

# **Bhutan Bangladesh and Myanmar Tour**

#### 11 Days Exclusive & Personalized Journey

Tour of three pristine nations composed of the best cultural, scenic, historical, and ethnical bits in Asia



# **Destination Highlights**

- **Bhutan:** 3 Nights in Bhutan with a short hike to Taktsang Monastery (Tiger's Nest), Paro, Thimphu, and Punakha with local.
- **Bangladesh: 4** Nights in Bangladesh with archeological sites & Buddhist monastery of Bogura, City Temples of Paharpur and Rajshahi.
- Myanmar: 3 Nights in Myanmar with Yangon, and Bagan cultural heritage sites.

# **Customizable Private Tour**

Tailor Your Journey with Flexible Dates, Accommodations & Activities

- 1. Choose your own departure date
- 2. Select the comfort level of accommodation
- 3. Adjust activities to cater to special interests
- 4. Modify tour duration and any aspect of the tour as needed
- 5. Flexible travel route (start Paro, Bhutan and end to Yangon)



## **Trip Highlights**

- Enjoy the mesmerizing view of the valley of Paro, Thimphu and Wangdu/Punakha
- Beautiful Hike Taktshang Monastery(Tiger's Nest)
- Tour of Bhutan's towns and country's villages
- Explore Buddhism's art, culture, tradition, and architecture of Bangladesh
- Visit Bogura, Paharpur, city temples and local markets
- Visit the world famous Shwedagon Pagoda in Yangon as the Myanmar culture
- Tour of the ancient capital Bagan (10th-13th Century AD) which boasts more than 2000 pagodas

# **Trip Overview**

Bhutan Bangladesh and Myanmar tour is a tour of three pristine nations composed of the best cultural, scenic, historical, and ethnic bits in Asia. With some of the best adventure-packed regions, this professionally handled tour by Asia Experiences will plunge you deep into the unseen shades here. With rich, vibrant nature and the ever-glowing faces of welcoming people, this tour manages to give you a glimpse of these beautiful places. Rise and shine near the unbelievable experiences of the transforming society in their original form with the Bhutan Bangladesh and Myanmar tour. Living beside the locals and experiencing everyday life here is truly a moment for anyone to cherish for a long time.

Bhutan, the land of the thunder dragon is a nation with some unique and beautiful culture and traditions in the whole world. Carved in the green hills in the tail of the Himalayas, it is an ideal destination to step aside from the city's hustle and embrace the beauty of Nature. In the steep valleys and majestic monasteries, you can find the reflection of yourself with the feeling of satisfaction all over. Climbing the trails to <u>Taktsang Monastery</u> and flowing in the cool breeze of surrounding valleys, this tour is something more than a vacation. The art, architecture, friendly people, joyful festivals, devotional monks, and amazing landscapes make Bhutan a must-visit place at least once in your life.

Bangladesh is a country where one can experience a different side of the world. From the Mughal era till now, one can witness the translation without losing a bit of its original beauty. With a diverse culture and lifestyle, every destination here is a colorful story to relish. Making a full circuit of the significant places we can feel the unity and positivity here in the air. Passing through mesmerizing monuments and cultural centers, we will make our way to the centuries-old archaeological repositories on our tour. Trying the local cuisine and knowing this nation in Bengal as a whole, we will feel closer to Bangladesh.

Myanmar, a nation of thousands of pagodas, was only open to visitors in recent years. So, you can discover the authentic culture, art, tradition, and history of this beautiful nation on your visit. Rise with the praying monks and view the sunrise over mesmerizing Pagodas here. With some of the best showcasing of architecture and culture anywhere on earth, Myanmar is a mystery waiting for your visit. Treat your senses to some local cuisine and head out for a display of the monumental garden in Bagan. From the golden shine of Shwedagon

Pagoda to the welcoming tribal villages around the country, live life to the fullest with the aid and guides from Asia Experiences.

