# NHB – 13 (6 Nights / 7 Days) Fly In & Fly Out (Thimphu 1N – Wangdue / Punakha 2N – Paro 3N)

## <u>Day 01: Paro Airport – Thimphu Sightseeing</u>

# (Distance: 65 kms. / Driving Time: 2 hrs. / Altitude of Thimphu: 2350 mts.)

Meet & Greet on arrival at Paro Airport and transfer to Thimphu (7,710 ft.) the capital city of Bhutan. On arrival check in at the hotel. Afternoon start for half day Thimphu sightseeing consist of **Kuensel Phodrang** (Buddha Statue) a place for refreshing with a huge statue of Buddha on the top of the Kuensel Phodrang, **National Memorial Chort en** - This Chorten was built in 1974 in a typical Tibetan style. It is also a center of worship for the people living in Thimphu. Later in the day visit **Tashichho Dzong** (Fortress of the Glorious Religion) - The Dzong is the seat of the national government and the Central Monastic Body, including the summer residence of the Je Khenpo (Chief Abbot of Bhutan) at present. Overnight stay at Thimphu.

#### Day 02: Thimphu – Punakha/Wangdue Sightseeing

## (Distance: 77 kms. / Driving Time: 3 hrs. / Altitude of Punakha: 1310 mts.)

After breakfast drive to Punakha / Wangdue, On the way Stop at **Dochu-La-Pass** (3150 mts.). to view the higher Himalayas. Arrival at Punakha check in at hotel. After noon visit **Punakha Dzong** - built in 1637 by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal. For many years until the time of the second king, it served as the seat of the Government. The Dzong was named Druk Pungthang Dechen Phodrang (Palace of Great Happiness). Punakha is still the winter residence of Je-Khenpo and King Jigme Dorji Wangchuck convened the first National Assembly here in 1952. After that take a short and easy hike to visit the **Chhimi Lhakhang** - The Temple, also known as "The Temple of Fertility" was built by Lama Drukpa Kuenley, "The Devine Mad Man". Evening free for leisure. Overnight stay at Punakha / Wangdue.

## Day 03: Excursion to Gangtey (Phobjikha) OR Punakha Sightseeing

# (Excursion to Gangtey - Distance: 78 kms. One way / Driving Time: 3 hrs.)

After breakfast, start for full day excursion trip to Gangtey (9,840 ft.). Gangtey is the home of Black Necked Crane which migrates from the arid plains of Tibet in the north. It is a beautiful valley of Bhutan. You can also visit Gangtey Gompha. Evening return back. Overnight stay at Punakha / Wangdue.

Alternatively, instead of going to Gangtey (Phobjikha), you also have an option spending the day in Punakha Valley itself. After breakfast hike Khamsum Yuelley Namgyal Chorten which is about 45 Mins easy hike to the top of the hill. It offers a breathtaking view of the Punakha Valley. Also visit Punakha Suspension Bridge and Sangchhen Dorji Lhuendrup Nunnery. Rest of the day free for leisure. Overnight stay at Punakha / Wangdue.

# Day 04: Punakha/Wangdue - Paro Sightseeing

# (Distance: 140 kms. / Driving Time: 5 hrs. / Altitude of Paro: 2280 mts.)

After breakfast drive to Paro (7,483 ft.). On the way stop at Lamperi to visit **Royal Botanical Park.** On arrival check in at the hotel. Afternoon visit **Ta Dzong** - National Museum with an excellent collection of arts, relics, religious thangkha, etc. **Rinpung Dzong** - Meaning "fortress of the heap of jewels". The dzong now serves as the administrative and judicial seat of Paro. Evening free for leisure. Overnight stay at Paro.

#### Day 05: Paro Sightseeing

After breakfast hike to the famous Taktsang Monastery - called "Tiger's Nest" (2hrs hike from the base camp). Later visit Drukgyel Dzong & Kyichu Monastery. Overnight stay at Paro.

