Bhutan City sight seeing tours

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Trip at a glance

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Difficulty: Not applicable

Trip Style: Trekking & Hiking

Summary

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Day by day itinerary

Trip Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive at Paro.

Fly to Paro and transfer to the hotel. In the evening, visit Drugyal Dzong, now in ruins was built by Shabdrung Ngawang Namgyal to commemorate the victory over the Tibetan invaders in 1644; the dzong name's means indeed "victorious Druk". Then visit Kyichu Lhakhang, one of Bhutan's oldest and most sacred monasteries dating from the introduction of Buddhism in the 8th century.

Day 02: Paro – Thimphu.

After breakfast, visit Rimpung Dzong (Paro Dzong) built in 1646 by Shabdrung Ngawang Namgyal. The Dzong presently houses administrative offices. After lunch visits the Ta Dzong, an ancient watchtower, which has been, since 1967, the national museum of Bhutan. In the evening a two hours drive to Thimphu.

Day 03: Thimphu Sightseeing.

After breakfast, sightseeing in Thimphu. It includes: Visit Tashichho Dzong (Fortress of the Glorious Religion), built in 1641 by Shabdrung Ngawang Namgyal and reconstructed in 1961 by the Late King, His Majesty King Jigme Dorji Wang chuck, who is regarded as Father of Modern Bhutan. Then visit the National Library, which holds a vast collection of ancient Buddhist manuscripts followed by a visit to Painting School, famous for carving and freehand art. After lunch visits the National Memorial Chorten, a monument dedicated to the Third King of Bhutan. His Late Majesty King Jigme Dorji Wangchuck. The inside paintings and statues provide a very rare insight into Buddhist Philosophy. Then visit Handicrafts Emporium to see the exquisite artistry of traditional crafts and textiles. Evening free for shopping and leisure.

Day 04: Thimphu – Punakha.

After breakfast drive to Punakha across the Dochula Pass alt. 10,000 ft., site of one of Bhutan's most enchanting views. While in Punakha, visit Punakha Dzong; built by Shabdrung Ngawang Namgyal in 1637, this sacred Dzong has played a prominent part in the country's life in both civil and religious fields. Punakha Dzong is open to visitors only in summer when the monk body has moved Thimphu. After Lunch, visit Chimi Lhakhang.

Day 05: Punakha – Gangtey – Thimphu.

After breakfast drive to the beautiful valley of Gangtey. Enroute, visit Chimed Lhakhang. Packed lunch would be served at Gangtey. On arrival, visit Gantey Gompa and explore the Phobjikha valley, said to be the most beautiful valley in the Himalayas. In the evening, drive back to Thimphu.

Day 06: Thimphu – Paro.

Drive to Paro and hike to Taktsang Monastery, The trail climbs through beautiful pine forest, many of the trees festooned with Spanish moss, and an occasional grove of fluttering prayer flags. We stop for a rest and light refreshments at the Taktsang Jakhang (cafeteria) and then walk a short distance until we see, clearly and seemingly within reach, Taktsang monastery. The primary Lhakhang was built around Guru Rimpoche's meditation cave in the 1684by the Penlop of Paro Gyaltse Tenzin Rabgay, this incredible monastery clings to the edge of a sheer rock cliff that plunges 900 meters into the valley below.

Day 07: Departure from Paro.

Early morning, drive to the Airport and farewell.

Package: Standard Package

Contact for pricing

Pricing depends on dates and group size. Contact us for a quote.

Inclusions

- Supplement charges-individuals or groups of less than 3 participants are subject to surcharges.
- Single person USD 40 per night and a group of 2-3 participants USD 30 per night.
- Flight fare – Flight fare – USD 200 for one-way and they fly twice in a week on MON/THU.
- Booking procedures and visa – Booking for any trips should reach us at least 15 days in advance with passport details. After visa clearance, we will give you the copy of same, which you will have to produce while checking in for the flight to Paro. The original visa is stamped an on your passport upon arrival at the Paro airport.
- Visa USD 40 and TDF USD 10.
- Service includes.
- 4-night hotel in Kathmandu with breakfast.
- Sight-seeing tours.
- Arrival/departure transfer.

- Royalty.
- Accommodation on twin sharing basis.
- All meals.
- Sightseeing with English speaking guide.
- All transportation overland.
- Entrance fee to the monuments etc.

Exclusions

- Lunch/dinner in Kathmandu.
- Bhutan visa fee, airfares.
- Airport taxes.
- The expense of personal nature like cold drinks.
- Staff typing.
- Personal travel health insurance etc.

Gear checklist

Equipments List

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Trip Highlights

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