

Fascinating Holidays Pte Ltd

05 Days - 04 Nights Spiritual Adventure In Buddhist Kingdom Bhutan - The Land Of Thundering Dragon

Join us for the unforgettable tour into the mystical Kingdom of Bhutan; known also as a land of Peaceful Dragon. BHUTAN, is nestles in the heart of the great Himalaya. This tiny beautiful Kingdom only opened its gates to foreigners in 1974. It still remains the society, where age old culture and traditional life continues as it had been for centuries. With about 69% of population still living in rural Bhutan, farming is an occupation for the majority of Bhutanese. Age old barter system is still practiced in some places, and ties within the huge joint family often with more then 50 members are common sights.

DAY 01 : SINGAPORE → BANGKOK

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Check-in at Changi International Airport for Thai Airways International flight to Bangkok city.

Upon arrival, meet and greet by our local representative and transfer to the hotel for check-in and overnight.

Overnight at Amari Watergate or Novotel Bangkok Platinum Hotel or similar class.

DAY 02 : BANGKOK → PARO – THIMPU

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Rise early and check-out of hotel.

Transfer to the Bangkok International Airport to check-in for Druk Air schedule flight to Paro – the capital of Bhutan.

During the flight one will experience breathtaking views of some of the highest mountain peaks on earth, including Mt. Everest, Kan Cheng Junga, Mt. Jumolhari and Jitchu Drake in Bhutan. Flight through the mountainous region is exciting, and short, but provides an experience that will remain with you for years and landing is even more exciting.

At the Paro International Airport, the airport is designed with blend of modern and traditional Architecture.

After immigration and custom clearance, our tour representative will greet you dressed in Traditional Kho (Male dress) or Kira (Women dress). Welcome you with traditional ceremonial Khadhar (White scarf for Good luck). Board a car and drive towards Thimpu – the capital of Bhutan, a small city with about 90,000 inhabitants probably the only capital city known for being without modern traffic lights.

On arrival Thimpu, check-in to the hotel and in the evening your guide will take for a walking tour of the city.

Overnight at Thimpu city (Lunch and dinner is served in local restaurant).

DAY 03 : THIMPU – EXCURSION – PARO

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After breakfast visit Memorial Chorten – you'll have a good view from the top of Thimpu city.

Next the Weekend market housed in a new building area in Thimphu (Open Fri till Sun). This is the meeting place for many farmers (mostly from western part of country), who walk, take horse, and travel by buses and truck to get their wares for sale at this biggest open market place in Bhutan. This place is filled with products ranging from fresh, organic fruits, rice, chilies, wild mushrooms, condiments, and spices, vegetables to yak butter, hardened cheese, and meat. On other side, you will find some village textiles, handicrafts, art, and jewelries. Take a short drive up to north of Thimphu to visit 15th century Changangkha Monastery, and further up to north to see small man made habitat of Takin. This wild animal is internationally endangered and protected in Bhutan.

Drive to Thimphu View point, commonly known to younger people as a "Lover's Point". Dating place!!!

Other sightseeing places are visit to indigenous paper making factory, traditional gold and silver smith Govt. work shop, the house of Buddhist herbal incense making unit. Visit to wonderful collection of Bhutanese textile at Textile Museum (recently upgraded). One of our Queens has helped in establishing it to show case and protect our unique cultural textile heritage. 13 arts school, that helps Bhutan conserve our old age 13 arts and crafts. Many high school leavers are enrolled here for vocational training, that would provide on graduation self employment opportunities. National library houses good collection of Buddhist Manuscripts and texts. Trashicho Dzong, Dzong of auspicious religion. Worth visiting it. After the tour, depart Thimpu back to Paro city.

Arrive at Paro, visit the Rinpung Dzong – this "Fortress O The Heap Of Jewels" is the venue for the annual Paro Tshechu held every spring. Next visit the National Museum located in a former watch tower (which itself is a museum piece above the dzong. The museum displays artifacts from Bhutan's history as well as examples of indigenous flora and fauna.