#### Day 06: Excursion to Chele-La-Pass

## (Distance: 35 kms. One way / Driving Time: 2 hrs. / Altitude of Chele-La-Pass: 3810 mts.)

After breakfast excursion trip to Chele-La-Pass (13,088 ft.) – the highest motorable road in Bhutan. Enjoy the scenic beauty & memorable landscapes from Chele-La-Pass. Back to Paro. Rest of the day is free for leisure. Overnight stay at Paro.

#### Day 07: Paro Airport

After breakfast check out from hotel and drop at Paro Airport for your onward journey.

NO OF PAX (COST PER PERSON)	PREMIUM+ (MAP)	PREMIUM (MAP)	CLASSY (MAP)	LUXURY (MAP)	SUPERIOR (MAP)	DELUXE (MAP)
02 PAX	89500	72900	65600	42100	36700	34100
04 PAX	82400	65900	58500	35000	29700	27000
06 PAX	78700	62100	54800	31300	25900	23300
08 PAX	77300	60700	53400	29900	24500	21900
EPSR	54300	42700	37400	20000	15600	12500
CNB	21100	21500	19300	9700	8400	7100

# **About Vehicle:**

All the vehicles provided, unless other wise specified will be Non-A/C Vehicles. Supplement Charges will be applicable for A/C vehicles.

VEHICLE CAPACITY & DETAILS			
CAPACITY	BHUTAN PART	INDIA PART	
1 – 2 Pax including Child	SUV like Santa Fee / Tucson	NA	
3 – 6 Pax including Child	Toyota Hiace / Hyundai H1	NA	
7 – 8 Pax including Child	Toyota High Roof Hiace	NA	

Note - In case the number of heads including child increases, then the guest will have to take bigger vehicle with an additional cost. For instance, for 3<sup>rd</sup> adult or child traveling together with 02 Pax, the guests would have to pay supplement charges for Toyota Hiace/ Hundai H1 instead of SUV. The details of supplement costs are given below:

SUPPLEMENT VEHICLE COSTS			
VEHICLE	PARTICLARS	SUPPLEMENT AMOUNT	
Toyota Hiace / Hyundai H1	Instead of SUV	7400	
Toyoto High Roof Hiace	Instead of Toyota Hiace / Hyundai	3700	
	H1		
Toyota Coaster	Instead of Toyoto High Roof Hiace	15900	

ACCOMMODATION						
DESTINATIONS	PREMIUM+ (MAP)	PREMIUM (MAP)	CLASSY (MAP)	LUXURY (MAP)	SUPERIOR (MAP)	DELUXE (MAP)
<u>Thimphu</u>	Le Meridien (Classic)/ Similar	Le Meridien (Classic)/ Similar	Hotel Ariya / Ramada / Hotel Osel / Similar	Namgey Heritage / Tara Phendeyling (Veg) / City Hotel / Similar	Dorjee Elements / Pedling /Migmar / Gakyil / Similar	Bhutan Kubera / Om Tara / Amodhara / River Side / Similar
Punakha / Wangdue	Dhensa Boutique Resort / Kunzang Zhing Resort/ Similar	RKPO Green Resort / Similar	Drubchhu Resort / Khuru Resort / Kichu Resort (Pure Veg) / Zhingkham / Similar	Drubchhu Resort / Khuru Resort / Kichu Resort (Pure Veg) / Zhingkham / Similar	Kingaling Hotel & Spa (Dlx New) / Punatsangchhu Cottage / Punakha Residency / Similar	Hotel Y.T. / Kingaling (Dlx) / Similar
<u>Paro</u>	Le Meridien (Deluxe) / Similar	Le Meridien (Classic) / Similar	Le Meridien (Classic) / Naksel / Similar	Tashi Namgay Resort / Tenzinling (Balcony Room) / Metta Resort / Olathang (Dlx Cottege) / Similar	Hotel Olathang / Dewachen Resort / Drukchen / Tashi Phuenshok / Similar	Namsay Choling Resort / Taktsang Paradise / Yanki Resort / Similar

## **Hotel Category Details:**

Premium+ Packages : 5\* High-end Resorts with Breakfast & Dinner.

