

Best of Bhutan Tour



The trip begins in Paro, where you will explore its most famous attractions, including the iconic Taktsang Monastery, perched dramatically on a cliff. Wander through the charming streets of Paro town and enjoy the peaceful valley surroundings before setting out for trekking adventures in the Himalayas. The route takes you to Jele Dzong, Jangchulakha and Chaluna, reaching high-altitude vistas of up to 3,770 meters, with breathtaking views of snow-capped peaks, forests, and meadows.

Continue your journey to Thimphu, the vibrant capital, where modern city life blends with Bhutanese traditions.

Explore landmarks such as the Memorial Chorten, Tashichho Dzong, and local markets. Next, travel to Punakha, home to the stunning Punakha Dzong and surrounded by fertile river valleys. Along the way, enjoy scenic drives through mountain passes, including the famous Dochula Pass, dotted with 108 Chortens.

Where is Best of Bhutan Tour?

The Best of Bhutan Tour takes place in the Kingdom of Bhutan, a small Himalayan country located between India and China. Known as the “Land of the Thunder Dragon,” Bhutan is famous for its pristine landscapes, rich Buddhist culture and warm hospitality. This 8-day tour covers Bhutan’s most iconic destinations, including Paro, Thimphu, and Punakha, as well as scenic trekking routes to Jele Dzong, Jangchulakha, and Chaluna. Travelers will explore monasteries, fortresses, mountain passes, and picturesque valleys, offering an authentic experience of Bhutan’s culture and natural beauty.

Trek Highlights:

- Explore the iconic Taktsang Monastery (Tiger’s Nest), perched on a cliff with panoramic views of the Paro Valley.
- Trek through pristine Himalayan trails to Jele Dzong, Jangchulakha, and Chaluna, reaching altitudes of up to 3,770 meters.
- Experience authentic Bhutanese life with homestays and cultural interactions in local villages.
- Discover Thimphu, Bhutan’s vibrant capital, visiting landmarks like Tashichho Dzong, Memorial Chorten, and bustling local markets.
- Visit Punakha Dzong, one of Bhutan’s most beautiful fortresses, set at the confluence of two rivers.
- Enjoy scenic drives through mountain passes, including the famous Dochula Pass with 108 chortens.
- Witness breathtaking Himalayan landscapes, lush valleys, and traditional villages along the route.

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Paro(2,280m)

Arrive at Paro International Airport, where you’ll be greeted with traditional Bhutanese hospitality. Transfer to your hotel and enjoy a short orientation walk around Paro town, surrounded by scenic valleys and traditional houses.

Day 2: Paro - Excursion to Taktsang Monastery

After breakfast, embark on a hike to the world-famous Taktsang Monastery (Tiger’s Nest), perched dramatically on a cliffside. Spend time exploring this spiritual landmark and soaking in panoramic views of the Paro Valley before returning to your hotel.

Day 3: Paro - Drive to Jele Dzong (3,560m)

Drive to the trailhead and begin your trek towards Jele Dzong. The hike takes 4–5 hours through pine forests and alpine meadows. Visit the historic Jele Dzong, offering spectacular views of the valley below.

Day 4: Jele Dzong - Jangchulakha (3,770m)

Continue trekking for 3–4 hours along ridgelines with magnificent Himalayan vistas. The route passes through yak pastures and pristine high-altitude landscapes before reaching Jangchulakha.

Day 5:Jangchulakha - chaluna

Trek for about 4 hours through forested trails and open valleys. Enjoy the peaceful surroundings and immerse yourself in Bhutan’s natural beauty before reaching Chaluna.

Day6: Thimphu sightseeing-Drive to Punakha(1,310m)

Morning drive to Bhutan's capital, Thimphu, for a city sightseeing tour, including the Memorial Chorten, Tashichho Dzong, and local markets. Continue to Punakha via Dochula Pass, with its 108 chortens and sweeping mountain views.

Day7: Punakha - Drive to Paro(2,320m)

Visit the majestic Punakha Dzong, one of Bhutan's most beautiful fortresses, located at the confluence of the Pho Chhu and Mo Chhu rivers. Afterward, drive back to Paro (about 4 hours) and enjoy a relaxed evening.

Day8: Paro - Departure

Early morning transfer to the airport for your departure flight, carrying unforgettable memories of Bhutan's culture, nature and hospitality.



Inclusions:

- Airport Transfers: Pick-up and drop-off services at Paro International Airport.
- Transportation: Private vehicle for all overland travel within Bhutan, including transfers between cities and sightseeing.
- Accommodation: Comfortable stays in standard hotels, lodges, or local guesthouses on a twin-sharing basis.
- Meals: Full board meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) throughout the tour, featuring Bhutanese and continental cuisine.

- Guided Sightseeing: Professional, English-speaking licensed Bhutanese guide for the entire trip.
- Trekking Arrangements: Camping equipment, porter services (where applicable), and support staff for trekking sections.
- Permits and Entry Fees: All necessary Bhutanese government permits, monastery/temple entry fees and trekking permits.
- Cultural Experiences: Participation in local activities, visits to monasteries, dzongs, markets and villages.
- Taxes and Service Charges: All applicable government taxes and official service fees.

Exclusions:

- International Flights: Airfare to and from Bhutan (Kathmandu–Paro–Kathmandu flights can be arranged on request).
- Travel Insurance: Mandatory travel insurance covering medical emergencies, trip cancellations, and high-altitude trekking.
- Visa Fees: Bhutan visa processing fees and any additional travel document charges.
- Personal Expenses: Shopping, laundry, phone calls, and personal snacks or beverages.
- Alcoholic Beverages and Soft Drinks: Not included in the meal package.
- Tips and Gratuities: Tips for guides, drivers, trekking staff, and hotel personnel.
- Optional Activities: Costs for extra tours, cultural shows, or activities not listed in the itinerary.
- Medical Expenses: Personal medications and treatment not covered by the tour package.
- Extra Accommodation: Any additional nights in Bhutan or Kathmandu before or after the tour.

Best time for the Best of Bhutan Tour

Spring (March to May): The valleys and mountain trails come alive with blooming rhododendrons and other colorful flora. This is perfect for trekking and sightseeing.

Autumn (September to November): After the monsoon, the air is crisp and clean, offering stunning views of snow-capped peaks. Festivals like Thimphu Tshechu and Punakha Drubchen also take place during this season, allowing travelers to experience Bhutanese culture at its finest.



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