



Dear Travel colleagues,

Greetings from Bhutan.

I am pleased to share with you that Bhutan is finally opening its borders without quarantine from 23 rd of September 2022. It will however do so with the renewed focus on sustainability by increasing the Sustainable Development Fund from USD 65 to USD 200 per person per night.

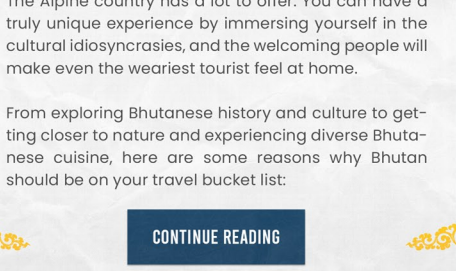
Press release regarding policy changes:

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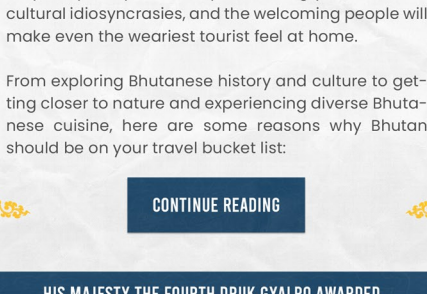
We at Norbu Bhutan Travel, will be there to support you in ensuring a smooth transition to the newly adopted policy of the Government and ensure that the impact of the tariff of services is minimum and will provide the best of services as always.

EXPECTED OPENING TRAVEL DATES FOR BHUTAN & CURRENT TOURISM POLICY CHANGES.

1. SDF at \$200 per tourist per night
2. SDF for regional tourist at Nu. 1,200 per person per night
3. No Minimum Daily Package Rate (MDPR)
4. Discount for Children under 12 years of age at 50% of SDF
5. Tourists/ agents to pay SDF directly to Department of Immigration
6. Compulsory to have TCB certified hotel booking and guide
7. Re-opening without quarantine from 23rd September 2022



9 REASONS WHY BHUTAN SHOULD BE ON YOUR TRAVEL BUCKET LIST



The Alpine country has a lot to offer. You can have a truly unique experience by immersing yourself in the cultural idiosyncrasies, and the welcoming people will make even the weariest tourist feel at home.

From exploring Bhutanese history and culture to getting closer to nature and experiencing diverse Bhutanese cuisine, here are some reasons why Bhutan should be on your travel bucket list:

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HIS MAJESTY THE FOURTH DRUK GYALPO AWARDED THE PRESTIGIOUS BLUE PLANET PRIZE.

The Asahi Glass Foundation has recognised His Majesty The Fourth Druk Gyalpo as one of the two recipients of the Blue Planet Prize, the international environmental award for this year.

Every year, the foundation recognises two individuals or organizations who have made significant contributions to the resolution of global environmental problems.



The 4th King of Bhutan

The foundation awards each recipient a certificate of merit, a commemorative trophy, and 50 million Japanese yen. The award ceremony is scheduled for October this year.

PLANNING A SOLO TRIP TO BHUTAN?

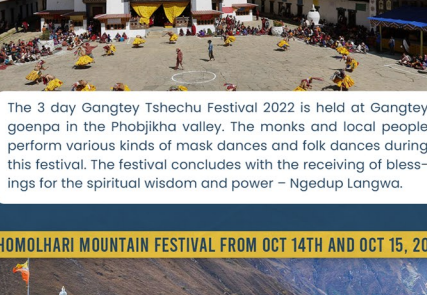


Bhutan, "The Last Shangrila" will be the next place you may want to visit and enjoy your vacation. It's the best place in the Himalayan neighborhood to explore the unspoiled culture and natural beauty.

In this article, you can find every tiny detail to plan a perfect solo trip to Bhutan.

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THE SNOWMAN RACE



Bhutan is set to launch one of the world's toughest and high-altitude ultra-marathons called the Snowman Race – the Ultimate Race for Climate Action on 13 October 2022.

The Snowman Race draws inspiration from the prescient wisdom of His Majesty The King in bringing hope and people together from all over the world to address the greatest challenge of our global community – the fast-changing climate. The route of the Snowman Race is visible proof of the effects of climate change – receding glaciers, ecosystem disruption, and socio-economic impact on nomadic life.

TOUR OF THE DRAGON



The Tour of the Dragon isn't a road race, a classic mountain bike race, or a gravel grinder because it doesn't fall into any of the International Cycling Union's categories.

Because the race is about 250 kilometers long, we would classify it as an ultra-marathon mountain bike race on exceptionally difficult routes. It is the world's most difficult one-day mountain bike race. The race takes place on September 3rd, 2022.

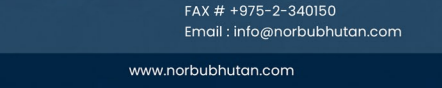
PLAN YOUR TRIP TO BHUTAN DURING THE LOCAL FESTIVALS

THIMPHU DRUBCHEN ON OCT 1ST, 2022.



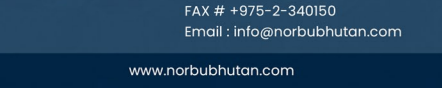
Thimphu Dromchoe precedes the popular three-day Thimphu Tshechu. The Dromchoe showcases the sacred dances dedicated to the protecting deity of Bhutan, Palden Lhamo.

THIMPHU TSHECHU FROM OCT 5TH TO OCT 7TH, 2022.



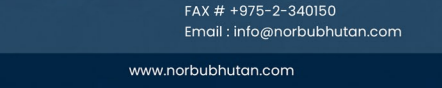
One of the biggest festivals in the country is the Thimphu Tshechu. This festival is held in the capital city for three days. The Tshechu is witnessed by thousands of people, both local and tourists. The actual Tshechu is preceded by days and nights of prayer and rituals to invoke the gods. Mask dances like the Guru Tshengye (Eight Manifestations of Guru Rinpoche), Shaw Shachi (Dance of the Stags) and many more are performed.

GANGTEY TSHECHU FROM OCT 7TH TO OCT 9TH, 2022.



The 3 day Gangtey Tshechu Festival 2022 is held at Gangtey goenpa in the Phobjikha valley. The monks and local people perform various kinds of mask dances and folk dances during this festival. The festival concludes with the receiving of blessings for the spiritual wisdom and power – Ngedup Langwa.

JHOMOLHARI MOUNTAIN FESTIVAL FROM OCT 14TH AND OCT 15, 2022.



Jhomolhari Mountain Festival is an exquisitely themed two-day event celebrated at the base of Mt. Jhomolhari by communities located along one of the most scenic trekking routes in Bhutan. The festival celebrates the culture of the communities living together with the natural wonders that surround them: one in particular is the elusive, yet elegant, snow leopard! This endangered cat thrives in the region; several camera trap photos and definite signs have established the region as one of the best snow leopard habitats in Bhutan.

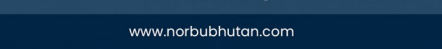
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Revised flight schedule for the month of June till December, 2022

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TENTATIVE FESTIVAL & EVENTS DATES, 2023



The event and festival dates are tentative. Therefore, please contact us for final confirmation because some-times dates change.

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HOW TO ENJOY A VACATION WITH LITTLE KIDS.

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Vacation is a time to unwind and enjoy an itinerary packed with good times. Still, it can become challenging with little kids in Bhutan because of the country's mountainous landscape.

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