

Lhasa Gyantse Shigatse Tour – 06 Days

Trip Fact

Destination: Tibet

Total Duration: **6 Days**

Trip Grade: **Easy**

Meals: **Breakfast**

Transportation: **Private Transportation**

Accommodation: **Hotel**

Max. Altitude: **3650m (Lhasa)**

Minimum Group Size: **Any**

Highlight of the Trip

- Historical cities of Tibet, Lhasa Gyantse and Shigatse
- Potala Palace, spiritual and temporal power of Tibet and palace of Dalai Lama
- Norbulinka palace, summer palace of the Dalai Lama
- Jokhang temple, Holiest Tibet's temples
- Barkhor square, Lhasa's liveliest place and the main route for prayer wheels rotating
- Drepung Monastery, school of 10,000 monks
- Tashilampo Monastery in Shigatse and Gyantse Zhong in Gyantse
- Scenic drive with passing through highest passes and Panoramic Hiamalayan views
- Yamdrok Lake, Biggest lake in Tibet

Detail Itinerary

Day 01: - Arrive in Lhasa Airport or in train station (3650 m/11972ft). Transfer and overnight at Hotel

Your tour starts with your arrival in Lhasa today. There are two ways to arrive Lhasa-one is via Nepal and another via mainland China. If you choose to fly from Kathmandu to Lhasa you will have 1 hour 10 minutes Trans-Himalayan flight which is considered one of the most beautiful air route in the world that takes you over the Everest (8848m), Kanchenjunga (8536m) and other Himalayan peaks. If you are coming via mainland China, you might fly from any major cities or take the world's highest train route to reach Lhasa. You will be received by our Tibetan guide at the airport/train station. Approximately 1.5 hours' drive along 93 km road, from the airport/train station, you will reach Lhasa. It's advisable to rest and take it easy for the remainder of the day due to Lhasa's altitude. Overnight at hotel in Lhasa.



Day 02: - Sightseeing in Lhasa (3650 m/11972ft). Overnight at Hotel

Foremost, our tour begins with a visit to Sera Monastery with an experienced tour guide also working as an interpreter escorts. This is a preserved monastery of white-washed walls and golden roofs. Equally adventurous and exciting rhythm builds up while touring Norbulingka, the summer palace of the Dalai Lama. Jokhang Temple is another important sacred site which

unravels more deep seated mysteries of Tibetan Buddhism. Visit to Barkhor Markets can be quite a alter from other visits as you roam around the city testing every details around the stalls and you may purchase some goods that displays Tibetan culture, custom and tradition. Overnight at Hotel in Lhasa.

Day 03: - Second day Sightseeing in Lhasa (3650 m/11972ft) Overnight at Hotel

Today your visit to Potala palace and Drepung monastery will bestow invaluable insights. From the Mar Po Ri Hill where the Potala Palace, the 17th century great monumental structure stands, you can get an awesome view of entire city. Potala Palace, an immense structure, its interior space being in excess of 130,000 square meters has private quarters of the Dalai Lama, numerous grand state rooms and chapels. Your next visit will be to Drepung Monastery, a residence of Dalai Lama before Potala Palace which was built in 14th century and used to shelter around 10,000 monks some time ago. Tibetans' immensely believe and respect this monastery.

Day 04: - Drive to Gyantse (3950m/12956ft) -265 km. Overnight at Hotel

Following Friendship Highway, while driving past Khamba La (4794 m), you will have a break to appreciate majestic views of Yamdrok-Tso Lake, a lake deep blue in color and Nazin Kang Sang glacier standing proud at 7252m. Ahead to westwards, you come across another Karo La pass at 5045m. Glance through the road, you can see huge glaciers tumbling down into the road. After hours of driving for 261 km



You enter town of Gyantse where you will see beautifully landscaped and Tibetan villages.

Day 05: - Sightseeing & drive to Shigatse (3900m/12792ft) -92km Overnight at Hotel

Gyantse prides on Gyantse Dzong and Kumbum. Gyantse Dzong is a historical fort built in the 14th century and overlooks a mesmerizing view of entire Gyantse and surrounding Nyang Chu Valley. Kumbum has large gold domed 35m high chorten(stupa) and houses with several chapels and Tibetan Buddhist murals. Kubum means 100,000 images in Tibetan. After enjoying and exploring Gyantse, you will take a 90 km drive to Shigatse. Shalu monastery built with Han, Tibetan and Indian style architecture is about one and half hour away from Gyantse on the way to Shigatse. After a brief observation of the monastery you drive further to Shigatse, second largest city of Tibet. Tashilhunpo Monastery is the major attraction of Shigatse being one of the largest functioning monasteries in Tibet.

Day 06: - Drive back to Lhasa and Overnight at Hotel

Today long and continue drive back to Lhasa. You also have option to drive Nepal by one overnight stay on the way. You also have option to reach Everest Base Camp.

Day 07: - Departure to Airport or train station Drop you either Gongar airport or Lhasa train station. End your trip

Cost based on group size or Joining with our fixed departure group date

Cost Include

- Arrival and departure arrangement
- Private transportation in entire trip
- Accommodation in hotel twin sharing rooms
- Everest morning breakfast
- Tibet entrance permit and visa
- Entrance fees in sightseeing
- An English speaking Tibetan guide

Cost Exclude

- Lunch and Dinner in entire trip
- Air ticket or train ticket to and from Lhasa
- Personal expenses, Insurance and medical expenses
- Tipping to staffs

Trip Note

- Touch Kailash Travels and Tours can provide you group Joining **Lhasa Gyantse Shigatse Tour**. We can customise your itinerary if you are choosing private Tour. we even can add and remove days and places as per your interest.
- we can run this trip from both sides, Arriving direct in Lhasa or flying from kathmandu Lhasa can be the option
- Our tour cost is based on standard 3 star hotel accommodations in **Lhasa, Shigatse and in Gyantse**.