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Time for More Bhutan Pics!

So to make it clear I am writing BRINGING HOME BHUTAN which is Married to Bhutan but with a twist. It tells how I use a great deal of what I learned living in Bhutan when I go out into the rest of the world. As I'm writing I look at pictures. Needless to say since I first set foot in Bhutan in 1994 I have quite a lot of pictures. Here are a few that stir some memories.



A ceremony at Wangdue Gompa in 2007. We had such a fun day with Namgay's friends and relatives. Music, dancing great food and it's hard to see in this picture but a bunch of ravens spent the day in that tree beside the temple. You can see a few of them.



Symmetry. Sort of.



Tableau at an old temple. The shield is made of rhino hide.



I think this is downtown Trashigang. I like the way Bhutanese mothers carry their children on their backs. More functional than a stroller. Imagine the first two years of your life having this vantage point. This child looks pretty big.



A proud peacock checks his feathers.



We met this man who was repairing a fence on our way to Wangdue Gompa. He was so happy to see Namgay after about ten years.



Rhododendron. It's the season now, and there are so many colors. Bhutan is full of Rhododendron forests.



A rainy day in downtown Thimphu.



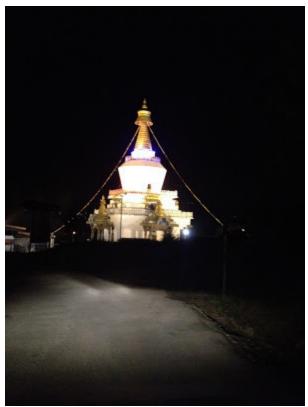
This is most often how I see Namgay.



Downtown Kabesa from the mountain above, just north of Thimphu on the way to Tango and Cheri. One of my favorite places on earth.



Unfinished mandala.



In Thimphu. The King's Chorten at night.



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