

# BHUTAN ... THE LAND OF HAPPINESS AND LOVE

# PACKAGE 5 DAYS 4 NIGHTS PARO-THIMPHU-PUNAKHA-WANGDUE PHODRANG

Summer	June	- August	USD	7.040	
Winter	December	- February	USD	7,910	2 Pax
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#### DAY 1 BANGKOK - PARO - THIMPHU

: Beginning of happiness amidst the charm of Bhutan.

In the morning, we will take you on a journey from Bangkok to Paro, the gateway to a land that seems to have emerged from a fairy tale, beginning an incredibly romantic adventure amidst the warm embrace of the majestic mountains.

Experience the beauty of devotion at Kyichu Lhakang, a monastery filled with spiritual magic and deep historical significance for the Bhutanese people. Here, you can light 108 butter lamps as an offering in homage to Buddha, surrounded by the peaceful atmosphere that creates a sense of fulfillment and pure love.

Next, visit Paro Dzong, or Paro Fortress, and immerse yourself in the breathtaking views and architecture of the "Fortress on the Jewel Hill," which seems like a painting come to life. Not only does the grandeur of the fortress reflect Bhutans history, but it also serves as the backdrop for the romantic scenes in the film The Little Buddha.

Explore the capital, Thimphu, and visit Tashicho Dzong, the heart of the city, known for its beautiful traditional architecture. Surrounded by lush gardens, this place adds to the romantic ambiance and is also where important royal ceremonies take place.





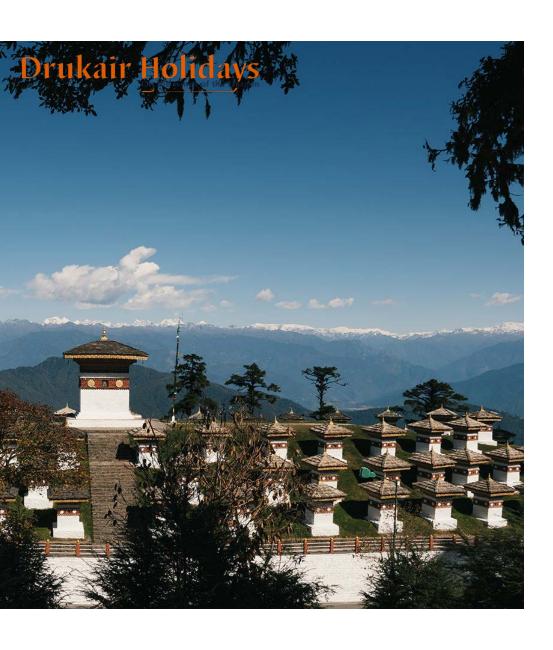
Next, visit the Memorial Chorten, a place filled with charm that tells the story of love and faith in Bhutan, through the history of King Jigme Dorji Wangchuck, who led Bhutan into the modern era. The stupa, built in his memory, symbolizes a poetic tribute to love and respect.

Take a stroll through the weekend market, where you can explore the local produce, fresh fruits, and handicrafts. This is the perfect opportunity to share smiles and stories with the locals while selecting souvenirs to remember your time together.

In the evening, enjoy a leisurely walk through Thimphu city, the capital of Bhutan. Experience the unique traditional attire and shop for souvenirs that reflect the local craftsmanship and beauty, such as woven textiles, silver jewelry, or Thangka paintings.

Visit the Bhutan Post Office to choose from various stamps, each telling a story and preserving the beauty of Bhutans nature and culture. These stamps make a perfect memento of this special journey.

Accommodation: Le Meridien Thimphu Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner



### ♦ DAY 2 ทิมพู – พูนาคา

: The enchanting journey from Thimphu to Punakha.

In the morning, we will begin our journey to Wangdue Phodrang and Punakha, cities full of natural charm and history, surrounded by towering mountains and rivers that add a romantic atmosphere to every moment. During the 3-hour journey, you will stop to visit Simtokha Dzong, which once served as Bhutan's first college, full of knowledge and stories from the past. Today, the fortress still reflects the enchanting architecture of Bhutan.

On the romantic road leading to Punakha, the views of the high mountains, paired with the clear rivers below, will warm your heart. Along the way, you may come across blooming Rhododendrons or apple orchards, allowing you to appreciate the simplicity of local life.

Dochula Pass, a heartwarming stop, awaits. Located 3,150 meters above sea level, if the weather is clear, you will be able to see the magnificent Himalayan peaks against the blue sky. On misty days, the cold embrace of the pass makes the experience even more special. A highlight of the pass is the 108 stupas, beautifully built by the Queen of Bhutan to celebrate a military victory, symbolizing the love for the land by King Jigme Singye Wangchuck.



Next, we continue to Wangdi Phodrang Dzong, an ancient fortress built in 1638, perched on a steep ridge. It reflects the distinctive Bhutanese architecture and is rich in history, especially in the unification of the kingdom.

Upon arrival in Punakha, you will check into your accommodation and relax in the serene atmosphere. Afterward, take a stroll through the town of Punakha and visit the Weekend Market, where you will find local handicrafts, colorful textiles, silver jewelry, and unique Bhutanese souvenirs. In the evening, soak in the romantic ambiance of Punakha while creating lasting memories in this beautiful place.

