

# BHUTAN EDUCATIONAL STUDY TOUR

26 October - 3 November 2024

## ITINERARY\*

### DAY 1

Saturday 26 October

#### Morning/Afternoon

Arrival and Transportation from Paro airport to

[Tashi Namgay Resort](#)

#### Evening

Dinner at Brewery

### DAY 2

Sunday 27 October

#### Morning

Visit to Paro Rinpung Dzong – regarded as one of the finest examples of Bhutanese architecture

#### Afternoon

Visit to Kichu Monastery – one of the oldest temples in Bhutan, dating back to the 7th century

#### Evening

Reception Dinner

### DAY 3

Monday 28 October

#### Morning

Lectures at JSW Law School:

- *Gross National Happiness*
- *Environmental Law*
- *The Impact of Climate Change on Bhutan*

#### Afternoon

Transportation to hotel [Pema by Realm](#)

#### Evening

Dinner at Phangu Restaurant

### DAY 4

Tuesday 29 October

#### Morning

Lectures from civil society organizations:

- Royal Society for the Protection of Nature (RSPBN) – *Protecting the Environmental Treasures of Bhutan*
- The Tarayana Foundation – *Poverty Alleviation at the Village Level*

#### Afternoon

Site Visits:

- Buddha Point - A 51m-tall steel statue of Buddha Dordenma
- Wangdi Tse Monastery – One of the oldest temples in Thimphu, located high on a forested ridge overlooking the Thimphu valley



## ITINERARY (continued)\*

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### DAY 5

Wednesday 30 October

#### **Morning**

Travel to [Hotel Vara](#), Punakha

#### **Afternoon**

Visit to Chimi Lhakhang - known as the temple of fertility, local people come here to receive blessings from the lama and bring their new-born babies to be named

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### DAY 6

Thursday 31 October

#### **Morning**

Visit to the College of Natural Resources (CNR)

Lecture by Dr. Om Katel - *Climate Change and Water Resource Management*

#### **Afternoon**

- Visit to Punakha Dzong – considered one of the most beautiful Dzongs in the country
  - Nature walk
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### DAY 7

Friday 1 November

#### **Morning/Afternoon**

Travel to [Tashi Namgay Resort](#), Paro

#### **Evening**

5 pm Final lecture

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### DAY 8

Saturday 2 November

#### **Morning/Afternoon**

Hike to Taktsang, famously known as Tiger's Nest Monastery.

#### **Evening**

Farewell Dinner

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### DAY 9

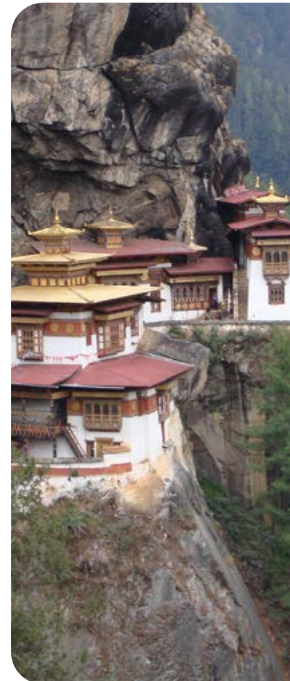
Sunday 3 November

#### **Morning/Afternoon**

Breakfast at the hotel

Transportation to Paro airport

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\*Please note that this itinerary is subject to change. If specific activities need to be cancelled for reasons beyond the organizers' control, an equivalent activity will be provided.

## FEES

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Single room (solo traveller)	\$5550 + GST
Shared room (per person)	\$4950 + GST

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

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Until 31 July 2024	Cancellation fee is 25% of total cost
After 1 August 2024	No refunds

If the organizers cancel the study tour, a full refund will be issued

## MORE INFORMATION

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### What's included?

- all in-country transportation, including airport transfers
- visitor visas for Bhutan
- 3 meals per day
- 8 nights accommodation (Paro, Thimphu and Punakha)
- entrance to cultural and historical sites
- lectures by experts
- local guides and translators

### What's NOT included?

- all costs incurred for international travel to/from Paro, including layovers and stopovers. (Please ensure that you have the appropriate visas for **all other** countries you may be visiting.)
- travel, flight day, baggage, trip cancellation insurance (strongly encouraged)
- medical insurance (we require all participants to purchase medical insurance and submit a copy of the policy prior to departure).

Note that only two airlines fly to Paro, [Druk Air](#) and [Bhutan Airlines](#). Please book flights arriving 26 October and departing 3 November (no earlier or later). If you would like assistance we recommend [Marlin Travel](#) for travel arrangements and insurance. Please contact your local travel clinic to ensure you have all appropriate vaccinations up to date.

For questions and to make payments, please contact Katie Dey at [capi@uvic.ca](mailto:capi@uvic.ca) or call **250-721-7020** (Monday - Thursday).



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