

SOLO PARO

3 Nights / 4 Days

Paro Dzong, previously known as Rinpung Dzong which means in Bhutanese “the fortress on a heap of jewels.” Paro Dzong was used as a fort to protect the Paro Valley from the invasions by Tibetan.

Paro is the most attractive of Bhutan's valleys. Full of colour and tradition, this small town is dominated by a spectacular dzong, while isolated villages and farms dot the landscape. The houses here are considered among the most beautiful in the country.

Paro lies on the banks of the Paro Chhu in the centre of a broad valley — the only area in the country large enough to allow a plane to safely land. The massive structure of Paro Dzong towering over the town are impressively visible from most parts of the valley, especially when the entire house is lighted at night



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Day 01: Arrive Paro (2225 meters)

Flying along the Himalayan range offers fascinating views and an exciting descent into the Kingdom. Bhutan's first gift to you as you disembark from the aircraft will be cool, clean fresh mountain air.

On Arrival at Paro airport and after immigration formalities and baggage collection, you will be met by your driver to transfer your hotel for night stay. Rest of the day free. **Note >** Early check in Not included. Standard check in 14h.

Lunch at local restaurant.

Later visit of Paro Dzong and Ta Dzong, the national museum showing the rich cultural heritage of Bhutan dating from at least 2000 BCE to this day. Built in 1648 as a watchtower, the cylindrical museum houses a fine collection of art and artifacts from Bhutan. Later visit a Bhutan farm and meet the family.

Dinner included and accommodation at the hotel.

Day 02: PARO / THIMPU / PARO

After breakfast departure by road to Thimphu (2400 meters), the capital of the Himalayan country and the largest city. The road to Thimphu first follows the Pa-chu (river) to the confluence where Thimphu joins. Today's tour includes the National Library, which houses an immense collection of ancient Buddhist manuscripts and the largest book in the world, the Painting School, where students keep traditional art alive from sacred painting religious scrolls, and the popular Heritage Museum, which celebrates the country's rural life.

Lunch at local restaurant.

After lunch, head to Kuensel Phodrang, to see one of the largest Buddha in the world and once again a magnificent view of the city of Thimphu. Then we will visit the Textile Museum, where we see a demonstration of traditional fabric and Tashichoe Dzong, the historic fortress and the monastery that today houses the government offices and temples. Later, we will visit the Zilukha convent, this temple is quite new and dedicated to a Tibetan Saint who arrived in Bhutan in the 15th century, and the paper mill where a special type of paper is made with the

bark of the Daphne plant. Visit the Chorten Memorial (Stupa) built in memory of the deceased King and walk on the main street of Thimphu.

Return to Paro.

Dinner included and accommodation at the hotel.

Day 03: PARO

After breakfast departure to the slopes of Taktsang Monastery and from here go up to the viewpoint of the sacred Taktsang monastery, which is approx. 610 meters above the Paro valley. This is a sacred place for the Bhutanese and all Bhutanese from far away places try to visit this place at least once in their life. There is an option either by walking or a pony ride.

Lunch at local restaurant.

Later, visit the ruins of Drukgyel Dzong, a fortress of victory dating back to the 17th century. Dinner included and overnight at the hotel.

Day 08: Depart Paro (Official check out 11h)

After early breakfast at the hotel, drive to the airport for flight to your onward destination.

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SOME OPTIONAL SUGGESTIONS.

These are some optional suggestions and are always subject to change. Advance booking required at most of the places. Not included.

1. You can add Paro with Nepal and India tour if you wish so.
2. Depending on your flight, you might need to stay one night in Kathmandu or Delhi before flying to Paro, but this can be added later on extra cost.
3. If you wish you can enjoy dinner with local family.
4. You can have a local cooking demonstration.