

7D6N BHUTAN ECO VEG TOUR *by Bhutan Raven Nest Tours & Treks*

(5~11 Jun 2018) *Departs from Bangkok*

Day 01 –05/06/18 BANGKOK – PARO –THIMPHU L/D

Depart from Survanabhumi Airport to Paro via Kolkata at 0630HR. After landing at Paro International Airport, you will be received by your Guide. Drive to Thimphu (approx. 1Hr.) On the way visit one of the oldest **【Iron Suspension Bridge】** built around 1400s by a great Buddhist master called Thangthong Gyelpo. Tea Break on the way & Lunch. Then visit **【Tashichhoe Dzong】** a fortress of the glorious religion. It was built in 1641 by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal. It houses the secretariat building, the throne room and the office of the king, and the central monk body. Overnight at Thimphu.

Day 02 –06/06/18 THIMPHU SIGHTSEEING B/L/D

After breakfast excursion to **【Buddha Point】** its perched on the hillock. The 169ft bronze Buddha is the largest in world. Then visit to **【National Memorial Chorten (Stupa)】** chorten literally means seat of faith' and Buddhist often call such monuments the 'Mind of Buddha'. Meet the elderly generation in circumambulation at the National Memorial Chorten. **【Semtokha Dzong】** the first Dzong built in Bhutan in the year 1629. Don't miss to visit **【Bhutan Post Museum】** to get personalized Bhutanese postage stamps with your photo. You can bring along your favorite photo to put on the stamps and put these stamps on your postcard to send to your family and friends immediately. Dinner with Cultural Performance.

DAY 03-07/06/18 THIMPHU – PUNAKHA (2.5Hrs) B/L/D

After early morning breakfast, drive to Punakha. Visit to **【Dochula Pass】** located at 3150m, surrounded by 108 Druk Wangyel Chorten. The pass has stunning scenery, on clear days you can see the great Himalayas covered by snow. **【Chimi Lhakhang】** famously known for its fertility shrine, where one can receive a special fertility blessing. Lunch at the view point. **【Punakha Dzong】** located on the island of the Pho - Chu (Male River) and the Mochu (Female River). The Dzong was built in 1637 by Zhabdrung Ngawang Namgyal to serve as the religious and administrative seat of the region. You can see the extricate standards in woodwork and architecture. Excursion to the longest suspension bridge. Then visit the **【Nunnery College】** if time permits. Dinner & overnight Wangdue Eco Lodge.

DAY 04 – 08/06/18 PUNAKHA TO RUKUBJI TO PHOBJIKHA (3.5Hrs) B/L/D

After early morning breakfast, take a drive to Rukubji Valley-the Golden Valley. Today you will be visiting the vegetables farm -mainly the potato farm. You will hand on experience harvesting of potatoes. You will also be milking the cow, making of cheese and butter, tasting the pure milk, etc. at an authentic village. A walk through the valley with anticipate you more. Lunch. Towards evening, drive to Phobjikha- a wide spread valley, the most beautiful valley. Depending upon time available, we will do a short hike. Overnight at Phobjikha.

DAY 05 – 09/06/18 PHOBJIKHA TO THIMPHU (04Hrs) B/L/D

After breakfast take a short walk through the village. Phobjikha is a wide and plane valley with wonderful scenic beauty. You can visit the Gangtey Monastery and the small monk school. Phobjikha is the place where you can see the only Bird which migrates to Tibet in Summer and Bhutan in winter called Black Necked Crane. Then proceed your

journey back to Thimphu. Lunch at the mid-way. The whole journey would be fantastic with stop overs at waterfalls and most beautiful places. After reaching Thimphu, you will visit the weekend market- many local farmers bring in their products for sale. It's very organic and fresh, you can buy some for dinner. Overnight at Thimphu.

DAY 06-- 10/06/18 HIKE TO TIGER NEST/TAKTSANG (10,200ft) B/L/D

Bhutan's most iconic landmark and religious site. The name **【Taksang】** translates to "The Tiger's Nest". This temple is the most holy sites in the kingdom and clings impossibly to a sheer cliff face 900 meters. It takes around 2-3-hour hike through beautiful, shady pine forests to reach the Temple. No trip to Bhutan would be complete without a visit to this remarkable heritage site. (Note: Pls wear comfortable shoes. There is a pony ride for those who feel can't make it (own expenses). After a lovely hike, perhaps you may try the hot stone bath (own expenses). Dinner & Overnight Paro.

DAY 07- 11/06/18 DEPARTURE TO BANGKOK

After breakfast, transfer from Hotel to Airport for your onward destination. You have to reach airport two hours ahead of departure time (1035HR).

BUDDHA POINT (169FT)



NATIONAL MEMORIAL STUPA



TIGER NEST (10,200FT)



DOCHULA PASS (3,200M)



Flight Information:

B3701 BKK - PBH 0630 - 0955*(approx.4.5hrs)

B3700 PBH - BKK 1035 - 1605*(approx. 4.5hrs)

*****Stopover in Kolkata for about 45mins *Flight timing subject to change without prior notice.***

Package Inclusion

- *Government Royalty USD 65/Day**
- *Return Air ticket by Bhutan Airlines**
- *Economy Class**
- *All meals**
- *All entrance fees & Tax**
- *Transport & Accommodation**
- *English speaking guide**
- *Travel Insurance (Malaysians Only)**
- *Mineral Drinking Water**

Tour Fee:

SGD3300 (exclude SG-BKK-SG airfare)

MYR10,500 (exclude KL-BKK-KL airfare)

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