get together point for the elderly people, who spend their whole day chanting prayers and meeting their friends. Visit Changangkha Lhakhang, the oldest temple in the valley offering a beautiful view of the valley. Enclosure where the national animal, Takins are kept and drive to visit the largest and the newly built statue of Buddha offering magnificent view of entire Thimphu valley.

Overnight: Thimphu .

Day 04| Thimphu to Punakha Sightseeing

- Drive to Punakha crossing over Dochula pass (3200 mts). If the weather permits one can enjoy a spectacular breath taking view of the highest mountain peaks of Bhutan at a site that stretches almost 180 degrees. Take a break and walk around the newly built 108 stupas and continue to the sub-tropical valley of Punakha offering different vegetation.
- En route just before arriving the hotel, take a nice hike through the paddy field and old village to visit Chimi Lhakhang, the temple of fertility associated with religious art of phallus
- After Lunch Visit Punakha Dzong (fortress), which houses the most elaborated temple in the country. This is a must to see fortress in Bhutan and a fine example of Bhutanese rich Art and Architecture.

Overnight: Punakha

Day 05| Punakha – Phobjika (3 Hrs.)

- After breakfast drive to the remote isolated valley of Phobjikha. En route could stop for a short hike to the ancient village of Rinchengang overlooking the ruins of Wangdi Dzong. It's amazing how they have managed to be together and preserve the old houses. If you are tired to hike, could do it on the way back. The drive is very picturesque and worth every turn and climb. This valley is protected being winter home for the endangered Black Necked Cranes migrating to Bhutan every end of Oct to end of Feb. This valley is a paradise for the nature lovers and hikers.
- Visit Gangtey Goempa temple: a beautiful temple, richly renovated with many monks living. Could also visit the Crane Canter supported by the RSPN
- This is a very remote village and the hotel standard is very basic. Being protected, this valley got electricity recently only. Farm house stay optional.

Overnight: Phobjikha

Day 06| Phobjikha – Paro (6.5 Hrs)

- Morning retrace the drive back to Paro crossing over Dochula La pass. Upon arrival in Paro, visit Paro Dzong (Fortress) and national museum of Bhutan.
- Evening back to the hotel.

Overnight: Paro| Altitude: 2200m

Day 07| 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 08| Departure- Paro- Phuntsholing(4 hrs.) /Bagdora(8-9 hrs.)

.Your guide will bid you farewell

Some useful Bhutanese phrases

Hello: Ku-zu-zam-po-la (meaning good health)

Thank You: Ka din chey la

See you: Lok jey gay

Good bye: Lus la “or” Laso la

- **Meal plan in all the hotels are CP that is you all will be provided with breakfast only.**