



**KAILASH YATRA BY HELICOPTER FROM
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DAY 1 LUCKNOW TO NEPALGUNJ

Meet with our representative at Lucknow (123m) at a designated point of gathering of Kailash yatris. On reaching, check in your luggage in the bus and be seated in the bus for a 4-5 hours drive to Nepalgunj (152m). Light snacks and water will be served in the Bus. Stop enroute for tea/coffee and then continue further to Nepalgunj. Upon arrival, check into the hotel. In the evening, our staff will organize a yatra briefing session for all the group members. Dinner and stay at Nepalgunj.

- Meals included: Packed snacks and Dinner at hotel,
- Max. Elevation: 152m
- Distance Covered: 190kms
- Accommodation Style: 4* hotel sharing basis



DAY 2 FLY NEPALGUNJ TO SIMIKOT

The flight between Nepalgunj to Simikot is very complicated part of this trip as the operation of those small aircrafts completely depends on the weather conditions. The weather keeps changing very frequently on this route and it causes short or long delay in flight to and from Simikot. We shall reach Nepalgunj airport early in the morning as directed by the guide to ensure that we can board the earliest possible flight to Simikot. On reaching Simikot our representative will meet you at the airport and will take care of your checked in luggage. Rest of the time will be free at Simikot to adjust with the weather conditions. Stay in a guesthouse in dormitory style. If weather permits, we may take further helicopter trip to Hilsa today itself.

- Meals included: Veg Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner,
- Max. Elevation: 2910m,
- Distance Covered: 297 kms by flight / 45 minutes,
- Accommodation Style: Guesthouse on sharing basis



DAY 3 FLY SIMIKOT TO HILSA BY HELICOPTER **(DRIVE TO TAKLAKOT)**

Depending on the departure time of our helicopters to Hilsa, the group will be brought to Simikot airport. From Simikot a 25 minutes flight in helicopter will take the group members to Hilsa in a bunch of 05 travelers at one time maximum. From Hilsa walk through the swinging bridge to cross the river and reach immigration counter at Nepal side. After this cross Nepal-China border by walk and in China side you will have bus waiting for you. The bus will take you to China immigration building which is just 5 minute drive away from the border. After completing the immigration check formalities take a short 22 kms drive to Taklakot. Before reaching your hotel we have to stop again at China customs building for checking. Proceed to your hotel and take rest in your room to acclimatize. Dinner and night stay will be at the hotel in Taklakot.





DAY 5 TAKLAKOT TO LAKE MANSAROVAR

This is the day we all are waiting for as today we leave from Taklakot to reach Mansarovar Lake. Today we will not only have the opportunity to stay near the lake but we will also get the first glimpse of holy Mount Kailash also. Start your drive from Taklakot after breakfast. On the way we will make a stop near Lake Rakshas Taal (Lake of Demons) which is also known as Ravana's Taal. From here you will get a beautiful sight of Mount Kailash standing tall among many other peaks covered with snow. At Rakshas Taal spend some memorable time and enjoy photography with your friends and family. Proceed to Chiu Gompa to check into your guest house near Lake Mansarovar. Later visit the lake to take holy bath and do puja hawan as per your own customs. Later join the group for parikrama of the holy lake by bus. This 90 kms parikrama of Lake Mansarovar takes about three hours and if possible the driver will make a stop the bus in between the kora from where you will get view of the lake and mount Kailash



DAY 6 1ST DAY PARIKRAMA/KORA OF MT. KAILASH, 13 KMS TREKKING TO DIRAPUK

In the morning early if someone wants to go to Lake Mansarovar for holy bath and puja, please do so quickly and with prior discussion with your guide. Today we are going to start our trekking of Mount Kailash from Darchen and we have a long day ahead. After breakfast take a 35 kms drive to reach Darchen which is a fairly big settlement near the base of Mount Kailash with lot many hotels, guest houses, shops, markets etc. From Darchen the parikrama of Mount Kailash starts as we continue 06 kms drive by bus to Tarboche flagpole. At Tarboche you can find horse/pony and porter to hire for trekking but sometimes due to rush of pilgrims you might face shortage or non-availability of horse/pony and porters.

- Note: Don't forget to fill hot drinking water in your flask and carry your snacks packet.

