



BHUTAN

'A Buddhist Kingdom of Himalayas'

Duration: 3N / 4D

OVERVIEW

Bhutan, named “The Land of the Thunder Dragon” by Bhutanese natives, is a tiny Buddhist country nestled in between Nepal, India, and China.

It is most famous for its national vision of creating balance between the spiritual and the material through what is called “Gross National Happiness,” contrary to the western ideal of Gross National Product.

Climate

- **Spring (March, April, May)**

Spring is the favourite time to visit Bhutan. Nature lovers who are keen on local flora should consider visiting Bhutan end of April or in May. Flowers would be in full bloom then.

- **Fall (September, October, November)**

Thimphu Festival usually takes places at the end of September or early October.



FUN FACTS

1: LAND OF THUNDER DRAGON

Bhutan is called “The Land of Thunder Dragons” because of the violent and large thunderstorms that whip down through the valleys from the Himalayas. The contrast in temperature from the Indian plains and the high mountains of the Himalayas also creates dramatic cloud-scapes that can be seen as you drive over the high mountain passes.

2: STATE RELIGION

Tantric Buddhism is the official religion, followed by Hinduism. Buddhism is state sponsored and the Dzong’s and temples are maintained and supported by the government.

3: THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN

Gangkhar Puensum is the highest mountain in Bhutan and considered so sacred that no one has yet climbed to its peak (at 24,840 feet). The views of the mountains as you drive across the high passes are jaw dropping and the highlight of any journey through Bhutan.

4: GROSS NATIONAL HAPPINESS

Bhutan is the first country to switch from the western ideal of Gross National Product to “Gross National Happiness,” which is achieved through four foundations: good governance, natural environment, sustainable growth, and cultural values.



FLIGHT DETAILS

Bhutan						
Onwards				Return		
Hubs	Airline	Stops	Time	Airline	Stops	Time
Mumbai	Jet Airways / Bhutan Airways	Kolkata	2:25-09:55	Indigo / Bhutan Airlines	Kolkata	10:55-17:30
Delhi	Druk Air	Kathmandu	06:35-10:30	Druk Air	Kathmandu	11:50-14:45
Kolkata	Druk Air (Flight 1)	Direct	09:10-10:50	Druk Air	Direct	11:00-14:40
	Bhutan Airlines (Flight 2)	Direct	08:15-09:55	Druk Air	Direct	10:55-11:55

Direct connectivity from Kolkata only.

Option 1: All hubs travel to Kolkata-Kolkata board flight to Bhutan

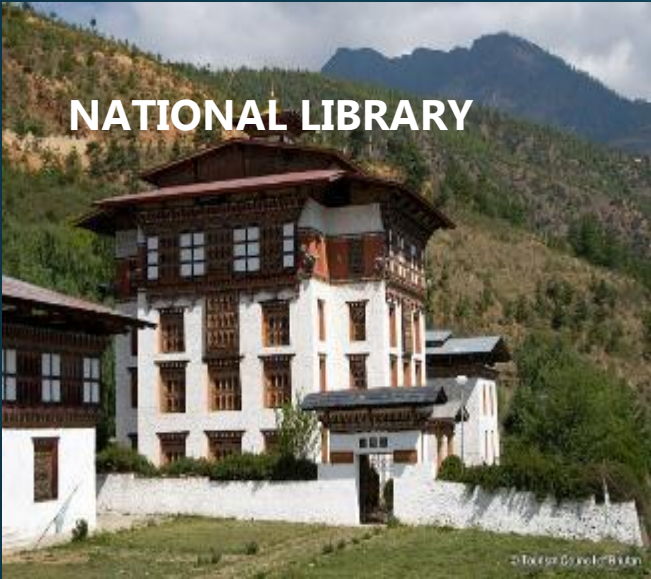
Option 2: Delhi boards Flight for Bhutan which halts at Kathmandu

Option 3: No flights available from the other hubs, thus, they can travel either to Delhi or Kolkata (which has a direct flight)

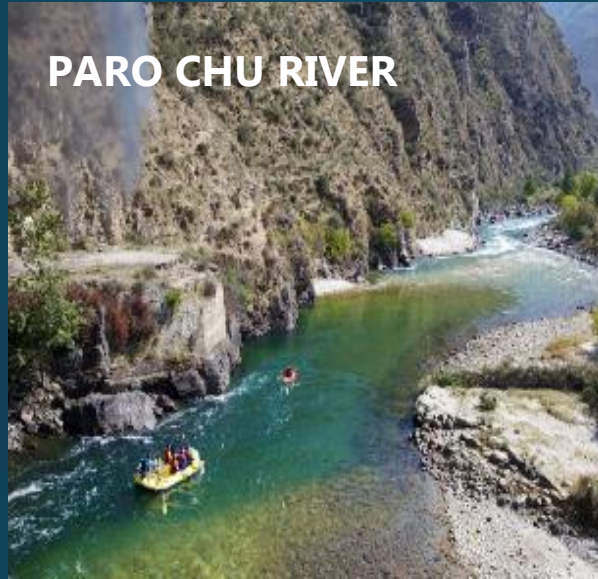


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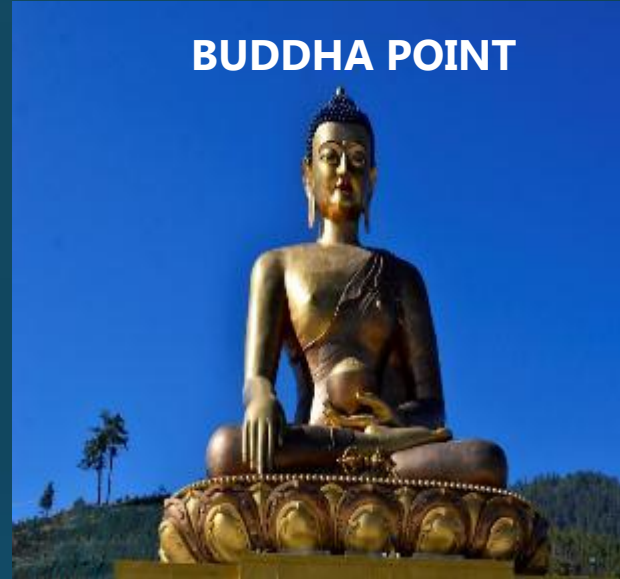
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BUDDHA POINT



