

EcoSmart Enchanting Bhutan

7 nights, 8 days

Overview

Discover the mystical charm of the Himalayas on this 7 Nights / 8 Days **Enchanting Bhutan** tour, where breathtaking landscapes, ancient monasteries, and vibrant traditions create an unforgettable experience. Explore picturesque valleys, peaceful monasteries, majestic fortresses, and charming towns while immersing yourself in Bhutan's unique culture and warm hospitality. From serene natural beauty to spiritual heritage and authentic local experiences, this journey offers the perfect blend of peace, adventure, and cultural discovery.

Highlights

- **Taktsang Monastery:** Bhutan's most iconic monastery, dramatically perched on a cliffside and revered as one of the holiest Buddhist pilgrimage sites in the Himalayas.
- **Buddha Dordenma:** A magnificent golden Buddha statue overlooking Thimphu Valley, symbolising peace, prosperity, and happiness.
- **Punakha Dzong:** One of Bhutan's most beautiful fortresses, situated at the confluence of the Pho Chhu and Mo Chhu rivers and renowned for its stunning architecture.
- **Dochula Pass:** A scenic mountain pass featuring 108 memorial chortens and spectacular panoramic views of the snow-capped Himalayan peaks.
- **National Memorial Chorten:** A revered white stupa built in memory of Bhutan's third king and an important centre of Buddhist devotion.

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- **Tashichho Dzong:** A majestic fortress-monastery serving as the seat of Bhutan's government and the summer residence of the Chief Abbot.
- **Paro Dzong:** A magnificent hilltop fortress overlooking the Paro River, celebrated for its traditional Bhutanese architecture and historical significance.
- **National Museum of Bhutan:** A fascinating museum preserving over 1,500 years of Bhutanese history through its extensive collection of art, artefacts, and cultural treasures.
- **Druk Wangyal Lhakhang:** A beautifully decorated temple famous for its vibrant murals depicting Bhutan's rich history, culture, and spirituality.
- **Wankha Waterfall:** A picturesque cascading waterfall surrounded by lush Himalayan landscapes, offering a refreshing stop on the journey to Thimphu.

Itinerary

Day 1

Bagdogra Airport – Phuentsholing

Phuentsholing

- Arrive at **Bagdogra International Airport**, where you will begin your journey towards the beautiful Kingdom of Bhutan.
- After completing the necessary immigration and entry permit formalities at the Indo-Bhutan border, proceed to **Phuentsholing**, the vibrant gateway town of Bhutan.
- Upon arrival, check in to the hotel, where our Tour Manager will warmly welcome and assist you with the tour briefing.
- Spend the evening relaxing after your journey or take a leisurely stroll around the nearby streets to experience the peaceful atmosphere of this charming border town.

Meals: Dinner
Overnight: Phuentsholing

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Day 2

Phuentsholing – Thimphu

Thimphu

- After breakfast, proceed towards **Thimphu**, the picturesque capital city of Bhutan, through scenic mountain roads surrounded by lush forests and breathtaking Himalayan landscapes.
- En route, pass through the beautiful hill town of **Gedu**, situated at an altitude of nearly 9,000 feet, and enjoy views of the impressive **Chukha Dam**, one of Bhutan's major hydroelectric projects.
- Visit the beautiful **Wankha Falls**, a refreshing natural attraction along the route. Later, stop at **Chuzom**, the spectacular confluence of the **Thimphu Chu** and **Paro Chu** rivers, an ideal location for memorable photographs.
- Arrive in Thimphu by evening and check in to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea & Dinner
Overnight: Thimphu

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Day 3

Thimphu

Thimphu

- Today, explore the unique capital city of Bhutan, where traditional culture blends beautifully with modern life.
- Drive past the iconic **National Memorial Chorten**, a magnificent whitewashed Tibetan-style stupa built in memory of Bhutan's Third King.
- Visit **Zorig Chusum (Institute of Traditional Arts)**, where students preserve Bhutan's ancient artistic traditions through painting, wood carving, embroidery, sculpture, and other traditional crafts.
- Enjoy panoramic views of the majestic **Tashichho Dzong**, an impressive fortress-monastery that houses the King's office and the central monastic body.
- Later, visit the magnificent **Buddha Dordenma Statue**, one of the world's largest seated Buddha statues, offering breathtaking views over the Thimphu Valley.
- **Special Experience:** Visit a traditional Bhutanese Living Museum, where you will experience authentic Bhutanese village life, local customs, traditional cuisine, folk music, cultural performances, and age-old traditions through interactive activities.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea & Dinner
Overnight: Thimphu