From here you can have beautiful sight of the South Face of Mount Kailash and also see Yam Dwar just few minute walk away from. Yam Dwar (Gate to Moksha) is considered to be the start point of the trek from here Dirapuk, which is the ultimate destination for today is 13 kms away. It takes 4-6 hours to



DAY 7 2ND DAY PARIKRAMA, 19 KMS TREK TO ZUTHULPUKH VIA GAURI KUND

Get up early today and come outside your guesthouse if you don't want to miss the magical moment when Mount Kailash changes its colour in the morning and you get the darshan of 'Golden Kailash'. Be attentive and focused and if lucky you will witness many other magical activities near the mount.

After this memorable time, continue your 19 kms long challenging trek to Zuthulpuh. About one hour after the trek from Dirapuk starts you will reach Dolma La pass which is the highest and toughest part of the trek. Near Dolma La you will also see 'Shiva Tsal' (also spelled as Shiva Sthal sometimes). Pilgrim leave their clothes, ornaments, a drop of blood or a lock of hair to represent the act of leaving this life behind and wishing for the end of a miserable life. After completing the trek steep up to Dolma La and then steep down you will sight Gauri Kund (also referred as Parvati Kund) on the right side of your trek. Have holy darshan and continue your trek to Zuthulpuh for night stay. The trek after Dolma is mostly flat but you must not exhaust yourself and consider to walk slowly and remain in the group.

- Meals included: Veg Breakfast. Packed Lunch/snacks. Light Dinner.



DAY 8 3RD DAY 06 KMS TREK TO DARCHEN, DRIVE TO TAKLAKOT

Breakfast will be served near the guesthouse/camp and one can enjoy the morning time in exploring the caves, visiting the temples and shrine built around. Here you will see a married old couple supervising the temple. The temple is a residence for over half a dozen Tibetan devotees, helpers or relatives who keep themselves busy with the maintenance of the buildings. The cave also contains meditation platforms. Climbing up to these caves before ending the final trek of the holy Kailash Mansarovar Yatra is worth. After a 06 kms / 2-3 hours walk we reach to the final destination of our Mansarovar Yatra trek near Chongdo where our vehicles are waiting to pick us. A 6 kms drive will bring us to Darchen where other group members are waiting to welcome us. After some refreshment continue drive back to Taklakot. Stay in the hotel.

- Meals included: Veg Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
- Max. Elevation: 4575 m,
- Distance Covered: 105 kms , 03 hours drive,
- Accommodation Style: 4* equivalent hotel sharing basis
- Important Note: As informed the air sectors Lhasa, Simikot



DAY 9 FLY TO NEPALGUNJ VIA SIMIKOT AND DRIVE TO LUCKNOW

After early breakfast 45 kms drive towards China-Nepal border. After immigration formalities cross the border by walk and reach Hilsa, Nepal side. Take 25 minutes helicopter flight to Simikot and then connecting flight to Nepalgunj. On reaching Nepalgunj drive to Lucknow for your onward connection. If we were lucky enough to get all timely flight connection we will reach Lucknow by evening time, if not then we may have to take additional stay at previous destination and wait for the next available flight connection.

- Meals included: Veg Breakfast
- Max. Elevation: 3640m (if Hilsa), 2910m (if Simikot), 152m (if Nepalgunj)

INCLUSIONS

India / Nepal portion of the trip

- Lucknow to Nepalgunj return transfer by air conditioned bus,
- 01 night stay in a 4 star equivalent hotel at Nepalgunj on sharing basis,
- 01 lunch, 01 dinner and 01 breakfast in Nepalgunj hotel,
- Nepalgunj to Simikot return flight tickets in scheduled flights,
- 01 night stay at Simikot or Hilsa in a mudhouse/guesthouse with all meals,
- Simikot to Hilsa in Charter helicopter on group sharing basis,
- Humla restricted area permit to fly from Simikot,
- Nepal-China border tax,

Tibet portion of the trip

- Return transfers from China border to Taklakot (Burang) hotel by Chinese Bus,
- 02 + 01 night stay in a hotel at Taklakot with all meals,
- 01 night stay in guesthouse near Lake Manasarovar on group sharing basis with all meals,
- 01 night stay in guesthouse at Dirapuk with all meals (Light food and snacks) on group sharing basis,
- 01 night stay in a guesthouse at Zuthulpukh with all meals (Light food and snacks) on group sharing basis,
- Transportation in Tibet side by deluxe air-conditioned bus,
- Basic first-aid kit with tour guide,
- Oxygen cylinders/pillows during trekking in Tibet for emergency use,
- English speaking Tibetan tour guide cum officer in Tibet,
- Nepali chef with helper and sherna team to cook veg food in Tibet



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