



Western Tour

06 Days/ 05 Nights

Day 01| Arrival in Paro – Thimphu (1.5 Hr)

- Upon your arrival in Paro airport our guide will be there to welcome you and transfer you to Thimphu.
- 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 the largest and the newly built statue of Buddha offering magnificent view of entire Thimphu valley.
- 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| Altitude: 2300m

Day 02| Thimphu Sightseeing

- 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.
- Visit to Zilukha nunnery to meet the nuns and interact with them.
- After lunch will go for some nice hikes toward **Wangditse temple hike**: It's a short easy hike (approximately 1 Hrs.) with beautiful view, you have to drive to the BBS tower where the road ends and starts your nice and easy hike through the pine forest overlooking Thimphu valley, especially the Thimphu Dzong and the parliament house. Visit the temple of Wangditse and enjoy the view of Thimphu and walk back to your car.
- Than move back to the hotel and if you have the energy than you can walk around the happening town, the largest and the most crowded town in Bhutan.

Overnight: Thimphu



Day 03| Thimphu – Punakha (3 Hrs)

- Drive to Punakha crossing over Dochula pass (3200 meters). If the weather permits one can enjoy a spectacular breath taking view of the highest mountain peaks of Bhutan at a sight that stretches almost 180 degrees.
- After Lunch will move for a hike toward Chimi Lhakhang, the temple of fertility associated with religious art of phallus
- Drive to 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.
- Evening will go for walk to visit the longest suspension bridge of Bhutan where one can enjoy the cool breeze over one's face with picturesque place.

Overnight: Punakha| Altitude: 1350m

Day 04| Punakha – Paro (4.5 Hrs.)

- After breakfast retrace the drive back to Paro.
- Upon arrival in Paro, Visit National museum of Bhutan which shows the country's transition from the Stone Age to a modern Mahayanist Buddhist and multicultural kingdom with its cultural heritage intact.
- Later on visit Paro Dzong (Fortress)

Overnight: Paro| Altitude: 2200m

Day 05| Paro Sightseeing

- Morning drive to the base for the hike (3-4hrs uphill) to Tiger's Nest, the most revered temple in the country that literally hangs on a granite cliff over looking 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 06| Departure

Morning transfer (15 mins) to the airport for your departure flight. Your guide will bid you farewell at the airport.

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.

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