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ROAD TRIP TO THE KINGDOM OF HAPPINESS- BHUTAN

28th April to 5th May 2019

Duration- 7N / 8 D

Phuensholing -2Nights, Thimphu- 2Nights, Punakha-1Night, Paro-2Nights

Tour Highlights:

Activities:

- *Thangka Painting Live Demonstration at Institute*
- *Cultural Show with masked dance performance*
- *with Dress up in Bhutanese Dress*
- *Archery Match with Locals*
- *Local Farm House Visit*
- *Interaction session with Lady Monks*
- *Weavers looms visit to do weaving activities*
- *Bhutanese cuisine Cookery Class*
- *Hot stone Bath*
- *River Rafting*
- *Picnic lunch at River Bank*
- *Sightseeing of famous Tourist sights*
- *Service of English-Speaking Guide*
- *Daily Breakfast and Dinner*

Meals: 7 Breakfast, 7 Dinner

Accommodation : Gaykel/Similar, Hotel Lobesa/Similar,
Tashi Namgey Resort/Similar

Travel: Entry Permit, PnF Buddy, English Speaking Guide,
Non A/C Coaster Coaches.

What makes you choose Bhutan as your 'ME' time destination

"kuzuzangpo La" (Namaste) welcome to the world's only gross national happiness based economy n world's first carbon free country of happy people. Over shadowed and nestled between China and India- Bhutan is one of the smallest countries in the world, but its cultural diversity and richness are profound. Here strong emphasis is laid on the promotion and preservation of their unique culture. Bhutan's location and its unique geographical and climatic variations, makes it one of the world's last remaining biodiversity hotspots. Bhutan pristine environment, with high rugged mountains and deep valleys, offers ecosystems that are both rich and diverse. Recognizing the importance of the environment, conservation of it's rich biodiversity is one of the government's development paradigms. Today, approximately 72% of the total land area of Bhutan is under forest cover and approximately 60% of the land area falls under protected areas comprising of 10 national parks and sanctuaries. Relish mouth watering Bhutanese cuisine, specially national dish of Bhutan Ema Datshi with Tingmo: Enjoy & feel the divinity in a class or a caste system free compassionate n fun loving society of Bhutan, where thunder dragon, Druk, is emblazoned on the national flag, symbolizing the people of Bhutan: loyal, patriotic and living with a total sense of belonging within the kingdom.



Day 1 : Bagdogra to Phuentsholing Transfer

Take any connecting flight from your home town, which Reaches at Bagdogra airport before 12 PM on 28h April 2019. There at airport you will be greeted by PnF buddy. After collecting your luggage, we will proceed for Lunch at siliguri. Afterwards we Proceed for enchanting road journey, to Phuentsholing the neighbouring border city of Bhutan, while crossing various lush green tea estates in Jalpaiguri District in West Bengal & crossing Indo-Bhutan border. Check in & Over night stay in Phuentsholing. Evening will be free to stroll around Phuentsholing

Accommodation: Hotel Ga Me Ga or similar

Meals: Dinner



Day 2 : Transfers to Thimphu

After an early breakfast & check out. We will proceed for Permit processing office at Bhutan After permit processing formalities we will proceed for Capital of Bhutan Thimphu with Lunch stop over at Chukha Dam view restaurant. On our way to Thimphu we will have Photo stop overs at Kharbandi Monestery , At sorchen view point which gives you the panoramic view of the plains. During this mystical drive of nearly 6 hours to Thimphu we will have our last stop over at Taktakoti for a tea break, refreshen yourself before you take your selfies along with waterfalls. Before emerging ourselves into the modern city of Bhutan-Thimphu our first stop over will be at Chuzom which is the meeting point of two rivers Thimphu chu and Paro chu. On the way we will also visit Tamchog Temple where oldest Iron bridge in Bhutan is located. Good for photo session. After reaching Thimphu we will visit Memorial Chorten (Stupa) built in memory of the third King of Bhutan Jigme Dorji Wangchuk who was called the Father of modern Bhutan. Check into your hotel. Rest of the evening is at your leisure. Dinner at Hotel. Overnight stay in Hotel.

Accommodation: Hotel Gaykil or similar

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner



Day 3 : Thimpu Sightseeing

After an early morning breakfast we visit the Buddha Dorema which has world's tallest statue than visit National Library where ancient manuscripts are preserved. Later visit Choki Handicraft where you can watch how the weaving is done and perhaps try as well. Visit traditional paper factory. Then have a look at Live Thangkha Painting at Institute. You can also visit wood reserves for Bhutan's National animal Taskin. During evening we can have outside view of Tashi chhoe dzong which is also called fortress of the glorious religion. The dzong houses main secretariat building and is the throne of His Majesty, King of Bhutan. Visit famous clock tower. During afternoon you can buy some at handicraft market. Later Proceed for fun filled evening at Simply Bhutan Eco Restaurant. Dress up in Bhutanese dress; enjoy Bhutanese Cultural show along with dinner. Over night stay in Thimphu.

