

# SIGNATURE HIGHLIGHTS BITBUG

- Unique stay with local eco-friendly deluxe accommodation throughout and Bhutanese-style lodging in Punakha and Trongsa
- 0 Meals With 4 Different Cuisines: Bhutanese, Indian, Thai & Chinese
- Cultural Immersion, taste Ara, local rice wine at a local farm. Ema Datshi demo and tasting
- Iconic monasteries, dzongs, and stupas, including Tiger's Nest Monastery, Punakha Dzona, and Jakar Dzona
- Scenic drives through stunning landscapes, crossing Dochula Pass and Pelela Pass with views of the Himalayas and explore Phobjikha
- Wildlife & Nature with black-neck cranes spotting and visit the Black-Necked Crane Information Centre
- Authentic experiences, shop for local handicrafts, Archery fun at Changlimithang Stadium
- Exhilarating hike to the iconic Taktsang Monastery (Tiger's Nest)

### **THIMPHU**

- Tashichho Dzong
- Buddha Dordenma
- Kuenselphodrang Nature Park
  - Motithang Takin Preserve
  - Handmade Paper Factory Folk Heritage Museum
  - Changangkha Lhakhang
  - National Memorial Chorten
    - Norzin Lam •

### **PUNAKHA**

- Punakha Dzong
  - Dochula Pass
- Druk Wangyal Chortens
  - Sopsokha village
  - Chimi Lhakhana

### **TRONGSA**

Trongsa Dzong

### **GANGTEY**

- Phobjikha Valley
- Black-Necked Crane Information Centre

### **PARO**

Rinpung Dzong





### DAY 01

### SINGAPORE > PARO > THIMPHU

( MEALS ON BOARD / LUNCH / DINNER )

Assemble at Singapore Changi Airport for your flight to Paro, Bhutan. Upon arrival, be warmly greeted by Bhutanese representatives with the traditional warmly Khada welcome. Your adventure kicks off with a visit to the historic Kyichu Temple, one of the oldest temples dating back to the 7th century, built by a Tibetan king. Out of 108 temples originally constructed, only three remain today-two in Bhutan and one in Tibet. Then, explore Jokhang and the impressive Rinpung Dzong, the monastic and administrative hub of Paro District. In the evening, arrive in Thimphu, check into your hotel, and after dinner, feel free to explore the nearby cafes and bars for a quiet night out.

Accommodation: Hotel Druk or Similar





## DAY 02

### **THIMPHU**

(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER )

Get ready for a day full of exploration. **Buddha Point (Kuensel** Start at Phodrang), where a 167-foot statue of Buddha overlooks the city. Visit the National Memorial Chorten, a spiritual monument known for its golden spires and constant activity, with elderly locals walking in a circle to dispel negativity. Head to the Motithang Takin Preserve to see Bhutan's national animal, the Takin. Dive into Bhutan's artistic heritage at the National Institute for Zorig Chusum (also known as the Painting School), where you can watch students practice Bhutan's traditional arts. Then, step back in time at the Folk Heritage Museum, where exhibits recreate the traditional rural lifestyle. After lunch, visit the **Handmade** Paper Factory and see how ancient techniques are still used to produce paper. At the **Post Office**, create personalized stamps as keepsakes. Get a taste of Bhutan's national sport, archery, at the Changlimithang Stadium, and Changangkha historic the Lhakhang, Thimphu's oldest temple. Conclude the day with some shopping at the Bhutan Handicraft Emporium and Norzin Lam, where you can browse authentic local crafts.

Accommodation: Hotel Druk or Similar

# DAY 04

# TRONGSA > GANGTEY GOMPA > PHOBJIKA VALLEY > WANGDUE > PUNAKHA

(BREAKFAST / BOX LUNCH / DINNER )

Today, journey deeper into Bhutan's countryside. Begin with a visit to **Gangtey Gonpa**, the largest Nyingma monastery in Bhutan. Continue to the beautiful **Phobjikha Valley**, a vast glacial valley surrounded by coniferous forests and dwarf bamboo. This valley is famous for being the winter home of the **black-necked cranes**, which migrate from the Tibetan Plateau. If traveling from late October to February, you may spot these rare birds. Visit the **Black-Necked Crane Visitor Centre** to learn more about their conservation efforts.

**Accommodation:** Hotel Bhutanic or Similar

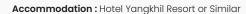


## **DAY** 03

### THIMPHU > TRONGSA

(BREAKFAST / BOX LUNCH / DINNER )

Embark on a scenic drive across the **Black Mountains** and the **Pele La Pass** (3,300 meters). Enjoy breathtaking landscapes during the 7-hour journey to **Trongsa**, where you'll visit the majestic **Trongsa Dzong**, founded in 1543. This fortress features intricate courtyards and passageways, and houses 23 temples. Finish the day in a traditional Bhutanese lodge, where serenity and tranquility await.





## DAY 05

### PUNAKHA > THIMPHU > PARO

(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER )

After an early start, drive to **Punakha**, Bhutan's former capital. Visit the picturesque **Punakha Dzong**, built in 1637, sitting at the confluence of the **Mo Chhu** and **Pho Chhu** rivers. Capture beautiful photos with this iconic landmark as your backdrop. On the way, stop at **Chimi Lhakhang**, an auspicious fertility temple built in 1499, surrounded by lush paddy and mustard fields. After lunch, cross **Dochula Pass** and visit the **Druk Wangyal Chortens**, a site of 108 stupas commissioned by the eldest Queen Mother. Arrive in **Paro** for an overnight stay.

Accommodation: Hotel Tim Dorji or Similar



## **DAY 06**

### **PARO**

(BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER )

Today, prepare for a highlight of your Bhutan trip—a hike to the iconic Taktsang Monastery (Tiger's Nest). dramatically on a cliff 800 meters above the Paro Valley, the monastery is a spiritual site where Guru Rinpoche is believed to have meditated. For an added experience, you can opt for a partial hike on horseback (at your own expense). After the hike, visit the ruins of Drukgyel Dzong, a fortress built in the 17th century. In the afternoon, visit a local farm where you can try Ara, Bhutan's local rice wine, and learn how to cook Ema Datshi, Bhutan's national dish made with chilies and cheese. End the day with some last-minute shopping at the local market in Paro Town.

Accommodation: Hotel Tim Dorji or Similar





## DAY07

### PARO > SINGAPORE

(BREAKFAST / MEALS ON BOARD)

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home, taking with you memories that will last a lifetime.



#### Remarks

- Deposit payment guideline
- \$1,000 per person for tour fares under \$5,000
   \$2,000 per person for tour fares over \$5,000.
- Gratuity guideline: USD 10 per person, per day for both the tour guide and driver.
- A minimum of 10 passengers is required for a guaranteed departure. Private tour options are available with an additional fee.
- Tour is conducted in English unless otherwise
- Any changes to the itinerary will adhere to the Company's Terms and Conditions. Customers
   Any changes to the following and conditions.
- should take note of the following:

  8. The itinerary may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the Company's control.
- Hotel accommodations in the specified cities are subject to availability.
- The sequence of activities in the itinerary may be rearranged. Tour groups may be combined with
- Any proposed changes that are not agreed upon will be subject to the refund policy outlined in the Terms and Conditions.







