

Punakha Tshechu - Feb

9 days / 8 nights · Festival tour · Bhutan

Witness the Punakha Drubchen's 17th-century battle reenactment and the Punakha Tshechu, across Paro, Punakha, Gangtey, and Thimphu.

BEST SEASON	February (festival dates)
DESTINATIONS	Paro, Punakha, Gangtey / Phobjikha Valley, Thimphu

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OVERVIEW

This festival tour celebrates Punakha's rich cultural heritage through two significant festivals: the historical Punakha Drubchen, a dramatic reenactment of a 17th-century battle against Tibetan forces performed by local militia (pazaps) in traditional battle gear, and the Punakha Tshechu, introduced in 2005 to preserve Buddhist teachings. Both festivals honor Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyel, Bhutan's unifier.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Pazaps (local militia) reenacting 17th-century battle gear and tactics
- Dual festivals honoring Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyel
- Sacred sites linked to the Ranjung Kharsapani relic

PLACES COVERED

Paro › Punakha › Gangtey (Phobjikha Valley) › Thimphu

DAY BY DAY

DAY 1 Arrive Paro

Arrive in Paro.

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

DAY 2 Paro exploration

Sightseeing around the Paro valley.

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

DAY 3 Paro – Punakha

Drive to Punakha.

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

DAY 4 Punakha (festival attendance)

Attend the Punakha Drubchen/Tshechu.

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

DAY 5 Punakha – Gangtey/Phobjikha

Travel to the Phobjikha Valley.

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

DAY 6 Gangtey/Phobjikha – Thimphu

Return to Thimphu.

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

DAY 7 Thimphu sightseeing

A day of sightseeing in the capital.

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

DAY 8 Thimphu – Paro

Return to Paro.

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

DAY 9 Depart Paro

Transfer to Paro International Airport for departure.

Meals: Breakfast

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Sustainable Development Fee
- 3-star hotel accommodations (twin/double sharing)
- E-visa processing
- Private guide and driver with vehicle
- All meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner, evening tea)
- Airport transfers and domestic transportation
- Entrance fees for listed sightseeing
- Hotel taxes and service charges
- Bottled water throughout

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International or domestic airfares
- Travel/medical insurance
- Guide/driver domestic flight costs
- Services not explicitly mentioned in inclusions
- Costs from strikes, mishaps, or political incidents
- Personal beverages and expenses
- Gratuities for staff

PRICING

The price depends on nationality, group size, season and travel dates. Contact us for a personal quote for this itinerary.