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Lhasa  
Yamdrok Tso  
Lhasa

Designed with limited driving. This short Tibet tour offers a getaway to enjoy 2 full days in Lhasa, Ganden Monastery's architectural brilliance in Kyichu Valley. Followed by a visit to the turquoise colored Yamdrok-tso and local Tibetan family.

Type  
Private  
Duration  
5 days  
Theme  
Family focused, Winter getaways  
Trip code  
WT-103  
Price  
From CN¥ 3,080 per person  
CN¥ 2,800  
you save CN¥ 280 (10%)

### Itinerary

This is an easy 5 day Tibet tour, for those who travelling with their kids or seniors, then we recommend you this tour. Different from other tours arranged to have two day sightseeing in Lhasa, we purposely arrange you to drive to Ganden monastery on the third day which will provide you more opportunities to see the natural landscape of Tibet High Plateaus. Ganden Monastery is one of the three biggest Gelupa monasteries in Lhasa area, here besides the monastery, you will also see the beautiful Kyichu valley at the Monastery Kora. For the 4th day sightseeing, we recommend you to have one day tour to Yamdrok Lake. The turquoise coloured Lake Yamdrok is another holy Lake in Lhasa area besides Namtso, but only 2 hours drive from Lhasa. At the Lake side we will arrange you to visit one of the local Tibetan families to touch the real Tibetan life.

Day 01 :  
Arrival at Lhasa [3595m], rest and acclimatize.

Upon your arrival at Lhasa airport or train station, you will be greeted by your Tibetan guide, from airport to Lhasa city is 68km, around an hour drive will take you to the holy city Lhasa. Driving along the Brahmaputra river and Lhasa river, you will not only amazed by the spectacular plateau scenery but also have a chance to see flocks of black-necked crane, wild duck and many other kind of wild birds. If you take the train to Lhasa, normally you will arrive in the afternoon or evening, 20 minutes drive will take you to your hotel in Lhasa city. Check into hotel, have a good rest to acclimatize the high altitude. Overnight at Lhasa.

Day 02 :  
Lhasa City Tour - Visit Potola Palace, Jokhang Temple and Barkhor Market (B) - Walking tour is arranged today. Today is your first day of sightseeing on the high plateau, so we have purposely arranged only to visit Jokhang temple and Potala Palace. **Jokhang temple** is the most scared Temple in Tibet which was built in the 7th century and located at the heart of old town in Lhasa, the circuit around it called Barkhor street, which is a good place to purchase souvenirs. **Potala Palace** is

the worldwide known cardinal landmark of Tibet. The massive structure itself contains a small world within it. Mostly it is renowned as residence of the Dalai Lama lineages (Avalokiteshvara). After Potala Palace, you will be arranged to have butter tea or sweet tea at the **cave tea house** at the foot of Potala Palace. Overnight at Lhasa .

Day 03 :

Morning Excursion to Ganden Monastery, Afternoon Enjoy Monks' Debates at Sera Monastery (B) [4500m] (B)

Morning drive about 60 km eastwards to **Ganden Monastery**, which ranks the first among the six largest monasteries of Gelugpa. In addition to its magnificent architecture and religious importance, there is a extremely fabulous view on top of the Ganden Wangpo Hill, and Kichu valley is behind Ganden monastery, it is strongly suggested to hiking around the monastery and take a bird's-eye view of the valley. Early afternoon drive back to Lhasa to visit **Sera monastery** for its famous monks debating between 3pm to 5pm(not available on Sunday). Overnight at Lhasa.

Day 04 :

Excursion to Yamdrok Tso Lake [4300m] with a Visit to a Local Tibetan Family - 260KM, 4-hour Drive (B)

Morning drive up to Kampala pass[4794m], you will have a glimpse of **Yamdrok-tso** and spectacular views of Holy Mount Nyenchen Khangsar in the distance, the turquoise coloured Lake Yamdrok Yutso is one of the three holy lakes in Tibet. Descend to the bank of Yamdrok Tso Lake and drive to **Samding monastery** along the lake shores. Samding monastery is on a ridge that separates the northern arm of the lake from Dumo-tso, it provides excellent view of the Dumo plain and the mountains to the south. If you are pretty fit, then you can consider to hike from Nangartse county to Samding, which should take about 1-2 hours.

On the way back, we will arrange you to visit one of the local Tibetan families, and you will get an opportunity to see their customs and how they live, and you will be invited to have butter tea or sweet tea by the hospitable host. Overnight at Lhasa.

Day 05 :

Lhasa airport /train station dropping off (B)



Your guide and driver will see you off at the airport or train station, end the trip.

## Prices

Period

2 Persons

3 Persons

4-6 Persons

Nov. to Mar.

Regular price CN¥ 4,455 CN¥ 3,520 CN¥ 3,080

Sale price CN¥ 4,050 CN¥ 3,200 CN¥ 2,800

Apr. to Jun. and late Oct.

Regular price CN¥ 5,005 CN¥ 3,960 CN¥ 3,465

Sale price CN¥ 4,550 CN¥ 3,600 CN¥ 3,150

Jul. to mid Oct.

Regular price CN¥ 5,610 CN¥ 4,510 CN¥ 3,960

Sale price CN¥ 5,100 CN¥ 4,100 CN¥ 3,600

## Inclusions

**Tour notes:**

Please note prices are based in CNY.

**General inclusions:**

2 bottles of mineral water provided daily.

All required government taxes and fees.

Domestic travel accident insurance.

Meals allowance for your guide and driver.

All required Tibet permits and domestic travel documents.

3 Stars hotel (shared twin room, private bathroom and daily breakfast)

All entrance tickets as noted in the tour's itinerary.

Local Tibetan guide fluent in English, Chinese or Japanese that is certified by the state tourism build. (If your native language is not listed please let us know, we are certain we can assist your needs.)

Transportation will be provided via a comfortable and clean car, minivan or tourist bus depending upon the groups size.

**General exclusions:**

Personal expenses such as laundry, drinks, internet access, fax, telephone calls etc.

Tips for your guide and driver.

Optional activity during this trip, such as horse or yak riding.

Flight tickets or train tickets in and out of Lhasa (Please note: We can offer you train and/or plane tickets in and out Lhasa from all cities within China. Please check the latest price with us via email.)

Meals not specified in the itinerary.

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