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# **Bhutan Tour - 10 Days**

# 10-Day Bhutan Tour – Discover the Land of the Thunder Dragon

Embark on a mesmerizing 10-day Bhutan tour that combines spiritual discovery, breathtaking Himalayan views, and deep cultural immersion. Starting in <a href="Kathmandu">Kathmandu</a>, this journey takes you through the heart of Bhutan—from vibrant Thimphu to the peaceful valleys of Punakha, Phobjikha, and iconic Paro. Whether you're drawn by ancient monasteries, dramatic mountain scenery, or Bhutan's unique culture, this Bhutan tour promises a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

#### **Tour Overview: Bhutan 10 Days**

Your Bhutan adventure begins in Kathmandu, Nepal's capital, where you explore UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Then, take a scenic flight to Paro, Bhutan, and transfer to Thimphu, the charming Bhutanese capital. Explore famous landmarks like Tashichho Dzong, the massive Buddha Dordenma, and the Folk Heritage Museum.

Continue your journey over the stunning Dochula Pass (3,100m) to Punakha, home to the majestic Punakha Dzong and sacred Chimi Lhakhang temple. In the serene Phobjikha Valley, visit the Gangtey Monastery and learn about the endangered Black-necked Cranes.

Return to Paro for the highlight of your tour—a rewarding hike to the world-renowned Tiger's Nest Monastery (Paro Taktsang), dramatically perched on a cliffside at 3,120 meters. Discover more of Paro's heritage at Kyichu Lhakhang and the National Museum before flying back to Kathmandu for a free day of sightseeing or shopping.

This immersive 10-day Bhutan tour is perfect for culture lovers, nature enthusiasts, and those seeking spiritual rejuvenation in the Himalayas.

#### **Bhutan Tour 10 Days – Major Highlights**

- ? Paro Taktsang (Tiger's Nest Monastery) Bhutan's most iconic site, located on a cliff 900 meters above the Paro Valley.
- ? Thimphu Sightseeing Explore Tashichho Dzong, Buddha Dordenma, traditional arts, and the local weekend market.
- ? Punakha Dzong A riverside architectural masterpiece surrounded by jacaranda trees.
- ? Dochula Pass (3,100m) A panoramic viewpoint with 108 chortens and snow-capped Himalayan peaks.
- ? Phobjikha Valley Peaceful glacial valley known for Black-necked Cranes (best seen between Nov-Feb).
- ? Gangtey Monastery Important Nyingma monastery located above the Phobjikha Valley.
- ? Bhutanese Culture & Festivals Experience local customs, colorful festivals (Tshechus), and traditional dances.
- ? Authentic Bhutanese Cuisine Savor dishes like Ema Datshi (chili cheese), butter tea, and red rice.

# Why Choose This Bhutan Tour?



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- ?? Fly-in from Kathmandu Convenient international access from Nepal.
- ?? Perfect mix of culture and nature From ancient dzongs to pristine valleys.
- ???? Iconic hike Tiger's Nest Monastery trek is a bucket-list adventure.
- ?? Peaceful travel pace Ideal balance of sightseeing, travel, and relaxation.
- ? Photographer's paradise Capture monasteries, mountain vistas, and authentic village life.

#### **Best Time to Visit Bhutan**

The best seasons for this 10-day Bhutan tour are spring (March to May) and autumn (September to November). During these months, the weather is clear, ideal for hiking and sightseeing, and many vibrant festivals are celebrated across the country.

## **Book Your 10-Day Bhutan Tour Today**

Experience the magic of Bhutan with our expertly curated 10-day tour. Whether you're a spiritual seeker, cultural explorer, or adventure lover, this Bhutan itinerary offers unforgettable memories and meaningful connections.

? Contact us now to customize your Bhutan travel experience or reserve your seat for this incredible journey!



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## PRICE INCLUDES

- Airport pick up and drop.
- Kathmandu sightseeing.
- Hotel 3 nights in Kathmandu.
- · Foods during the Bhutan Tour.
- Transport with A/c car.
- Kathmandu to Paro/ Kathmandu flight tickets.
- Accommodation during a tour in Bhutan (6 nights- 4-star).
- Guide (foods, salary, and insurance).
- Kathmandu sightseeing.
- Permits Bhutan.
- Daily Government Royalties and Taxes (\$100 per person per night).
- Entrance Fees/Monuments Fee.
- All transfer vehicles and sightseeing as per the itinerary.
- English-speaking accompanying guide.
- Breakfast and dinner at the hotel and lunch at the local tourist restaurant. A Bottle of water per day during the tour.
- Bhutan visa fee is US\$40.
- Farewell Dinner.

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- · Bar bills all kinds of drinks.
- · Personal expenses.
- Tips for a guide porter.
- Foods in Kathmandu
- Temple entry fee in Kathmandu

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#### ITINERARY IN DETAIL

# Day 1: Arrival in Kathmandu (1,400m)

Welcome to Nepal! Upon your arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport, our representative will greet you and transfer you to your hotel in the heart of Kathmandu. In the evening, explore the lively streets of Thamel, known for its vibrant markets, cafes, and colorful shops.

