

Homestays of Wangdue Phodrang



Morning view of Gangtey Village



Phobjikha valley



Gangtey and Phobjikha are the most popularly visited places under Wangdue Dzongkhag. International and Regional tourists visit Gangtey and Phobjikha for its beautiful landscape and to watch the endangered Black Necked Cranes. Similarly, the places are even popular among the domestic tourists for recreation and to visit the famous Gangtey Goemba. Although there are quite a number of hotels around the area the Village Homestays (VHS) also plays an important role in providing food and accommodation services to visitors staying overnight. The VHS provide a homely service to the visitors at an affordable rate. Most of the visitors prefer to stay in the Homestays in Gangtey only and while doing so they miss out the homestays and their services at Phobjikha. Unique experience will be offered by all the homestays in Gangtey and Phobjikha and for faster location of the homestays, all the homestays have mapped in google map along with their contact details and some pictures and updated the location for the already mapped homestays.

As of March 2021, the Tourism Council of Bhutan (TCB) have registered 30 VHS from Wangdue Dzongkhag.

Apart from the authentic Bhutanese dishes offered by the homestays there are some unique traditional dishes offered in the homestays as given in the table below. Likewise, there are different festivals celebrated in the locality and the visitors are always welcome to join those festivals and stay overnight in the homestays around.

Local cuisine and festivals

Sl.No	Local cuisine	Festival	Festival timing
1	Takthu	Gangtey Tshechu	September
2	Putra	Khewang Tsechu	November
3	Khulay	Black Neck Crane festival	November
4	Mangay	Tshechu for the prosperity of the crops	Bhutanese date 10 th of March
5	Gongdo (egg and flour)	Annual Lochhoe	Differs from house to house
	Tazay		

Homestays and their services

Dorji Om VHS (17964102)



Aum Dorji and her husband

Officials visiting the Gangtey Gewog can stay the night at Dorji Om Homestay which is right below the Gangtey Gewog center. The exact location of the homestay is at 27.4884677 and 90.1692675 geo-coordinates.

It has two spacious guest rooms which can accommodate 4 heads (2 in each room) and the guests are welcomed by the owner and her husband.



Guest rooms

The guests are served all the Bhutanese dishes and most of the time the menu is decided by the owner and the special orders of the guests are also catered.



Living room



Kitchen

Other than running the homestay they also do potato farming and livestock rearing for their livelihood.

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 850/-
2. Lunch- 300/-

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 800/- to 1000/-



Hot stone bath

2. Local guide

Dophu Om VHS (17749283)

Gangtey Goemba is one of the famous pilgrim sites and if visitors are planning to stay overnight around the area, Dophu Om Homestay is the best option. It is located right below Gangtey Goemba at 27.4876855 and 90.1654205 coordinates. The daughter of the owner also runs a small fast-food restaurant which is just few steps away from the homestay. The visitors do not have to walk as the homestay is located just below the road side.



Aum Dophu Om in front of her home

It has 3 big rooms for the guests and is run by 3 members of the family.



Guest Rooms

They serve all varieties of Bhutanese dishes.



Toilet



Living room



Aum Dopfu's daughter preparing tea

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/-
2. Lunch- 250/-

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/-



Hotstone bath tub

2. Local guide

Karma Wangmo VHS (17683831)



If you cannot afford to stay in the luxurious Aman Kora then choose Karma Wangmo Homestay which is located just few meters away from Aman Kora. It gives you the same beautiful view of the landscape and importantly the homely experience at an affordable rate. The exact name of the location is called Gangtey Tokha at 27.4924873 and 90.1522663 coordinates. The guests are welcomed by all the member of the family.



