



Western Bhutan Tour

Free cancellation up to 60 day(s) prior departure, after which the tour cancellation policy applies.

- **Activities:**
 - Cultural Walking
 - Local Living
 - Trekking and Hiking
 - UNESCO
 - Valley
- **Travel Style:** Premium
- **Guiding Type:** Live Guide/Instructor
- **Activities:**
 - English
- **Tour Vibe:** Active
- **Guiding Type:** Live Guide/Instructor
- **Recommended For:**
 - Couple
 - Family/Kids
 - Senior
 - Solo
 - Women
 - Youth
- **Country:**
 - Asia
 - Bhutan
- **Routes:**
 - Paro International Airport
 - Thimphu
 - Phobjikha Valley
 - Punakha
 - Chimi Lhakhang
 - Punakha

- Paro
- Paro Taktsang
- Paro International Airport
- **Pickup:** Airport;

From:12:00 AM

To:12:00 AM

- **Drop-off:** Airport;

From:12:00 AM

To:12:00 AM

- **Age Range:** 2 - 85 (Years Old)
- **Tour Highlights:**

Western Bhutan Tour 7 days gives you a chance to explore the popular sites of a kingdom that maintains its independence and isolation from the outside world and so perpetuates an enchanting Himalayan culture and tradition. Inaugurate your journey with a scenic flight of arrival to Paro, the tour takes places like Drugyel Dzong, Ta Dzong you will then go for a hike to Taktsang monastery. The 2-hour hike let us experience the wonderful platform of culture and heritage sites in Bhutan. The monastery is located on the cliffside of the upper Paro valley in Bhutan. Then, we will explore the capital of Bhutan also, the largest city in Bhutan. Moreover, the capital offers us wonderful Buddhist monasteries and Gompas such as Memorial Chorten, Tashi Choe Dzong, cemetery farmers markets, crafts bazaars. Besides, you can visit Takins-home to Bhutan's national animals. On the other hand, ramble around Punakha Dzong and hike to Khamsum Yulley Namgyal Chorten, Wangdi Dzong, and explore Jigme Dorji National Park in Punakha. Likewise, the tour comes to an end and returns back where you started from. Find yourself in an exotic place so different from your everyday world. Many clients start with this tour and based upon what they experience, return later to explore the many more things Bhutan has to offer.

The unchallenging and delightful trip to Western Bhutan covers an area of scenic magnificence and cultural specificity displaying the best of Bhutan. Therefore, you will be simply astonished by the splendour and cultural uniqueness that is offered by Bhutan. On the Other hand, the best season for this tour is all around the year. There is no specific time or season for this tour. Thus, this breathtaking tour to Bhutan is one of the life-changing experiences for many people pursuing cultural odyssey.

- **Tour Introduction:**

Bhutan, the most popular tourists destination, is well known for its distinctive cultural heritage offers you different relic visits to different traditional and overwhelming places having historical Significance. Western Bhutan Tour, the cultural tour lets you explore several places in Bhutan

including the capital where the rare side of Paro Thimphu and Punakha is. Get deep experience in Druk (Bhutan local) experience, Drukpa cuisine, Buddhist culture, and urban natural atmosphere, the beautiful experience it will be. A well developed western part of the country, Bhutan grants convenient infrastructure and services for the comfort of all national and foreign visitors.

- **Itinerary:**

- **Day 1: Arrival at Paro and Departure to Thimpu**

Our representative from Bhutan will receive you at the Airport. You will be taken to the hotel for checking in with your Welcome tea. And then visit Kyichu monastery dating back to the 7th century, one of the oldest monasteries in Bhutan. After having lunch you will head to Drugyel dzong, a ruined fortress at present, and it was built in 1649 by Shabdrung Nawang Namgyel. The dzong was actually built to commemorate the winning victory over the Tibetans in 1644, holds great historical significance. The name means the victorious Bhutanese. This spot offers a magnificent vista of Mount Chomolhari, “Mountain of Goddess” 7329 meters. Visit a typical Bhutanese farmhouse on the way back. Lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon, Visit the National Museum – Ta-Dzong. Once the watchtower for the Rimpung Dzong, it was converted into the National Museum in 1968. The Museum stands on a promontory overlooking the Paro valley in all its glory. Visit the Paro Rinpung Dzong. A flagstone path rises gradually from a beautiful wooden bridge with shingle roofing abutted by two guardhouses, to the dzong. Today, the Dzong is the seat of the district administration as well as the home for the monastic school. The central tower Use of the Dzong, with the superb woodwork, is one of the most beautiful in the nation. The Dzong was built in 1645 A.D. Evening: Tea at the hotel and drive for two hours 65 km. to reach the capital city of Bhutan. Overnight in Thimphu.

