



VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

HIMALAYAN KINGDOMS: NEPAL & BHUTAN

with Dr. John Henry Rice, VMFA Curator of South Asian Art

November 1-15, 2019

15 days for \$5,872 tentative total price from Washington, DC
(\$5,195 air & land inclusive plus \$677 airline taxes and fees)



On this exhilarating journey, we discover two distant and devout lands, different in fact yet similar in spirit. Hinduism in Nepal and Buddhism in Bhutan suffuse all aspects of life; in both, tradition and belief abide – and surrounding Himalayan scenery casts a truly awe-inspiring spell.

ITINERARY IN BRIEF

- Days 1-4: November 1-4, 2019**
Depart U.S. for Kathmandu/Kathmandu
- Days 5-6: November 5-6, 2019**
Nagarkot
- Days 7-8: November 7-8, 2019**
Thimphu
- Days 9-10: November 9-10, 2019**
Punakha
- Days 11-13: November 11-13, 2019**
Paro
- Day 14: November 14, 2019**
Paro/Kathmandu/Depart for U.S.
- Day 15: November 15, 2019**
Arrive U.S.

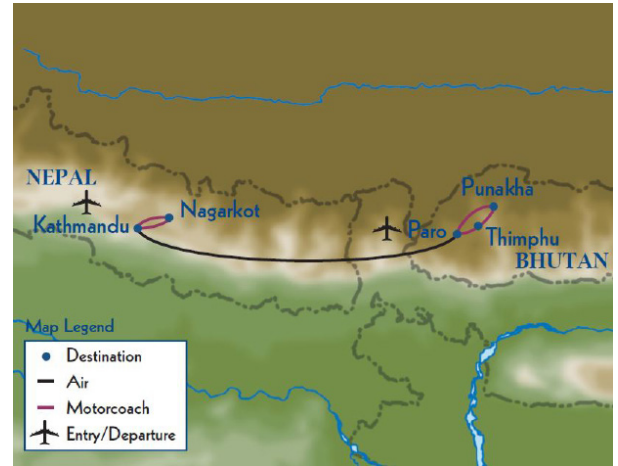
TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Opportunity to visit two Himalayan countries
- Visit to Buddhist monastery
- Lunch with a Nepalese family in their home
- Patan’s traditional arts and handicrafts
- Hindu shrine at Pashupatinath Temple
- Thimphu touring
- Dinner with a Bhutanese family
- Raising prayer flags at Dochula Pass
- Punakha river rafting trip
- Beautiful Punakha Dzong
- Historic Paro
- Tiger’s Nest Monastery excursion
- Kathmandu touring

Himalayan Kingdoms, Continued:

Your Tour Price Includes:

- Round-trip air transportation from listed city; all flights within itinerary
- 12 nights' accommodations in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and First Class hotels
- 31 meals: 12 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 10 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing, as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers



*Tentative Pricing:

\$5,872 air & land inclusive from Washington, DC. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$677, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Land only price is \$4,695; airport arrival and departure transfers not included. Single travelers please add \$1,195. Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight is available on a request basis. *Please note: This trip involves considerable walking uphill and on uneven terrain. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to the fullest. While elevations are not severe, the relatively high altitude of Nagarkot (7,000 feet) and Thimphu and Paro (both 7,500 feet) could pose problems for travelers with certain health conditions. You should consult your physician if you have concerns.*

***PLEASE NOTE:** At this time, elements of the tour are still being finalized. Your deposit will be fully refundable until all details, including pricing, are complete. Our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., will be in touch with you in March 2019 when the final tour details and tour brochure are available. At that time, you will have two weeks to decide whether you would like to convert your preliminary registration to a confirmed booking, or to cancel and receive a full refund. Once your booking is confirmed, the cancellation penalties as outlined in the brochure will apply. You will then receive a complete confirmation packet.

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Please FAX, mail, or e-mail your pre-registration form and deposit information to our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.:
One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300 Newton, MA 02458 Secure FAX: 617-454-9199
E-mail: customerservice@odysseys-unlimited.com

For questions about the tour, please contact VMFA Member Travel:
Phone: (804) 340-1519 Email: hutch.livingston@vmfa.museum

Enclosed is my/our deposit for \$_____ (\$500 per person) for _____ person(s). This secures my/our space on the following tour:
Himalayan Kingdoms: Nepal & Bhutan, November 1-15, 2019. Make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., or please charge my/our deposit to:

AMEX

VISA

MasterCard

Discover

Card # _____ Expiration Date _____ Security Code _____

Name(s) _____ Signature _____

I/We understand that I/we will be contacted in March 2019, once the final brochure for the tour is available, and will be given the opportunity to cancel at that time, without penalty. I/We also understand that billing and a complete confirmation packet will follow once I/we convert this preliminary registration into a confirmed booking.

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Home () _____ Cell () _____ E-mail _____

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