

Tibet Budget Tour



Tibet Budget Tour is specially targeted for budget traveler those who likes to visit Tibet with low budget and can fulfill their thirst of exploring the history, culture, tradition and life style of Tibetan people.

Tibet budget tour starts from Kathmandu to Lhasa by Overland and fly out to Kathmandu or travelers have an option to reach to their choicest destination from Lhasa city.

Also Tibet budget tour is one of the world's most spectacular road journeys, from the Forbidden City of Lhasa, Kathmandu to Lhasa route through the Himalaya traverses many high passes, taking you across the stark but spectacular Tibetan Plateau, ascending from Nepal to Lhasa through some of the most amazing scenery to be found anywhere in the world. However the road journey is only part of the experience: we ended our tour with a dramatic flight over the Himalayas.

In this tour, the mostly attractions of the Tibet are a visit to Samye Monastery, the oldest foundation in Tibet, before driving up the Lhasa Valley to spend three days exploring the Forbidden City. The Potala Palace and many more of Tibet's important temples and monasteries have now been restored, and the fascinating Buddhist culture combined with the warmth and friendliness of the Tibetan people make this an unforgettable journey.

Duration: 8 days

Price: \$1150

Rating: 5 Star

Group Size: 2 pax above

Grade: Medium

Destination: Tibet and Mount Kailash

Activity: Tibet Tour Activities

Date & Prices:

Start Date	End Date	Price
08th Oct, 2015, Thursday	08th Oct, 2015, Thursday	\$1150

Accommodation:

Hotel, Breakfast, Transportation, Tour Guide

Vital Information

Lhasa City Tour, Potala Palace, Lhatse, Gyantse, Tashilunpo Monastery

Itinerary:

Day 01

Drive from KTM to Zhangmu (2250m/123km) to Nyalam (3750m/30km)

Journey begins at 5:30 am after having Breakfast in hotel of packed breakfast provide on the way. The road follows the river valleys of the Sunkosi and Bhotakosi rivers, passing through green cliffs and mountains. By the afternoon we get to the Tibetan boarder. Depending on the road conditions, we may stay in Zhangmu. If road conditions permit, we will continue 30km to Nyalam.

Day 02

Drive from Nyalam to Shegar(4250m/210km)

This day drive 3-4hours to Shegar(New Thingri). Early in the morning after breakfast drive to Shegar via Lalung la pass (5140m) from where one can enjoy, breathtaking panorama of beautiful Himalayan ranges. we can bask in the splendor of majestic views of snow-capped peaks from Makalu to Shishapangma. After long driving we eventually reach Old Thingri. We can view spectacular sight of Mount Everest. Then drive continue to Shegar.

Day 03

Drive from Shegar to Shigatse(3840m/240km)

Today we continue scenic drive to Lhatse crossing over Gyatchu la (5,220m) the highest pass en-route to Lhasa

and drive continue to crossing over Tsola Pass(4,860m) to Shigatse (Second Largest city in Tibet)

Day 04

Drive from Shigatse to Gyantse (3980m/90km)

In the morning after breakfast visit Tashilunpo Monastery and do the monastery Kora which provide you a great view of whole Shigatse City. After That continue scenic drive to Gyantse. At Gyantse take lunch and you will be taken for a guided tour to Gyantse Kumbum Monastery and Palkor Stupa.

The Tashilhunpo Monastery is one of the Six Big Monasteries of Gelugpa (or Yellow Hat Sect) in Tibet. Also called the Heap of Glory, the monastery is located at the foot of Drolmari (Tara's Mountain), Shigatse. Founded by the First Dailai Lama in 1447, the monastery's structure was expanded by the Fourth and successive Panchen Lamas. Tashilhunpo Monastery covers an area of nearly 300,000 square meters (3,229,279 sq. ft.). The main structures found in the Tashilhunpo Monastery are The Maitreya Chapel, The Panchen Lama's Palace and The Kelsang Temple

The Kumbum Monastery is a large gold-domed stupa. It has many small chapels which houses an impressive array of Tibetan Buddhist murals. It is very different with other monasteries. It was founded in 1418. The compound housed approximately 15 different monasteries, made up of three different sects (Gelugpa, Sakyapa and Kahdampa) in a rare instance of tolerance amongst the Tibetan orders of Buddhism. It is the only monastery that houses monks from different orders in harmony. As a result, its structural style, deities enshrined and murals are very special.

