

Bhutan Tour 5 days - 5 Days

A 5-day tour of Bhutan provides a peaceful and authentic Himalayan experience. Nestled in the eastern Himalayas, Bhutan is a kingdom renowned for its deep-rooted Vajrayana Buddhist culture. Surrounded by pristine forests, sacred rivers, and towering mountain peaks, Bhutan offers an array of experiences, including Dzongs, vibrant festivals, monasteries, and a glimpse into rural lifestyles, art, and crafts. The country is famous for its unique blend of spirituality, architecture, and natural tranquility.

Tour Highlights:

- Hike to the iconic Tiger's Nest Monastery
- Explore cultural landmarks and museums in Thimphu
- Discover Paro's museums and historic dzongs
- Visit Punakha Dzong and the Wangduephodrang market
- Cross the stunning Dochula Pass
- Enjoy a scenic drive from Paro to Thimphu

Why Choose a Bhutan Tour?

A tour of Bhutan will immerse you in breathtaking natural landscapes and rich cultural experiences in a truly unique Himalayan kingdom. Also, Bhutan is a carbon-negative country, boasting rich biodiversity and clean air. It allows travelers to gain insight into its deep-rooted traditions, including the concept of Gross National Happiness. You can support local artisans by purchasing ethical and handmade crafts. Exploring the distinctive architecture of dzongs, monasteries, and chortens. Because of its stunning landscapes and cultural sites, Bhutan is perfect for photographers.

Additionally, the country limits tourist access to preserve its environment and culture, ensuring a high-value travel experience.

Duration, Difficulty, Accommodation, and Essentials:

This tour lasts for 5 days and 4 nights. The difficulty level of this trek varies based on activities; sightseeing primarily involves travel by vehicle, making it easy, while the hike to Taktsang Monastery presents moderate difficulty. This tour is suitable for families and senior travelers; basic hiking and walking abilities are required for the monastery trek. Also, Accommodations in Bhutan are well-maintained, featuring comfortable 3-star hotels in Thimphu, Paro, and Punakha. Additionally, guesthouses or boutique resorts with traditional Bhutanese architecture are available. However, A Bhutan tourist visa is necessary and can be arranged through a licensed tour operator, along with route permits required for internal travel to Punakha/Wangdue.



PRICE INCLUDES

- Private transportation.
- Sightseeing fee, Monastery entrance fees as per the itinerary
- All necessary travel permits
- English-speaking local guide.
- Accommodation on single/twin room basis.
- Meal plan: Full Board Basis

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- Insurance of any kind.
- Additional cost due to natural calamity and unforeseen circumstances
- Visa Fee
- Flight Ticket
- Personal expenses such as drinks, guide tips &etc

DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrive in Paro and Drive to Thimphu

You will arrive at Paro International Airport, the only international airport in Bhutan. Upon your arrival, you will meet your tour guide, who will assist with visa and permit checks. Following this, enjoy a scenic drive to Thimphu, passing through the fertile Paro Valley, rivers, pine forests, and traditional Bhutanese farmhouses. After approximately a 2-hour drive, you will reach Thimphu. You may rest or explore local craft shops where artisans demonstrate traditional Bhutanese craftsmanship. Overnight stay will be in Thimphu.

Day 2: Thimphu to Punakha

After breakfast, you will begin your exploration of Thimphu Valley. Your first stop will be the Buddha Dordenma, a 51.5-meter statue that offers stunning panoramic views of the valley. Next, visit the Takin Preserve, home to Bhutan's unique goat-antelope hybrid. Afterward, explore the Textile and Folk Museum, showcasing traditional Bhutanese garments and a restored 19th-century traditional house that reflects rural Bhutanese life.

Following the museum, you will visit an art and craft school where you can observe students practicing Bhutan's 13 traditional arts. You will also explore the National Library of Bhutan, which preserves manuscripts in both printed and handwritten formats. In the afternoon, visit government-run craft stores featuring hand-woven fabrics, thankas, and handmade paper products. End your day with a visit to the Memorial Chorten, a stupa for prayer. Later, you will drive to Punakha via Dochula Pass, arriving in the evening, with time to explore local markets or nearby places.

Day 3: Punakha to Wangduephodrang

In the morning, embark on a hike to Taktsang Monastery (Tiger's Nest). The hike takes approximately 5 hours round trip, with an optional stop for refreshments at the Taktsang Cafeteria, which offers stunning valley views. Taktsang Monastery is Bhutan's most iconic site, situated 900 meters above Paro Valley on a cliff. The monastery complex includes multiple temples, meditation caves, and sacred relics and is believed to be where Guru Padmasambhava (Guru Rinpoche) meditated after flying in on a tigress.

In the afternoon, visit the Ta Dzong (National Museum of Bhutan), originally built as a watchtower and later converted into a museum housing rare Bhutanese art, weaponry, thangkas, natural history items, and a postage stamp gallery. Following this, visit Trinpung Dzong (Fortress of the Heap of Jewels), a prime example of Bhutanese architecture built in 1646, which is the site of the famous Paro Tshechu (Festival).

Day 4: Depart from Paro

In the morning, enjoy breakfast at the hotel and check out. Your tour guide will assist you with airport drop-off. Before you leave, you will receive a final blessing from the guide, along with a "Tashi Delek" scarf. Your journey concludes with beautiful memories of Bhutan.