



## BHUTAN

### **Day 1: Arrival: Paro, transfer to Thimphu**

On arrival, guests will be received at the airport by a representative who will be your tour guide and companion for the whole duration of your tour in Bhutan.

Drive to your hotel in Thimphu. After refreshing yourselves and having lunch, visit the following

Kuensel Phodrang - The Kuensel Phodrang or the Buddha Point is the world's largest sitting Buddha statue, the statue is 167 feet high. The statue is situated on top of a hill overlooking the city of Thimphu, it can be accessed by road and is about 15 minutes away from the city's centre. The word Kuensel means everything is clear and from this place you will surely enjoy a great view of the Thimphu Valley on both sides.

### **OVERNIGHT AT THIMPHU**

### **Day 2: Thimphu sightseeing**

After breakfast, set out for the sightseeing of Thimphu where you may cover the following sightseeing

Motithang Takin preserve - The Motithang Takin Preserve also known as the Thimphu Zoo by many is a small natural preserve for the Takin Bhutan's national animal. It was originally a mini zoo, but it was converted into a preserve later on as the Takin.

Jungshi Handmade Paper Factory - This is a private factory and they manufacture a special watermark paper as well as products such as lampshades, envelopes and other objects made of traditional Bhutanese paper.

Folk Heritage Museum - The folk heritage museum was open to the general public in 2001 upon completion. Its treasures, troves of culture and rich Bhutanese heritage provide rich insights into the Bhutanese ethos.

Thangthong Dewachen Nunnery - is a Buddhist monastery in the small Himalayan country of Bhutan. The nunnery is located in Zilukha overlooking Tashichodzong and is a few minutes' drive from the town. It is popularly known as the Zilukha Anim Dratshang. It was built in 1976 by the 16th emanation of Thangtong Gyalpo, Drubthob Rikey Jadrel.

The Bhutan Textile Museum or the National Textile Museum - is a national textiles museum in Thimphu, Bhutan. The objective of setting up the museum is to promote Bhutan's achievements in the field of textile arts and to sustain and promote interest of the weavers to continue the traditional textile patterns. The museum also envisions becoming the centre for textile studies and research. The purpose is also to promote the history and culture of Bhutan.

## **OVERNIGHT AT THIMPHU**

### **Day 3: Thimphu – Punakha**

Post breakfast, drive toward Punakha, stop at Dochula Pass (3,100 m), where on a sunny day, you can get stunning views of the Himalayan ranges. The Dochula Pass is probably the best-known mountain pass in Bhutan. Located at an altitude of 3150 meter above sea level, the Dochula Pass is about 30 kilometer away from the capital city Thimphu and the road to Punakha. On a clear day the pass offers visitors a spectacular view of the majestic eastern Himalayan Ranges.

Then drive to Punakha Dzong: The Punakha Dzong or the Pungtang Dechen Phortang Dzong is located at the confluence of the Mo Chhu and the Po Chhu River, combine to form the Puna Tsang Chu which in turn is a tributary of the mighty Brahmaputra River. The Dzong was constructed by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal in 1638 on the exact spot as prophesied by the Guru Rinpoche some 800 years ago

## **OVERNIGHT AT PUNAKHA**

### **Day 4: Punakha – Phobjika Valley – Punakha**

This day is reserved for traveling to Phobjikha which is an extremely stunning valley located at a distance of 80 km from Punakha. Start early on the day's activities as you will also be returning back to Punakha the same day.

The best thing about Phobjikha Valley is that it delivers to you an authentic taste of nature and rural lifestyle. It houses a diversity of flora and fauna and one can spot plants like dwarf bamboos, turnips, potatoes, rhododendrons, and maples and animals such as black-necked cranes, barking deer, wild boars, Himalayan black bear, Himalayan serow, leopards, and foxes. The overall views, which comprise of mountains and rivers like Nake Chuu and Phag Chuu, offered by the valley are also very calming. Photography enthusiasts also enjoy this place as it brims with all things in nature.

Once you have appreciated the valley enough, head back to Punakha and after reaching your hotel, have a nice dinner and conclude the day.

## **OVERNIGHT AT PUNAKHA**

## Day 5: Punakha – Paro

After breakfast, trace the road back up to Dochula and then to Thimphu where you can have lunch.

Post lunch drive to Paro, on the way visit

**Tamchog Lhakhang:** Tachog lhakhang is a temple that is dedicated to the 13th century saint Thangthong Gyalpo, the iron bridge builder. This temple is located across the river about 15kms from the Paro towards Thimphu

**Ta Dzong (National Museum):** The name Ta Dzong translates to ‘watch tower’ and it served the function of watch tower for the Paro Rinpung Dzong.

### OVERNIGHT AT PARO

## Day 6: Paro - Tiger Nest - Paro

Have an early breakfast and drive up to the base of Taktsang Monastery (Tiger’s Nest). The most famous and sacred site among all the places in Bhutan. Guru Padmasambhava is said to have come riding on a flying tigress to this place and meditated in a cave for 3 months. The walk is about 2 hours till the top through wide pathways which was built during the restoration works. One hour into the climb there is a tea point from where you get a very good view of the monastery, they also serve lunch here. From there it’s about another 45 minutes to climb to the 2nd view point and the highest point in the hike.

### OVERNIGHT AT PARO

## Day 7: Depart

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward journey.