Overnight at Paro city (Lunch and dinner is served in local restaurant).

DAY 04 : PARO – TAKTSANG EXCURSION AND ACCLIMITIZATION

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Today's highlight excursion in Bhutan, drive to a Taktsang excursion point to start hike to the Taktsang Monastery.

Taktsang Monastery, (*Taktsang means - Tiger's Nest*). Precariously perched on the edge of a 1,200 meter cliff, this monastery creates an impressive sight, and is the unofficial symbol of Bhutan. It is about a two hour, totally up-hill hike from the parking lot to the monastery, though there is a cafe located on ridge across from the Taktsang (about 90 minutes into the walk) that provides a welcome opportunity to take a rest and purchase refreshments and snacks. Taktsang was established as a sacred place for meditation by Guru Rinpoche who visited the site on his second visit to Bhutan in 747 CE, though the first monastery was not constructed until 1694. In 1998 a tragic fire destroyed most of the original buildings, but these have since been painstakingly restored to their former glory.

After lunch, hike back same path back and back to the hotel. **Overnight at Paro city (Lunch and dinner is served in local restaurant).**

DAY 05 : PARO – BANGKOK – SINGAPORE

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After breakfast, drive to the Paro International airport to check-in Druk Air flight to Bangkok.

Upon arrival Bangkok city, check-in for Thai Airways International flight back to Singapore.

Arrived Singapore, your holiday ends with wonderful memories.

PACKAGE PRICE PER PERSON FROM 01 ST JANUARY 2012 TO 29 TH FEBRUARY 2012		SINGLE	TWIN	3 RD ADT
Based on 1 person travelling	This package price is based on local 3 Star hotels category for all places in this program	S\$3738	N/A	N/A
Based on 2 person travelling together		N/A	S\$3338	N/A
Based on 3 person travelling together		S\$3528	S\$3168	S\$3068
Based on 1 person travelling	At Paro - Stay at Zhiwa Ling Hotel – 5 star	S\$4938	N/A	N/A
Based on 2 person travelling together	At Thimpu - Stay at Taj Tashi Hotel – 5star	N/A	S\$3888	N/A
Based on 3 person travelling together	Other Areas - Stay same 3 star hotels	S\$4738	S\$3738	S\$3638

Remarks : Package price and airfare are subjected to changes with or without prior notice

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PACKAGE PRICE PER PERSON FROM 01 st MARCH 2012 TO 31 st MAY 2012		SINGLE	TWIN	3 rd ADT
Based on 1 person travelling	This package price is based on local 3 Star hotels category for all places in this program	S\$3938	N/A	N/A
Based on 2 person travelling together		N/A	S\$3538	N/A
Based on 3 person travelling together		S\$3728	S\$3368	S\$3268
Based on 1 person travelling	At Paro - Stay at Zhiwa Ling Hotel – 5 star	S\$6748	N/A	N/A
Based on 2 person travelling together	At Thimpu - Stay at Taj Tashi Hotel – 5star	N/A	S\$4468	N/A
Based on 3 person travelling together	Other Areas - Stay same 3 star hotels	S\$6538	S\$4328	S\$4228
PACKAGE PRICE PER PERSON FROM 01 st JUNE 2012 TO 31 st AUGUST 2012		SINGLE	TWIN	3 rd ADT
Based on 1 person travelling	This package price is based on local 3 Star hotels category for all places in this program	S\$3738	N/A	N/A
Based on 2 person travelling together		N/A	S\$3338	N/A
Based on 3 person travelling together		S\$3528	S\$3168	S\$3068
Based on 1 person travelling	At Paro - Stay at Zhiwa Ling Hotel – 5 star	S\$4938	N/A	N/A
Based on 2 person travelling together	At Thimpu - Stay at Taj Tashi Hotel – 5star	N/A	S\$3888	N/A
Based on 3 person travelling together	Other Areas - Stay same 3 star hotels	S\$4738	S\$3738	S\$3638
PACKAGE PRICE PER PERSON FROM 01 st SEPTEMBER 2012 TO 31 st DECEMBER 2012		SINGLE	TWIN	3 rd ADT
Based on 1 person travelling	This package price is based on local 3 Star hotels category for all places in this program	S\$3938	N/A	N/A
Based on 2 person travelling together		N/A	S\$3538	N/A
Based on 3 person travelling together		S\$3728	S\$3368	S\$3268
Based on 1 person travelling	At Paro - Stay at Zhiwa Ling Hotel – 5 star	S\$6748	N/A	N/A
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DURING THIMPU & PARO TSHECHUS FESTIVAL SURCHARGE :-

