



5DAYS 4NIGHT BHUTAN TOUR

Please note above rates are valid from 01st April 2019 – 30th September 2019

Day 1: Arrival at Paro/drive to Thimphu (LD)

Start your journey with a breathtaking flight over the great peaks of the high Himalayas right into the Dragon Kingdom's airport among the clouds at Paro (2,134m). On arrival, your Bhutan Tourism Corporation Ltd. (BTCL) escort will receive you at Paro airport. Drive through the spectacular mountain views and peaceful countryside to Thimphu (2,286m), Bhutan's capital (two hours drive from Paro). Thimphu is a small, charming capital city sandwiched in the heart of the Himalayas. It is nothing like what a capital city is imagined to be. All houses and buildings are painted and constructed in traditional Bhutanese style. Drive up to the viewpoint- **BBS Tower** in Sangaygang and take a hike beyond to enjoy a stunning view of the valley. If time permits you can drive upto the Buddha Point where the tallest and the most fascinating statue of Lord Buddha stands. Visit the Handicraft Emporium and the **Memorial Chorten**, built in 1974 in the loving memory of Late His Majesty, King Jigme Dorji Wangchuck which exhibits a multi-storied stupa and numerous paintings providing a rare insight into Buddhist philosophy. Dinner overnight hotel

Day 2: Thimphu Sightseeing/Drive to Punakha (BLD)

Visit the **National Library**, which holds a vast collection of ancient Buddhist manuscripts, the School of Thangka paintings (*The Arts and Crafts School*) where you can see young children learning and practicing ancient craft of paintings and the Textile Museum. Drive to Punakha. The first stop after leaving Thimphu is *Dochula Pass* at 10,500 ft. (23km from Thimphu-45minutes drive), site of one of Bhutan's most enchanting views. If weather permits, from this pass, the breathtaking peaks of Bhutan's Northern border can be viewed during season, within the site of the alpine snow is a magnificent canvas of color- a profusion red, pink, white, yellow and purple rhododendron blossoms splashed among the soft green of wild herbs and forest trees. Blessed with a temperate climate and drained by the Phochu and Mochu rivers is the fertile valley of Punakha. Before Thimphu was made the capital of Bhutan, Punakha held the title **as the winter capital because of its more temperate climate. Today it is the winter seat of Je- Khenpo (the Chief Abbot) and the Central Monk Body.** Dinner overnight hotel

Day 3: Punakha Sight-seeing / Drive to Paro (BLD)

Visit Punakha Dzong (1250m), built at the junction of the Phochu and Mochu Rivers in 1637 by the first Shabdrung of Bhutan, Ngawang Namgyal, which served as both the religious and the administrative centre of Bhutan. Visit CHIMI LHAKHANG: This monastery situated on a hillock within the centre of valley below Metshina, was built by Lama Drukpa Kuenley (also known as the Divine Madman). It's about 20minutes walk across from the road at Sopsokha to the temple. It is believed that childless women who visit the temple will conceive after receiving "wang"(blessing). Drive to Paro in the evening. Dinner overnight hotel

Day 4: Sight-seeing in Paro (BLD)

In Paro, visit Drugyel Dzong or the Fort of Drukpa Victory (14km from Paro), the historical site from the ramparts of which the Bhutanese repelled Tibetan invaders, time and time again. On a clear day, you will be overawed by the sight of the 7,315m white-domed peak of the sacred Mount Jhomolhari (Mountain of the Goddess JHOMO) that looms overhead. Enroute visit Kyichu Lhakhang: Kyichu Lhakhang is said to have been built by King Songtsen Gampo of Tibet in 659. It is believed that it holds down the left foot of an ogress, so large that it covers Bhutan and most of eastern Tibet. Visit Ta Dzong, the National Museum housed in an ancient watchtower, which has a fine collection of ancient Thangka paintings, textiles, weapons and other artifacts. Visit one of the most celebrated Dzong in Bhutan, the Rinpong Dzong, or the Fortress of the Heap of Jewels. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 5: Departure

After your breakfast, head towards the airport to catch flight to Kathmandu

TYPE OF HOTEL	MIN 02 PAX (RM)	MIN 03 PAX ONWARDS (RM)
Bhutan Peaceful Resort / Hotel Amodhara or similar at THIMPU, Bhutan Mandala Resort / Tenzinling Resort or similar at PARO and Hotel Pema Karpo / Meri Puensum Resort or Similar at PUNAKHA (3*)	4315	3727
Druk or similar THIMPU, Haven Resort or similar PARO and Green Resort or similar PUNAKHA (4*)	5945	5445
Le Meridian or Similar THIMPU, Le Meridian or similar PARO and Dhensa Boutique Resort or similar at PUNAKAHA (5*)	6920	6412

Please note in a group of 16 Pax, one person will be allowed on FOC basis. (Visa fee of USD 40/- is to be paid by FOC Pax)

Rates does not include any airfare, meals not specified, table drinks, visa fee for tour leader, horse ride to Taksang one way @ USD 20/-per person, tips, camera/video fee, personal expenses of the clients or any other expenses incurred beyond our control such as bad weather, flight cancellation, political disturbances etc

Package cost includes:

- a) Accommodation on full board basis
- b) Transportation by car/van/coaster for all transfers and sightseeing as per itinerary
- c) English speaking guide throughout the tour
- d) All monastery entrance fee
- e) 2 mineral water bottles per person per day
- f) Visa Fee (USD 40/-per person)
- g) Assistance at Airport/s

Package cost exclude:

- a) Visa
- b) Air Ticket return