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Day 4

Thimphu – Punakha

Punakha

- After breakfast, proceed to **Punakha**, Bhutan's ancient capital and one of its most scenic valleys.
- En route, cross the spectacular **Dochula Pass** (3,100 metres), offering magnificent panoramic views of the snow-capped Himalayan mountain range on clear days.
- The pass is adorned with **108 beautifully built memorial chortens**, constructed in honour of Bhutanese soldiers.
- Visit the beautiful **Druk Wangyal Lhakhang**, renowned for its vibrant murals depicting Bhutan's history and traditions. Continue to the magnificent **Punakha Dzong**, one of Bhutan's most beautiful fortresses, majestically situated at the confluence of the **Pho Chhu** and **Mo Chhu** rivers.
- This architectural masterpiece has served as an important religious and administrative centre for centuries.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea & Dinner
Overnight: Punakha

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Day 5

Punakha – Paro

Paro

- After breakfast, proceed to the picturesque valley town of **Paro**, famous for its rich cultural heritage, stunning landscapes, and traditional Bhutanese architecture.
- Upon arrival, check in to your hotel before visiting the magnificent **Paro Dzong (Rinpung Dzong)**, a historic fortress-monastery perched on a hillside overlooking the Paro River.
- The dzong is admired for its impressive Bhutanese architecture and historical significance.
- Later, visit the famous **Paro International Airport View Point**, where you can witness one of the world's most spectacular airport approaches. Surrounded by towering mountains, Paro Airport is regarded as one of the most challenging commercial airports for pilots.
- In the evening, enjoy free time to explore **Paro Market**, where you can shop for Bhutanese handicrafts, souvenirs, textiles, prayer flags, and local products.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea & Dinner
Overnight: Paro

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Day 6

Paro – Taktsang Monastery (Tiger's Nest) – Paro

Paro

- Today is dedicated to visiting Bhutan's most iconic landmark — the world-famous **Taktsang Monastery**, popularly known as the **Tiger's Nest**.
- Perched dramatically on the edge of a steep cliff nearly 900 metres above the Paro Valley, this sacred monastery is one of the holiest Buddhist pilgrimage sites in the world. Built in 1692, it is believed that **Guru Rinpoche (Guru Padmasambhava)** flew to this location from Tibet on the back of a tigress and meditated here for three months, making it one of Bhutan's most revered spiritual destinations.
- The hike to the monastery offers spectacular views of the surrounding mountains, forests, waterfalls, and valleys, making it one of the most unforgettable experiences of the tour.
- After completing the visit, return to Paro for the evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea & Dinner
Overnight: Paro

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Day 7

Paro – Phuentsholing

Phuentsholing

- After breakfast, visit the **National Museum of Bhutan (Ta Dzong)**, established in 1968. The museum houses an impressive collection of over 3,000 artifacts showcasing Bhutan's rich cultural heritage, including ancient weapons, traditional costumes, armour, handicrafts, religious paintings, bronze statues, textiles, and historical relics spanning more than 1,500 years.
- Later, begin your scenic drive back to **Phuentsholing**, enjoying the beautiful mountain landscapes one last time.
- Upon arrival, check in to your hotel. The evening is free to relax or explore the local market at your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea & Dinner
Overnight: Phuentsholing

Day 8

Phuentsholing – Bagdogra Airport – Departure

Bagdogra Airport

- After breakfast, check out from the hotel and proceed towards **Bagdogra International Airport** for your onward journey.
- As your memorable Bhutan adventure comes to an end, bid farewell to your fellow travellers while carrying unforgettable memories of majestic monasteries, breathtaking Himalayan landscapes, rich Buddhist culture, and the warm hospitality of Bhutan.
- We look forward to welcoming you again on another wonderful journey with **Waari**.

