## Visa Requirement for Bhutan

All travelers except Indian residents require visa for traveling to Bhutan. In order to process visa we require clear colour copy of passport (page containing passport no and face picture in JPEG or PDF format) at least 20 days prior to date of entry into Bhutan. Remaining validity of passport should be at least 6 months from the date of exit from Bhutan.

Tourism Council of Bhutan, a tourism regulatory authority body of Royal Government of Bhutan, issues visa clearance letter closer to traveling date which we email or fax you or your local travel agent. Travelers are required to produce aforesaid visa clearance copy at the time of check-in for Druk Air flight while those entering Bhutan by surface via Phuentsholing or Samdrup Jonkhar, they are required to produce this Visa Clearance letter at the Immigration counter. Actual visa is stamped at passport on arrival in Bhutan.

Visa only service is not offered in Bhutan, guests have to buy full service tour package from local tour operator that includes accommodation, guided tours, transfers etc. Visa fee of US\$ 40 (increased from Jan 2013) is included in the tour package cost.

\* Guests are required to have multiple entry visa for india if they are traveling to Bhutan from India and again returning to India from Bhutan

## **Immigration in Bhutan**

Visitors are required to complete a passenger declaration form for checking by concerned officers on arrival. The following articles are exempted from duty:-

- a). Personal affects and articles for day to day use by the visitor
- b). 1 litre of alcohol (spirits or wine)
- c). 200 cigarettes, on payment of import duty of 200%
- d). Instruments, apparatus or appliances for professional use
- e). Photogrphic equipment, video cameras and other electronic goods for personal use .

The articles mentioned under d). & e). must be declared on declaration form. If any such items are disposed in Bhutan by sale of gift, they are liable for custom duty. On departure, visitors are required to surrender their forms to the Custom authorities.

Import / export restrictions

Import and Export of following goods are strictly prohibited:

- a). Arms, ammunitions and explosives
- b). All narcotics and drugs except medically prescribed drugs

## **Book Your Trip**

All Foreign National Tourists visiting Bhutan must travel through all-inclusive package Tours, for which there is a fixed tariff set by the Royal Government of Bhutan. This Tariff includes the services of accommodation,

Meals, Transportation within the country, Guide services, sightseeing and entrance fees for the museums and monuments.

- 1. All Tours must be booked through a Local Tour Operator/Travel Agent and entire Land arrangements will be made by the same Agent.
- 2. For Clients traveling in peak seasons and Festival time, it is necessary to book the Tour at least 2 ½ months in advance. Festivals held in autumn and spring are peak time fort tourists and without early reservation it can be difficult to confirm flights and hotels.

## **Hotels & Accomodations**

Bhutan Century Tours work closely with all the hotels in Bhutan. and provide our visitors with efficient and exhaustive information and choice of hotels. Hotels in Bhutan are quite limited and may not be up to the western standards but providing a undoubtful peace and tranquility. Bhutan has a few 5 star and quite a considerable number of 3 star hotels, especially in the urban part of the country.