

Himalayan Glory Travels and Tours

Round Bhutan

Trip Overview

Make a round trip around Bhutan and know the best of Bhutanese natural and cultural delights

Bhutan, the Land of the Thunder Dragon has always been a traveler's passion. The mysterious land Bhutan, due to its internal policies, was not known to the outside world and until 1960. Till then, few fortunate western travelers visited the country. Even today, Bhutan is one of the secrets of travel industry where very few people have traveled there to experience the ancient Buddhism, prospering amidst the spellbinding beauty of nature.

A small landlocked kingdom tucked between two Asian giants China and India covers the total area of 46500 square kilometers. The landscapes ranging from sub-tropical plains to sub-alpine Himalayan heights where, few mountains exceed 7000 meters are magnificent to watch. Buddhism is the major religion of Bhutan whereas; Hinduism is the second largest one.

The round tour of Bhutan where you are directly into the nature could be your lifetime's journey. Well-maintained mountainous highways sometimes reach beyond 4000m offering the enchanting views of Himalayas. Magnificent mountains, green countryside, air as pure as fresh morning dew, amazing architecture, the most wonderful and peace loving people and importantly, the thrills throughout the ride are the prime highlights of the tour. The tour is an ideal package for the insightful exploration of major towns of Bhutan like, Thimpu Paro and Punakha and the culture and lifestyles of people in these places. During nine-day Round Tour of Bhutan, we assure you that you will enjoy the biggest holiday in Bhutan, where the people are known to be the most content people on earth.

Trip Highlights

Day 1: Day 1: Arrival in Kathmandu airport and transfer to hotel

Day 2: Day 2: Transfer to airport for Kathmandu / paro flight.

Day 3: Day 3: Morning visit Drugyel Dzong, 18 kilometers away from Paro town.

On a clear day one can view the sacred Mount Chhomolhari, Mountain of Goddess (24,000 ft). Visit a typical Bhutanese farmhouse and sightseeing trip to the Paro Bazaar. Visit also Ta Dzong that houses the National Museum followed by a short walk to Paro Rimpung Dzong. See a traditional wooden bridge.

Day 4: Day 4: Drive to Satsam Chorten and then hike to viewpoint of Taktshang, the Tiger's Nest.

This monastery clings to a vertical granite cliff 3,000 ft above the valley floor. The monastery unfortunately got burnt in 1998 and has recently been reconstructed. OR Drive to Chelila Pass where you can see beautiful mountain ranges and rhododendron flowers in bloom. On the way back walk to Chela Nunnery.

Day 5: Day 5: Drive to Thimphu, the capital of Bhutan.

Sightseeing in Thimphu includes visit to the National Library, the School of Thangka Painting, the Traditional Medicine Institute, the Memorial Chorten and the Tashichho Dzong (Fortress of the Glorious Religion).

Day 6: Day 6: Drive to Punakha through Dochula Pass.

On a clear day, one can get an excellent view of the Himalayan range and also the Gasa Dzong at a distance. The journey continues through varying scenes of greenery all the way to Punakha. Visit Punakha town. The Punakha Dzong is set on the junction of the two rivers the Phochu (male river) and Mochu (female river) and is one of the most spectacular Dzongs in the country. At present this Dzong serves as the winter residence for the Je Khenpo, Chief Abbot of the Central Monastic Body. Afternoon, drive to Wangdue Phodrang and return to Thimphu in the evening.

Day 7: Day 7: Drive to Paro.

On the way, visit Simtokha Dzong the oldest fortress in Bhutan built in the 17th century by Shabdrung Ngawang Namgyal, the unifier of Bhutan. Afternoon visit Paro town and stroll through Paro town. Evening at leisure.

Day 8: Day 8: Early morning drive to Paro Airport for departure for departure.

Day 9: Day 9: Transfer to airport for your flight to Kathmandu or other onward destination.

Cost Include

- All Ground Private Transport
- All Sightseeing Entry Fees
- English speaking guide
- Hotel Accommodation as per itinerary on Full Board basis

Cost Exclude

• Nepal and Bhutan visa and Exit flight to/from Kathmandu.

- All Personal Expenses (Drinks, bar bills, etc...)
- Tips for guide
- Travel insurance extra expense.

Route Map

Joint Group Cost:

US\$2900