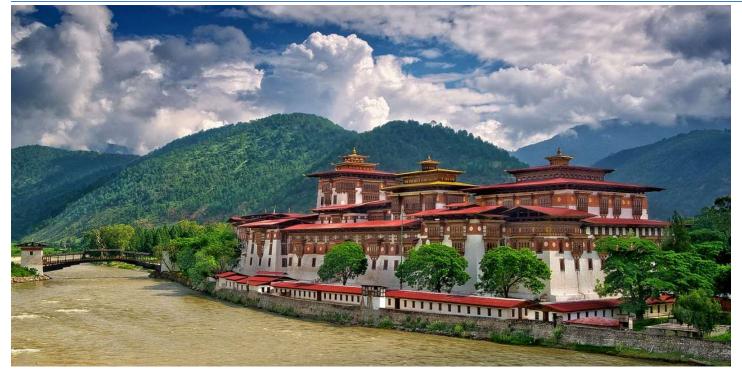




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6 Nights - 7 Days – EXPLORE BHUTAN

6 Nights/ 7 Days Tour to BHUTAN **Destinations:** Phuentsholing, Thimphu, Paro, Punakha/Wangdue **Package Type** – Starting and ending point would be Phuntsholing

Travel Plan

Day 1. IXB – Phuentsholing

Driving Distance - 171 Km. | Driving time –3 to 4 Hr. | Altitude of Phuentsholing: 293 m.

On arrival in IXB, you shall be received by our representative and the drive to Phuentsholing through the Indian plains. On arrival in Phuentsholing you shall be received **by your guide with "Tashi khadar".** Then process your permits and then check in hotel. In the evening, explore the Phuentsholing town.

Overnight in hotel.





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Day 2. Phuentsholing - Thimphu:

Driving Distance - 150 Km. | Driving time – 5 Hr | Altitude of Thimphu - 2350 m.

After breakfast drive to Thimphu. The travel from Phuentsholing to Thimphu shall bring you across diverse flora and fauna, beautiful landscapes and other elements of nature such as waterfalls. You shall also see hoe the plains become small foothills and then the big Himalayan slopes.

On arrival in Thimphu, explore the Thimphu town. The only capital city in the world without traffic lights. Overnight in hotel.

Day 3. Thimphu Sightseeing - Punakha:

Distance: 76 Km, Driving time: 1.5 - 2 Hr, Altitude of Punakha: 1310 m

Today you would be driven in and around Thimphu covering key places of interest. After breakfast you would visit

Ø Kuensel Phodrang, the gigantic Buddha Dordenma Statue located atop a hill in Kuensel Phodrang Nature Park.

Ø National Memorial Chhorten, a Stupa built in 1974 to honor the third <u>Druk Gyalpo</u>, Jigme Dorji <u>Wangchuck</u>. Every morning till night old people and young people circumambulate the Chhorten. You may choose to light butter lamps and also circumambulate around the Chorten.

Ø **Zorig Chusum,** Premier institute of traditional arts and crafts in Thimphu established with an objective of preserving "thirteen arts and crafts of Bhutan".

Ø **Folk Heritage**, traditional house giving an insight to the Bhutanese lifestyle, and artifacts from the rural households Afternoon, drive to Punakha. On the way stop at

Ø **Dochula Pass, l**ies at an elevation of 3,150 m and is a great place to view the higher Himalayas. The landmarks around the pass includes 108 Druk Wangyal Stupas built under the patronage of Queen Ashi Dorji Wangmo Wangchuk

 \emptyset Explore the Punakha and Wangdue Valley for a while

Dinner and overnight at the Hotel in Punakha/Wangdue





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Day 4. Punakha – Paro:

Driving Distance: 135 km, Driving Time: 4-5 Hr., Altitude of Paro: 2280 m

After breakfast, you would visit

Ø **Punakha Dzong,** built in 1637 by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal. For many years until the time of the second King, it served as the seat of the Government. It is still the winter residence of Je-Khenpo (The Chief Abbot of the Central Monastic Body of Bhutan)

Ø **Chhimi Lhakhang,** a famous Temple, which is also known as "The Temple of Fertility" built by Lama Drukpa Kuenley After Lunch, proceed to Paro for the final leg of the tour. On the way stop at

Ø **Royal Botanical Park, Lamperi**, also known as the Rhododendron Garden. It is the first Botanical Garden of Bhutan. It is famous for 46 species of rhododendrons.