# Your Journey day by day

# Day 01 Flight to Paro airport via Kathmandu/New Delhi/Bankok airport, transfer to Thimphu

You will fly to the Paro airport through any of the intermediate terminals above today. After arriving at the airport, our representative/guide from Asia Experiences will approach you with a placard. With a formal introduction, we will take a cab to your hotel in Thimphu from the airport. The guide will provide you a brief introduction about this tour on the way to Thimphu.



Halfway to the Paro-Thimphu highway, visit the  $16^{\text{th}}$ -century old Tachogang Lhakhang temple by traversing an old bridge. From the bridge, enjoy the scenic views of the villages. Tachogang temple means the hill of the excellent

horse. Continue to drive to Thimphu. After reaching the hotel, you can rest for a while and head for a walk around it. Explore some amazing places like Great Buddha Dordenma Statue, Thimphu dzong, Late King's Memorial Chorten, Bhutan Postal Museum, Folk Heritage Museum, and Takin Zoo. You can also attend the evening markets here today. Overnight at Thimphu.

## Day 02 Thimphu-Punakha and Back

We will drive to Punakha after breakfast today. On the way, we will stop at the Dochu La Pass at 3,100 meters. From this pass, we can enjoy a fantastic view of the Himalayan range centered by Gangkhar Puensum (7,570 m: highest in Bhutan). The Druk Wangyal Chortens lies in the pass which was made in honor of war soldiers of Bhutan. From here we will make brief stops at the temple of divine madman, and the temple of fertility before reaching Punakha. We will visit the famous Punakha Dzong here on the banks of Pho Chu and Mo Chu rivers and spend some time in this magnificent Dzong. Not so far from the dzong is Bhutan's oldest Punakha Suspension Bridge. Enjoy the views from the bridge. We will then take a return drive to Thimphu besides the hills and rice fields and rest for the day. Overnight at Thimphu.



### Day 03 Thimphu to Paro, Taktsang Monastery Hike

We will take a short drive to Paro after breakfast and start our hike to the Tiger's Lair, Taktsang Monastery. The main highlight of Bhutan, this monastery is a beautiful place to be with magnificent landscape views of the surrounding regions. Located at the sharp face of a high hill, the hike to it is certainly not easy. However, with our experienced guides, you will be assured of the safest route to it. Many legends are presented at this monastery with some claiming that one of the great Guru Rinpoche meditated in the caves of this monastery. After spending some time here, we will return to Paro.



Then, have lunch and explore around Paro Rinpung Dzong, the National Museum of Bhutan, and the old & sacred temple Kyichu Lhakhang. Overnight at Paro.

# Day 04 Fly to Dhaka (1 hour) and transfer to Hotel

You will take a flight after breakfast, leaving Bhutan to your next destination as Dhaka. After landing in Dhaka, you will meet our representative from Asia experiences. From the airport, he/she will transfer you to your hotel. Taking the time you have in the account, you can visit some of the significant places near Dhaka today. The colorful flower market, the Parliament House, Lalbagh Fort, the temple of Dakeshwari, Pink Palace (Ahsan Manzil), and Dhaka University are few places you can visit today. In the evening, try some Bengali style dinner in the local restaurants and rest for the day here. Overnight at Dhaka.

### Day 05 Drive to Bogura (Mahasthangarh and Gokul Medh tour)



Drive to Bogura after breakfast. Proceed sightseeing the astonishing and oldest archeological site, Mahasthangarh. It features a Citadel surrounded by ancient buildings and temples. Also, explore the nearby Govinda Bhita Hindu Temple. From there, head to another prominent archeological site, Gokul Medh or the Behula Lakshindar Bashor Ghor. Visit an ancient Buddhist heritage site Basu Bihar which displays centuries old art and architecture. Return to Rajshahi for an overnight stay.



### Day 06 Drive to Paharpur (Sightseeing World Heritage sites)

After having a traditional Bengali breakfast, drive to Paharpur for sightseeing. Stop halfway and visit the stunning Kusumba Mosque popular for its  $14^{th}$  to the  $16^{th}$  century stone-carved architecture. Visit Somapura Mahavihara, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Witness centuries-old ancient statues, inscriptions, coins, ceramics, and terracotta plaques. Don't miss an excursion to tribal village and immerse yourself in the local lifestyle and culture. Return to Rajshahi for an overnight stay.

