

Pictures from Ganden and Samye Monasteries (9/9/2007-9/10/2007)

Eager to begin the trek and not knowing how long the first day would take us we left Ganden without really exploring the monastery. However it was one of the only major monasteries in the area that I did not visit on my first trip and having seen the amazing setting I was eager to go back and explore it further which I did the day after we returned from the trek.



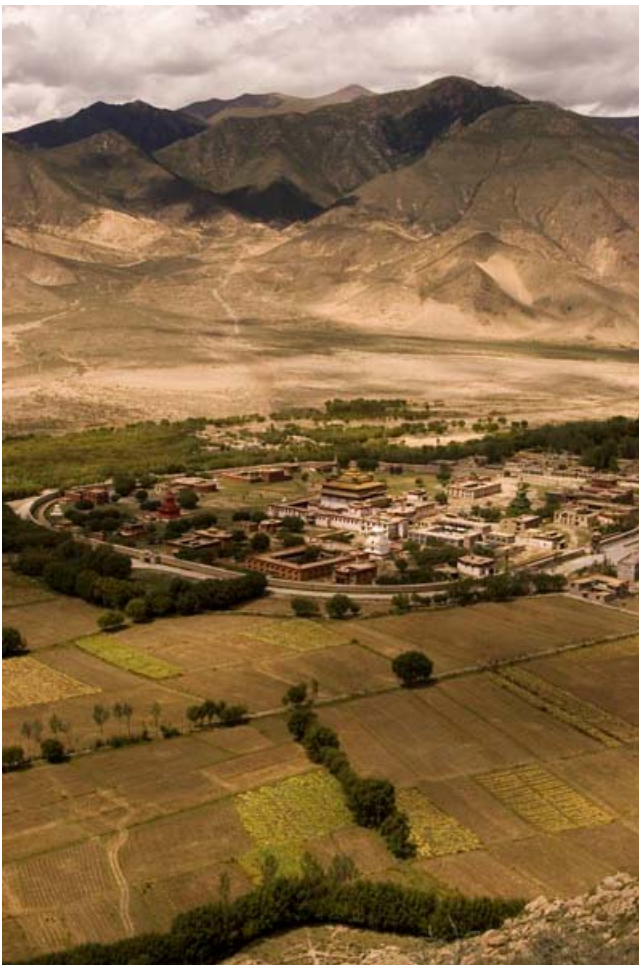
Samye Monastery through prayer flags.



View through prayer flags from above Samye Monastery.



Samye Monastery.



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Buddha image draped in offertory silk scarves lit by the glow of butter lamps, Samye Monastery.



Buddha image, Samye Monastery.



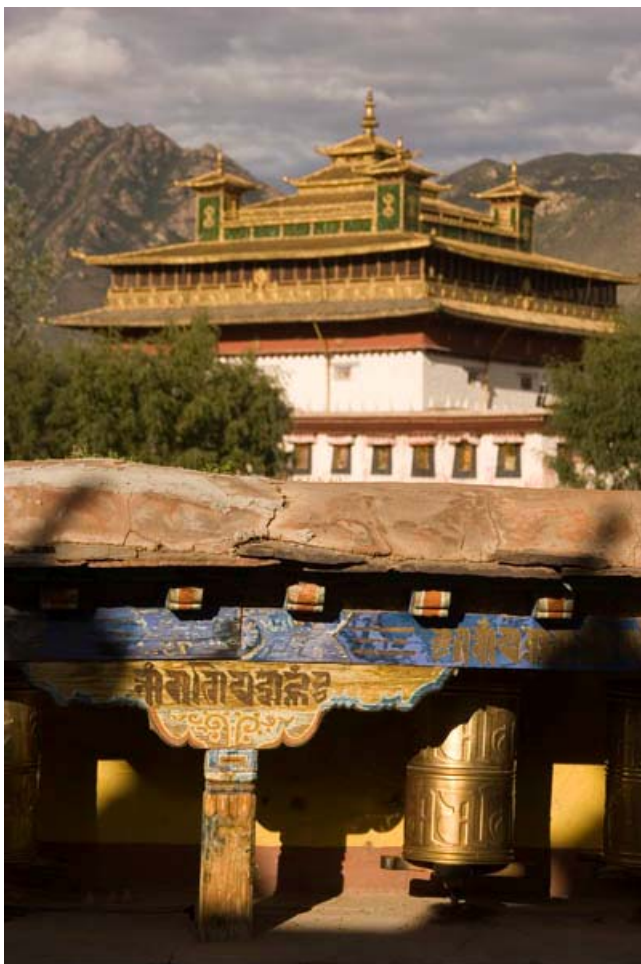
Monks debating, Samye Monastery.



