



# 12D11N Highlights of the Trans Bhutan Trail (ADTP)

Price per person from MYR 24495



# **Tour Description**

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## **Tour Itinerary**

#### Day 1:- Depart Paro - Thimphu

Upon arrival enjoy a private transfer from Paro International Airport to Thimphu, Bhutan's capital city. The rest of the day is yours be brief welcome meeting in the evening with the rest of the group in the hotel. Afterwards head out to enjoy dinner together at a local restaurant where you'll have your first opportunity to sample Bhutanese cuisine. If you still have energy left after dinner, consider ba hopping through some of Thimphu's best spots to get a taste of local nightlife.

**Lunch Dinner** 

#### Day 2:- Thimphu

Spend the day seeing the best of Thimphu's many highlights. In the morning transfer to the scenic Kabesa valley, just north of Thim visit the Choki Traditional Art School, an institution offering free education to underprivileged youth who have an interest in learning traditional art and craft. On the way back stop in at the Pangri Zampa Monastery to enjoy a private reading with a monk astrologer. rest of the day includes a visit to Thimphu Dzong (fortress), lunch at a local restaurant, followed by a trip to Buddha Point, and a final for the day at the Memorial Chorten, a Tibetan-style stupa built in 1974. In the evening indulge in dinner as a group at a local restau

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

### Day 3:- Thimphu - Chendebi

Begin the drive early with packed breakfast to Pelela, where the group will rejoin the Trans Bhutan Trail. Descend through meadows below Pelela and stop at a traditional farmhouse in the village of Rukubji to enjoy a hot lunch before visiting the temple known as Kuenzang Choling. Rukubji is also famous for its unique local language, called Ngyen-Kye and you will have the chance to learn ab from the villagers over tea.

Then rejoin the trail for a gentle climb out of the valley, through the forest, and to the village of Chendebi where you will camp for the Head for a visit to the Chorten (stupa) in the village and then indulge in an organic, locally sourced dinner at the campsite.

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

#### Day 4 :- Chendebi - Trongsa

Wake with the sun and eat breakfast at camp before transferring towards the town of Trongsa to rejoin the Trans Bhutan Trail at the viewpoint high above the town. Recreate the experience of past royals as you descend as a group into the steep valley below. See spectacular views of the Dzong (fortress) and cross the old cantilever bridge over the Mangde River before climbing the other side of valley to reach Trongsa Dzong via the Western gate. After arriving here the rest of the day is yours to relax and explore before joining back together for dinner at a local restaurant in the early evening.

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

#### Day 5 :- Trongsa

Devour a quick breakfast this morning before heading out for a tour of Trongsa Dzong (fortress), first built as a small meditation room 1541. Visit a selection of the Dzong's 23 lhakhangs (temples), before heading to the Trongsa Ta Dzong (watchtower), which now he fascinating Royal Heritage Museum. The remainder of the day will be at leisure to explore Trongsa at your own pace.

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

#### Day 6:- Trongsa - Bumthang

Bid farewell to Trongsa after breakfast at your hotel and transfer towards the city of Bumthang. Once you arrive, visit the majestic Jacoba (fortress), also known as the 'Castle of the White Bird'. Observe unique features like its fifty-meter utse (tower) and a shelter passage with two parallel walls, interconnected by fortified towers, which guaranteed the fortress's inhabitants access to water during siege. The rest of the day is yours to explore the town on your own before meeting back up with the group in the evening for a specience as you settle into your local homestay accommodation.

Spend the night with a few of your fellow travellers in the home of a local Bhutanese family who will be your hosts for the evening. S meal and exchange stories while learning about what life is like for your local hosts.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

#### Day 7:- Bumthang

Have some breakfast before beginning your next trek on the Trans Bhutan trail. Along the way stop at the Pema Choeling Nunnery learn about this institution and how it was created to increase opportunities for Bhutanese girls, coming from rural or vulnerable backgrounds. Then, continue south along the Trail towards the sacred Mebartsho (The Burning Lake) where you'll enjoy a typical Bhutanese lunch at a local farmhouse in the nearby village of Phom Drong.

After lunch, return to Bumthang, where you will visit the Bumthang Brewery, producers of Bhutan's celebrated Red Panda Beer. In tevening, enjoy another homestay experience with local Bhutanese families. Tuck into a delicious homemade meal and rest up for an incredible day ahead

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

#### Day 8 :- Bumthang - Pun?kha

After an early breakfast travel to Punakha. After lunch set out on an afternoon trek down into the adjacent valley on a section of the known as the 'Divine Madman Trail'. Hike from 1-2 hrs to the Diving Mad Man temple of Chimi Lakhang. After taking a look around you be transferred back to your hotel in Punakha for the evening.

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

#### Day 9 :- Pun?kha

Enjoy some breakfast before heading out for a day of exploring around the charming town of Punakha. Visit the Bazam (bridge) just across the river from Punakha Dzong (fortress). In order to cross the bridge on foot you must be wearing formal Bhutanese dress, including a gho for men and a kora for women. On the other side head out on a tour of the Dzong (fortress). Afterwards, drive north Zomlingthang, and whet your appetite with a local cookery demonstration and a traditional Bhutanese outdoor lunch.

In the afternoon you can choose to go on a gentle rafting expedition down the Mo Chhu River before going out to dinner at a local restaurant as a group in the evening.

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

#### Day 10 :- Pun?kha - Paro

Drive to Paro. Enroute stop at Dochu La pass and visit the 108 Druk Wangyal Chortens. Upon arriving in Paro, enjoy a sightseeing to Visit Paro's Ta Dzong or 'watchtower' which is now Bhutan's National Museum, later in the afternoon. Continue to the stunning Paro Rinpung Dzong (fortress), meaning 'Fortress on a Heap of Jewels' to explore with your CEO. The evening is yours to continue discoverage.

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

#### **Day 11 :- Paro**

Tuck in to breakfast at your hotel before heading northwest out of Paro for a visit to the iconic Taktshang Goemba, more commonly as the 'Tiger's Nest Monastery'. Precariously perched on a sheer cliff face 900 metres (2,950 feet) above the Paro Valley floor, the Nest is undoubtedly Bhutan's most famous religious building. The trek offers spectacular views from the ridge and passes a small classic monastery, and a waterfall on its way. Once you have reached the Tiger's Nest, you will have a chance to visit the cave who Guru Rinpoche meditated, as well as the extensive network of Lhakhangs (chapels) which house images, murals, chortens, and a happing.

If time allows, make a quick trip to the fascinating Machig-phu Lhakhang (temple) on the way back down to the access road. The rethe afternoon will be at leisure to relax at your hotel or to explore Paro on your own, before enjoying a last dinner with your group at restaurant to celebrate the trip!

**Breakfast Lunch Dinner** 

#### Day 12 :- Depart Paro

Enjoy one last breakfast before being transferred from your hotel to the airport for your flight home.

Breakfast

### **Tour Prices**

Travel Period	Twin	-	•	-	-
October 2024: 13	RM25,475				
April 2025: 6, 27	RM25,965				
May 2025: 11	RM24,495				

### What's included

Destination
Departure Location

Bhutan Paro

**Return Location** 

Paro

**Price includes** 

• 11 nights accommodation

• All transport between destinations and to/from included activities.

Arrival transfer

Departure Transfer

Meals as per itinerary

Price does not include

International air ticket

Travel insurance

Tipping

Others not mentioned

## **Additional Information**

**Physical Rating: 4** 

Some high-altitude hikes or more strenuous activities, but accessible to most healthy travellers.