

# Western Bhutan Cultural Tour



Days: 6  
Price: 1290 USD  
International flight not included  
Comfort: ★★★★★  
Difficult: ★★★☆☆  
📌 Culture 📌 Travel with children  
📌 Must see 📌 photographic

The Western Bhutan travel package is designed for anyone who happens to be a true traveler at heart and we believe it includes you too.

## Day 1. Arrival in Bhutan



Paro Airport 📍  
🚗 65km - ⌚ 1h 50m  
Thimphu 📍

### Paro Airport - Thimphu

- Arrive Paro International Airport. Our tour guide will meet you and take you on a short one-hour drive along the Paro and Thimphu river valleys to Thimphu, Bhutan's capital, at 2320 metres.
- Once you settle into your hotel, we will begin to unlock the mysteries of Bhutan by touring Thimphu's most important sites.  
After lunch visit the Memorial Chorten built in the memory of late Jigme Dorji Wangchuck, Buddha Point, 15th century Changangkha Lhakhang, Textile Museum is worth a visit to learn about Bhutan's living national art of weaving and primary center of learning for Bhutanese artists School of Thirteen Arts & Crafts.
- Evening you can visit Thimphu Town, Handicrafts Stall or Centenary Farmer's weekend Market.

🍴 Lunch	Zakhang (traditional restaurant)
🍷 Dinner	3 star hotel
🏠 Accommodation	3 star hotel

## Day 2. A cultural day



Thimphu 📍

- In the morning drive to north of **Thimphu** Valley (15kms) and hike to Cheri Monastery for 30 – 45mins. Cheri Monastery was established in 1620 by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal and is now a major teaching and retreat center of the Southern Drukpa Kagyu sect.
- After Lunch, visit Handmade Paper Factory followed by visit to National Takin Reserve and Zihlukha nunnery, biggest nunnery in Bhutan and is a good place to photograph and interact with the nuns and learn about what it takes and feels like to be a Bhutanese Buddhist Nun.

🍳 Breakfast	3 star hotel
🍴 Lunch	Zakhang (traditional restaurant)

🍷 Dinner	3 star hotel
🏠 Accommodation	3 star hotel

## Day 3. Visit to administrative and religious center



Thimphu 📍  
🚗 77km - ⌚ 3h  
Punakha 📍

### Thimphu - Punakha

- After breakfast, we will drive from Thimphu to Punakha on national highway, which leads from the cold of Thimphu to the hot, almost tropical area of the Punakha Valley. En route, we will stop at Dochula Pass, where you can visit the marvelous 108 stupas and have a coffee break.
- Upon arrival in Punakha visit Chimmi Lhakhang - Takes a 45mins hike round trip. This monastery is also referred to as the "Abode of Fertility"

🍳 Breakfast	3 star hotel
🍷 Lunch	Zakhang (traditional restaurant)
🍷 Dinner	3 star hotel
🏠 Accommodation	3 star hotel

## Day 4. Explore Paro Highlights



Punakha 📍  
128km - ⌚ 3h 47m  
Paro 📍

### Punakha - Paro

- After breakfast, we will drive to Paro. En route, we will stop at **Lamperi Botanical Garden** which comprises of over 46 species of **rhododendrons**.
- Today we will be having full day sightseeing visiting Rinpung Dzong built in 1646 by **Shabdrung Ngawang Namgyal**, Ta Dzong (the watchtower) one time watch tower built to defend Rinpung Dzong during inter-valley wars of the 17th century, Kyichu Lhakhang, one of the oldest and most sacred shrines of the Kingdom dating back to 7th century and Drukgyel Dzong - This Dzong, with a delightful village nestling at its foot, was built in 1646.

🍳 Breakfast	3 star hotel
🍷 Lunch	Zakhang (traditional restaurant)
🍷 Dinner	3 star hotel
🏠 Accommodation	3 star hotel

## Day 5. Hike to Taktshang, Tiger's Nest



Paro 📍

- After breakfast, we will hike to Tiger's Nest - Bhutan's most scenic icon or the most important landmark, Taktshang the Tiger's nest clings to the side of a steep cliff 300 meters above the Paro valley.
- Afternoon you can relax at the hotel or explore the neighboring villages.

