

Druk Path Trek - 9 Days

9 days / 8 nights · Trekking · Bhutan

A nine-day trekking expedition along an ancient trading route between Paro and Thimphu, through blue pine forests, rhododendrons, and alpine lakes at elevations of 2,400–4,200m.

DIFFICULTY	Moderate
BEST SEASON	March–June or September–November
DESTINATIONS	Paro

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OVERVIEW

The Druk Path Trek follows an ancient trading route connecting the Paro and Thimphu valleys, one of the most accessible and rewarding treks in Bhutan. Despite reaching elevations between 2,400m and 4,200m, the terrain is relatively easy, making it a great introduction to Himalayan trekking.

Along the way you'll pass through blue pine forests, rhododendron groves, and juniper-filled ridgelines, camping beside alpine lakes such as Jimilangtsho and Jimiling. On clear days, the trail offers 360-degree Himalayan views, including sightings of Mt. Gangkar Puensum, Bhutan's highest peak.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Blue pine forests and rhododendron groves
- Alpine lakes including Jimilangtsho and Jimiling
- 360-degree Himalayan views
- Sightings of Mt. Gangkar Puensum
- Ancient monasteries and traditional villages
- Yak herder encounters along the high ridgelines

PLACES COVERED

Paro › Thimphu

DAY BY DAY

DAY 1 Arrive in Paro

Land at Paro International Airport, Bhutan's only international airport, set in a dramatic valley at roughly 2,200m. Meet your guide, transfer to your hotel, and settle in ahead of tomorrow's hike to Tiger's Nest.

Meals: Dinner | Overnight: 3-star hotel, Paro

DAY 2 Hike to Taktshang Monastery (Tiger's Nest)

A half-day hike up to Taktshang Goemba, the iconic monastery clinging to a cliff face above the Paro valley — the perfect warm-up for the trek ahead.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Overnight: 3-star hotel, Paro

DAY 3 Start of Druk Path Trek — Paro to Jele Dzong

Begin trekking through blue pine forest, climbing steadily to Jele Dzong at around 3,400m, with your first Himalayan views opening up along the ridge.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Overnight: Camping | Altitude: ~3,400m

DAY 4 Jele Dzong to Jangchulakha

A ridgeline trek through rhododendron forest with a good chance of spotting yaks grazing in high pastures.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Overnight: Camping | Altitude: ~3,750m

DAY 5 Jangchulakha to Jimilangtsho

Continue along the ridge toward Jimilangtsho lake, camping beside the water with views of distant peaks.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Overnight: Camping | Altitude: ~3,880m

DAY 6 Jimilangtsho to Labana

Trek past Jimiling lake and over the trek's highest ground, with clear-day sightings of Mt. Gangkar Puensum.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Overnight: Camping | Altitude: ~4,200m

DAY 7 End of trek — Labana to Thimphu

A final descent past Phajoding Monastery into the Thimphu valley, marking the end of the trek.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Overnight: 3-star hotel, Thimphu

DAY 8 Explore Thimphu; evening drive to Paro

Sightseeing in Bhutan's capital before an evening drive back to Paro ahead of departure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Overnight: 3-star hotel, Paro

DAY 9 Departure

Transfer to Paro International Airport for your onward flight.

Meals: Breakfast

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Sustainable Development Fee (SDF)
- 3-star hotel accommodation (twin/double sharing)
- E-visa
- All meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner, evening tea)
- Airport transfers and internal transportation
- English-speaking local guide
- Hotel taxes and service charges
- Bottled water
- Camping equipment and haulage
- Trekking permits
- Guide, cook, and helpers
- Ponies/yaks for supply transport
- Tents and equipment

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International/domestic airfares
- Travel/medical insurance
- Domestic guide/driver airfare
- Services not listed under inclusions
- Costs arising from strikes, mishaps, or political unrest
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Personal expenses (laundry, tips, camera charges)
- Gratuities for staff

PRICING

1 Pax	**USD 1,450.00 per person**
2-3 Pax	**USD 1,250.00 per person**
4-6 Pax	**USD 1,150.00 per person**

Indicative prices per person. The final price depends on nationality, group size, season and travel dates, and is confirmed in your quote or at booking.