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ACCOMMODATION IN BHUTAN

LUXURY & our recommended **STANDARD**



PARO

UMA PARO

Uma Paro is a 29-room hotel offering five-star comfort and singular style. The hotel is located on a 38-acre site atop a tree-clad hill, close to the town of Paro, which is one of the main cultural centres of Bhutan.

The nine superior doubles are 25 square metres, featuring large, oversized bathrooms and separate showers, DVD players, heated towel racks, minibars and in-room yoga mats. The nine deluxe doubles have the same facilities, but are larger at 32 square metres. In the two suites there are separate sitting, dining and study areas.

In the eight one-bedroom villas enjoy a private spa and courtyard. The headline two-bedroom villa has all this plus an even greater privilege of space (300 square metres) and endless views. All rooms have views of the forest, mountains or valley.



AMANKORA

Deriving its name from two words, 'aman' meaning 'peace' in Sanskrit and 'kora' meaning 'circular pilgrimage' in Dzongkha, the Bhutanese language, Amankora is a series of lodges sited throughout Bhutan's principal western and central valleys.

At Amankora Paro there are six dwellings with four suites each, two on the ground floor and two on the upper floor. The 24 suites are similar in design featuring natural rammed-earth walls, gently sloping roofs and wood-panelled interiors with a king-size bed, a traditional *bukhari* (wood-burning stove) and a large terrazzo-clad bath.



THE OLATHANG

It has 62 double rooms in the central building and 8 chalets spread over pine forests, all rooms with attached bath, running hot & cold water. The chalets were originally constructed to house foreign guests at the coronation of the king in 1974. There is a bar and restaurant in the main reception area. We visited in 2005 and can recommend Olathang.



THIMPU

AMANKORA

Two dwellings house a total of 16 suites, featuring a combined living and bedroom that includes a king-size bed, a reading chair and a window banquette providing views across a landscaped courtyard or directly onto the nearby stream and pine forest. Room interiors feature combined wood panel and chocolate brown walls. The traditional *bukhari* is positioned between the bedroom and the bathroom. The spacious bathroom opens from the bedroom and provides a terrazzo-dad bath that enjoys a view through a vertical slot window. A shower, toilet and twin vanities and hanging space complete the bathroom. The suites are individually heated during the cold winter months.

JOMULHARI

Located right in the heart of the city centre with easy access to all shopping areas and places of interest. 26 well appointed rooms provide comfort and convenience for the discerning vacationer or business traveller. All rooms are fully equipped with up to date facilities and provides an enviable panoramic view of the valley. Visited and recommended.



PHUNTSHO PELRI

Hotel Phuntsho Pelri or 'The Palace of Great Contentment', is a blend of Bhutanese architecture with detailed modern facilities. The hotel is located centrally in Thimphu. 49 double rooms. We visited in 2006 and can recommend this hotel.

TAJ TASHI

Newly opened in 2007 this is Taj Group's first venture into Bhutan. Located on Thimphu's main street the hotel has luxury rooms and luxury suites.

PUNAKHA

ZANGTHO PELRI

45 rooms with attached baths, running hot & cold water, money ex-change, laundry, restaurant serving continental, Indian, Chinese and Bhutanese cuisine, bar with international & Bhutanese beverages. A bit shabby when we visited in 2006 but recommended.



AMANKORA

Eight suites, located in three rammed-earth dwellings, are situated in an orange orchard with views across the rice fields and back up the Punakha Valley. The suites are identical to the design of the suites at Amankora Paro, featuring wood panelled interiors, a traditional *bukhari*, king-size bed, terrazzo-dad bath, shower and

vanities, and day bed. Suites are individually heated during the cooler winter months and air-conditioned in the summer months

TRONGSA

YANGKHIL RESORT

The resort built with a good view of Trongsa dzong and the town. It has 20 rooms with attached bath, running hot and cold water, bar and restaurant. Visited and recommended.

BUMTHANG

AMANKORA

Accessed through an impressive stone-clad hallway, 16 guest suites are situated in four separate dwellings, each containing two suites on the ground floor and two on the upper floor. Each suite features wood-panelled interiors, a traditional *bukhari*, king-size bed, terrazzo-clad bath, shower, twin vanities and daybed overlooking the courtyard and nearby Wangdichholing Palace and monastery

WANGDICHOLING GUEST HOUSE

The Lodge build on a hillock overlooking the Chamkhar river. It has 26 rooms with attached bath, running hot and cold water, heating with fire stove. Restaurant and bar, laundry, IDD telephone. Visited and recommended.

GANGTEY

DEWACHEN

Encircled by pine forests in the hidden valley of Phobjikha the Dewachen Hotel features sixteen double rooms, modern bathroom fittings and a restaurant with a magnificent view and cuisine prepared by a professional chef. With rooms heated by iron stoves and hot water bags in your bed, the coldest days and nights are not a challenge. Interestingly the hotel boasts a traditional hot stone bath with a capacity to accommodate 30 persons!



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