Accommodation: Wangdue Eco Resort or similar

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner



Day 4: Thimphu – Punakha Transfer via Douche La Pass

After breakfast & check out, we drive to Punakha, with a stop en route for tea break at Dochu La pass (3,100 meters), where on a clear day one can get a spectacular view of the Himalayas. After lunch, we will continue our drive to Punakha, the former capital of Bhutan and visit Punakha Dzong, which is noteworthy both for being one of the most beautiful dzongs in Bhutan and also for having been built by the first Shabdrung in 1637. Damaged four times by fire and an earthquake, it has been fully restored by present King. Now you will visit second longest suspension bridge of Bhutan, which is built on Po chu river. It connects to the nearby village with Punakha. Walking through this a sheer adventure. Check into Hotel – In evening Enjoy the Cookery Class in your hotels open kitchen & learn some delicious Bhutanese dishes - Night stay at Punakha.

Accommodation: Wangdue Eco Resort or similar

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner



Day 5: Punakha Adventures & Paro Transfers

Post early morning breakfast, Check out & get ready for a day full of adventurous activities we have organized for you. First we will do little hiking to visit Fertility temple. Now we head for white water river rafting for stretch of nearly 14 Km followed by Picnic lunch nearby the river (extra cost Rs.500/600/- per person) After lunch & some rest we proceed to visit sangchhen Dorji Lhuendrup Lhakhang (Nunnery)where we will have Interaction session with nuns/ lady monks. Later we get transferred for Paro. Get indulge in shopping for some time & have dinner & Check in to your hotel for a good rest.

Accommodation: Metta Resort or similar

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

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Day 6 : Paro Sightseeing

In the morning, we hike to Tiger's Nest Monastery, the most beautiful monastery located on a granite cliff high in the mountains. It is approximately 2-3 hour walk uphill for regular mountain hikers, however who are not used to of mountain hiking it could take an entire day too. Evening back to the hotel and relax. In case you don't wish to do Tiger, nest hiking you can opt for excursion by coach to Chele La Pass which is a must visited place during your Bhutan trip. 35 Km from Paro at the altitude of 3899 Meters. It is the highest motorable road in Bhutan with an amazing touristic experience! You can feel the wind running through your hair, the fresh air around you, the fluttering voices of the prayer flags, the colorful wild flowers dancing in the breeze and sip a cup of your favorite piping hot tea on the peak of this pass. Mother nature at its best in all its glory. Admire snow capped peaks of Jomolhari mountain. The view from one side of the pass is Paro city and the Haa valley on the other. What may look like just another mountain pass, the Chele La Pass can keep you spellbound for hours if you are a nature lover. Just sit on the grass on the slopes (with care) and admire the beauty of nature as it embraces you from all sides. Close your eyes and just breathe in the fresh mountain air. Offer a prayer of thanks to God for this wonder of nature before you return to Paro. Late afternoon we visit a local family at their traditional farm house. There you will have sneak peak of Bhutanese culture while interacting with this family & also will enjoy playing Bhutan's national game Archery. Overnight in Paro.

Accommodation: Metta Resort or similar

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner



Day 7 : Paro- Phuentsholing Transfers

Transfer from Paro to Jaigaon / Phuentsholing - A drive of nearly 180 kilometers, a drive of approximately 6 ½-7 hours - After breakfast transfer to Phuentsholing – On the way take a short stop at Chuzom, the confluence of Paro and Thimphu rivers with three different style of stupas adorning this confluence - Drive further through Chapcha and later take glimpse of famous Chukha Dam and the magnificent Vince waterfall before Gedu town - Arrive Phuentsholing by evening and check into the hotel – Evening free to stroll around the area - Night stay at hotel in Phuentsholing.

Accommodation: Hotel Ga Me Ga or similar

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner



Day 8: Departures -Phuentsholing to Bagdogra

After breakfast & checkout we start for spectacular road journey of Nearly 170 kilometers 4/5 hour drive to Bagdogra Airport to catch our flight for our homeward journey. Enjoy the lingering memories of your dream journey accomplished, yet longing & looking forward to more.

Meals: Breakfast

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Package Cost- Rs. 46,499/- (Inclusive of GST)
Rs. 43,499/(Early Bird Offer limited seats available)

Accommodation:

- *PHUENSHOLLING (1 Night) Hotel Ga Me Ga or similar*
- *THIMPHU(2 NIGHTS) Hotel Gaykil / similar*
- *PUNAKHA (02 NIGHT) - Wangdue Eco Resort / Zhingkhom or similar*
- *PARO (02 NIGHTS) - Metta Resort / Drukchen or similar*

Inclusions:

- *Bhutan Entry Permit*
- *Accommodation under twin sharing with breakfast in respective hotels.*
- *7 Breakfast and 7 Dinner.*
- *Private transport within Bhutan (Toyota coach / Tucson / Santafe / Land cruiser / Prado) as per itinerary.*
- *Museum & Monuments entrance fee as per itinerary.*
- *Farm House visit with Dinner & Archery match*
- *GNH Talk over a cup of tea*
- *Interaction with lady Monks*
- *Cultural Show*
- *Per day 1 bottle mineral water*
- *English speaking guide*
- *PnF buddy*
- *Return airport Transfers*

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Exclusion :

- *Cost of Meals other than those specified in inclusions.*
- *Tiger Nest Hiking Rs 500/-*
- *Picnic Lunch Approx-600-700/- Per person*
- *White Water Rafting Rs.1500-1700/- Per Person*
- *Mandatory tip of Rs.700/- for Guide & Drivers.*
- *Any expenses of personal nature such as tips to drivers, guides, representative laundry expenses, wines, mineral water, food and drinks not in the regular menus provided by us.*
- *Surcharges if any*
- *Anything not mentioned in the inclusions.*