Living room



Guest rooms



Aum Karma



The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 300/- to 400/- per head

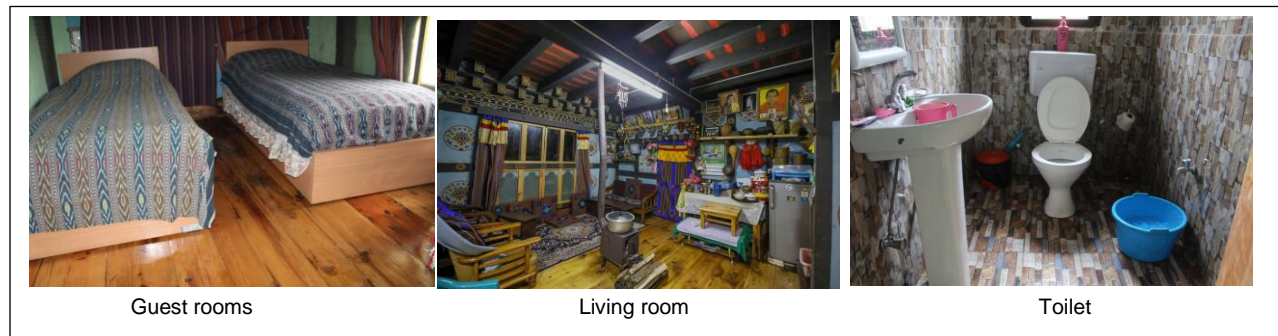
Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide

Sigay Dorji VHS (17841894/17995496/77264142)



If you have come for a retreat and is looking for quite place away from the village but with all the facilities then choose Sigay Dorji Homestay. It is located far away from the village at Gangtey Gongtsawa with geo-coordinates of 27.4862355 and 90.1446727. The guests are given the luxury to enjoy the spacious 4 guest rooms and not to forgot the tiled toilets with separate bath rooms.



Guest rooms

Living room

Toilet



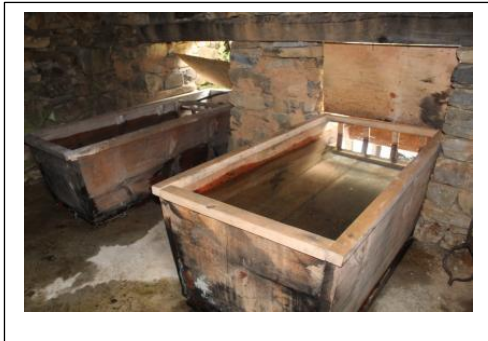
Ap Sigay and his wife

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 750/- per head



2. Local guide

Pemba VHS (17734049/17983106)



If you are looking for a home far away from home then Pemba Homestay is the right place. It is located at Gangtey Aekor with geo-coordinates of 27.4830607 and 90.1584951. They have the entire family to welcome the guests and serve all kinds of Bhutanese dishes. It can easily accommodate 6 heads in their 3 guest rooms.



Living room



Guest room



Hot stone bath tub



Toilet



Pemba's wife preparing meal

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 200/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide



Ap Pemba and his wife with their grand daughter

Phub Lham VHS (17512152)



Aum Phub Lham



Traditional mill stones

A traditional house with modern hygiene can be experienced at Phub Lham Homestay which is located at Gangtey Aekor with geo-coordinates of 27.4831032 and 90.1589393. The 3 guest

rooms are greeted by warm sunlight in the morning and the view of sunset in the evening. It has a airy living room with Yathra covered sofas and wooden carved tables which gives the living room an expensive outlook.



Guest room



Living room

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 400/- per head



Living room



Toilet

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide

Phub Gyeltshen VHS (17879831)



Phub Gyeltshen's daughter

If evening tea is part of your routine then Phub Gyeltshen Homestay provides a nice living room with a view to enjoy your tea. It is located at Gangtey Betta with geo-coordinates of 27.4877548 and 90.1586905.



Guest rooms



Living room

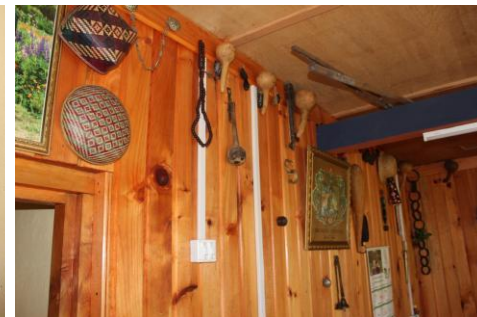
It has 4 guest rooms and the view of the green field can be enjoyed from all the guest rooms. Not only that if you have your kids then they have an outdoor swing to entertain your kids. The homestay is operated by the owner's daughter who has experience of running a tourist standard hotel so she provides the best services to her guests.

