Bhutan Cultural Tour - 6 Days

Embark on an enriching journey with our **5 Nights 6 Days Bhutan Cultural Tour**, carefully curated to immerse you in the vibrant cultural tapestry of Bhutan. Begin your adventure at -**Paro International Airport**, where you'll be transported to **Thimphu**, the charming capital city nestled amidst picturesque landscapes. Explore iconic landmarks such as **Tashichho Dzong** and **Memorial Chorten** before venturing to **Punakha**, renowned for its historic sites and tranquil surroundings. Experience the spiritual allure of **Gangtey-** and **Wangdiphodrang**, discovering ancient monasteries and breathtaking vistas. Conclude your tour with a memorable hike to the iconic **Tiger’s Nest Monastery-** in **Paro**, offering panoramic views of the Himalayas. Join us for an unforgettable cultural odyssey through the Land of the Thunder Dragon.

Amen Bhutan Tours and Treks stands as the premier choice for your **5 Nights 6 Days Bhutan Cultural Tour**. With our unrivaled expertise and dedication to excellence, we ensure an unforgettable journey through the cultural wonders of Bhutan. From the moment you arrive at -**Paro International Airport**, our team is committed to providing an immersive and enriching experience. Explore the vibrant heritage of Bhutan's capital, **Thimphu**, and delve into the tranquility of **Punakha**'s historic sites under our expert guidance. With **Gangtey** and -**Wangdiphodrang** awaiting your exploration, each moment promises to be a testament to the beauty and spirituality of this mystical land. Trust **Amen Bhutan Tours and Treks** to lead you on the cultural adventure of a lifetime.

Itinerary

Day 01: Arrival at Paro International airport and transfer to Thimphu (2300m) – 2 hrs. drive.

Arrival at Paro International Airport: Upon arrival at Paro International Airport, you will be greeted by our tour representative who will assist you through immigration and customs procedures.

Welcome and Assistance: Our friendly guide will welcome you to Bhutan and provide you with essential information about the tour itinerary, cultural practices, and safety guidelines.

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Transfer to Thimphu: Board a comfortable vehicle for a scenic 2-hour drive to Thimphu, the capital city of Bhutan. Enjoy panoramic views of the Himalayan mountains and lush valleys along the way.

Introduction to Thimphu: Upon arrival in Thimphu, check-in at your hotel and freshen up after your journey. Your guide will brief you about the upcoming sightseeing activities and cultural experiences planned for your stay in Thimphu.

Thimphu Exploration (Optional): Depending on your arrival time and preferences, you may have the option to explore Thimphu in the evening. Visit local markets, stroll along the streets, or enjoy a leisurely walk to soak in the ambiance of Bhutan's capital city.

Evening Relaxation: After a day of travel and exploration, unwind at your hotel and enjoy a delicious dinner featuring authentic Bhutanese cuisine. Take this opportunity to rest and recharge for the exciting adventures awaiting you in the coming days.

Overnight Stay in Thimphu: Retire to your comfortable accommodation in Thimphu for a peaceful night's sleep, surrounded by the tranquility of Bhutan's natural beauty.

Day 02: Thimphu sightseeing & Late afternoon transfer to Punakha (1250m.) | 3-4 hrs.

Breakfast at Hotel: Start your day with a delicious breakfast at your hotel in Thimphu, preparing you for a day of exploration and discovery.

Thimphu Sightseeing Tour: Embark on a comprehensive sightseeing tour of Thimphu, the capital city of Bhutan. Visit iconic cultural landmarks such as:

Tashichho Dzong: Explore this impressive fortress-monastery, which serves as the seat of the Bhutanese government and houses the throne room of the King.

Memorial Chorten: Pay homage at this revered Buddhist stupa, built in memory of the third King of Bhutan.

Buddha Dordenma: Marvel at the giant statue of Buddha Dordenma, overlooking the Thimphu Valley, offering panoramic views of the surrounding landscape.

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Craft Bazaar: Discover Bhutanese arts and crafts at the local craft bazaar, where you can shop for traditional handicrafts, textiles, and souvenirs.

Lunch in Thimphu: Enjoy a sumptuous lunch at a local restaurant in Thimphu, sampling traditional Bhutanese dishes or international cuisine, depending on your preferences.

