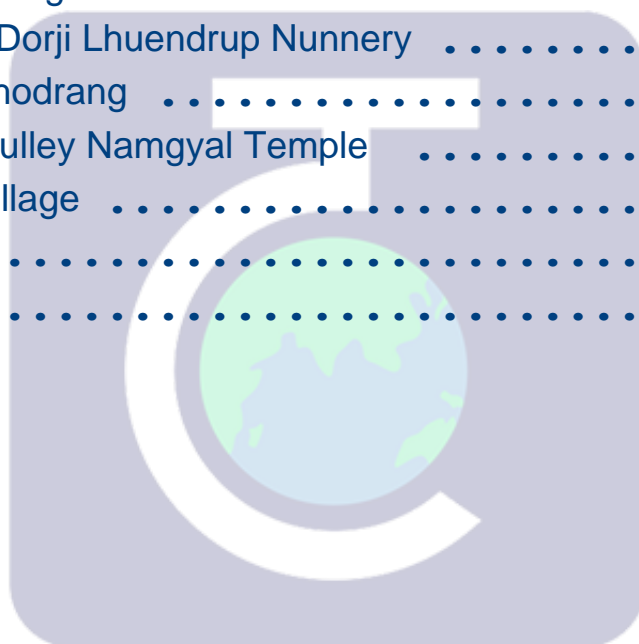


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### 1. Geographical location

The main governing center of Punakha dzongkhag is located around 85.7kms away from the capital, Thimpu and is situated at an altitude of 1200 meters above sea level. The weather in the city is warm during the winter season, while summers are extremely hot. Punakha is also the point where the Pho Chhu and Mo Chhu (Main rivers of the country) converge.



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### 2. Neighbouring cities/countries

Punakha Finds Itself Located 85.7kms Away From The Capital City Of Thimphu, 398kms To Siliguri, 420kms To Guwahati And Rangpur At 438kms. Neighboring Countries Include India, China And Bangladesh.



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### 3. Key site seeing places (paid and free)



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### 3.1. Free

#### 3.1.1. Punakha Dzong

Respect the expound traditional design at Punakha Dzong, Bhutan's second biggest dzong. Today, the locale's regulatory center and the fortification complex dates from 1638 and houses numerous hallowed artefacts that accommodate the Kagyu School of Tibetan Buddhism's Drukpa ancestry. The 6-storey structure remains at a height of 1,200 meters close to the intersection of 2 streams, encompassed by peaceful mountains and woodlands. Examine the resplendent interiors, which incorporate many religious pictures, imaginative fortunes, along with wooden, brick and metal artworks.

Address : Punakha, Bhutan

Location : 27.5820755, 89.86271349999999

Contact : +975 17 66 99 80

Website : <http://www.punakha.gov.bt/>

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

#### 3.1.2. Punakha Suspension Bridge

Cross the surging Pho Chhu stream through the Punakha Suspension Bridge, a long bridge that offers picturesque perspectives of the Punakha Valley and mighty mountains. Extending more than 300 meters high over the fast waterway, the extension takes just about 10 minutes to cross. Appreciate the beautiful vistas and take some memorable photographs of the pristine waters and valley underneath.

Address : Punakha, Bhutan

Location : 27.5894868, 89.86882719999999

Open & Close Timing : Daily: Open 24 hours

Time Required : 0.5

Buy Ticket : No

#### 3.1.3. Chimi Lhakhang

See the numerous phallic statues at Chimi L'hakhang Temple, a place of worship. Finding itself on a round hillock in the midst of rice paddies and a mustard

handle, the sanctuary contains a 25-meter tall wood and ivory lingam. Made in 1499 by Drukpa Kunley - the purported "saint of 5,000 ladies" who introduced Bhutan to Buddhism, the sanctuary picked up the reputation for its fertility wish awards to childless couples. The neighboring villagers still practice this custom.

Address : Punakha, Bhutan

Location : 27.5271468999999, 89.8780641

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

### 3.1.4. Sangchhen Dorji Lhuendrup Nunnery

Situated in a grand area on a mountain edge, Sangchhen Dorji Lhuendrup convent boasts of customary design, including a brilliant tipped, vast white stupa. Search for the 4.2-meter bronze statue of Avalokiteshvara and portrayals of eminent lamas from the Drukpa Kagyu heredity.

Address : Punakha, Bhutan

Location : 27.5328469, 89.8625654

Contact : +975 17 12 68 01

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

### 3.1.5. Wangdue Phodrang

This is a significant door to the far-flung regions of Eastern Bhutan. The Dzong roosted on the edge ignores the Puna Tsang Chhu (waterway) and Dang Chhu. Viewed as the town's most conspicuous element, it proffers an astounding view over both, North-South and East-West streets.

Address : Punakha, Bhutan

Location : 27.4879018, 89.8996196

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

### 3.1.6. Khamsum Yulley Namgyal Temple

Without a doubt a standout amongst the most expound sanctuaries in Bhutan, it was commissioned by the Queen Mother of the fifth King. The religious community remains on a little slope called Ngezergang, a short separation from

town. The unpredictable iconography in this sanctuary is an irregularity. The sanctuary is worked by the Holy Scriptures of the Nyingmapa Buddhists instead of techniques in designing manuals. Here, you can see the finest examples of profound art painted on the internal dividers and artistic creations of Buddhist instructors and tutelary gods of the nation.

Address : Punakha, Bhutan

Location : 27.6373597, 89.81650149999999

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

### 3.1.7. Limbukha Village

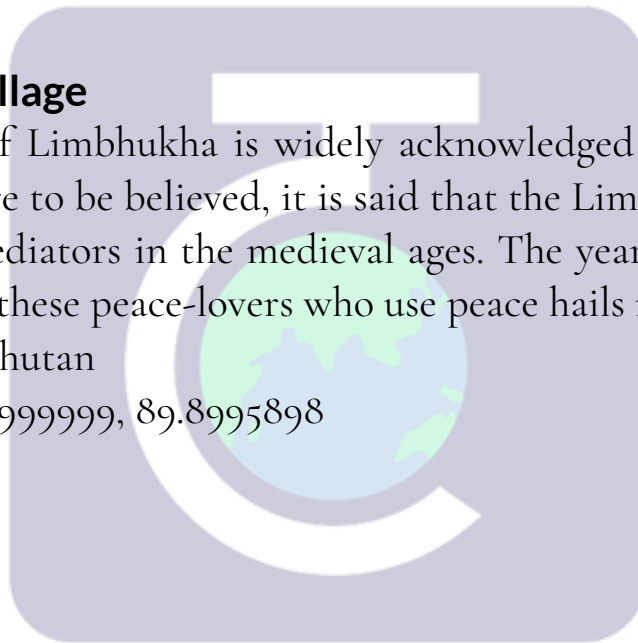
The nearby village of Limbhukha is widely acknowledged for its calmness and serenity. If legends are to be believed, it is said that the Limpus (occupants of the town) were peace mediators in the medieval ages. The yearly celebration, called Serda, is a tribute to these peace-lovers who use peace hails rather than swords.

Address : Punakha, Bhutan

Location : 27.55100069999999, 89.8995898

Time Required : 3

Buy Ticket : No



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### 4. Time Zone

Bhutan experiences Bhutan Time Zone (BTT) that is 6 hours ahead of the Universal Coordinated Time (UTC +6h).





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