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 350/- per head



Living room



Outdoor swing

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide

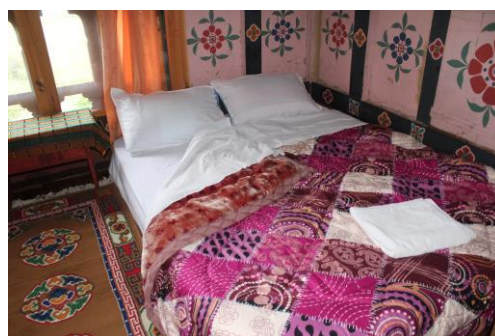
Passang Zam VHS (17443219)



If one is seeking to experience a village life with a caring mother then there is no better place than Passang Zam Homestay which is located at Gangtey Moel at geo-coordinates of 27.4762649 and 90.1631366. Aum Passang Zam never fails to welcome her guests with a warm heart. The 4 rooms are located with the view of potato field at the back and the valley in the front. Although it's just her catering to the guests her services never fall short.



Guest rooms



Toilet

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head



Aum Passang in her kitchen



Lunch prepared by Aum Passang



Hot stone bath tub

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide



Aum Passang



Aum Passang's husband sorting the potatoes

Wangchuk Dem (77402114)



Aum Wangchuk Dem

Wangchuk Dem Homestay is located at Gangtey Moel with geo-coordinates of 27.4778006 and 90.1611290 and if you visit this homestay, you will be welcomed by kind elderly women. Her place is surrounded by the potato field so you will get to experience potato farming if you haven't experience before. Her place has 3 cozy rooms with a Bhukhari in the living room to beat the cold winter.



Living room



Kitchen



Guest room

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide and the charge is as per the tips given by the guests.

Pem VHS (17736941)



Aum Pem in front of her homestay

A bright and spacious rooms can be found at Pem Homestay which is located at Gangtey Moel with geo-coordinates of 27.4714367 and 90.1649525. Hospitality is what the owner has mastered over the years of operating homestay. There are stories of the guests leaving her place with tears and full of fun memories. So, if you are also looking for such experience you should definitely visit her homestay.



Toilet



Guest rooms



Kitchen



Living room



Hot stone bath tub

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide

Yangka (17846897)



Ap Yangka

The only homestay in the area operated by a man is Yangka Homestay which is located at Gangtey Moel with geo-coordinates of 27.4711773 and 90.1653860. Even if he is the only one operating his homestay the services are neither compromised nor any less than other homestays. You will get to hear old stories of the village from him over the dinner or a cup of warm tea near the Bhukhari.



Guest rooms



Toilet



Kitchen



Hot stone bath tub

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 300/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head.
2. Local guide

Sonam Yuden (17625853)



Aum Sonam Yuden



View from guest room

Sonam Yuden Homestay is located at Gangtey Moel with geo-coordinates of 27.4692277 and 90.1673605. Each of the 3 guest rooms offers a beautiful view of the greens, mountains and the valley. Apart from the regular home stay service, Sonam Yuden Homestay organizes Archery and Khuru programs for the entertainment of their guests.



Guest rooms



Toilet



Kitchen and living room



Dried turnip leaves



Tub ready with water and hot stone

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head (till 3 varieties of curry)

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500-750(dependent upon number of people)
2. Local guide

Shekar (KD) VHS (17995256)



Aum Shekar's daughter Deki



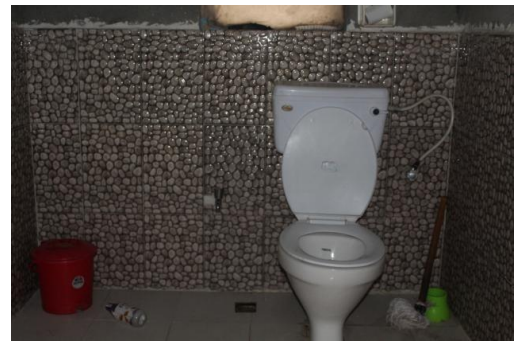
Uniquely painted house in the area belongs to Aum Shekar and she operates it as a Homestay. It is located at Gangtey Moel with geo-coordinates of 27.4686113 and 90.1667023. A young and beautiful girl operates the homestay on her mother's behalf and she greets her guests with full of smiles. The 2 rooms are quite big and can accommodate 2 heads in each room.



Living room



Guest room



Toilet



Kitchen



Living room



The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 200/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide and the charge are as per the tips given by the guests.

