

# Cultural Gems of Bhutan: Thimphu, Paro, & Punakha Expedition

# 09 Nights | 10 Days

2N Phuentsholing – 2N Thimphu – 2N Punakha – 3N Paro

#### Day 1: Bagdogra Pick up to Phuentsholing - Exciting Trip to Bhutan Begins

- Arrive at Bagdogra Airport and be warmly received by our representative.
- > Assistance provided for your comfortable transition to the awaiting vehicle.
- > Enjoy the scenic drive through the numerous tea estates of Bengal.
- Pass through the renowned Jaldapara Wildlife Sanctuary during the journey.
- > Arrive in Phuentsholing and check-in for a relaxing overnight stay.

### Day 2: Phuentsholing to Thimphu

- Morning drive after breakfast.
- > Processing of permits before embarking on a scenic journey to Thimphu.
- > Enroute visit Karbandi Gumpa/Milerapa Lhakhang.
- Drive through breathtaking mountain views, peaceful countryside, and a stopover for a photo session at Wankha Waterfalls.
- Check-in at your hotel and take a leisurely stroll, visit the local market, or relax.

### Day 3: Thimphu Sightseeing

- After breakfast proceed for the sightseeing tour covering -
  - Buddha Dordenma (Kuensel Phodong)
  - Simtokha Dzong
  - National Library
  - Folk Heritage Museum
  - Takin Zoo
  - Zorig Chusum School of Art & Craft



- Jungshi Paper Factory
- Overnight stay in Thimphu

#### Day 4: Thimphu to Dochula, Punakha Sightseeing

- Morning drive to Dochula pass (3,150m) for captivating views.
- > Continue to Punakha, visiting Chimmi Lhakhang, Pho Chu & Mo Chu River, Punakha Dzong, and a picturesque Suspension Bridge.
- > Overnight stay in Punakha.

#### Day 5: Punakha to Phobjikha Valley and back to Punakha

- > Travel to Phobjikha Valley, located 80 km from Punakha.
- > Explore the stunning Phobjikha Valley, known for its authentic natural beauty and rural lifestyle.
- ➤ Encounter diverse flora such as dwarf bamboos, turnips, potatoes, rhododendrons, and maples.
- > Spot various wildlife including black-necked cranes, barking deer, wild boars, Himalayan black bear, Himalayan Serow, leopards, and foxes.
- > Enjoy the overall views of mountains and rivers like Nake Chuu and Phag Chuu, providing a calming atmosphere.
- Capture the beauty of the valley through photography, a delight for nature enthusiasts.
- > After immersing yourself in the valley's charm, return to Punakha.
- Overnight stay in Punakha.

#### Day 6: Punakha to Paro – Transfer (120 km / 03 hrs) & Sightseeing

- > After breakfast, transfer to Paro
- Proceed for the sightseeing tour covering -
  - Nyamey Zampa
  - Rinpung Dzong
  - Tamchong Lhakhang
  - Jangtsa Dumgtseg Lhakhang
  - Dobji Dzong
  - International Airport (Bird's eye view)
  - Ta Dzong (Paro Museum)
  - Tiger Nest View
  - Overnight stay in Paro



#### Day 07: Chele La Excursion

- > Start for the excursion after your breakfast.
- > Enjoy the picturesque drive, which is one of the highest motorable passes in Bhutan.
- > Spend some time at Chele La Pass to take in the panoramic views of the surrounding peaks.
- > Return back to Paro and overnight stay.

#### Day 08: Tiger's Nest Hike

- > Start for the iconic Taktsang Monastery (Tiger's Nest) after your breakfast.
- > It's a 4-hour roundtrip hike
- > Enjoy the spectacular viewpoints along the trail.
- > Visit Taktsang cafeteria for refreshments.
- ➤ Later visit Drukgyel Dzong & Kyichu Monastery
- Overnight stay at Paro

#### Day 09: Paro to Phuentsholing - Scenic Return Journey

- > Check out and drive back to Phuentsholing.
- Check-in at the hotel
- Overnight stay in Phuentsholing

#### Day 10: Phuentsholing to Bagdogra Airport

- > Check out from the hotel.
- > Departure transfer to Bagdogra Airport
- > Bid farewell to Bhutan, leaving with cherished memories of its natural beauty and rich culture.
- Adhere to Bhutan's "leave no trace" policy take only memories, leave only footprints.



## Per Person Tour Cost

No of Pax	Vehicle	Superior	Luxury	Premium
02 Pax	Sedan (Santa Fe / Similar)	₹71,875	₹80,500	₹1,14,425
04 Pax	SUV (Ertiga / Similar)	₹59,800	₹68,425	₹1,02,925
06 Pax	Toyota HiRoof (9-seater)	₹52,325	₹60,375	₹94,875
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10 pax	Coaster Bus (20-seater)	₹47,725	₹56,925	₹90,275
12 Pax	Coaster Bus (20-seater)	₹46,575	₹54,625	₹89,125
14 Pax	Coaster Bus (20-seater)	₹44,275	₹53,475	₹86,825
16 Pax	Coaster Bus (20-seater)	₹43,125	₹52,325	₹85,675
Child No Bed		₹22,425	₹30,475	₹46,575
Extra Bed		₹25,875	₹36,225	₹51,175



## Accommodation

Destination	Superior	Luxury	Premium
Phuentsholing	Meto Pema / Gadhen	Amo Chhu View / Tara Phendeyling	Gamega / Druk / Tashi Namgay Grand
Thimphu	Park / Cholay Khangzang / White Tara	Pelyang Boutique / Tashi Yid-Wong Grand / Changangkha	Terma Linca / Pema by Realm
Paro	Khamsun / Ratna Vara / Pencho Boutique	Udumwara / Lhayhuel / Thim Dorji	Tenzling Luxury Villa Tents / Kaachi Grand
Punakha	White Dragon / Chicken Dinner	Vara / Four Boutique / Dragon Nest	RKPO Green Resort

# **Inclusions**

- ✓ Hotel stays as per the chosen category.
- ✓ Transfers & Sightseeing as specified in the itinerary. *Vehicle is not on disposal. AC will be switched off in the hills.*
- ✓ Daily Breakfast & Dinner.
- ✓ Sustainable Development Fee.
- ✓ Professional Guide.
- ✓ Valid for Indian Nationals only.



#### **Exclusions**

- Expenses for personal items such as laundry, telephone usage, tips, gratuity, and purchases of mineral, soft, or hard drinks.
- Any sightseeing activities or vehicle usage beyond the specified itinerary.
- Costs associated with camera usage, and entrance fees to attractions.
- Expenses incurred due to natural calamities like landslides, road blockages, political disturbances, etc.
- Insurance.
- GST 5% & TCS 5%
- Any services, activities, or items not explicitly mentioned in the package inclusions.

# **Cancellation Policy**

- ❖ ₹2500 per person service charge if cancelled before 30 days
- ❖ 15% cancellation charges if cancelled before 30 days before the tour.
- 25% cancellation charges if cancelled within a 20 days before the tour.
- ❖ 50% cancellation charges if cancelled within a 10 days before the tour.
- No refund for tour starting within 10 days of tour or after starting or middle of the tour.
- No Show 100% of tour cost.