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03rd MARCH 2025

# BHUTAN

06Nights / 07Days

| CITIES VISITED AND TOUR HIGHLIGHTS |           |   |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---|--|--|--|
| City Name                          | Duration  | Tour Highlights   |  |  |  |
| Thimpu                             | 03 Nights | Memorial Chorten (temple), Changangkha Lhakhang, statue of Buddha, fortress of Thimphu,<br>Tashichho Dzong, School of Arts and Crafts, Folk Heritage Museum, National Library,<br>Dechenphodrang monastic school, Zilukha nunnery |  |  |  |
| Punakha                            | 01 Night  | 108 stupas, Chimi Lakhang, Wangdi valley  |  |  |  |
| Paro                               | 02 Nights | Paro Dzong (Fortress), Archery match, Tiger's Nest, Kichu Lakhang   |  |  |  |

# PARO - THIMPU

# Day 01 - Monday 03rd March 2025

Arrival to Paro airport. Meet and assistance from the representative and transfer to **Thimpu** and relax in the hotel. Dinner and Overnight stay at hotel in Thimpu.

#### Meal Plan: Dinner

# THIMPU SIGHTSEEING

#### Day 02 – Tuesday 04<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Breakfast at the Hotel

Early morning 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. 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.

Transfer to hotel

Dinner and Overnight stay at hotel in Thimpu Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

# THIMPU SIGHTSEEING

# Day 03 - Wednesday 05th March 2025

Breakfast at the Hotel

Morning visit the happening weekend market (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) where the locals from the surrounding villages come to sell their products. They sell their goods and in return they buy their basic necessities. In olden days, bata system was practiced by everyone. Visit the traditional Hand Made Paper Mill. 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. Drive further up to visit the **Dechenphodrang monastic school** and meet the young monks. Later continue to **Zilukha nunnery** to meet the nuns and interact with them. Transfer to hotel

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner



# THIMPU- PUNAKHA (73KMS - 2 HRS APPROXIMATELY)

# Day 04 - Thursday 06th March 2025

Breakfast at the Hotel and drive to Punakha crossing over Dochula pass (3200 mts). If the weather permits, one can enjoy a spectacularly breathtaking view of the highest mountain peaks of Bhutan at a site that stretches almost 180 degrees. Take a break, walk around the newly built **108 stupas**, and continue to the sub-tropical valley of Punakha offering different vegetation. Then take a nice hike through the paddy field and old village to visit **Chimi Lakhang**, the temple of fertility associated with the religious art of phallus. While returning visit Punakha Suspension Bridge, which is always adorned with colorful prayer flags.

Dinner and Overnight stay at hotel in Punakha

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

#### PUNAKHA - PARO (115KMS - 3 HRS APPROXIMATELY) Day 05 - Friday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Early morning go for an hour hike (uphill) to the temple of Khamsum Yuley Lakhang overlooking the paddy field and the snake like river bends. Later after breakfast 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. Retrace your drive back to Paro continue some of the sightseeing that you might have had missed earlier. Later in the afternoon continue your drive to Paro. Later visit Paro Dzong (Fortress) on foot and continue walking through the oldest wooden bridge still in use. Continue further to stroll around the old Paro town and peep into some local handicraft's stores. Could get some opportunity to see the traditional game, Archery match going on

Dinner and Overnight stay at hotel in Paro

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

#### PARO SIGHTSEEING

# Day 06 - Saturday 08<sup>th</sup> March 2025

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 Lakhang**, one of the oldest temples in Bhutan which marks the beginning of Buddhism in the country. Hot stone bath available at an additional cost.

Farewell dinner with your guide.

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

#### PARO - DEPARTURE

# Day 07 - Sunday 09th March 2025

Breakfast at the Hotel, check out from the Paro hotel Transfer to Airport to board a flight Meal Plan: Breakfast

#### INDICATIVE LIST OF HOTELS

The list of hotels mentioned below is likely to be provided. However, Turnkey holidays reserve the right to provide alternate hotels that are like the ones mentioned below. The final hotel list may vary from the below for each group.

| Destination | No of Nights | Check-In | Check-Out | 3- Star Deluxe hotel                                     |
|-------------|--------------|----------|-----------|--|
| Thimpu      | 3 Nights     | 03 Mar   | 06 Mar    | Tara Phendeyling/ Bhutan Peaceful Residency/ Pelyang     |
|             |              |          |           | Boutique or similar                                      |
| Punakha     | 1 Night      | 06 Mar   | 07 Mar    | River Valley/ Meri Phuensum/ Zhingkham Resort or Similar |
| Paro        | 2 Nights     | 07 Mar   | 09 Mar    | Thim Dorji Resort/ Khangkhu Resort/ Tashi Namgay Resort  |
|             |              |          |           | or Similar   |

Hotel availability is subject to change

Early check in and late checkout are subject to hotel policy

Hotel Check in and Check out Time

| Check In  | 15:00 Hrs |
|-----------|-----------|
| Check Out | 11:00 Hrs |



# TOUR COST EXCLUDING AIR FARE

Minimum 04 Adults Travelling Together

**3- Star Deluxe hotel INR. 74,900 /-** Per Adult Double/Twin Sharing Basis

You must produce PAN card for the payment of above Rs. 49,900/- in cash Maximum cash that can be accepted towards this tour is Rs. 1,99,000/- only

# **TOUR COST INCLUDES:**

Arrival and departure airport transfers on Private Basis. All accommodation as mentioned in the itinerary. Meals as mentioned in the itinerary. Non-AC vehicle and sightseeing as per the itinerary only. (Vehicle not at disposal) Include full-time English-speaking guide. Government sustainable fees of INR. 1200 /person/Night. Applicable GST

# **TOUR COST EXCLUDES:**

Air tickets. Monument/Museum fee Doesn't include Tips for the guides, drivers or hotels All kind of personal expenses such as tips, laundry, telephone bills and beverages. Optional, suggested, or unspecified activities. Personal & health Insurance coverage. Camera/Video Camera Charges at monuments. Any sort of rides. Early check in or late checkout Any additional expenses incurred due to any flight delay or cancellation, weather conditions, political closures, technical faults etc. Any service which is not mentioned in the Inclusions.

# NOTE:

Above is just an offer / quotation and we are not holding any booking against this query.

All services/rooms are subject to availability at the time of receiving final confirmation from your end. Please be reminded that all special requests like early check-in, smoking, nonsmoking, views, floors, king, twin, adjoining and/or interconnecting rooms are strictly subject to availability upon arrival and same cannot be guaranteed prior.

Please note standard check-in/check-out time applicable as per hotel policy.

Early Check-In and Late Check-Out is strictly subject to hotel availability at the time of check-in/out No refund for Unused services