

# Punakha Dzong



## Overview

[Punakha Dzong](#), an administrative center of Punakha district, is also the second largest Dzong in [Bhutan](#). Translated as ‘the palace of great happiness or bliss’ this Dzong is more than 350 years old. Situated between the Po Chu and Mo Chu rivers of Punakha, it also delivers architectural brilliance. Telling the stories of Buddhist culture this Dzong also has the Kagyu school of Tibetan Buddhism within it. This old capital of Bhutan also provides a natural and cultural tour of Bhutanese history.

## Main attractions:

- The intricate paintings and the delightful architecture of the fort,
- sacred relics involving the Southern Drukpa Lineage in Kagyu school,
- Scenic Mountains and natural sites.