Ø **Tamchog Lhakhang**, built by Thangthong Gyalpo in the 15th Century, Thangthong Gyalpo is also known as the iron bridge Builder. The walk the suspension iron chain bridge, the feel of the soothing breeze and river could be a great experience.

After arriving at Paro, you would be transferred to you Hotel for Check In. Post lunch, you would be taken around to visit

After arriving at Paro, you would be transferred to you Hotel for Check In. Evening is free for leisure activities such as Archery experience, National Dress wearing experience on direct payment basis and shopping around the Paro Town.

Dinner and overnight at the Hotel in Paro.

Day 5. Paro Sightseeing and Hike to Taktsang:

After breakfast, start your day with a hike to

 \emptyset **Taktsang Monastery (Tiger's nest), (A Tracking activity)** the abode of gods and monks situated at an altitude of 3100m on the Upper Paro Valley, Bhutan. As per the legend, Guru Padmasambhana (Guru Rinpoche), the tantrum mystic who brought Buddhism to Bhutan, came in the form of Dorje Droloe riding a flying tigress to subdue the demon that was obstructing the spread of Buddhism in the Himalayas.

After the completion of the hike, you would be served picnic lunch among the woods. Post lunch, visit

Ø **Kyichu Lhakhang**, one of the oldest monasteries in Bhutan built in the 7th century by the Tibetan Emperor Songtsen Gampo

Dinner and overnight at the Hotel in Paro.





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Day 6. Paro – Phuentsholing

Driving Distance - 150 Km. | Driving time - 5 Hr | Altitude of Thimphu - 2280 m.

After breakfast, you would be taken around to visit

Ø Paro Rimpung Dzong, also known as Fortress of the heap of jewels, built during the time of Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal in 1646

 \emptyset **Ta Dzong**, an ancient watch tower overlooking Rimpung Dzong built in 1951 now converted into national museum.

Explore Paro Town for a while or do some sightseeing (if not completed the previous day), then drive to Phuentsholing. Stop at places for photography and sightseeing.

Overnight in Hotel in Phuentsholing

Day 7. Phuentsholing – IXB and Departure

After breakfast, drive to IXB and Departure

TOUR / SERVICE ENDS

Concepts and clarity

Room allocation – 2 Adults in 1 double room

- Extra mattress A role away mattress will be provided in a same room as an extra mattress
- Child without bed- A child will share a parent's room without any extra mattress / bed
- Meal plan Breakfast and dinner included
- Vehicle note Non ac Sedan Car for all transfers







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Option A:

Itinerary and Hotels				
Day	Itinerary	Hotel		
Day 1	IXB - Pling	Gamega/Park/Similar		
Day 2	Pling - Thimphu	Thimphu Residency/Oro Villa/Similar		
Day 3	Thimphu - Punakha	Punakha Residency/Pema Karpo/Similar		
Day 4	Punakha - Paro	Paro Grand/Drukchen/Similar		
Day 5	Paro	Paro Grand/Drukchen/Similar		
Day 6	Paro - Pling	Gamega/Park/Similar		
Day 7	Pling - IXB N/A			
Cost				
Travelers		Rate per Person		
Adults in Dbl/Twin Room		INR 42,000/-		
Adults in Extra bed		INR 31,600/-		
Airfare will be charged at actual				

Option B:

Itinerary and Hotels			
Day	Itinerary	Hotel	
Day 1	IXB - Pling	Gamega/Park/Similar	
Day 2	Pling - Thimphu	Ariya/Pelyang Boutique/Similar	
Day 3	Thimphu - Punakha	RKPO Green Resort	
Day 4	Punakha - Paro	Tashi Namgay Resort (Deluxe Cottage)	
Day 5	Paro	Tashi Namgay Resort (Deluxe Cottage)	
Day 6	Paro - Pling	Gamega/Park/Similar	
Day 7	Pling - IXB	N/A	

Cost	
Travelers	Rate per Person
Adults in Dbl/Twin Room	INR 52,500/-
Adults in Extra bed	INR 37,500/-
Airfare will be charged at actual	







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IMP NOTE - GST 5% & TCS 5% will be extra on total bill amount.

Cost Inclusion:

Accommodation in the mentioned hotels (Base category twin rooms, unless specified)

Meal Plan (Only Set Menu): Breakfast and dinner included

Pick Up: From Bagdogra airport by Innova/Similar.