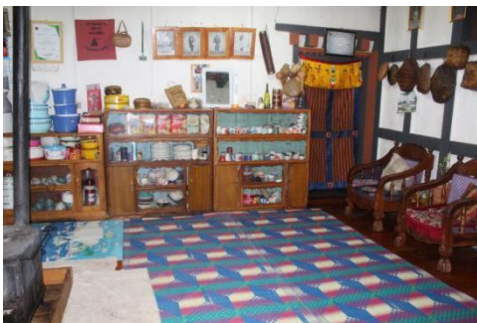
Lhakpa VHS (17518940/77851399)



Aum Lhakpa



Lhakpa VHS is located at Gangtey Moel with geo coordinates of 27.4719522 and 90.1625301. The owner, her husband and her sister run the homestay and they have 3 rooms for the guests with sunset view. They have their Lochhoe in November coinciding with 3 stars (Kam, Mindu, Yangka) and would openly welcome the guests wishing to join their lochhoe.



Living room



Guest room



Toilet



Kitchen



Living room



The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- to 300/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide

Phub Lham VHS (17970521)



Guest room



Living room



Tea with cottage cheese



Aum Phub Lham and her family

If you want to experience cottage cheese with tea then visit Phub Lham VHS which is located at Gangtey Moel at 27.4699575 and 90.1648013 coordinates. They have 3 rooms and are operated by 4 members of the family.

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- to 300/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head
2. Local guide

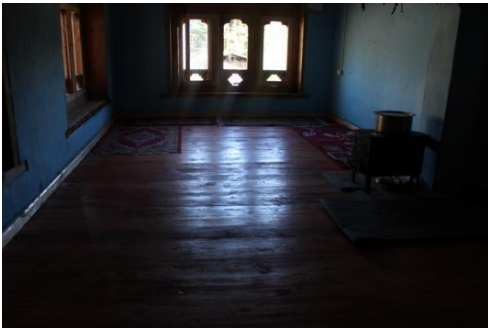
Karma Wangmo VHS (17683831)



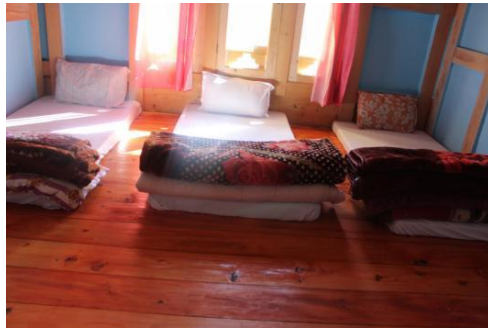
Aum Karma



If you are a person who likes to be greeted by sun rays in the morning then spend a night at Karma Wangmo VHS which is located at Gantey Moel at 27.4666836 and 90.1685125 geo-coordinates. It has 4 huge guest rooms and is operated by the owner and her daughter. Other than the normal rice and curry they serve Puta, Mangay and Gondo (flour and egg).



Living room



Guest rooms



The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head

Additional services

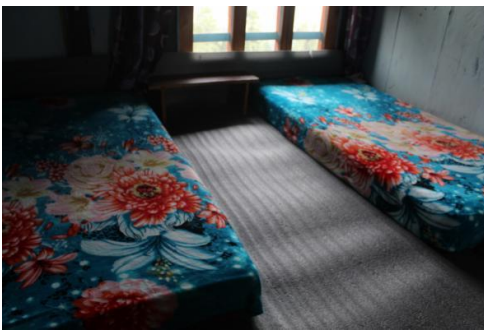
1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head

Pem Choden VHS (17769401)



Aum Pem Choden

Located right below the Gangtey Goemba is Pem Choden VHS at 27.4855621 and 90.1651704 geo coordinates. The 3 spacious rooms with large windows welcome the guests for the night. They offer all varieties of Bhutanese dishes to their guests and they even guide the guests to cook the meals.



