

BHUTAN – A PHOTOGRAPHIC JOURNEY WITH BASIL PAO

11-20 February 2014 • Limited Availability



Set amidst soaring Himalayan peaks on the roof of the world, Bhutan is blessed with light that photographers dream of. Add to this the Kingdom's pristine natural beauty, rich history and vibrant cultural heritage, and you have a setting which offers photographic opportunities at every turn.

A select few will have the chance to join acclaimed photographer Basil Pao on a photographic tour of Bhutan in February 2014. Renowned for his work with Michael Palin, Basil took the photos for the books that accompanied every one of Palin's BBC travel documentaries from the late 1980s onwards. These include 'Pole to Pole', 'Full Circle', 'Hemingway Adventure', 'Sahara', 'Himalaya', 'New Europe' and 'Brazil'. He is also the author of 'China Revealed', 'Hands', 'Yi Jing – The Book of Changes' and numerous other photographic books, including Aman's Bhutan book and two anniversary books.

Basil's Photographic Journey across Bhutan will be an intimate opportunity to learn from one of the world's foremost travel photographers. Rather than being a lesson in using a camera, this journey will be like going on assignment with a professional – one who has worked in every kind of condition at the highest level for over 30 years. Basil will share his travel experiences and photographic tips during informal workshops and outdoor excursions. Many of these will be at sunrise and sunset when the light is particularly good. Participants should be competent with their own equipment, as the journey will be more about opening eyes to photographic possibilities than dwelling on technical details.

The Photographic Journey will take in four of Amankora's five valleys, including Paro, Thimphu, Punakha and Gangtey.

Itinerary: A Photographic Journey with Basil Pao

11-12 Feb 2014	Amankora Thimphu Exploring the capital's lanes, markets and <i>Coembas</i> (monasteries)
13-14 Feb 2014	Amankora Gangtey Capturing nature at its finest where rare black-necked cranes spend the winter • Discovering Gangtey Goemba
15-16 Feb 2014	Amankora Punakha Photographing Punakha Dzong (monastic fortress) at the confluence of the Pho and Mo Rivers
17-19 Feb 2014	Amankora Paro Climbing to Tiger's Nest • Photographing Mount Jhomolhari at dawn and dusk
20 Feb 2014	International Departure

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