🍳 Breakfast	3 star hotel
🍷 Lunch	Zakhang (traditional restaurant)

🍴 Lunch	Zaknang (traditional restaurant)
🍷 Dinner	3 star hotel
🏠 Accommodation	3 star hotel

## Day 6. Have a nice journey and see you soon !

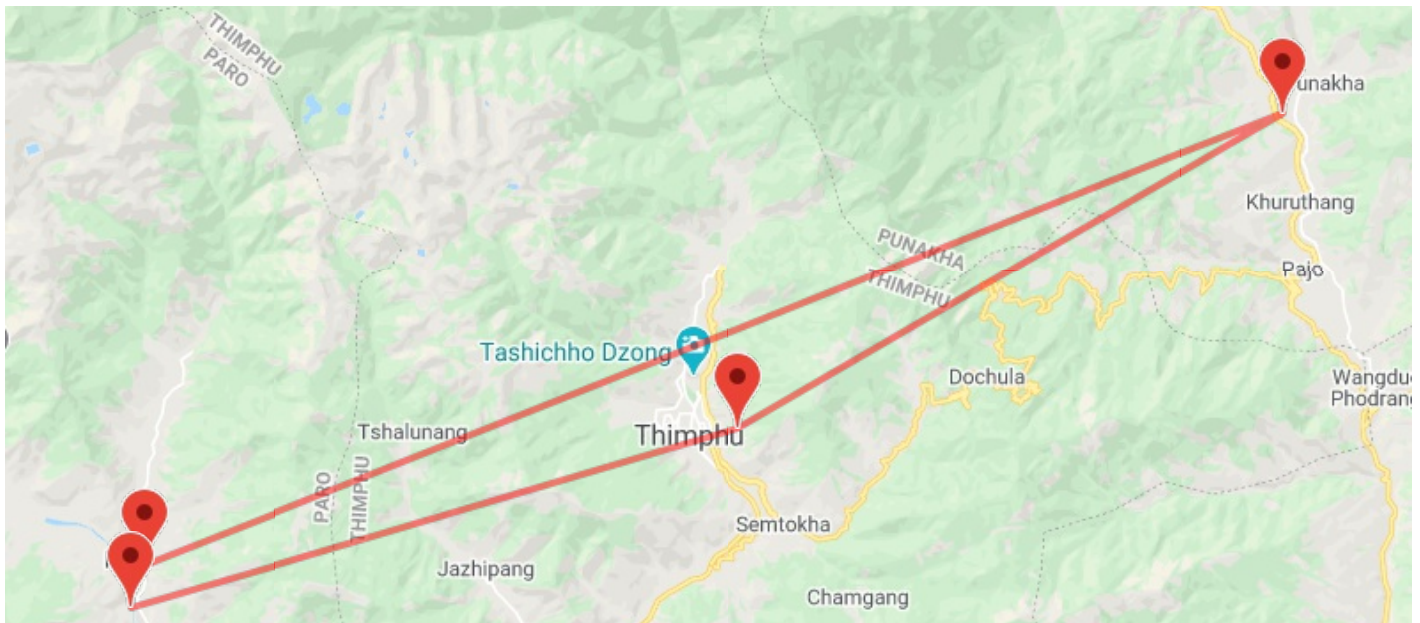


Paro 📍

- We drive you back at the airport accordingly to your flight departure.

🍳 Breakfast	3 star hotel
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## Itinerary map





## Individual price per person

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1490 USD	1440 USD	1290 USD

## Included

- Bhutan Tourist Tariff Royalty & Govt Surcharge
- Visa fees.
- All private excursions and transfers in superior air-conditioned vehicle.
- Local English speaking guide/tour leader.
- Experienced driver.
- Accommodation in carefully selected, highest standard government approved hotels & guesthouses.
- All meals in Bhutan.
- All entrance fees and permits.
- Tents

## Not included

- All personal expenses such as bars, beverages, laundry, telephone and tips.
- Medical / Travel Insurance.
- Air-fare