#### Day 2: Kathmandu Sightseeing & Flight to Paro – Transfer to Thimphu (2,334m)

Start your day with a guided tour of two UNESCO World Heritage Sites:

- Boudhanath Stupa One of the largest stupas in the world and a major center of Tibetan Buddhism.
- Pashupatinath Temple Nepal's most sacred Hindu temple, located on the banks of the Bagmati River.

Later, take a scenic flight from Kathmandu to Paro, Bhutan. Upon arrival, drive to Bhutan's charming capital, Thimphu, and check in at your hotel.

## Day 3: Thimphu Sightseeing

Discover the cultural gems of Thimphu:

- Tashichho Dzong An impressive fortress and administrative center.
- Buddha Dordenma A massive 51m golden statue overlooking the valley.
- Folk Heritage Museum Showcasing Bhutan's traditional lifestyle, crafts, and household items.

Enjoy Bhutanese cuisine and the serene pace of life in the capital city.

## Day 4: Drive from Thimphu to Punakha via Dochula Pass (3,100m)

Journey through the scenic Dochula Pass, known for its panoramic Himalayan views and 108 memorial chortens. On arrival in Punakha, visit:

- Punakha Dzong A magnificent fortress at the confluence of two rivers.
- Chimi Lhakhang A fertility temple dedicated to the "Divine Madman," Lama Drukpa Kunley.

#### Day 5: Punakha to Phobjikha Valley (2,900m)

Drive to the pristine Phobjikha Valley, a glacial valley famous for its natural beauty and as the winter home of the rare Black-necked cranes (best seen Nov–Feb).

- Visit Gangtey Monastery An important Nyingma monastery.
- Explore the Black-Necked Crane Center to learn about conservation efforts.

# Day 6: Phobjikha to Paro (2,200m)

Take a scenic drive back to Paro, passing traditional Bhutanese villages and farmlands. Relax in Paro and enjoy the peaceful atmosphere.

## Day 7: Hike to Tiger's Nest Monastery (Paro Taktsang – 3,120m)



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Embark on a memorable hike to Tiger's Nest Monastery, Bhutan's most iconic landmark. This sacred site clings to a cliff and offers stunning views and spiritual vibes. The 4–5 hour round-trip trek is moderately challenging but rewarding.

#### Day 8: Explore Paro & Flight to Kathmandu

Visit:

- National Museum of Bhutan (Ta Dzong) Showcasing Bhutanese history and artifacts.
- **Kyichu Lhakhang** One of the oldest temples in Bhutan, dating back to the 7th century.

Later, fly back to Kathmandu and transfer to your hotel.

# Day 9: Sightseeing in Kathmandu

## Swayambhunath Stupa (Monkey Temple)

Swayambhunath, also known as the Monkey Temple, is one of Kathmandu's most sacred Buddhist sites. Perched on a hilltop, it offers stunning panoramic views of the city. The stupa, adorned with Buddha's all-seeing eyes, symbolizes enlightenment. Colorful prayer flags flutter in the wind, creating a peaceful spiritual atmosphere. Pilgrims walk around the stupa spinning prayer wheels, chanting mantras. The temple complex includes shrines, statues, and playful monkeys. It is a perfect place to experience Nepal's blend of Buddhism and Hinduism, making it a must-visit cultural landmark in Kathmandu.

# Kathmandu Durbar Square

Kathmandu Durbar Square is a historic palace complex showcasing Nepal's rich cultural heritage. Once the royal residence of the Malla and Shah kings, it is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The square features exquisite pagoda-style temples, intricate wood carvings, and the famous Kumari Ghar, home to the living goddess Kumari. Key attractions include Hanuman Dhoka Palace, Taleju Temple, and Kasthamandap, the legendary wooden temple. The bustling courtyards and vibrant street life reflect Kathmandu's ancient charm. A visit to Durbar Square offers a glimpse into Nepal's royal history and architectural brilliance.

At last shopping.

# Day 10: Departure from Kathmandu

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward journey with unforgettable memories of Bhutan and Nepal.



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#### **FAQ**

#### 1. Do I need a visa to visit Bhutan?

Yes, all international travelers (except Indian, Bangladeshi, and Maldivian nationals) require a Bhutan visa. The visa will be arranged by our travel partner in Bhutan and is included in your tour package.

#### 2. What is the best time to take the 10-day Bhutan tour?

The best time to visit Bhutan is during spring (March–May) and autumn (September–November) when the weather is clear and ideal for sightseeing, hiking, and experiencing festivals.

## 3. How difficult is the hike to Tiger's Nest Monastery?

The hike to Tiger's Nest (Paro Taktsang) is moderately challenging and takes around 4–5 hours round-trip. Horses are available for hire up to a halfway point for those needing assistance.

#### 4. Is airfare from Kathmandu to Bhutan included in the tour?

Yes, the Kathmandu to Paro round-trip flight is included in our tour package unless otherwise stated. We handle all ticketing and arrangements.

# 5. What type of accommodation can I expect in Bhutan?

We provide 3-star and boutique hotels with options to upgrade to luxury accommodations. All hotels are government-approved and offer comfortable amenities.