Premium Packages : 5\* Equivalent hotel with Breakfast & Dinner.

Classy Packages : 4\* Prime hotel with Breakfast & Dinner.

Luxury Packages : 3\* Prime hotel with Breakfast & Dinner.

Superior Packages : 3\* Deluxe hotel with Breakfast & Dinner.

Deluxe Packages : 3\* Equivalent hotel with Breakfast & Dinner.

Please note Elite & Premium packages with Hotels like Uma Group of Hotels, Taj Tashi, Amankora rates are also available on case to case basis.

Hotels serve both Vegetarian & Non-Vegetarian food which would be basic & freshly prepared. Specific regional Indian cuisine will not be available. Only the basic Indian Vegetarian / Non – Vegetarian food can be arranged.

Cost Include:	Cost Exclude:
✓ Accommodation on twin	o Air Fare/Train fare.
Sharing Basis.	o Personal Expenses such as Laundry, telephone calls, tips & gratuity, mineral
✓ Meal Plan (as per	water, soft & hard drinks, rafting, rock climbing, paragliding, porterage.
mentioned above).	o Additional sightseeing or extra usage of vehicle, other than mentioned in the
✓ Exclusive Non a/c vehicle	itinerary.
for transfers & sightseeing	o Entrance Fees.
as per itinerary.	o Any cost arising due to natural calamities like, landslides, road blockage,
✓ All permit fees & hotel	political disturbances (strikes), etc (to be borne by the client, which is directly
taxes (as per itinerary).	payable on the spot).
✓ Guide charges (Only)	o Any increase in taxes or fuel price, leading to increase in cost on surface
Bhutan Portion).	transportation & land arrangements, which may come into effect prior to
✓ Rates are valid for INDIAN	departure.
NATIONALS only.	o GST & Travel Insurance.
	<ul> <li>Anything which is not include in the inclusion.</li> </ul>

## **Permit for Bhutan:**

Indian nationals do not require any visa for Bhutan. A permit will be issued at the entry point on production of a passport or Voter ID and 04 passport size photographs.

# **Restricted Area Permit for Punakha / Wangdue:**

Restricted Area Permit is required to visit Punakha / Wangdue from Home Ministry of Bhutan. No charge will be applicable for this permit. Please bring 02 passport size photographs and Voter ID card or Passport of each person including child. This special permit is given only after guest has entered Bhutan. Permits are not issued on Saturday, Sunday & Govt. holidays.

#### NOTE:

- ➤ The above mentioned hotels will be confirmed as per the room availability. Otherwise we will confirm similar category.
- The rates quoted in the packages are on per person basis & valid for Indian nationals from 01st Sep 2018 to 5th Jan 2019 (High seasons surcharge will be applicable during the Festivals & Peak season).

We believe in giving value for money and we believe that quality comes with a price tag. We at Neptune promise to provide the best of our services and keep by our commitments towards quality and the sensitivity of the services.

#### DO'S:

- ✓ Adults must carry original & valid Passport or original Voter ID card. Children must carry original & valid Passport or original birth certificate & school photo ID card.
- ✓ Remember to carry and other packings as per seasons and personal requirements (including hiking shoes)
- ✓ Please check with your mobile service provider for charges related to Bhutan.

### **DON'TS:**

- Tobacco & Tobacco products are banned in Bhutan.
- Do not bring any plant or agricultural product out of Bhutan. It is illegal.
- Credit cards are accepted in selected establishments in Bhutan.
- Usage of Drones is strictly prohibited in Bhutan.
- Photography is not allowed inside temples and Dzongs.