

Valley of Delight

9 days / 8 nights · Cultural tour · Bhutan

Bhutan's western valleys and heritage, from Tiger's Nest to Punakha Dzong, with time in the black-necked crane habitat of Phobjikha.

BEST SEASON	Spring (March–May) and Autumn (September–November)
DESTINATIONS	Paro, Thimphu, Punakha

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OVERVIEW

This cultural exploration examines Bhutan's western valleys and their heritage, featuring high mountain passes and diverse vegetation zones. The tour centers on the Phobjikha Valley, winter home to the rare black-necked crane, while visiting ancient fortresses, temples, monasteries, and museums across multiple regions.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ta Dzong Museum and Rinpung Dzong
- Taktsang Monastery (Tiger's Nest)
- National Memorial Chorten
- 12th-century Changangkha Temple
- Phobjikha Sanctuary
- Punakha Dzong

PLACES COVERED

Paro › Thimphu › Punakha › Gangtey (Phobjikha Valley) › Trongsa › Bumthang

DAY BY DAY

DAY 1 Arrive Paro

Arrive in Paro and settle in.

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

DAY 2 Paro; Taktsang Monastery excursion

Hike to Taktsang (Tiger's Nest) Monastery.

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

DAY 3 Thimphu sightseeing

Drive to Thimphu and sightsee.

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

DAY 4 Thimphu to Punakha

Cross Dochula Pass to Punakha.

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

DAY 5 Punakha – Gangtey – Trongsa

Travel via Phobjikha Valley to Trongsa.

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

DAY 6 Trongsa to Bumthang

Continue east to Bumthang.

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

DAY 7 Bumthang sightseeing

Explore Bumthang's temples and valleys.

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

DAY 8 Bumthang to Thimphu

Return west to Thimphu.

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

DAY 9 Thimphu to Paro Airport

Early morning transfer to Paro International Airport for departure.

Meals: Breakfast

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Sustainable Development Fee
- 3-star hotel accommodation (twin/double sharing)
- Bhutan tour e-visa
- Private guide and driver with vehicle
- All buffet meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner, evening tea)
- Airport transfers and internal transportation
- Sightseeing with entrance fees
- Hotel taxes and service charges
- Bottled water throughout

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Drukair/Bhutan airfares (international or domestic)
- Travel/medical insurance
- Domestic airfare for guide/driver
- Expenses from strikes, accidents, or political unrest
- Alcoholic/non-alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities and personal expenses

PRICING

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