



Experience Beauty in Bhutan

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Who better to explore [Bhutan](#) with than former UN Bhutan Ambassador Lhatu Wangchuk? [Geringer Global Travel](#) offers this special 14-day, 13-night excursion (which also includes Susan Geringer) with an Oct. 21 departure. Highlights include a talk on Bhutan led by former Cabinet Secretary Dasho Penden Wangchuk; a dinner at the Folk Heritage Museum; a hike to Taktshang, Tiger's Nest; and a traditional dinner hosted by Ambassador Wangchuk at his home.

Along the way, visit Dupthop Lhakhang, known as the Zilukha Nunnery; the seating Buddha statue at Kuenselphodrang; the Royal Textile Academy; a traditional handmade paper factory; the School of Fine Arts; a hike to Khamsum Yueling Namgyel Choeten; and the temple complex at Kurje Lhakhang. Participants will also enjoy a picnic lunch and river rafting expedition, a visit to the stunning glacial valley of Gangtey (Phobjikha) where endangered black-necked cranes live, and the 16th-century Gangtey monastery.

The trip is timed to take in the first day of the annual Jakar Tshechu, where mask dancing and folk music are major events. Prices begin at \$5,060 per person, based on double occupancy and excluding airfare. Included: hotel accommodations, all meals, transfers, ground transportation, guides, entrance fees and Bhutan visa.