Meals: Breakfast

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Dates and Rates

- Sorry no more departures available. You could get in touch with us at travel@waari.in if you'd like to make a booking.

Inclusions

- Pick-up and drop off from your door to door by cab (in selected cities)
- Travel by comfortable A/C cars, tempo travellers, mini buses or big buses, depending on the respective tour group size
- Accommodation in premium hotels on twin/triple/single sharing basis
- All Meals – Morning tea/coffee, breakfast, lunch, evening tea/coffee with cookies/snacks, dinner
- Visa Charges
- 2 water bottles per person per day
- Cost of Insurance (Up to 59 Years of age)
- Hotel & restaurants tips
- Permits/entrance fees for all sightseeing places that are to be visited from the inside
- Accompanied local guide/s services wherever required
- Experienced Tour Manager service from Day 01 meeting point till the dropping point on the last day
- Pick-up and drop service at the destination for joining and leaving guests

Exclusions

- Government of India Goods & Services Tax (GST) of 5%
- TCS 2% or 20%, as per the Government rule, is applicable on International tours only
- To and fro Air/Train transport fare
- Any new tax/es levied by the central or state government
- Cost of Insurance (Above 60 Years of age)
- Any upgradation in vehicle, hotel or hotel room category

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- Any extra expense incurred due to any force majeure situation before the tour departure or during the tour, such as a change in airline schedule, route or operation, changing the tour date, a change in hotel, etc.
- Personal expenses like porterage, laundry, telephone, shopping, alcoholic beverages, extra mineral water or food which is not a part of the group's set meal menu
- Any extra cost incurred due to illness, accident, hospitalization or any personal emergency
- Cost of any optional activity or service
- Anything specifically not mentioned in the 'tour price includes' column

Pickup point

View on Google Maps →

Important Information & Tour Guidelines

- Guests opting for Joining & Leaving arrangements are required to book their own flight/train tickets and arrange airport/railway station transfers unless otherwise specified.
- To avail the group airport transfer, the following conditions must be met
- Your arrival airport must be the same as the group's scheduled arrival airport.
- Your arrival time should be at least one hour before the scheduled group flight arrival time.
- On the last day, your departure flight must be from the same airport and scheduled after the group's departure flight.
- Standard hotel check-in time is generally 2:00 PM (or as per the hotel's policy) and check-out time is 10:00 AM / 11:00 AM (or as per the hotel's policy). Early check-in and late check-out are subject to hotel availability and may attract additional charges.
- If your flight arrives before the standard check-in time, we may arrange sightseeing or other activities, wherever operationally feasible, to help you make the most of your day.

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- In case of flight rescheduling resulting in an earlier arrival or later departure, additional meals or refreshments, if required as per the revised schedule, will be arranged at the company's discretion.
- Extra Adult/Child with Mattress bookings will be provided with one mattress per room, as applicable.
- Meals are served only as mentioned in the tour itinerary. Meals during air travel, train journeys, bus travel, transit halts, or personal stopovers are not included unless specifically mentioned.
- Seating in the tour vehicle is allotted on a first come, first served basis at the beginning of the tour and will remain the same throughout the journey unless otherwise decided by the Tour Manager for operational reasons.
- Due to operational requirements, weather conditions, local circumstances, traffic, government regulations, or other unavoidable reasons, the sightseeing sequence, itinerary, or travel route may be changed or reversed. However, every effort will be made to provide all the inclusions or suitable alternatives.
- All our departures are planned to operate as scheduled. However, if the minimum required number of participants is not achieved, the company reserves the right to merge the departure with another date or offer suitable alternatives. Guests may also opt for a customised package, where certain group services such as the Tour Manager, group activities, games, meals, or entry tickets may vary or may not be available.
- Air tickets issued under promotional, special, or non-refundable fares are subject to the respective airline's fare rules and may be partially or fully non-refundable.
- Guests are advised to keep their passports, travel documents, valuables, cash, and personal belongings safe throughout the tour. Waari shall not be responsible for any loss due to negligence or unforeseen circumstances.
- Always carry Waari's emergency contact details along with your Tour Manager's contact number during the journey
- All tours are conducted subject to Waari's Terms & Conditions, which form an integral part of your booking.