Day 05

Drive from Gyantse to Lhasa(3660m/270km)

Today we start our overland journey by jeep or bus along the New Friendship Highway. We cross the high pass the Karo La pass(5045m)Where we are treated to the spectacular sight of huge glacier tumbling down to within a few hundred meters of the road. The snowy summit of Mt. Norjin Kangsar(7252m). We continue Eastwards near the stunning views across the waters of Yamdrok-Tso Lake and over another High Pass the Kampa La Pass (4794m)from where we can see waters of Yamdrok-Tso Lake to the snowy summit of Mt. Norjin Kangsar(7252m) again. After passing through beautiful valleys and colorful Tibetan villages you arrive in the town of Lhasa.

Day 06

Full day Sightseeing in Lhasa: Drepung Monastery and Sera Monastery:

After breakfast visit Drepung Monastery and after lunch, visit Sera Monastery.

The Drepung Monastery is Situated at the foot of the Mountain Gambo Utse, 5kilometers from the western suburb of Lhasa, the Drepung Monastery is known as the most important monastery of Gelugpa in Tibetan Buddhism. It is considered one of the 'Three Great Monasteries' (the other two are the Ganden Monastery and the Sera Monastery. Covering an area of 250,000 square meters (299,007 square yards), it held 7,700 monks in total and possessed 141fazendas and 540pastures in its heyday, and is the largest-scale monastery among the ones of the same kind. Seen from afar, its grand, white construction gives the monastery the appearance of a heap of rice. As such, it was given the name 'Drepung Monastery' which, in the Tibetan language, means Monastery of Collecting-Rice. Sera Monastery

The Sera Monastery at the foot of Tatipu Hill is located in the northern suburb of Lhasa City. It is one of three famous monasteries in Lhasa along with the Drepung Monastery and the Ganden Monastery. The monastery is magnificent and covers an area of 114,946 square meters (28 acres). Its main buildings are the Tsokchan Hall, Dratsang(college) and Kamtsan(dormitory). Scriptures written in gold powder, fine statues, scent cloth and unparalleled murals can be found in these halls. Colorful debates on Buddhist doctrines are held here and these employ a style distinctive from those at Lhasa's other famous monasteries.

Day 07

Full day sightseeing: Potala Palace and Jokhang Temple , Barkhor Street:

After breakfast, visit Potala and after lunch visit Jokhang Temple & Barkhor Market.

The Potala Palace was first and foremost the residence of the Dalai Lama and his large staff. In addition, it was the seat of Tibetan government, where all ceremonies of state were held; it housed a school for religious training of monks and administrators; and it was one of Tibet's major pilgrimage destinations because of the tombs of past Dalai Lamas.

The Jokhang Temple, home of the most venerated statue in Tibet. The Jokhang, also called the Tsuklakang, is the first Buddhist temple in Tibet, located on Barkhor Square in Lhasa. It was built during the reign of king Songsten Gampo (605?-650 CE) to celebrate his marriage with Chinese Tang Dynasty princess Wencheng, who was a Buddhist. The temple was called the Tsulag Khang or 'House of Wisdom' but it is now known as the Jokhang which means the 'House of the Buddha'.

Barkhor Street is Located in the old area of Lhasa City, Tibet, Barkhor Street is a very ancient round street surrounding the Jokhang Temple and the Tibetan people are always proud of it. As a symbol of Lhasa, this street is also a must-see place for the tourists. Barkhor Street is a place full of religious atmosphere and a world of exotic articles. If you have been attracted by it, you should go there. Believe your eyes, and you will get a lot of surprise there.

Day 08

Drive to Gongkar Airport and Fly back to Kathmandu:

Say Good bye to your Tibetan Guide and Driver !

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Highlights:

- Lhasa City Tour, Potala Palace, Barkhor, Tashilunpo Monastery

Cost Include:

- Tibet travel permit
- Tibet Visa
- • Twin sharing accommodation with Breakfast
- Airfare one way Lhasa to Kathmandu
- All guided tours & transfers as per given itinerary in Toyota Land cruisers
- All monuments, monastery and temple entrance fees
- Tour Guide English spoken

Cost exclude:

- Insurance & emergency rescue charges
- Extra Emergency visa fee.
- Lunch and Dinner
- Alcoholic Drinks like coke, fanta, beer and whiskey etc
- Additional transportation & porter charges in the event of landslides
- Others not specified in the above cost inclusion lists.