



## Bhutan: 6d Himalayan Splendor

**Grade: Easy**

### Highlights:

This trip allows you to experience the culture of West Bhutan as well as of south. You will fly into Paro valley, visit Thimpu-the capital of Bhutan and you will exit it overland via Phuntsoling. Phuntsoling is the gateway to the south and is a thriving commercial center. Phuntsoling is famous for world-renowned Bhutanese stamps. From Phuntsoling, you can continue to Sikkim or Darjeeling. Outline Itinerary Day 1: Transfer to airport and fly to Paro, o/n in a hotel Day 2: Sightseeing of Paro o/n in a hotel Day 3: Drive to Thimpu o/n in a hotel Day 4: Sightseeing of Thimpu o/n in a hotel Day 5: Drive from Thimpu to Phuntsoling, o/n in a hotel Day 6: Exit border. Note: B=Breakfast, L= Lunch, D=Dinner

### Day to day:

#### Day 1: Transfer to airport and fly to Paro, o/n in a hotel :

Upon arrival at Paro airport, our representative of Bhutan will meet and transfer to hotel.

#### Day 2: Sightseeing of Paro o/n in a hotel:

You will visit the fortified tower of Ta Dzong, now a natural history Museum, ruins of Drugyal Dzong that once guarded the invading Tibetan forces, and Kyichu Temple of 7th century and local township.

#### Day 3: Drive to Thimpu o/n in a hotel :

In the morning, you will visit the famous Takstang Retreat (Tiger's Nest) and in the afternoon drive to Thimpu-the capital of Bhutan.

#### Day 4: Sightseeing of Thimpu o/n in a hotel :

You will visit the hospital for traditional medicine, Memorial Chorten and national Library. After lunch visit the Handicrafts centers and the School of Thangka Painting.

#### Day 5: Drive from Thimpu to Phuntsoling, o/n in a hotel :

The journey from Thimpu to Phuntsoling takes about 6 hours. It cuts across the middle Himalayas at 3000m descending to the Terai of 500m. In the afternoon, stroll in the township and collect the famous Bhutanese stamps.

#### Day 6: Exit border.:

After breakfast, your guide will see you off at the border then extension to Sikkim and Darjeeling. You can extend your trip to Darjeeling-the British Developed hill station of the West Bengal and Sikkim-the valley of the Rice Bowl. After the trip in this region, from Bagdogra airport, you can fly to Delhi or Calcutta or further continue your trip to Nepal.

### What is included?

- Accommodations in standard hotels on full board (B.L.D)
- All monument entrance fees, Royalty and visa fee of Bhutan
- Private transport, in city English - speaking guide, airfare Kathmandu- Bhutan – Kathmandu
- Arrival and transfer transport from to the international airport in Paro

## **What is excluded?**

- Personal expenses like soft and hard drink, laundry, telephone
- Airport tax and tips for local staff
- Personal insurance for helicopter rescue in case of emergency