During the week of Paro Teschu (On 02 – 06 April) and Thimpu Tsechu (on 25 – 27 Sep) that is the 2 Days preceding and succeeding the festival dates and the festival dates a supplementary charges will apply additional to the rates.

Taj Tashi Resort : surcharge S\$50.00 per room per night will be applied additional to the above rates.

PRICE INCLUSION :-

Return economy airfare Singapore / Bangkok / Singapore by Thai Airways International (W Class).

One [01] night hotel accommodation at Bangkok city with breakfast.

Return economy airfare Bangkok / Paro / Bangkok by Druk Air (Bhutan National Airline) with taxes.

Three (03) nights hotel accommodation based on Bhutan Government Tourist A Grade Hotel [3 star rating].

Bhutan Visa Fees, All internal taxes and charges and Government Royalty (33%).

All meals and snacks as mentioned in our program, All internal transportation and sightseeing with Bhutan licensed Tour Guide.

DRUK AIR AIRFARE SURCHARGE FOR HIGH SEASON :-

Our package on Druk Air airfare is based on US\$830/- current fare – surcharge apply on March – May and September – November.**

AIRFARE TOP-UP DIFFERENCE BASED ON FLIGHT RESERVATION :-

For W class (Low) : As per our package. For W class (High) : Add \$012/- per adult and \$009/- per child .

For V class (Low) : Add \$046/- per adult and \$035/- per child. For V class (High) : Add \$073/- per adult and \$055/- per child .

For Q class (Low) : Add \$070/- per adult and \$053/- per child. For Q class (High) : Add \$119/- per adult and \$090/- per child .

For H class (Low) : Add \$137/- per adult and \$103/- per child. For H class (High) : Add \$188/- per adult and \$141/- per child .

Airline Fare Sales & Travel Validity from 01st October 2011 To 30th September 2012 ; subjected to terms and conditions

AIRFARE HIGH SEASON DATES :-

November 2011 : 03 – 05 (Hari Raya Haji)

December 2011 : 22 – 24 and 29 – 31 (Christmas and New Year)

January 2012 : 20 – 22 (Chinese New Year)

April 2012 : 05 – 06 (Good Friday)

August 2012 : 08 – 10 (National Day)

August 2012 : 17 (Hari Raya Puasa)

August 2012 : 25 – 26 (Hari Raya Haji)

PRICE EXCLUSION :-

All International (Singapore & Bangkok) airport taxes and airline fuel surcharges, Personal Travel insurance, personal expenditures, additional food and beverages, porter tips, driver and guide tipping, etc.

ROOM SURCHARGE APPLY DURING FESTIVAL PERIOD TO BE ADVISED :-

Paro Festival : March – April

Ura Festival : April – May

Thimpu Festival : September – October

Far East Lhuntse Festival : December – January

BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS :-

Upon booking a photocopy of your International passport document is required to process the flight booking and Bhutan Tourist visa application. Booking for Bhutan is required at least 45 – 60 Days in advance as required by the authorities.

A deposit of 50% per person is required and balance payment must be settled between 45 to 60 Days prior to departure date.

There is totally no refund for any cancellations from the Bhutan Government Tourism Department regardless of any reasons.

REMARKS :

Above package prices and airfares is subjected to changes with or without prior notice and payment is based on cash or cheque only.

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