## Drukair Holidays

## **Bhutan Excursion**

Whispers of the Dragon Peaks

## BDT 1,70,800/-Per Person

Bhutan.

# 4 Nights || 5 Days

ACCOMODATION DETAILS						
City	Nights	4 Star Hotel Name	Room Type	Meal Plan		
THIMPHU	2	The Pema by Realm or equivalent	Double/ Twin Room	Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner		
PARO	2	Naksel Boutique Hotel & SPA or equivalent	Double/ Twin Room	Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner		

## **Tour Plan**

	ТНІМРНО
Day: 01	<ul> <li>Welcome to Paro, Bhutan's panoramic district! Dukair representatives will be at the airport to welcome you. After that you will go on to drive from Paro to Thimphu. the modern capital town of Bhutan.</li> <li>KUENSEL PHODRANG: On arrival in Thimphu, we will check-in to your hotel. The accommodation is an ideal spot for your exploration of Thimphu. Then visit KUENSEL PHODRANG (commonly known as Buddha Point) where the largest Buddha statue in the country is perched on the hillock overlooking the Thimphu Valley. You may take a nature hike through KUENSEL PHODRANG Nature Park for about 20-30 minutes if time permits.</li> <li>TASHICHHO DZONG: After the visit to Kuensel Phodrang visit Tashichho Dzong, a fortress of the glorious religion. It was built in 1641 by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyel. It houses the secretariat building, the throne room and the office of the king, and the central monk body.</li> <li>NATIONAL MEMORIAL CHORTEN: The National Memorial Chorten (stupa) which was constructed in 1974 as a memorial for the third King of Bhutan, King Jigme Dorji Wangchuck.</li> <li>Overnight at Thimphu</li> </ul>
Day: 02	After breakfast, we'll embark on a scenic hike to <b>PHOJODING MONASTERY</b> . Phajoding Monastery, nestled near Thimphu in Bhutan, has a rich history. It was founded in the 13 <sup>th</sup> century by Phajo Drugom Zhigpo, a Tibetan lama who spread the Drukpa Kagyu teachings of Buddhism in Bhutan. Most of the buildings within the complex were constructed in 1748 by Gyelwa Shakya Rinchen, the 9th Je Khenpo. The trail to Phajoding Monastery spans approximately 5 kilometers and takes about 3-4 hours to hike from Thimphu. The path is steep but rewarding, with several resting areas along the way. As you ascend, you'll pass through lush, verdant terrain adorned with colorful bushes. The monastery itself sits at an altitude between 2,580 and 3,600 feet, offering a peaceful haven for trekkers and seekers of enlightenment. Phajoding Monastery, once among the country's most prominent temples, unfortunately faced neglect over the years. It was even listed as one of the Top 5 Endangered Monuments by the World Monuments Fund in 2010. Despite its past glory, it remains a meditation site, surrounded by breathtaking vistas and unique artifacts. After the hike, we'll return to Thimphu for a comfortable night's rest. Overnight at Thimphu
	PARO
Day: 03	<ul> <li>After breakfast, Hotel Check-out &amp; drive to Paro, Paro Hotel Check-in &amp; we'll heading to</li> <li>After Breakfast, Drive to Paro and Sightseeing:</li> <li>PARO RINPUNG DZONG: Paro Rinpung Dzong (fortress), built in 1645 to defend the valley against Tibetan invaders is now being used as an administration center and school for monks. From the</li> </ul>

Dzong you will walk down to Rinpung Bridge (Traditonal Cantilever Bridge), oldest bridge in

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- DZONGDRAKHA TEMPLE: Often called the mini-Taktsang, Dzongdrakha temples are built on the cliffs above Bondey village. Take a short walk to the temple for about 15 minutes. Legend says one of the temples is built around a levitating monument. Folks built a stronger temple around this monument with the hope that the levitating monument does not fly away into the sky.
- DRUKGYEL DZONG: Drive up from Paro town to the north side of the valley to view the ruins of • Drukgyel Dzong (18 km). It was from here that the Bhutanese repelled several invading Tibetan armies during the 17th century.

In the evening stroll around Paro town and you may visit the local handicraft stores. OR it can be your downtime.

Overnight at Paro

After Breakfast, Hike:

- Taktsang Monastery: Visit to Taktsang Monastery Kickstart the day with a hike to Taktsang • Monastery, famously known as Tiger's Nest. The Taktsang Monastery which seems perched against the cliff is nearly 3000 meters above sea level. This monument is a most revered Himalayan pilgrimage site. After the Taktsang hike, immerse in a relaxing traditional hot stone bath experience (optional).
- Day: 04 KYICHU LHAKHANG: After visiting the monastery, walk back down to the road on the way stop for lunch at the view point cafeteria and then walk further down to the road point. Kyichu Lhakhang is one of Bhutan's oldest temples, believed to have been built in the 7th century and then drive back to hotel. In the evening relax after the tiring day in the traditional Bhutanese hot stone bath/spa and dinner at a farmhouse in Paro valley (both not inclusive in the package cost). Overnight at Paro

After breakfast, our guide will transfer you to Paro International Airport for your departure flight. Day: 05

PACKAGE INCLUSIONS	PACKAGE EXCLUSIONS		
• SDF	<ul> <li>Personal Expenses, Shopping/Souvenirs</li> </ul>		
• 4 Star Accommodation	<ul> <li>Horseback riding at Tiger's Nest Monastery</li> </ul>		
Meals	Unexpected Circumstances		
English Speaking Guide	Hot stone bath		
Attraction Tickets	• Tips and Gratuities to Guides/drivers		
Transportation Arrangement	• Use of bar and beverages in Hotels/Bars.		
Complimentary Cultural Experience	Travel Insurance		

- Any kinds of Government Surcharge, Tax, and rate of exchange increase, rates will be auto revised accordingly. •
- Package rate is subject to room availability.
- Minimum required 2 Adults to avail this package.
- Packages are NON-REFUNDABLE once issued.