Accommodation: and Beyond Punakha River Lodge

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### **DAY 3** PUNAKHA - PARO

#### : Chapter of Love... Where Two Rivers Converge

This morning, welcome the new day with the romantic atmosphere of Punakha as we begin our journey to Punakha Dzong, a place that symbolizes the heart of Bhutan's history and love. Known as the most majestic dzong in Bhutan, it is located at the confluence of the Po Chu and Mo Chu Rivers, which carry deep meanings as "Father River" and "Mother River." The joining of these rivers symbolizes the connection of two hearts. This dzong also serves as the site for the royal wedding ceremony of King Jigme and the Queen, filled with an atmosphere of love and sanctity. In addition to the beauty of the dzong, surrounded by mountain landscapes and flowing rivers, it is a significant national heritage site and the winter residence of the Chief Abbot. The dzong is also steeped in historical and spiritual significance.

In the afternoon, we will visit Queen's Village, a tranquil and simple village that is the birthplace of the Queen. Enjoy the scenery that reflects the humble love and the beauty of simple life.

After experiencing the charm of Punakha, we will journey back to Paro, covering approximately 126 kilometers. Along the way, you will enjoy the natural beauty of the surrounding lush mountains and clear rivers, enhancing the romantic atmosphere of the journey.

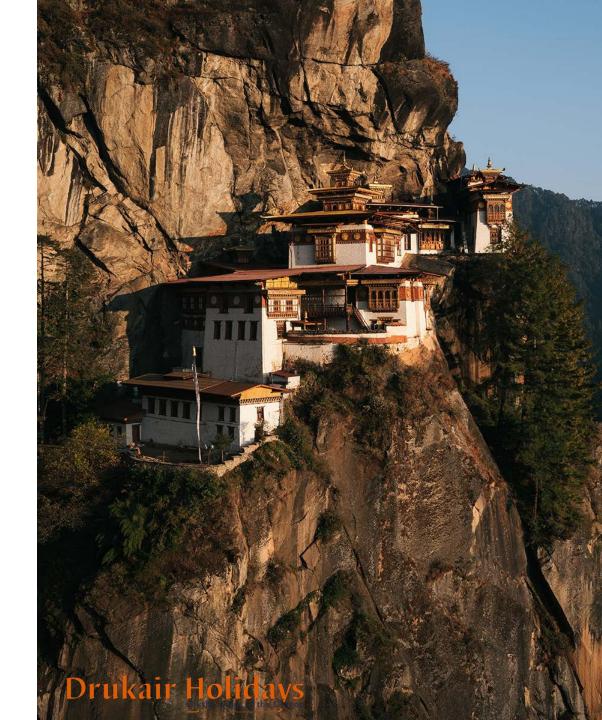
Accommodation: COMO UMA PARO

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### ❖ DAY 4 PARO

: The Chapter of Faith... In the Land of Tiger's Nest, Embraced by the Mountains

A morning of inspiration at Taktsang Monastery, also known as Tiger's Nest, begins with a journey to this extraordinary monastery perched on a steep cliff. It stands as a symbol of faith, defying gravity and time. Legend has it that Guru Rinpoche transformed into a Garuda, riding a tiger to this small cave atop the cliff to meditate and spread his teachings. The 2-kilometer path leading to Taktsang is filled with devotion, surrounded by the pure atmosphere of pine forests, and blessed by the breeze that provides strength to reach the destination. (If you wish to travel by horse, please inform the guide in advance.)



After lunch, you will have the opportunity to try archery or dart throwing, which are Bhutans national sports. Taking aim and sending an arrow or dart toward the target feels like sending your intentions and wishes into the mountains. You can also opt to experience an Astrology Reading to gain insights into your fate. In the evening, before the sun sets, we will take a stroll along Paro's only shopping street, filled with charming shops selling local goods such as stamps, printed paper, and souvenirs. Every corner of this street feels like a scene from a romantic movie, filling your heart with joy.

Accommodation: COMO UMA PARO

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

### **DAY 5** PARO - BANGKOK

: Farewell to Bhutan, the land of love and faith.

Its time to bid farewell to the beautiful city of Paro. We will take you from Paro Airport to Suvarnabhumi Airport in Bangkok safely, with hearts full of cherished memories and romantic moments from this special journey. Bhutan will remain a place that eagerly awaits your return.





#### THE PACKAGE INCLUDES

- 4 nights accommodation with all meals.
- 1 time picnic lunch.
- Transportation with an experienced English-speaking local guide.
- Bhutan visa fees and government taxes, including service charges and sales tax.
- Entrance fees to museums, visitor centers, and travel permits in Bhutan.

#### THE PACKAGE EXCLUDES

- Round-trip airfare between Bangkok and Paro.
- 7% value-added tax (VAT).
- Beverages during meals.
- Gratuities for the local guide, driver, and service staff.

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#### **PLEASE NOTE**

- This itinerary serves as a general guideline. Road conditions and weather may impact the schedule, potentially affecting the views and scenery mentioned.
- All times provided are approximate and may vary depending on individual fitness levels and personal interests.
- If you have any dietary restrictions, please inform us in advance.

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