

Bhutan Snowman Trek

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From \$500

This is the most popular trek in Bhutan. The Snowman trek is the most difficult trek in Bhutan, because one has to walk and camp at high altitude for nearly three weeks. As long as one has no problems with the high altitude and the weather is good, it is not a particularly difficult trek. But, if something were to happen along the way, someone would have to carry you down to the nearest house, or try to find a telephone to get a helicopter from Thimphu. Both are often several days' walk. Initially, many people planned and wanted to go with us on the trek, but in the end they all bailed out and only two of us went. his trip offers a rare opportunity to visit one of the most isolated communities in the world. The high valleys of Lunana are situated below the world's highest unclimbed mountain, Gangkar Puensum, and are cut off from the rest of the world by snow on the passes for six or seven months of the year. Until 1994 this area was strictly off limits to foreigners. Trekking into Bhutan 's central mountain range, this trip follows yak herders trails across high passes and travels among some of the last virgin peaks of the Himalaya, in a breath-taking landscape that has seen relatively few foreign visitors.

Destination: Bhutan

Activity: Trekking

Itinerary:

DAY 1:Arrival to Paro, Bhutan.

DAY 2:Sightseeing in the Paro Valley.

DAY 3:Drive to road head beyond Punakha and trek to Damji.

DAY 4:To the hot springs at Ghasa.

DAY 5:Cross the Bale La to Chempsa.

DAY 7:Acclimatization day at Laya.

DAY 6:Trek to Laya Village.

DAY 8:To a camp below the Tsome La.

DAY 9:Cross the Karakachu La to Tarina

DAY 10:Trek to Woche Village.

DAY 11:Cross the Keche La to Lhedi.

DAY 12:Trek to Thanza.

DAY 13:A rest day at Thanza.

DAY 14: Trek to Tsorin.

DAY 15:Cross the Gophu La to Sasha Chu.

DAY 16:Descend Sasha Chu to Geche Woma.

DAY 17:Cross the Saka La to Warthang.

DAY 18:Trek to Dhur Tsachu.

DAY 19:Contingency Day.

DAY 20:Cross the Djule La to Tsoenchen.

DAY 21:Trek to Dhur and drive to Bumthang. Lodge.

DAY 22:Drive to Gangtay Gompa. Lodge.

DAY 23:Drive via Punakha Dzong to Thimphu. Hotel.

DAY 24 :Sightseeing in Thimphu and drive to Paro. Hotel.

DAY 25 :Fly to Bangkok.