

## **Bhutan I Fascinating Temples In A Magnificent Mountain Landscape**

Explore Bhutan's many beautiful temples and learn more about meditation, tradition and culture. Immerse yourself in a unique, fascinating mountain landscape and explore the regions on foot.

### **Day - 2 Thimphu**

#### **THIMPHU: CITYTOUR (B, L, D)**

Your first visit today will be the elegant Memorial Temple. This stupa was built in 1974 in the memory of Bhutan's third King, His Late Majesty, King Jigme Dorji Wangchuck. Next, visit the largest Buddha Statue of Bhutan, which is outside of the city centre and offers a great view over the Valley. Continue your tour to the impressive Changangkha Temple, which was established in the 12th century. Enjoy the fascinating view of Thimphu valley from here. At the Simply Bhutan, learn more about the living and culture of the Bhutanese people. Lunch will be served then at a local restaurant. Afterwards, visit Zorig Chosum, an art & craft school or painting school. Interact with the students and learn more about their techniques and stories. The Royal Textile Academy shows your an exhibition on six major themes: warp pattern weaves, weft pattern weaves, role of textiles in religion, achievements in textile arts, textiles from indigenous fibres and the royal collection. Also visit the Crafts Bazaar to buy some souvenirs or just stroll around the lively market. Later, you can visit the Coronation Park and National Stadium or take relaxing walks outside the town. In the evening, take a relaxing nature walk in the park by the river where the locals come here for walks in the evenings and family picnics during weekends and holidays. Next to the Coronation Park is the National Stadium where most of the major events like National Day Parade, His Majesties Birthdays and Sporting events are held.

**Overnight:** Thimphu

### Inclusions

- 9 nights in your chosen accommodation
- Meal as specified in itinerary  
(B = Breakfast, BR = Brunch, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)
- Activities and excursions according to itinerary  
FOR EXAMPLE
  - Visit Tachhogang Bridge
  - CityTour of Thimphu incl. visits of Takin Zoo, Zilukha Nunnery, Tashichhodzong Fortress, Memorial Temple, Buddha Statue, Changangkha Temple, Simply Buddha, Zorig Chosum, Roal Textile Academy, Craft Bazaar
  - Visit Chimmi Temple & Punakha Dzong
  - Visit Tamshing Temple & Kurjey Temple
  - Discover Bumthang Valley on foot
  - 1-day hiking Trip in the Phobjikha Valley
  - Visit the National Museum, Paro Fortress & Kyichu Temple
  - 1-day hiking Trip to Tigers Nest
- Tours and excursions in mini buses/buses
- or with public transportation according to itinerary
- English speaking tour guide
- Admission fees according to itinerary

### Exclusions

- International flights
- Meals other than mentioned in itinerary
- Tours and Excursions other than mentioned in itinerary
- Early check-in and late check-out at hotels
- Personal travel insurance
- Personal expenses and tips for driver/guides
- Visa fees