



Beauty of Bhutan

6 Night / 7 Days
THIMPHU, PARO

Departure City : Ex INDIA



Tour Highlights

- Explore Thimpu on a city tour.
- Visit the most popular spiritual heritage sites in Paro.
- Enjoy a visit to Dochu La Pass.

BOOKING : Air Tickets of Domestic & International Airlines • Authorised Railway Ticket Agent (IRCTC)
Hotel Booking Agent • Trade Fair Tours • Int. Package Tours • Advisor for Passport & Visa • Luxury Cars on Rent



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Tour Discription



One of the last Shangrilas in the Himalayas, Bhutan is known as the Land of Dragons. Its far-flung proximity to the rest of the world protects its sacredness. Mapped in the mountainous region, the topography is embossed with varied flora, diverse wildlife, vibrant culture and an occasional majestic presence of olden Buddhist monasteries. With unparallel scenic nature of the country, Bhutan matches the taste of every travel enthusiast.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1 : ARRIVE PARO * ON TO THIMPHU (65 KMS / APPROX. 1.5 HOUR DRIVE)

Welcome to your Beauty of Bhutan Tour! On arrival at the airport in Paro, you will be met and transferred to your hotel in Thimphu, the modern capital city of Bhutan. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the city. Overnight in Thimphu.

None (Meals on your own)

Day 2 : IN THIMPHU

After breakfast, proceed on a city tour of Thimphu visiting places like - The Jungshi Handmade Paper Factory, National Memorial Chorten and Buddha Dordenma Statue.

The Jungshi Handmade Paper Factory was established in 1990 to produce the authentic Bhutanese paper known as Deh-sho using traditional techniques that have been practiced for generations. The factory uses the bark of two tree species, the Daphne and Dhekap in the manufacture of the paper.

The large Tibetan-style National Memorial Chorten was built in 1974 to honour the memory of the third King, His Majesty Jigme Dorji Wangchuck (the father of modern Bhutan). This whitewashed chorten with its golden spires, features elaborate mandalas, statues and a shrine dedicated to the popular third king. The religious paintings and complex tantric statues inside the monument reflect both peaceful and wrathful aspects of Buddhist deities.

Made of bronze and gilded in gold, the Buddha Dordenma is a gigantic Shakyamuni statue. It is the largest Buddha statue in the world at a height of 169 feet. Sitting upon a large meditation hall, there are 125,000 smaller Buddha statues, also cast in bronze and gilded in gold, that have been placed within the main statue.

The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the local markets.

Overnight in Thimphu (B)

Day 3 : ON TO PUNAKHA (77 KMS / APPROX. 2.5 HOURS DRIVE)

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This morning, drive to the valleys of Punakha, en route visit the Dochu La Pass - a mountain pass in the snow covered mountains. This Pass on a clear day offers magnificent view of the snowcapped mountains of the Himalayas.

In the afternoon, visit the majestic Punakha Dzong, located at the confluence of the Pho Chhu and Mo Chhu rivers. Punakha Dzong is the second oldest and second largest dzong in Bhutan. One of the most picturesque ancient fortresses, it was constructed in 1637-38 by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal and was the seat of Bhutan's government until Thimphu was established as the new capital in 1955.

Note: The Punakha Dzong is closed in winter months when the monk's body is in Punakha. All visits to Dzong and Monasteries are limited till the courtyard only.

Overnight in Punakha (B)

Day 4 : ON TO PARO (142 KMS / APPROX. 4 HOURS DRIVE)

After breakfast, drive to Paro. On arrival, check-in to your hotel in Paro.

The rest of the day is at leisure. One can visit the local markets.

Overnight in Paro (B)

Day 5 : IN PARO

After breakfast, visit National Museum, Paro Dzong and Kyichu Lhakhang.

The National Museum of Bhutan is housed inside the revamped Ta Dzong, which was formerly a watchtower. It showcases an intriguing collection that illustrates the rich and unique cultural heritage and tradition of Bhutan, including ancient Bhutanese art and artifacts.

Paro Dzong is a fine example of Bhutanese historic architecture. From the Dzong, walk further down to Nyamai Zampa - a traditional cantilever bridge.

Kyichu Lhakhang is one of the oldest temples in Bhutan, originally built in the 7th century. The temple complex is composed of two temples - the first was built to subdue a giant demoness and the second temple dedicated to Guru Rinpoche.

The rest of the day is at leisure for independent activities.

Overnight in Paro (B)

Day 6 : IN PARO

After breakfast, drive till the base of the world famous Taktsang Lhakhang. Taktsang Lhakhang or the Tiger's Nest is the most famous Buddhist pilgrimage site and temple complex in Bhutan. Visible from afar, this stunning and highly revered monastery is perched on a high granite cliff at an altitude of 10,236 ft., overlooking the northern Paro valley.