- **Day 2: Short Touring of Thimphu and Departure to Phobjikha**

Today, you will start your tour with a visit to the school of Arts and Crafts established to preserve and promote our age-old arts and crafts. Explore the Folk Heritage Museum which is a replica of a medieval farmhouse, and you might get to see this kind of house in some of our rural parts. And visit the mini zoo to see the Takins which is our national animal. Have lunch in town and visit our Memorial Chorten, a stupa built-in 1974 in the memory of our beloved 3rd king. After exploration then, you will head to the next destination Phobjikha with a comfortable drive. Overnight in Phobjikha.

- **Day 3: Experiencing Phobjikha Valley**

The day to explore Phobjikha valley with the first visit to Gangtey Goemba, located atop a hill grants a magnificent view of the entire Phobjikha valley. A very significant site related to Saint Pema Lingpa, the reincarnation of Guru Rinpoche who introduced Buddhism in the country and uncovered its treasures. It also houses one of the largest halls in Bhutan. Mostly known as the Black Cranes circle the monastery three times when they arrive and three times when they leave. After then, you will head to the Black-necked Crane, an indigenous species of the Himalayan Region. They migrate from Tibet to Bhutan in late autumn each year. Black Necked Crane Information Centre is run by the Royal Society for Protection of Nature (RSPN) and has an observation room with high-power telescopes and good scope for spotting the famous Black Necked Crane which

migrates to the region during winter. Get a proper exploration of the sites nearby during the route. Overnight in Phobjikha. After the morning breakfast session, you will be departing for Punakha. This journey will stop at the entrance of Punakha valley where Chimi Lhakhang is located. A sacred Buddhist temple idyllically nestled atop a rotund hill in Punakha district Chimi Lh. Today, many newly married and childless couples from all over the world visit Chimi Lhakhang to receive fertility blessings. Get more pieces of information on history and cultures. After touring Chimi Lhakhang, you will be escorted to your hotel in Punakha.

- **Day 4: Departure to Punakha Dzongkhag and paying a visit to Chimi Lhakhang**

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- **Day 5: Punakha Sightseeing**

Proceed for a full-day tour to Punakha (Approx 85km/ 3 Hours From Thimphu). Today, you will make your way to Punakha Dzong, sitting in an exceedingly sultry, fertile and exquisite natural depression between Pho Chhu (Male River) and Mo Chhu (female river). With white-brilliant walls, red roofs and therefore the close charming nature, Punakha Dzong is praised because of the most stunning one in Bhutan's twenty-one Dzong. once the spring comes, the encircling lilac rosewood tree trees in blossom build Punakha Dzong additional beautiful. Punakha is the capital of the Punakha Dzongkhag district of Bhutan. Punakha was the capital of Bhutan till 1955. Wangdue Phodrang is a town and capital (dzongkhag thromde) of Wangdue Phodrang District in central Bhutan. Enroute Dochu la Pass. The pass is popular among tourists because of its 360-degree panoramic view of the Himalayan range. The place is worth going on clear winter days with a magnificent view of snowcapped mountains and mountain passes. Overnight in Punakha.

- **Day 6: Drive Back to Paro**

You will finally be leaving for Paro valley where your journey started. Enjoy drive seeing the lush forests, natural beauty, the old buildings, monasteries, arts, cultures, tiny houses etc. Overnight in Paro.

- **Day 7: Hike To Taktsang monastery 10Km**

After reaching Paro, the main motive is to experience a short trek to Taktsang monastery 10km. from Paro Town. The name Taktsang means "Tiger's nest". The monastery is perched on a rocky ledge with a sheer drop of nearly 800m, the second half of the 8th century, Guru Padma Sambhava, the second Buddha, alighted here upon the back of a tigress. Picnic lunch at Taktsang cafeteria. The round trip hike takes about 4 hrs. Evening: a casual ramble through Paro Town for shopping and visit to some village homes. Overnight in Paro.

◦ Day 8: **Departure Day**

The admiring trip comes to an end today!!! You will be transferred to the airport for departure. Off to Bhutan staff will bid you farewell and safe journeys until we meet again.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Location	Nights	Type	Property Name	Rating	Occupancy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pickup & Drop-Off <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Airport Transfer • Guide • Meals • Transport 					

WHAT'S EXCLUDED

- Flights
- Insurance
- Transport
- **Other Excluded:**

Meals not specified in the 'Meal Inclusions' in the itinerary"

International flights to/from Bhutan

Nepal entry and re-entry visa fee

Personal shopping, internet/Phone bill, and laundry

Pony service and porters

Tips for tour guide and driver

Covid Safety

All Staff Members Are Vaccinated

Tour Cancellation Policy

Free cancellation up to 60 day(s) prior departure, Or traveler will pay 50 % of the tour amount

After 60 Days, No refund

Good To Know

FAQs