

6 DAYS JOURNEY TO BHUTAN

TOUR NO : 17
NAME OF TOUR : JOURNEY TO BHUTAN
PLACES TO VISIT : PHUENTSHOLING (1N) - THIMPHU (2N) - PARO (2N)
TOURS HIGHLIGHTS : CULTURE – MONASTERIES– WAY OF LIFE – VALLEYS – VILLAGES

Day 1 Arrive Phuentsholing from Bagdogra / NJP -- Arrive Phuentsholing and transfer to the hotel. Process for route permit and rest of the day at leisure. O/n at Phuentsholing.

Day 2 Phuentsholing - Thimphu – capital city 179 km 5 -6 hrs drive -- Morning transfer to the capital city Thimphu through the mountains, this journey is of almost unbelievable beauty. The road leads from the northern Indian tea plantations through endless turns, hair pin bends and daring stretches carved into the mountain rock via Chukka to Thimphu. Check in the hotel. Afternoon you can relax and in the evening spend some time in clock tower square. O/n at Thimphu.

Day 3 Thimphu sightseeing -- 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, Handicraft Center to view the traditional arts, the indigenous Medicine Hospital, the Painting School and from the road point take a glimpse of Tashichho 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 walk to the main city from Clock tower square. 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	60950	67550	80550	32950	37200	42050	28050	31550	36500
4 pax	60550	65300	79600	31550	35750	40650	26650	30200	35050
6 pax	58900	65450	78500	30850	35050	40250	26000	29500	34400
Extra Bed	19370	30150	38150	12650	17970	22200	12000	17550	21200
Child without Extra Bed	8550	15550	23000	5200	7550	10500	4650	7200	9650
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

Phuentsholing

Luxury : Hotel Druk or Orchid Hotel

Deluxe: Hotel Lakhi or Bhutan Residence

Standard: Hotel Namgay or Centennial Hotel

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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