

## Druk Path Trek Bhutan

Duration: 11 Days Days



### Overview

<b>Trip Grade: Moderate</b>	<b>Max Altitude:</b>
<b>Activity: Tour and Trekking</b>	<b>Group Size: Min 02 pax</b>
<b>Arrival On: Kathmandu, Nepal</b>	<b>Departure From: Kathmandu, Nepal</b>
<b>Meals: All meals during trek &amp; breakfast in kathmandu</b>	<b>Accommodation: Stone Built Houses (tea houses) during trek</b>

Druk Path Trek [Bhutan](#) is moderately difficult, but you are able to experience stunning landscape of blue pine forest, idyllic and beautiful lakes teeming with fish and spectacular rhododendron forest along with the exploration of ancient Lhakhangs, Dzongs, and villages. Druk Path trek package is designed for those who are interested in exploring Bhutanese culture and its stunning Himalaya vistas without committing to our longer and strenuous trek. This trek offers significant contact with the people, landscape, and culture of this mythic kingdom. The trek is designed to maximize exposure to the countryside and provide views of Bhutan's most spectacular mountain scenery. This trek is a great opportunity to visit temples in clear weather have a magnificent view of Mt. Gangkar Puensum, the highest unsealed mountain in the world. March- June, and September- November are the best seasons to embark on Druk Path trek in [Bhutan](#). To take part in Druk Path trek, you should be physically fit, means you should be able to walk a full day with a small day pack. This trek is admittedly fairly trekking as the distance between one rest camps to another is quite short. Animals will carry the bulk of our loads. Feel free to contact with [Himalayan Holyland Treks and Expedition](#) for your memorable and adventure trek to Bhutan.

## Itinerary

### Arrival at Paro Airport and transfer to Hotel.

Fly into Paro. If you are flying in from Kathmandu the flight over the Himalayas is one of the most spectacular experiences one will ever experience. You will fly past Mt. Everest, Kanchenjunga and the entire Himalayan range visible on the left side. On landing at Paro you will be met by our representative. After Customs and Immigration formalities, you will be escorted to the hotel.

### Sightseeing at Paro

After breakfast drive through the valley straight north to see the ruins of Drukgyel Dzong, a victory fortress of the 17th century against the Tibetan army intruders. On the way back stop at the Takshang (tiger's nest) view point.

The path of enlightenment is lonely and narrow for monks at Taktshang Monastery, who take turns meditating alone in a cliff side retreat for three years, three months, three weeks, and three days. Taktshang, the Tiger's Den, is where the great Guru Rimpoche, who first brought Buddhism to Bhutan, is said to have arrived on a flying tiger in the eighth century.

We also visit a farm house. After lunch visit Ta-Dzong (National Museum) which is considered to be the one of the best natural and historical museum and walk down hill for a view of Paro Dzong with its traditional cantilever bridge over the Pa-chu (Paro River). The evening is free to spend as you wish.

### Paro & Jele Dzong

Start of Trek Day 1 : Distance 10 Kms and walking time 4-5 hours.

Starting at Dopshare (2300m) and camp at Jele Dzong(3450m). The trek trail is rather gradual climb till the camp and if the weather is clear the Paro valley can be seen with the Mt. Jumolhari(7314m) and snow capped mountains behind the valley.

### Jele Dzong & Jangchulakha

Trek Day 2: Distance 10 Kms and walking time 3-4 hrs.

Starting at Jele Dzong (3450mtrs) and camp at Jangulakha (3780mtrs). The trail takes you through thick alpine forest and rhododendrons trees and most of the walking is up and down on a ridge. Mt. Jumolhari would also be visible on this day. We will likely encounter yak herders camped in their usual black woven yak hair tents.

### Jangchulakha & Jimilangtso

Trek Day 3 : Distance 11 Kms and walking time 4-5 hrs.

Starting at Jangchulakha (3780mtrs) and camp at Jimilangtso (3880mtrs). The trail follows the ridge and on clear day the views of the mountains and valley are beautiful, in particular the Jichu Drake (6989m). Camp is close to lake of Jimilangtso. These lakes are known for their giant sized trout.

## **Jimilangtso &#8211; Simikot**

Trek Day 4 : Distance 11 Kms and walking time 4-5 hrs.

Starting at Jimilangtsho (3880m) and camp at Simikot (4040m). The trail takes you through dwarf Rhododendrons trees and then you pass by the lake of Janye Tsho. Camp is close to Simkot lake.

## **Simikot &#8211; Phajoding**

Trek Day 5 : Distance 10 Kms and walking time 3-4 hrs.

Starting at Simkot (4040m) and camp at Phajoding (3870m). You begin with a gradual climb up to Phume la (4210m) the highest elevation for this trek. If the weather permits you will have beautiful views of Mt. Gangkhar Punsum (7541m) the highest mountain in Bhutan and other Himalayan peaks. Below , you can see the entire Thimphu valley

## **Phojoding &#8211; Â PunakhaÂ**

Trek Day 6 &#8211; End of Trek : Distance 4-5 KM and walking time 3 hrs.

Starting at Phajoding (3870m) and end of trek at Thimphu (2300m) The trek to Thimphu is all the way down hill through a forested area of mostly Blue pine. By taking leisurely pace you can reach Thimphu in about 3 hours the drive to Punakha O/N at Hotel.

## **Puakha to Thimphu**

Day begin with visiting the Punakha dzong the second oldest in the Bhutan 1637 in middle of the Male and female river by the spiritual leader Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyel, and visits Chimmi Lhakhang then drive to Thimphu O/N at Hotel.

## **Thimphu Sightseeing- ParoÂ**

A full day of Sightseeing of Thimphu valley with a visit to Handicraft emporium, Zilukha Nunnery, National Library, Painting School and Dechen Phodrang Monastic School. After lunch visit Memorial Chorten which was built in the memory of the late King and if time permits visit Simtokha Dzong &#8211; the first Dzong built in Bhutan by Shabdrung Ngawang Namgyal in 1629. If this day falls on a Saturday or Sunday a visit to the Weekend Market is a must- drop to Paro, overnight at Hotel.

## **Departure Day**

Farewells and departure to your country or other destination. Say see you soon in Next trip.

## Cost Includes

- => PRIVATE TRANSPORTATION.
- => Â ALL NECESSARY TRAVEL PERMITS.
- => Â ENGLISH SPEAKING GUIDE.
- => Â ACCOMMODATION ON TWIN SHARING ROOM BASIS.
- => Â SIGHTSEEING AND MONASTERY ENTRANCE FEES AS PER THE ITINERARY.
- => Â MEAL PLAN: FULL BOARD BASIS.
- => Â SUPPORTING STAFF AND DONKEY WHILE TREKKING.

## Cost Excludes

- => INSURANCE OF ANY KIND.
- => Â PERSONAL EXPENSESÂ SUCH AS DRINKS, GUIDE TIPS ETC.