Monk "amused" by the debate, Samye Monastery.



Samye Monastery.



Prayer wheels lining the *kora* around Samye Monastery.



Monk lighting butter lamps at Samye Monastery.



Woman walking the *kora* around Samye Monastery.



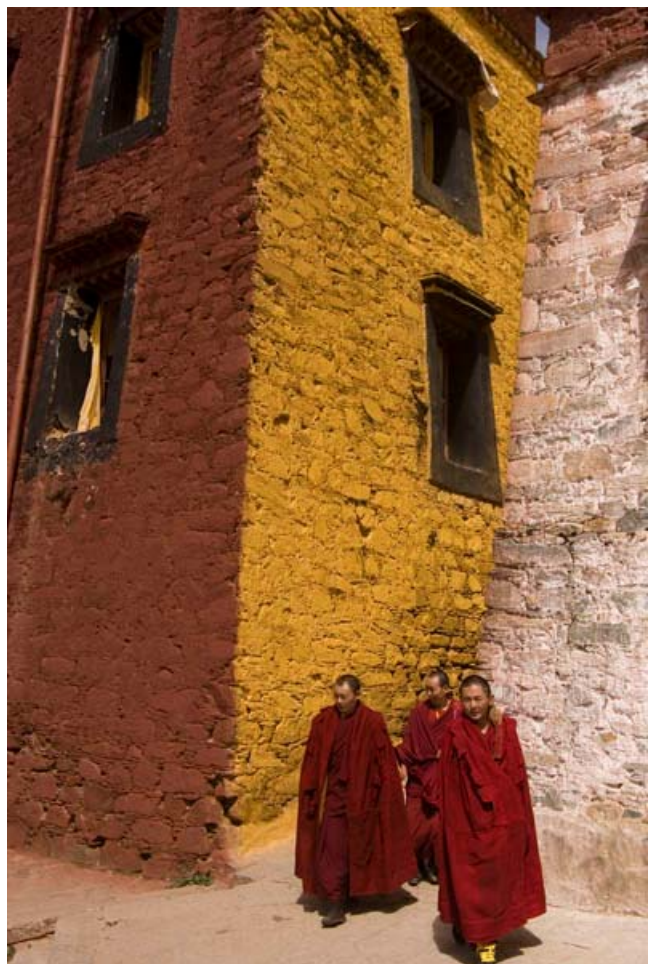
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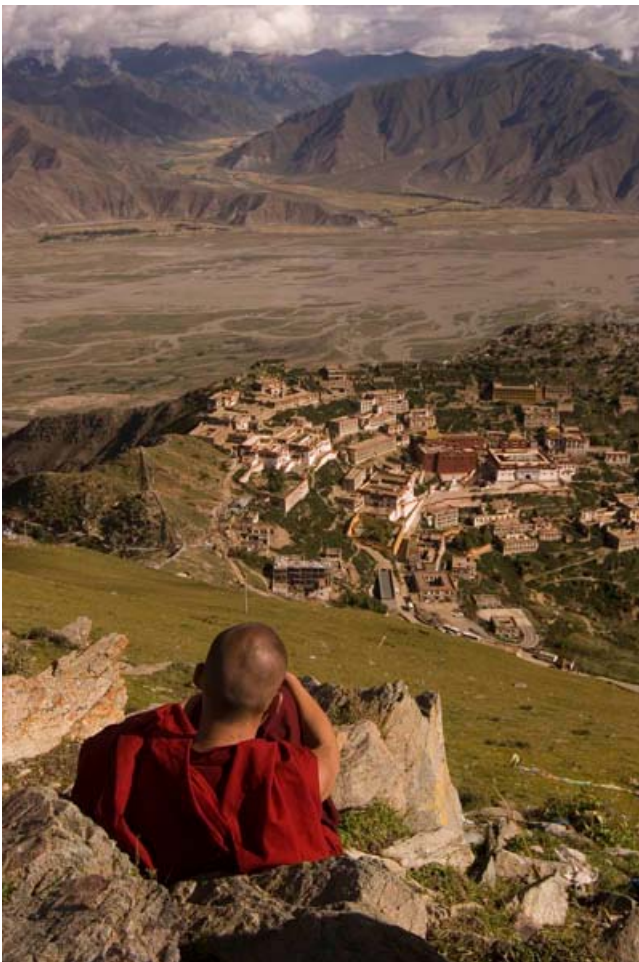
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Monk on the high *kora* route overlooking Ganden Monastery.



Monk on the high *kora* route overlooking Ganden Monastery.