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6 Days Thimphu Tshechu Festival Experience in Bhutan

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At a glance

Start	7:00 AM, 7:30 AM, 8:00 AM, 8:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 9:30 AM
Duration	6 days
Pickup	Pickup is included from the listed pickup points — choose yours when you book. Pickup is up to 10 minutes before the start time; we confirm your exact pickup time before the tour.
Cancellation	Free cancellation up to 6 days before the tour starts.

Itinerary

> **Start**
Bhutan
Starts at 7:00 AM, 7:30 AM, 8:00 AM, 8:30 AM · pickup up to 10 min earlier

1 **Paro-Drive to Thimpu**
Arrive at Paro-Drive to Thimpu

2 **Paro**
Land at Paro International Airport, one of the world's most scenic airports, surrounded by emerald valleys and towering peaks. Warm welcome by our Bhutanese Guide and transfer by private vehicle to Thimpu. Enjoy the 1.5 hours scenic drive to Thimpu.

3 **Thimphu**
Check into your hotel in Thimpu and rest from your journey. In the evening you can take a gentle walk through Thimpu's main street experiencing handicraft shops, art galleries and farmer's market.

4 **Accommodation**
Overnight in a beautiful 3 star Hotel in Thimpu

5 **Thimpu Tshechu Festival & City Exploration.**
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6 **Tashichho Dzong**
After breakfast, head to Tashichho Dzong Courtyard to witness the grandeur of the Thimpu Tshechu Festival, held annually since the 17th century by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal who is also known as founder of Bhutan. Experience masked dances performed by monks, telling Buddhist stories of compassion and enlightment, along with folk dances and beautifully dressed locals in their finest traditional attire.(kira for women,gho for men)

7 **Buddha Dordenma**
Afternoon sightseeing will take you to Buddha Dordenma, one of the largest Buddha Statues in the world of about 169ft. Explore the golden meditation halls beneath the statue ,overlooking the valley.

8 **Thimphu Chorten (Memorial Chorten)**
Visit Memorial Chorten built in the honor of the Third King. Experience the slice of Bhutanese life where locals come daily for meditation and prayers.

9 **National Folk Heritage Museum**

Folk Heritage Museum is a preserved 19th century farmhouse showcasing rural Bhutanese lifestyle.

10 **National Textile Museum**

Explore Bhutan's intricate weaving tradition, considered one of the highest art forms.

11 **Centenary Farmers Market**

Explore the vibrant market and see the local produce. You will get drawn to its lively atmosphere, observe local business interactions and experience Bhutanese culture first hand.

12 **Accommodation**

Overnight in Thimpu in beautiful 3 star Hotel.

13 **Festival Morning and Scenic Drive to Punakha**

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14 **Tashichho Dzong (Thimpu Dzong)**

Morning session at the Thimpu Tshechu Festival for additional mask dances unique to the day's schedule. Each day features different performances.

15 **Dochula Pass**

Early afternoon depart for Punakha and via Dochula Pass which is at an elevation of 3100m.Visit its 108 stupas in a misty environment. Enjoy the breathtaking Himalayan Panoramas.
Warm descent into subtropical Punakha Valley where rice terraces and river valleys replace mountain chills. Evening stroll through the Punakha town or along the riverside.

16 **Accommodation**

Overnight in Punakha in a beautiful 3 star Hotel.

17 **Punakha Valley Exploration**

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18 **Punakha Dzong**

Morning visit Punakha Dzong, also known as 'Palace of Great Happiness'. Bhutan's most stunning fortress, built in 1637 at the confluence of two rivers. Historical seat of Bhutan's Kings and still an active monastery.

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Punakha Suspension Bridge

One of the longest bridge in Bhutan, draped with colorful prayer flags and offering sweeping views of Pho Chu River.

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Chimi Lhakhang Temple

After finishing the Suspension bridge, get ready for a mini hike through terraced fields and villages to Chimi Lhakhang also popularly known as 'Fertility Temple'. The temple is linked to Lama Drukpa Kunley, Buthan's eccentric 'Divine Madman'.
During the evening you can have riverside picnic, stroll through the town,or visit local craft making shops.

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Accommodation

Overnight in Punakha in a beautiful 3 star hotel.

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Return to Paro

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Kyichu Lhakhang

Enjoy the scenic drive on your way back from Punakha to Paro which is of 125 kms and would take approx 4-5 hrs.You get the chance to visit Dochula Pass again on your way back.
Once you reach Paro, head towards ,7th century, Kyichu Lhakhang temple, one amongst the oldest temple in Bhutan. Enjoy the quiet and serene environment. The ancient monastery is a fantastic place where you will find elderly pilgrims circumambulating around the temple as they spin the prayer wheels. Legend says it was built by Tibetan King Songtsen Gampo to subdue the ogress lying across Himalayas.

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Rinpung Dzong

Rinpun Dzong stands as one of Bhutan's most iconic landmarks, blending centuries of history with breathtaking architecture.
Evening is free to explore Paro town's vibrant shops, cafes and local markets.

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Accommodation

Overnight in a beautiful 3 star Hotel in Paro.

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Hike to Tiger's Nest Monastery(Taktsang)

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Paro Taktsang

Early morning start for the Tiger's Nest Hike which is 5-6 hours of round trip. Soak in the trail winds through the pine forests dotted with prayer flags, teahouses and dramatic view points.
Taksang Monastery is at the elevation of 3120 m, clings miraculously to a cliffside. According to legend, Guru Rinpoche flew here on the back of a tigress to subdue local demons, making it one of the most sacred Buddhist pilgrimage sites. Descend and enjoy the lunch in the valley.
After relaxation, experience a traditional HOT STONE bath perfect for soothing and tired muscles.

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Accommodation

Overnight in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Paro.

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Drop-off

Back in Bhutan
About 6 days in total

For reference only – the order and timings can change on the day. Your confirmed details come with your booking.

What’s included

+ Breakfast
+ Comfortable vehicle .Vehicle size would differ depending on group size.
+ Visa fees and the SDF-Sustainable Development Fees.
+ Tourist SIM card depending on group size.
+ Farewell dinner at a Bhutanese Farm House.

Know before you go

- Public transportation is nearby
- Infants sit on laps

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