DRUGYAL DZONG PRISON



KING'S MEMORIAL CHORTEN



TAKIN PRESERVATION CENTRE



JUBNGDHI PAPER FACTORY



DAY WISE ITINERARY

Day 01:

- Arrive at Paro Airport
- Meet and Greet by Representative staff by offering a welcome scarf / khadar & also a welcome drink.
- Transfer in Coach Bus to hotel in Paro.
- Lunch in hotel & later freshen up.
- Visit Tashichho Dzong, which houses throne room of His Majesty the King
- Explore the city by walk on our own or relax in the hotel.
- Evening Cultural program (traditional dances and folk lore, they showcase the Bhutanese culture and tradition.) along with Dinner in “Bhutan kitchen “ restaurant



Day 02:

- Breakfast at hotel
- Visit King's Memorial Chorten (Stupa) -This Stupa was built in the memory of our Third King of Bhutan.
- Visit Buddha Point -There is a statue of Buddha which is 169 feet.
- Visit National Library -There are lots of Bhutanese scripts and also we have the biggest book in the world.
- Lunch at the Indian Restaurant
- Visit Handmade Paper Factory -The Jungshi handmade paper factory uses traditional methods to produce the authentic Bhutanese paper known as Deh-sho. It is located approximately 1 km from Thimphu City.
- Visit Takin Preservation Centre -contains national animal takin.
- Evening drive back to Paro. One Cultural event (FOC from Bhutan Buddha Travellers)
One bone fire and dinner in that Local Restaurant. Overnight at a hotel in Paro.



Day 03:

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Proceed for sightseeing
- Visit
 - Drugyal Dzong Prison
 - Dumtse Temple,
 - Kichu Temple.
- Evening explore Paro Town and go shopping.
- Gala dinner at night.
- Overnight at a hotel in Paro.



Day 4:

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Check out From the Hotel
- Transfer to the Airport



Le Meridien 5*

- Le Méridien exposes the curious and creative-minded traveller to the most unexpected and engaging experiences a destination has to offer.
- Pop innovators Nouvelle Vague and Le Méridien present an exclusive 24-hour playlist honouring our French heritage that can be heard throughout the Le Méridien Hub.
- Unique access to an array of forward-thinking galleries and institutions for the culturally curious traveller.
- No of rooms: 59 rooms



Naksel Resort 5*

- Naksel, a community-based project that is eco friendly and Energy Saver efficient, blends the heritage of traditional Bhutanese architecture and the comfort of modern amenities.
- Elaborate hand-carved pillars and beautiful stonework exemplify the essence of Bhutan while tapered mud-brick walls provide insulation and restful silence.
- Leading Bhutan in energy efficiency, Naksel features Swedish.
- Traditional windows, mud-bricks, framework and even furniture were locally crafted here in Ngoba Village, connecting Naksel to the surrounding forest.
- No of rooms: 38 rooms



Tashi Namgay Resort 4*

- “Rediscover the uniqueness of Bhutanese tradition” As you prepare to land at the Paro International Airport, the eye catching Tashi Namgay Resort opposite to Bhutan’s only international airport would greet you with the warmth and serenity that you hope to achieve on your visit.
- The resort is set amidst five acres of lush foliage and green lawns. Located conveniently in the heart of Paro valley but away from the distractions of the main town, Tashi Namgay Resort offers you a calm and peaceful environment within a five-acre compound. Unique blends of traditional Bhutanese and modern architecture have been provided for, yet at the same time offering you all the amenities of a modern lifestyle.
- No of rooms: 58 rooms



Metta Resort 3*



- The Pali word Metta is a multi-significant term meaning "loving kindness". Metta is indeed a universal, unselfish and all-embracing love.
- The Pali commentators define Metta as the strong wish for the welfare and happiness of others.
- No of rooms: 23 rooms



Cost Implications

Hotel Name	Le Merdien 5*	Naksel Resort 5*	Tashi Namgay Resort 4*	Metta Resort 3*
Ground	33900	28552	12200	10800
Flight	13778	13778	13778	13778
Total	47678	42330	25978	24578

Note:

The cost given is per person cost.

The cost shall vary according to the itinerary as well as the time of booking



INCLUSIONS:

- Airfare
- Accommodation in well-appointed room for 3Nights/4 Days on Twin Share basis
- 01 Breakfast, 01 Lunch & 01 Dinner for each night of stay
- Return Airport Transfers along with Sightseeing transfers <tour guide for entire trip>
- Entrance fees wherever applicable
- 01 Gala Night on Day 3 which includes:-
 - Free-flow Alcohol for 2 hrs as well as Starters (2 veg & 2 non veg)
 - DJ Sound & Lights
 - Cultural Dance in Last night along with bone fire

EXCLUSIONS:

- Travel Insurance
- Personal Expenses (laundry services, Telephone call, Alcoholic and Non alcoholic drinks)
- Early check-ins & late check-outs





Thank you !!

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