Drop: At Bagdogra airport by Innova/Similar.

Other transfers in Bhutan by: Toyota Coaster Bus/Similar (Non AC)

Govt SDF @ 1200 per person per night and other taxes applicable

Service of a certified English speaking guide (Within Bhutan)

Bottled water during the tour

Taxes Applicable

Entry Fees for Museums and Monuments is not included in the cost and is payable directly

Any services of activities mentioned in the itinerary but not included in the cost inclusion shall be payable directly by the guests

* Rates and Tour Operations are subject to change with the change in Government Regulations.

Permits, Bhutan Travel Documents and SDF

Kindly check if your permit/Visa for travel to Bhutan is advance E permit OR Permit/Visa on arrival. Please note if you are carrying an advance E permit, your SDF has been already paid and you do not need to pay on arrival. *SDF is payable on arrival for those guests who are traveling with "Permits on arrival" only.*





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Please carry the following documents in original while traveling to Bhutan

a. Passport, Voter ID or Birth Certificate (for children who have not attained the age for Voter ID),

Those traveling with Advance E permit will have to travel with Passport.

- b. Covid-19 Vaccination certificate
- c. Travel Insurance copy
- d. Passport Size Photo

Please ensure that you get an Entry and Exit stamp on your passport at the immigration counter while entering and exiting Bhutan. Once your entry or exit date is stamped at the immigration, please check if your entry and exit dates are correct

Entry Fees for Museums and Monuments

* Entry fees for the below mentioned points is INR 1000 per person per entry, except for Taktshang which is INR 2000 per person per entry

* Entry to Taktshang, Tashichhodzong, Memorial Chorten, Changangkha Lhakhang, Kyichu Lhakhang, Rinpung Dzong, Punakha Dzong and Chhimi Lhakhang shall not be allowed to Tourists on the following days:

15th of 1st Month (Chotrul Duchen)

10th day of 4th Month (Zhabdrung Kuchoe) (11th May 2022)

15th day of 4th Month (Saga Dawa Duchen/Lord Buddha Parinirvana) (14th June 2022)

4th Day of 6th Month (Chokor Duchen/ First Sermon of Lord Buddha) (1st August 2022)

22nd day of 9th Month (Lha Bab Duchen/ Descending day of Lord Buddha)(15th November 2022)

10th day of 5th Month (Birth Anniversary of Guru Rinpoche) (9th July 2022)

In case the above mentioned sights are mentioned in your itinerary and the day falls on any of the above days OR any of the sightseeing places are closed to tourists for any reason, we shall do other sightseeings in its place. The Above days are as per Bhutanese calendar





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The above quote is valid for 8 days from the date of quotation. Kindly send your confirmation within the time limit or else the quoted rates may vary.

Rooms & Rates are subject to availability at the time of confirmation.

Cancellation policy

- Cancellation due to the natural calamities like pandemic, flood situation, social war or attacks are beyond our control and cannot predict the cancellation penalty. Same time local body of the city, temple, museum, fort, Monument etc. suddenly declared close order and we are helpless in this or similar situation
- Cancellation charges per person will be applicable as follows:
- Cancellation penalties are change dynamically and as per the service provider's rules, like hoteliers, vehicle contractor etc.
- Almost 100% Cancellation charges / penalty applicable for peak Season travel date / Blackout dates / Special rooms / Long weekend travel dates / seasonal tours like Chardham, Amaranth etc.
- If cancellation is made any time not less than 30 days prior to departure, 30% of Package Cost or Rs. 5,000/- (whichever is higher) shall be deducted.
- If cancellation is made 29 to 15 days prior to departure, 50-60% of tour cost shall be deducted.
- If cancellation is made 16 to 00 day prior to departure, 100% of tour cost shall be deducted

Please note:

- ✓ If the airfare is quoted, then the cost is as of now and is subject to change.
- ✓ In case of non-availability of rooms at the hotels mentioned, we shall provide you alternate hotels of similar category.
- ✓ Check-in time at the hotel is 14:00 hrs & Check-out time at the hotel is 11.00 hrs.
- ✓ The above rates are may change subject to the travel date (Peak season / off Season) No of guests travelling together, Fuel price etc.
- ✓ Air condition of the vehicle will be closed in hilly areas and while the vehicle is parked / stand by Many time the vehicle will be NON AC for Kashmir tours

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