Guest rooms



Wood crafted mask- Home decor

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 900/- per head
2. Lunch- 190/- per head

Wangchuk Dem VHS (77292427/17861601)

Almost a luxurious hotel with the facilities not less than any hotel can be experienced at Wangchuk Dem VHS. It is located at Gangtey Ramgokha with 27.4861263 and 90.1463360 geo coordinates. The homestay has 3 standard rooms with scenic view from the window



View from the window



Guest rooms

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch 400/- per head

Passang VHS (17749133)



Ap Passang's daughter and grand daughter

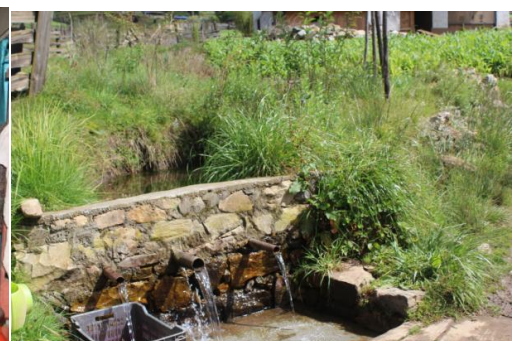


Passang VHS greets you with a natural spring water and is located at Phobjikha, Talam with 27.4401345, 90.2239011 geo-coordinates.

There are 3 family members working in the homestay and they have 5 guest rooms. They offer all types of local dishes to their guests.



Living room



Spring water at the entrance of the house

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 350/- per head



Guest rooms

Gyalmo VHS (17970585)



Aum Gyalmo

Gyalmo VHS is located at Phobjikha, Namphey with 27.4372074, 90.2233854 geo-coordinates. They have 3 guest rooms and 3 members of the family caters to the guest in their homestay. Some of the local cuisine served to their guests are Puta, Takthu, Khulay, and Tazay.



Living room



Kitchen



Guest room

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head

Zangmo VHS (17512474)



A pentagon house on the way to Tangchey village is Zangmo VHS which is at is located at 27.4391790, 90.2234833 geo coordinates.



Living room and kitchen



Toilet



Aum Zangmo with her husband and daughter

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 900/- per head
2. Lunch- 220/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 500/- per head

Dechen Om VHS (17870644)



Aum Dechen



Dechen Om VHS is located at Phobjikha Tangchey with 27.4417960, 90.2307142 geo coordinates.



Guest room



Living room



Kitchen

They have 1 guest room and 2 family members working in the house. They serve only Bhutanese varieties of food to their guests. They have their annual Lochhoe in January would't mind having you as their guest.

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 900/- per head
2. Lunch- 190/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot stone bath- 700/- per head

Tshewang Lham VHS (17915405)



Aum Tshewang

A traditional corridor with a view of the mountains can be viewed from Tshewang Lham's Homestay. This homestay is located in Phobjikha, Tangchey with 27.4420775, 90.2312631 geo-coordinates. They have 3 guest rooms and 4 family members working in the house. The food is served as per the order of their guest but mostly it is all Bhutanese varieties and some local cuisine such as Khulay and Tazay.

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

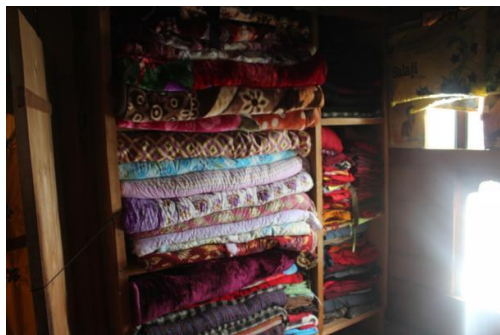
1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head

Sati VHS (17866889)



Ap Sati's daughter

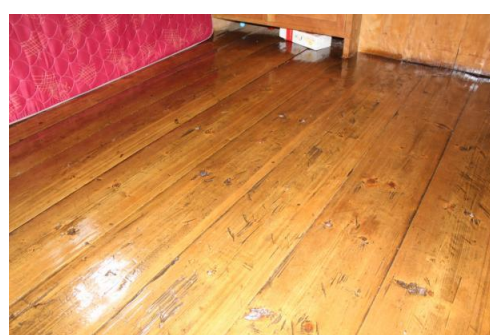
Sati homestay is located at Phobjikha Tangchey, with 27.4421096 and 90.2313560 geo coordinates. The homestay has 2 guest rooms and 2 family members working.



