

## Motorcycling in Bhutan

Bhutan promises to be a paradise for bikers with its pristine and beautiful environment boasting of breathtaking landscapes, majestic mountains and an incredible wealth of flora and fauna.

Experience the fascinating journey on two wheels through the mystical Dragon Kingdom of Bhutan. Bhutan with its culture and tradition still intact and vibrant, a country where man and nature live together in close harmony and a kingdom filled with discoveries still to be found.

### Royal Enfield "Bullet" Motorcycles

Royal Enfield initially started out as an English engineering company manufacturing bicycles, stationary engines and rifle parts. Hence the adage for their motorcycles "built like a gun goes like a bullet".



Royal Enfield manufactured its first motorcycle in 1901 and it was essentially a 150cc bicycle with a 1.5 bhp engine mounted over the front wheel. Royal Enfield merged with Alldays & onions in 1907 and made cars called Enfield Alldays till 1925. Royal Enfield first started production of the 500cc Bullet motorcycle in 1932. Royal Enfield also made various models like the WD/C 350cc side valve, WD/C 350cc OH, WD/G 350cc OHV, WD/L 570cc SV and, the famous 125cc "flying flea" during world war II in an effort to help in the war. Royal Enfields have been made and sold in India since 1949. Royal Enfields were painted red and marketed in the U.S.A as 'Indian motorcycles' by the Brock house corporation in between 1955 - 1960.

Royal Enfield produced their last motorcycles in England

during the late 1960s and closed down all British factories by 1970 due to fierce competition from the Japanese. Enfield of India bought the rights to the name 'Royal Enfield' in 1995 and continues to make and sell motorcycles under the same name till date. Royal Enfield is the only motorcycle brand to have survived through three centuries of wars, natural calamities and financial upheavals'.



### Options Available

- ✦ Engine either 350cc or 500cc
- ✦ Right hand side gear shifter (four speed gearbox)
- ✦ Left hand side gear shifter (five speed gearbox)
- ✦ Electric starter or without electric starter
- ✦ Single spring type seat or twin seat with back rest.
- ✦ Saddlebags
- ✦ Windshield
- ✦ Latest model or older model classic type with bull handlebars.

## The Package Price Below is Inclusive of:

- + Motorcycle Hire
- + Services of trained mechanics
- + Rental charges of service vehicle/truck
- + Comprehensive insurance on motorcycle
- + Spare parts for normal wear & tear.
- + Accommodation with private facilities
- + All Meals
- + Entrance Fees
- + Sightseeing
- + Airport Transfers
- + Guide and back-up vehicle
- + Complimentary cocktail party.

### **\*IMPORTANT NOTE RE OUR PRICING POLICY.\***

Our Bhutan packages costs are quoted in US dollars. On the final date of payment your Bhutan travel costs are converted into Australian dollars using the current daily rate of exchange.

### **Motorcycle Tour Departure Dates 2009:**

Minimum party 5 riders hiring 5 motorcycles to qualify for these package costs.

**Motorcycle Journey, Riding High** 26 June - 04 July 2009 9 days/ 8 nights

**Motorcycle Journey, Himalayan Highway** 04 October - 15 October 2009 12 days/ 11 nights

**Motorcycle Journey, Free Wheeling** 08 November - 16 November 2009 9 days/ 8 nights

\*Parties of less than 5 or individuals requests are subject to additional surcharges depending on availability.\*

### **Motorcycle Tour Departure Dates 2010: \* coming soon \***

09 April - 20 April 2010 12 days/ 11 nights

12 June - 20 June 2010 9 days/ 8 nights

### **Conditions of Hire:**

1. Security deposit of US\$500.00 (this is the passengers maximum liability) is to be paid directly before commencement of the tour in case of damages which will be refunded on completion of the tour.
2. A personal liability form is required to be filled in before commencement of the tour in case of injury, disability or death.
3. International drivers permit with a motorcycle endorsement. This is available from your local state motoring authority & should be prearranged at least two weeks before departure.

## **Independent Private Tours - Suggested Itinerary Options.**

**Options 1** : More time allocated for short treks & sightseeing.

**12 days/11nights & 9days/8nights**

**Options 2** : More time dedicated to riding limited trek component.

**12 days/11nights & 9days/8nights**

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