



9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS MYSTICAL BHUTAN TOUR PARO / THIMPHU / PUNAKHA / BUMTHANG / BANGKOK

* EXCLUSIVE PRIVATE TOUR "4 OR 2" TO GO * ENGLISH SPEAKING LOCAL TOURIST GUIDE
* HOTELS IN BHUTAN IS BASED ON SUPERIOR CATEGORY Tour Code : BHT9

Bhutan, the "Land of the Thunder Dragon", is no ordinary place. This is a country where buying cigarettes is illegal, where the rice is red and where chillies aren't just a seasoning but the entire dish. It's also a deeply Buddhist land, where men wear a tunic to work, where giant protective penises are painted on the walls of most houses, and where Gross National Happiness is deemed more important than Gross National Product. Tourism in Bhutan is also unique. Visitors famously have to pay a minimum of US\$200 per day for the cost of the ground tour, making it one of the world's most expensive countries to visit. If you do visit Bhutan, you will become one of the few who have experienced the charm and magic of one of the world's most enigmatic countries, the 'last Shangri La'. So why spend so much to come here? Because most of all, Bhutan offers an opportunity to glimpse another way of living, an alternative vision of what is truly important in life.

Day 1: Kuala Lumpur / Bangkok

- Depart on your pleasant flight to Bangkok. Overnight accommodation in Bangkok is included.
- Note :** In Bangkok, transfer BKK Airport / Hotel / BKK Airport & meals are at passenger own cost and arrangement.

Day 2: Bangkok / Paro / Thimphu (Paro to Thimphu 65km 2 hours drive) (Lunch / Dinner)

- Depart for Paro on national carrier Druk Air (via transit point).
- On the arrival at Paro International Airport, meet and greet by your local tourist guide, then drive to Thimphu, the capital city of Bhutan since 1974.
- Visit **National Memorial Stupa**, built in 1874 by Royal Queen Mother and dedicated to the father of Modern Bhutan
- Visit **National Library, School of Thirteen Arts & Crafts** and **National Institute of Traditional Medicines**.
- Drive to **BBS Tower** to get the magnificent view of **Thimphu** and you can also see the Queens Palaces.
- Visit **Thimphu Mini Zoo** where you can see the **National Animal "TAKIN"** which has a head of a goat and body of a cow.
- Visit the **Changangkha Monastery** which is built in 16th Century
- Visit the **Thimphu Tashi Cho Dzong**, the office of the King and the Throne Room and also the Summer Capital of Monastic.
- **Overnight: Dragon Root Hotel / Riverview Hotel / similar category**

Day3: Thimphu / Punakha (Thimphu to Punakha 74km 4 hours drive) (Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

- Drive to Punakha, the winetr capital for the monastic body.
- Visit **Simtokha Dzong**, built in 1629 and its the older Dzong build by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyel.
- At Dochula Pass at 3150m where you can see and enjoy the panoramic and stunning views of Eastern Himalayas,
- Visit one of the most beautiful **Punakha Dzong** built in 1637 by Great Zhabdrung Rimpoche who unified Bhutan
- **Overnight: Meri Puensum Resort / similar category**

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**Day 4: Punakha / Bumthang (Punakha to Bumthang 68km 3 hours drive)
(Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)**

- Drive to Bumthang over one of the most scenically beautiful routes in Bhutan
- Visits the **Trongsa Dzong** and the **Watch Tower**. The landscape around Trongsa is spectacular
- **Overnight: Gongkhar Guest House / similar category**
- Bumthang has only guest houses but they are very comfortable with good facilities.

Day 5: Bumthang (Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

- Visit the historical **Jakar Dzong** built by Minjur Tenpa, the third Druk Desi in 1646 A.D.
- Visit several ancient and important monasteries such as **Jambay Lhakhang, Kurjey Lhakhang, Kencho Sum Lhakhang, Tamshing and Pema Samba Lhakhangs**
- Visit the **Bumthang Swiss Farm** and the **Member Tso” The Flaming Lake”**, considered one of the most important pilgrimage spots.
- **Overnight: Gongkhar Guest House / similar category**

**Day 6: Bumthang / Punakha (Bumthang to Punakha 68km 3 hours drive)
(Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)**

- Drive to Punakha.
- Visit **Wangdue Dzong**
- Hike to the legendary **Chimi Lhakhang** built in 15th Century by a saint popularly known as Devine Mad Man “Drukpa Kuenley”.
- **Overnight: Meri Puensum Resort / similar category**

Day 7: Punakha / Paro (Punakha to Paro 130km 6 hours drive) (Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

- Drive to Paro and the **National Museum (Ta-Dzong)**, the Watch Tower of Paro Rinpung Dzong.
- Visit the **Paro Rinpung Dzong**. massive fortress is located on a hill top of Paro Valley.
- **Overnight: Tandinling Hotel / Tenzinling Hotel / Kyichu Resort / similar category**

Day 8: Paro (Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

- Visit the Great and Magnificent **Tiger’s Nest ‘Taksang Monastery’** at the height of 2900m, the hikes will takes about 2 hours up and approximately 1 hour down. Enroute, we make a stop at **Taksang Tea House ‘Cafeteria’** for refreshment of Tea & Coffee. On arrival at Taksang Monastery, you will be greeted by the monks who live there and Special Bhutanese Butter Tea will be served with snacks. Visit the most important monastery were the Guru Rimpoche was flying on a flaming tigress from Singye Dzong in Eastern Walk down to the Cafeteria for Vegetarian Lunch.
- Visit **Drugyal Dzong**, if the sky is clear we can see the Mount Chomolhari on the background.
- Drive to the **Paro town** and explore the town.
- **Overnight: Tandinling Hotel / Tenzinling Hotel / Kyichu Resort / similar category**

Day9: Paro / Bangkok / Kuala Lumpur (Breakfast)

- Early breakfast will be served and we bid a fond farewell to Bhutan for the flight back to Kuala Lumpur via Bangkok.

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