Late Afternoon Transfer to Punakha: In the late afternoon, embark on a scenic 3 to 4-hour drive from Thimphu to Punakha, the ancient capital of Bhutan. Journey through picturesque landscapes, passing by terraced fields, rivers, and traditional Bhutanese villages.

Arrival in Punakha: Upon arrival in Punakha, check-in at your hotel and unwind after the journey. Take in the serene ambiance of Punakha, nestled amidst lush greenery and surrounded by towering mountains.

Evening Leisure: Spend the evening at leisure, relaxing at your hotel or exploring the quaint town of Punakha on your own. Take a leisurely stroll along the banks of the Mo Chhu River or visit nearby attractions, such as Punakha Dzong or Chimi Lhakhang.

Dinner and Overnight Stay in Punakha: Enjoy a delectable dinner featuring local Bhutanese cuisine at your hotel in Punakha, followed by a restful night's sleep in preparation for tomorrow's adventures.

Day 03: Excursion to Gangtey (2890m.) & Wangdiphodrang (1460m.) | 6-7 hrs.

Breakfast at Hotel: Start your day with a hearty breakfast at your hotel in Punakha, fueling up for a day of scenic exploration.

Departure for Gangtey: Embark on an exhilarating excursion to Gangtey, a picturesque valley located at an altitude of 2890 meters. The journey offers breathtaking views of the Bhutanese countryside, with opportunities to spot native flora and fauna along the way.

Gangtey Valley Exploration: Upon arrival in Gangtey, immerse yourself in the natural beauty of the valley, known for its pristine landscapes and serene ambiance. Visit Gangtey Monastery, also known as Gangtey Gonpa, a prominent Buddhist monastery dating back to the 17th century.

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Gangtey Nature Trail: Embark on a leisurely nature walk along the Gangtey Nature Trail, offering panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. Keep an eye out for rare bird species, including the endangered black-necked cranes that migrate to the area during the winter months.

Lunch in Gangtey: Enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant in Gangtey, savoring traditional Bhutanese cuisine amidst the tranquil surroundings of the valley.

Drive to Wangdue Phodrang: After exploring Gangtey, continue your journey to Wangdue Phodrang, a historic town nestled on the banks of the Punakha River. Marvel at the scenic beauty of the landscape as you traverse winding mountain roads.

Wangdue Phodrang Dzong: Visit Wangdue Phodrang Dzong, an impressive fortress-monastery perched on a ridge overlooking the confluence of the Punakha and Dang Chu rivers. Explore the architectural marvels and cultural treasures housed within the dzong, offering insights into Bhutan's rich history and heritage.

Return to Punakha: In the late afternoon, depart from Wangdue Phodrang and return to Punakha, retracing your journey through the picturesque Bhutanese countryside.

Dinner and Overnight Stay in Punakha: Conclude your day with a delicious dinner at your hotel in Punakha, followed by a restful night's sleep, rejuvenating yourself for the adventures that await tomorrow.

Day 04: Drive from Wangdiphodrang to Paro (2260m.) | 4-5 hrs

Breakfast at Hotel: Begin your day with a satisfying breakfast at your hotel in Wangdue Phodrang, preparing for the scenic journey ahead.

Departure from Wangdue Phodrang: After breakfast, embark on a picturesque drive from Wangdue Phodrang to Paro, the charming valley town nestled in the Himalayas.

Scenic Route: Travel through winding mountain roads and verdant valleys, marveling at the breathtaking landscapes and panoramic views of the surrounding mountains.

Enroute Sightseeing: Along the way, make stops at scenic viewpoints and cultural landmarks, allowing you to capture stunning photographs and immerse yourself in the natural beauty of Bhutan.

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Tea Break: Take a leisurely break at a local tea house or roadside cafe, where you can enjoy refreshments and interact with locals, gaining insights into their way of life.

Arrival in Paro: Arrive in Paro, known for its historic charm, cultural richness, and stunning natural landscapes. Check-in at your hotel and relax after the scenic journey.

Exploration of Paro: Depending on your arrival time and preferences, you may have the option to explore Paro in the afternoon. Visit local markets, wander through quaint streets, or take a short hike to acclimatize to the altitude.

Dinner and Overnight Stay in Paro: Enjoy a delightful dinner featuring Bhutanese delicacies at your hotel in Paro, followed by a peaceful night's rest, preparing you for the adventures of the following day.

Day 05: Paro, hike to Taksang (Tiger’s Nest Monastery) | 5 hours (back and forth)

Early Breakfast: Begin your day with an early breakfast at your hotel in Paro, energizing yourself for the exhilarating hike ahead.