### Rates Are For Per Person On Double Occupancy:

Category	Rates Per Person
Ex - Kolkata	INR 62,500/-
Ex - Delhi	INR 72,500/-
Ex - Mumbai	INR 84,500/-
Ex - Bangalore	INR 84,500/-

## Fixed Departure Dates

Ex Kolkata	Available Dates
September 2024	27, 28
October 2024	4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26, 29
November 2024	1, 2, 5

Ex Delhi	Available Dates
September 2024	27, 28
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Ex Bangalore	Available Dates
September 2024	28
October 2024	5, 12, 19, 26
November 2024	2



## **PACKAGE INCLUSIONS**

- Return Airfare to mentioned cities
- Accommodation with Breakfast and Dinner in 3\* category hotels
- All transfers and sightseeing on SIC basis only with 01 certified Guide
- SDF charges (INR 1200/- Per Adult per Night)
- 01 Water Bottle per person per day
- 5% GST on package amount

## **PACKAGE EXCLUSIONS**

- Monuments, museum entrance fees
- Any personal or optional services cost
- Any room heater cost

## **PAYMENT POLICY**

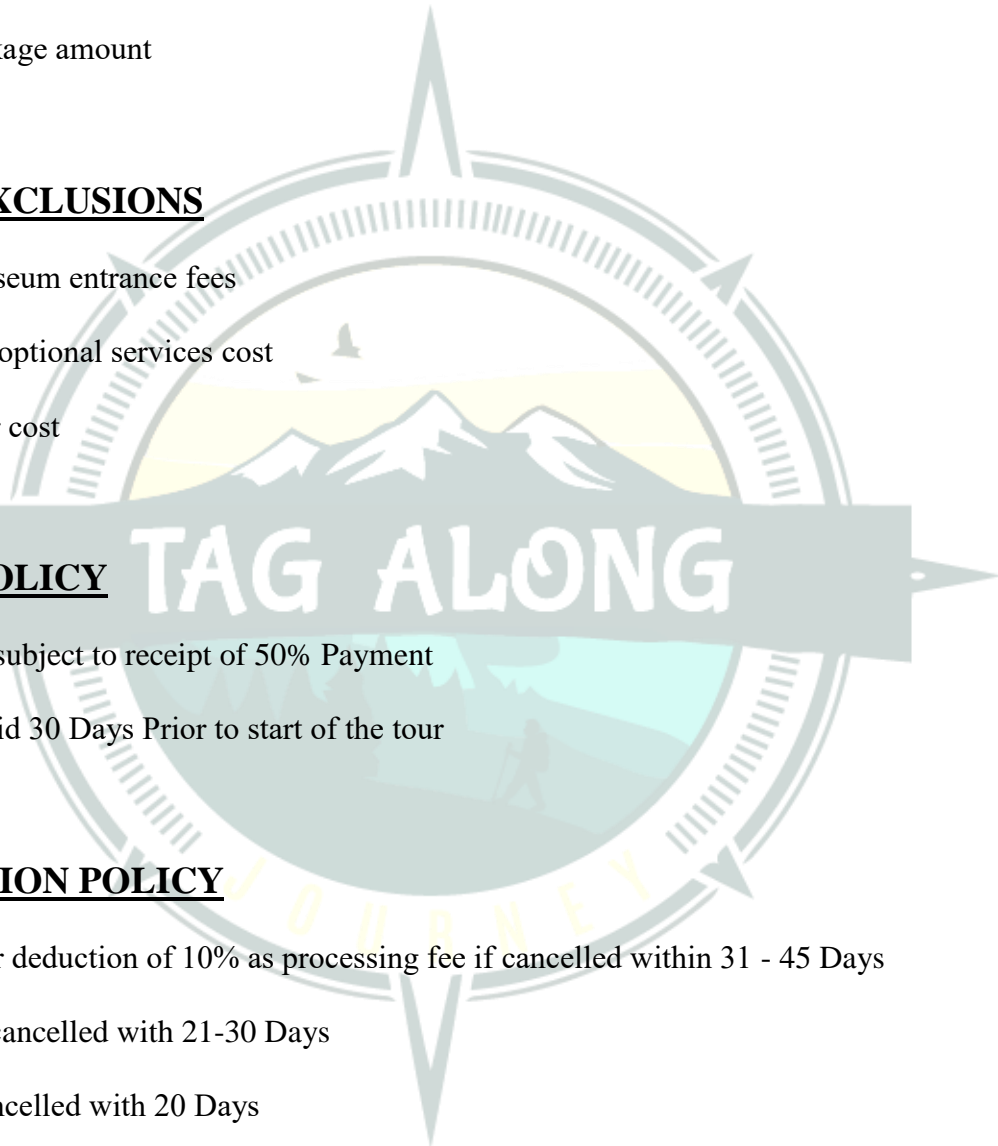
- Confirmation is subject to receipt of 50% Payment
- Balance to be paid 30 Days Prior to start of the tour

## **CANCELLATION POLICY**

- Full Refund after deduction of 10% as processing fee if cancelled within 31 - 45 Days
- 50 % Refund if cancelled with 21-30 Days
- No Refund if cancelled with 20 Days
- Airfare once booked is non refundable

## **TRAVEL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED**

- Valid Passport or Voter ID card
- 02 Passport size photo



## **IMPORTANT INFO**

- Sustainable Development Fee is mandatory and is charged on Per Night Basis
- For Adult (12 Years and above): 1200/- Per Night
- For Child (12 years 5 years): 600/- Per Night
- Below 5 Years: No Fees

## **PLEASE NOTE**

- Final confirmation is subject to availability at the time of booking
- Vehicle and rooms are non AC unless specified.
- Post confirming the tour with payment, we will send status of the booking by email.

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