# Day 07 Rajshahi Sightseeing (Varendra Research Museum, Puthia Temple, and Bagha Mosque Tour), Drive to Dhaka



After breakfast, visit the country's oldest Varendra Research Museum. Learn about Bengal's heritage through an extensive collection spans archaeology, anthropology, history, and art. Then, visit a splendid Hindu Puthia Temple complex famous for its impressive wood and stone carvings. Also, explore the Bagha Mosque which is one of the prominent archaeological site. The attractive terracotta ornamentation, single dome, and corner towers represents early Islamic architecture. Complete the tour and drive back to Dhaka for an overnight stay.



### Day 08 Fly to Yangon and Yangon city tour

We will leave Bangladesh and head towards Myanmar today. After landing in Yangon, our representative will take you to your hotel with a brief introduction and tips about the trip on the way. After some rest, you will head for a tour of Yangon city. With over 4,500 pagodas in the country, you will visit some of the major ones here in Yangon. Starting from the Sule Pagoda, you will visit the Bitahtaung and Chauk Htat Kyi pagodas next in the city. Towards the evening we will head towards the most popular and beautiful of all, the Shwedagon Pagoda and enjoy the sunset from its premises. Overnight at Yangon.



### Day 09 Fly to Bagan and Bagan Sightseeing

We will start the day with a short flight to Bagan, the ancient capital of Burma. The city of Bagan is one of the most authentic places to explore the History, art, and architecture of Myanmar over some time. Bagan is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Over the plains of thick forests and pagodas touching the horizon, we will make our way to the best ones of Bagan. The Shwezigon Pagoda, Gu Byauk Ki temples, and Kyansittha U Min are the sites to explore in the city.

We will head towards the Nyaung U market and try some local delicacies viewing the local lifestyle. Tayoke Pyay Temple, Nandamanya Temple, Payathonzu Temple, Lemyethna Temple, and Dhammayazika Pagoda are

some other places to visit here in Bagan. In the evening, we can take a short tour of Minnanthu village and return to the hotel. Overnight at Bagan.

### Day 10 Bagan sightseeing with Mt. Popa

In the morning, take a short hike to sacred Mount Popa which lies at an elevation of 1,518 m. This holy pilgrimage site is the home of the Nat Spirits. From the top, get rewarded by the panoramic views of the ancient city of Bagan and the conical peak of Taung Ma-Gyi. Return to Bagan.



Continue Bagan sightseeing with a visit to remarkable sites such as the Bagan Archaeological Museum, Gawdawpalin Temple, Htilominlo Temple, Sulamani Temple, and Thatbyinnyu Temple. Later, stroll around the market for shopping or tours to the local food stalls. Overnight at Bagan.

(**Optional:** Hot Air Balloon ride for interested visitors during the season.)

### Day 11 Fly to Yangon, Sightseeing, and final departure

Fly back to Yangon and if time permits commence Yangon sightseeing before final departure. Visit incredible landmarks such as Yangon Heritage Trust, St. Mary's Cathedral, Yangon National Museum, and Bogyoke Aung San Market. As your scheduled flight, we will drive you to Yangon International Airport. Return with incredible experiences of the Bhutan, Bangladesh, and Myanmar vacation with Asia experiences.

#### **Cost & Inclusion**

#### Bhutan;

- Full meals in Bhutan.
- Processing Travel Permit and Entry Visa.

#### Bangladesh;

• Breakfast in Bangladesh.



#### Myanmar;

• Breakfast in Myanmar.

#### Extras;

- Airport pickups and drops service.
- Private ground transportation with A/C.
- Twin-sharing hotel accommodation.
- Local cultural tour guide with English speaking.
- Sightseeing entrance fees for museums and monuments.

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