

6 DAYS BEAUTIFUL BHUTAN

THIMPHU (3N) – PARO (2)

Valid Till : Sep 2018

TOUR NO : 16
NAME OF TOUR : BEAUTIFUL BHUTAN
PLACES TO VISIT : THIMPHU (3N) – PARO (2)
TOURS HIGHLIGHTS : CULTURE – MONASTERIES– DOCHULA PASS – VALLEYS – VILLAGES

Day 1 Arrive Paro from New Delhi / Kathmandu / Bagdogra & transfer to Thimphu 65 km 1hrs drive -- The most spectacular mountain flights you will ever experience in a life time. Flying in from the heat of the plains of India one can witness from the left side of the aircrafts window a series of the world's highest peaks. Your pilot will announce the names of the peaks if the weather is clear. You will descend into the high mountains and as the plane lowers you will not find any airstrip or any city but instead you will enjoy the view of the approaching valley of Paro, the alpine forests, little monasteries, temples and farm houses. Before the plane touches the runway you will get a glimpse of the fertile valley of Paro, the Paro Dzong and Paro chu(river). Our representative will be at the airport to assist you, meet and greet and transfer to the hotel and transfer to the capital city. Day at leisure. O/n at Thimphu.

Day 2 Thimphu – capital city sightseeing -- Morning transfer to Thimphu and when in Thimphu you got to prepare for surprises where this unique capital has no traffic lights but adopted its own version of the British – Indian colonial times traffic policemen who can startle you and memorize others with his elaborate hand gestures, sometimes he may be signaling stop when it looks like go but don't worry you can observe the flow and notice his smile as you stare at him. Sightseeing includes the Folk Heritage Museum, National Library, Handicrafts Center to view the traditional arts, the indigenous Medicine Hospital, the Painting School and from the road point take a glimpse of Trashichho Dzong. Further drive uphill and visit Takin Zoo where you will find national animal of Bhutan. Afternoon visit National Memorial Chorten a stupa dedicated to the third king of Bhutan and Buddha statue. Evening take a leisure walk to the main city from Clock tower square. O/n at Thimphu.

Day 3 Half day excursion to beautiful Dochula pass 10,000 feet -- Morning take a 45 minutes leisure drive up hill toward Dochula pass and on the way you will stop at Hongtsho village. Here you will come across immigration check point where you will have to show your permit for entering Dochula pass, the immigration will stamp on your permit as entered and while returning will have to deposit the permit at the counter (standard procedure). Just next to the check point you will find small local stalls selling fresh juicy local apples available for sale in plastic bags you could try some. Few kilometers you drive up hill and reach the first mountain pass in the western part of Bhutan. As you reach the pass you find the 108 Druk Wangyal chortens on the top of the pass where the ridges are draped in colorful prayer flags greet you. You could take three rounds and offer prayers, take some best photo shots. If the weather is clear you will be able to see the highest peaks towards the north, Gangar Punsum among others is the highest unclimbed peak (24,000 ft) in the world. If you are hungry you could try some hot tea/coffee and light snacks at Dochula Resort just a few distance below. Return to Thimphu and visit the city for shopping or leisure. O/n at Thimphu

Day 4 Thimphu - Paro valley 65 km 1 hr drive -- Morning drive to Paro valley and visit the ruins of Drukgyel Dzong, a 17th century fortress that used to keep invaders from Tibet and in 1951 the fort was destroyed by fire. On the way back drive till the base of the world famous "Tigers Nest" or popularly known as "Taktsang" one of the popular spiritual heritage sites. It was here that the great tantric master Guru Padma Sambhava flew in from Tibet on a tiger to bring Buddhist teachings to Bhutan. Rest of the day at leisure. O/n at Paro.

Day 5 Paro sightseeing -- Morning visit, the National Museum housed in a round fortress called as the Ta Dzong considered to be one of the best natural history museums in Asia where it has a fine collection of natural and historic artifacts. Just below Ta Dzong lies Paro Dzong. Afternoon

visit Kyichu Lhakhang the monastery dates back to 7th century and is one of the oldest and most sacred and visit farm house where you will be able to see the lifestyle of the villagers of Paro. Visit the town for shopping or leisure. O/n at Paro.

Day 6 Departure -- Morning transfer to Paro International Airport for your next destination.

Tour Cost Per Person (Indian Rupee)

Per Pax in	Luxury			Deluxe			Standard		
	CP	MAP	AP	CP	MAP	AP	CP	MAP	AP
2pax	64450	79570	89950	28330	32560	36450	25950	29450	33650
4 pax	63350	78170	89550	26930	26650	35450	24550	28550	32250
6 pax	58250	77500	87970	26230	25950	34350	23850	27350	31550
Extra Bed	16570	27350	34350	12650	17970	21770	11951	17550	21200
Child without Extra Bed	9950	19200	26450	5170	7450	10350	4650	7150	12650
Child below 5 years	(No charges)								

Cost includes: Accommodation in twin sharing, meals as per plan, all airport transfers, all transportation within Bhutan, all internal permits, English speaking guide, entry fee to museum, internal taxes.

Cost excludes: Air fare, personal travel insurance, laundry, tipping, personal shopping, telephone calls, anything not specified in the “cost includes”.

Hotels & Resorts

Thimphu

Luxury : Hotel Druk <http://www.drukhotels.com>

Deluxe : Hotel Migmar www.hotelmigmar.bt / Hotel Kisa <http://www.hotelkisa.com>

Standard: Peaceful Resort www.bhutanpeacefulresort.com or Wangchuk Hotel www.wangchukhotel.com (inside the city)

Paro

Luxury: Udumwara <http://www.udumwara.com> or Nak Sel www.naksel.com

Deluxe: Tashi Namgay Resort www.tnr.bt or similar

Standard: Ugyen Phendeyling Resort www.upresortparo.com or similar

Transportation (Non AC vehicles)

1 – 2 pax Hyundai Tucson / Santa Fe
 3 – 8 pax Toyota Hi-ace bus 9 seater
 9 – 18 pax Toyota Coaster bus 21 seater

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