The rest of the day is at leisure for independent activities.

Overnight in Paro (B)

Day 7 : DEPART PARO

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Today, bid farewell to your 'Best of Bhutan' tour, as you are transferred to the airport in Paro for your onward journey. Please do give us your valuable suggestions on info@rivieratours.in. (B)

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Hotels Details

Economy

City Hotel	No of Nights
Thimphu Wangchuk Hotel Or Similar	02
Punakha Kingaling Hotel And Spa Or Similar	01
Paro Pelri Cottage / Reema Resort Or Similar	03

Standard

City Hotel	No of Nights
Thimphu Hotel Migmar Or Similar	02
Punakha Khuru Resort Or Similar	01
Paro Tashi Namgay Resort Or Similar	03

Tour Price

Ex - Paro Valid From - 01 November, 2016 Valid To - 30 Sept, 2018

Economy

Per Person on Twin Sharing Basis 29500
Cost per person on twin sharing basis (04 Pax) 26500
Cost per person on twin sharing basis (06 Pax) 22900
On Triple Sharing 22500
Child Between (5 - 12 Yrs) with extra bed (or mattress) 12000
Child Between (5 - 12 Yrs) with no bed (or mattress) 8000

Standard

Per Person on Twin Sharing Basis 36700
Cost per person on twin sharing basis (04 Pax) 39500
Cost per person on twin sharing basis (06 Pax) 26800
On Triple Sharing 26800
Child Between (5 - 12 Yrs) with extra bed (or mattress) 13700
Child Between (5 - 12 Yrs) with no bed (or mattress) 8500

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Inclusions

1. Accommodation in the hotels listed or similar hotels.
2. All transfers and sightseeing as per the itinerary by 01 Non AC Santa Fe/Tucson/similar (for 01-04 pax)/ 01 Non AC Hiace/similar for 05-10 pax (Note: AC Vehicle is subject to availability . AC will work only in the plains and will be switched-off during hill drives, because if you use AC in hills then vehicle will stop functioning. Normal vehicle usage timing is from 9:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m.)
3. Meals - Daily buffet breakfast as per the itinerary.
4. All currently applicable taxes i.e. Hotel tax and Transportation tax.

Note

- Riviera Tours And Travel Terms and Conditions apply.
 - Arrival into and departure from Paro would be on your own arrangements.
 - Please contact our sales staff to give you best flight deals.
 - Please do not touch any religious artifact or antique.
 - Purchase of religious items especially antiques is prohibited.
 - Please take off hats while entering Dzong, temples or monastery. Shorts / half pants are not permitted while entering a Dzong, temple or monastery.
 - Before entering a Dzong, temple, monastery, please switch off all mobile phones or keep in the silent/vibrating mode.
 - Please speak softly within the religious premises.
 - Please remember not to point with a single finger but use an upturned flat extended hand especially to indicate a sacred object or place.
 - Please refrain from touching any ritual objects or mural paintings.
 - Please do not walk over any clothes, books, hearth or materials left open in religious sites.
 - Please refrain from smoking or drinking while visiting religious places.
 - Water supply in the hills during the peak season is restricted due to shortage and water is supplied area wise at specific times. Please co-operate with the hotel on same.
 - Do carry comfortable walking shoes.
 - The hotel confirmed will be as per the brochure or an alternate hotel of similar category will be provided.
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- Visas are not required for Indian Nationals.
 - INR (Indian Rupees) denominations of 500 and 1000 are not accepted in Bhutan.
 - All the prices are for Indian Nationals only, unless specified.
 - It is mandatory to carry a valid photo identity card (Passport / Voter ID card - passport should have a validity of minimum 6 months).

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- Any transport to / from Paro. Your tour price starts Ex Paro.
- Air, Train or Bus fare from / to your originating city of stay, unless specified.
- Any meals / en route meals unless specified.
- Any additional sightseeing tours other than the mentioned in the inclusions.
- Items of personal nature viz, tips, portorage, room service, laundry, mineral water, alcoholic or non alcoholic beverages, phone calls, additional sightseeing tours and excursions not included in the itinerary, still or video camera fees etc.
- Any increase in fuel cost, government taxes, entrance fees, intra and interstate taxes etc, the tour price will be amended in accordance.
- Entrance fees and guide charges wherever applicable.
- Any items / services not specifically mentioned in the 'Tour Price Includes' column.
- Supplement charges applicable for Long weekends and festivals.
- 4.50 % Govt. Service Tax.

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