Blankets folded in the guest room



Living room



The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head

Yangka Dem VHS (17915760)

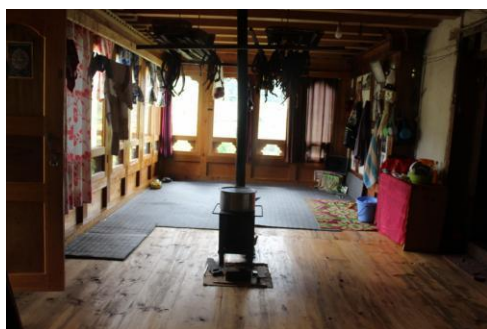


Aum Yangka's daughter



Yangkha Dem homestay is located at Phobjikha Tangchey with 27.4419823, 90.2317878 geo coordinates.

They have 1 guest room and the homestay is operated by the owner's daughter and her husband.



Living room



Kitchen



Toilet



Guest room



Aum Yangka's daughter cutting the grasses

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 300/- per head

Daw Lham VHS (17845863)



Aum Daw Lham

Daw Lham homestay is located at Phobjikha, Tangchey with 27.4415889 and 90.2309483 geo-coordinates.



Living room



Kitchen

They have 2 guest rooms and 4 family members operating the homestay.



Guest room



The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 900/- per head
2. Lunch- 190/- per head

Sangay Bidha VHS (17481007)



Aum Sangay with her flowers

A beautifully decorated homestay with flowers at Tangchey is Sangay Bidha homestay and is located at 27.4406686 and 90.2311206 geo-coordinates.

The homestay has 2 rooms and 4 family members staying in the house.



Living room



Guest rooms



Living room

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head
2. Lunch- 250/- per head

Tshering Lham VHS (17846108)



Aum Tshering

A house filled with kittens and the view of buckwheat field is Tshering Lham homestay which is at Phobjikha Tangchey with 27.4408531 and 90.2353162 coordinates. The homestay is located right above the community lhakhang with a beautiful view of the buckwheat field.



Blooming buckwheat flowers



Guest room



Kitchen



1 month old kittens



Aum Tshering's mother

They have 1 guest room and have 7 family members living in the house. Apart from the Bhutanese dishes they also serve some local cuisine (Tazay and Khulay), local paneer and curd to their guests.



Tazay



Ema datsi in the process of cooking

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 900/- per head
2. Lunch- 190/- per head

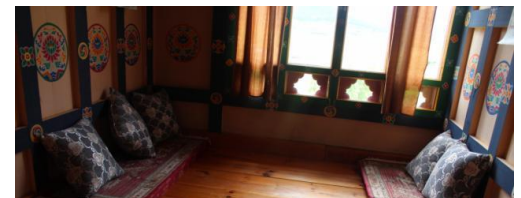
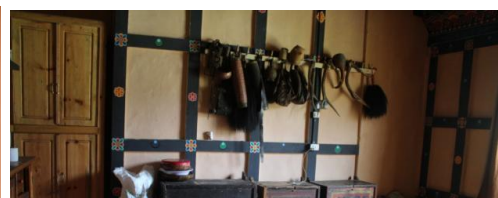
Tshering Lham VHS (77438742/17768055)



Tshering Lham in front of her homestay



A homestay right beside the Yangkhil resort belongs to a young owner, Tshering Lham. It is located at Phobjikha Gongphu at 27.4645242 and 90.1889573 geo-coordinates with a scenic view of the Khewang Lhakhang.



Guest room



Toilet



Kitchen

The rates for the homestay services are as follows:

1. Bed (dinner and breakfast)- 1000/- per head

2. Lunch- 400/- per head

Additional services

1. Hot Stone bath- 900/- if more than 5 people

Karma VHS (17747773/77493818)



Ap Karma with a bamboo basket

A unique traditional design of Bhutanese house can be seen at Karma Homestay which is one of the oldest homestays established in the community. It is located at Phobjikha Khewang with 27.4685247 and 90.1840297 geo-coordinates and has been operational since 1999. The owner is very enthusiastic about engaging his guests in various programs and he personally organizes all the activities for his guests spending more than a day at his homestay. The place is made livelier with the owner's twin nephews and the pet dog. All in all, Karma VHS offers a full package of fun and experiences.



Living room



Kitchen



Living room



Ancient ladder to his living room



Ap Karma's mother



Ap Karma's Mother and Father



Twin nephew of Ap Karma



Lucky- Ap Karma's pet

Additional services

1. Milking of cow
2. Milk churning
3. Khuru and archery
4. Ema datsi preparing
5. Local guide
6. Entertains the guests by calling the dancers as per the request of the guests

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