Departure to Taktsang Base: After breakfast, embark on a short drive to the base of Taktsang, also known as Tiger's Nest Monastery, a sacred Buddhist site perched on a cliffside.

Tiger’s Nest Trail: Start your ascent along the scenic Tiger’s Nest Trail, a moderate trek that winds through pine forests and offers breathtaking views of the Paro Valley below.

First Viewpoint: Reach the first viewpoint, where you can pause to admire the stunning panoramic vistas of Taktsang clinging precariously to the cliffside, surrounded by lush greenery and cascading waterfalls.

Taktsang Monastery: Continue your hike to reach Taktsang Monastery, an iconic symbol of Bhutanese spirituality and a testament to human perseverance. Explore the monastery complex, including temples, shrines, and meditation caves, while soaking in the serene atmosphere.

Lunch at Taktsang: Enjoy a well-deserved lunch at the cafeteria near Taktsang Monastery, savoring the stunning views of the surrounding mountains and valleys.

Descent to Base: After exploring Taktsang Monastery and capturing unforgettable memories, begin your descent back to the base of the trail.

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Return to Paro: Upon reaching the base, return to Paro by vehicle, reflecting on the awe-inspiring experience of hiking to one of Bhutan's most iconic landmarks.

Leisure Time: Spend the remainder of the afternoon at leisure in Paro, relaxing at your hotel or exploring the charming town at your own pace.

Dinner and Overnight Stay in Paro: Conclude your day with a delightful dinner at your hotel in Paro, reminiscing about the extraordinary journey to Taktsang Monastery before retiring for the night.

Day 06: Paro - Departure (B)

Final Morning in Paro: Begin your last day in Paro with a leisurely morning, savoring your breakfast at the hotel and taking in the tranquil ambiance of the surroundings.

Packing and Check-Out: After breakfast, pack your belongings and check out of the hotel, ensuring that you have all your belongings and travel documents ready for departure.

Airport Transfer: Our representative will transfer you to Paro International Airport in time for your departure flight. Enjoy a scenic drive through the picturesque Paro Valley, bidding farewell to the enchanting landscapes of Bhutan.

Fond Farewell: Arrive at the airport, where our team will assist you with check-in procedures and bid you a fond farewell. Take this opportunity to reflect on the memorable experiences and cultural encounters during your time in Bhutan.

Departure: Board your departure flight with cherished memories of your 5 Nights 6 Days Bhutan Cultural Tour, filled with cultural insights, natural beauty, and heartfelt hospitality. As you soar above the Himalayas, carry the spirit of Bhutan with you until we meet again.

Cost Details

What's Included

- **ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE:**
  All ground transport in a private vehicle, including airport and hotel transfers

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- **ACCOMMODATION DURING THE TRIP:**
  Comfortable lodging throughout the tour.

- **SIGHTSEEING FEES & VISA**
  All entrance fees to museums and monuments / A Bhutanese Tourist Visa fee

- **MEALS DURING THE TOUR**
  Full board meals - standard breakfast, lunch, dinner, tea & snacks.

- **TRANSPORTATION:**
  All ground transportation in a comfortable private vehicle as per the itinerary

- **GUIDE:**
  An experienced, helpful, and friendly English-speaking Guide.

- **STAFF SALARY AND ALLOWANCE:**
  All Bhutanese staff & porter’s daily wages, salary, equipment, food & clothing.

- **GUIDE FOR THE TOUR**
  Licensed English-speaking Bhutanese Professional tour guides.

- **WATER DURING TOUR**
  Mineral drinking water during the tour

- **GOVERNMENT TAXES:**
  All government taxes and official expenses.

What's Not Included

- **INTERNATIONAL AIRFARE:**
  International flight airfare (from and to Paro) Please contact us at **info@amenbhutan.com to book a Bhutan flight**.

- **INSURANCE POLICY:**
  Travel Insurance (for trip cancellation, interruption, medical treatment, repatriation, etc.)

- **PERSONAL EXPENSES:**
  Telephone Calls, Internet, laundry, soft drinks, beers, and any Alcoholic beverages.

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TIPS:
Tips for the guide & driver. (Tipping is Expected).

EXTRA:
Any other services, activities or personal expenses, which are not mentioned in the itinerary and other items not listed in the “Cost Includes” section.

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