

Bhutan has a lot of monastery and not-religious festivals to offer. It is difficult to choose among them all. Our advice: If you have the time/possibility, visit festivals in the off-season. They are very special because they have less foreign visitors. Also travelling in off-season is more cheap than in high season. If you want to travel in high season be prepared to book early as flights and hotelrooms are quickly sold out during that time. Anyhow: The monastery festivals are a special highlight and if you go to Bhutan you should see at least one.



Overview: Festivals from July 2016 onwards

Here you will find not only monastery festivals but also non-religious festivities taking place between July 2016 and December 2016.

5.-6. July 2016

Haa Summer Festival in Haa

2.-3. August 2016

Merak Tsechu (=Monastery festival) in Trashigang

13.-14. August 2016

Matsutake Festival in Bumthang (Infos about the “mushroom”-festival under this Link:
<http://www.tourism.gov.bt/activities/matsutake-festival>)

15.-16. August 2016

Matsutake Festival in Genekha (see above)

15.-19. August 2016

Chha Festival in Lhuentse

25.-28. August 2016

Mountain Echoes in Thimphu (Literaturefestival – further Infos: <http://mountainechoes.org/>)

3. September 2016

Tour of the Dragon (Mountainbike-race over 268km – further infos:
<http://www.tourofthedragon.com/>)

9.-11. September 2016

Khaling Tshechu in Trashigang

7. October 2016

Thimphu Drubchen in Thimphu

9.-11. October 2016

Wangdue Tshechu in Wangdue Phodrang

9.-11. October 2016

Haa Tshechu in Haa

9.-11. October 2016

Gangtey Tshechu in Wangdue Phodrang

10.-11. October 2016

Geling Tshechu in Chhukha

10.-13. October 2016

Thimphu Tshechu in Thimphu

11.-13. October 2016

Tamshing Phala Chhoepa in Bumthang

14.-17. October 2016

Thangbi Mani in Bumthang

22. October 2016

Dechenphu Tshechu in Thimphu

25.-16. October 2016

Jomolhari Mountain Festival in Paro (more infos:

<http://www.tourism.gov.bt/activities/jomolhari-mountain-festival>)

6.-9. November 2016

Monggar Tshechu in Monggar

6-10. November 2016

Pemagatshel Tshechu in Pemagatshel

6.-9. November 2016

Shingkar Rabney in Bumthang

7.-9. November 2016

Chhukha Tshechu in Chhukha

7.-10. November 2016

Trashigang Tshechu in Trashigang

7.-10. November 2016

Jakar Tshechu in Bumthang

11. November 2016

Black Necked Crane Festival in Wangduephodrang (further infos:

<http://www.tourism.gov.bt/activities/the-annual-black-necked-crane-festival-11th-november>)

13.-15. November 2016

Nalaxhar Tshechu in Bumthang

14.-17. November 2016

Jambay Lhakhang Drup in Bumthang

25.-29. November 2016

Sumthrang Kanssoel in Bumthang

6.-8. December 2016

Gelephu Tshechu in Sarpang

7.-9. December 2016

Dungkar Tshechu in Lhuentse

7.-9. December 2016

Samtse Tshechu in Samtse

7.-10. December 2016

Lhuentse Tshechu in Lhuentse

8.-9. December 2016

Tang Namkha Rabney in Bumthang

9.-10. December 2016

Trongsa Tshechu in Trongsa

10.-12. December 2016

Samdrup Jongkhar Tshechu in Samdrup Jongkhar

11.-14. December 2016

Kangso Tshechu in Monggar

11.-13. December 2016

Dremetse Tshechu in Monggar

12.-16. December 2016

Chojam Rabney Festival in Bumthang

12.-14. December 2016

Korphu Tshechu in Trongsa

12.-14. December 2016

Nabji Lhaxhang Drup in Trongsa

13. December 2016

Druk Wangyel Tshechu in Thimphu

19.-23. December 2016
Dagana Tsechu in Dagana

24.-29. December 2016
Pangkhar Choepa in Bumthang

Attention: Please reconfirm all dates - it is possible there are typing mistakes ☐