

Dhorpatan Trek

Trip code	
Package name	Dhorpatan Trek
Duration	12
Max. elevation	4493 m
Level	MODERATE
Transportation	Private vehicals
Accomodation	Lodge + Camping twin sharing bed basis during the trek
Starts at	Kathmandu/Pokhara
Ends at	Kathmandu/Pokhara
Trip route	kathmandu - Beni - Darbang - Dharapani - Lamsung - Jaljala - Dhorpatan - Phagune Phedi - Jungle Camp - Gurjaghat - Patichour - Darbang - Beni - Pokhara - Kathmandu .
Cost	USD 2,060 per person

Highlights

Scenic drive through countryside with rural setting
 Natural landscapes, terraces of Jaljala region.
 Culturally rich – Kham Magars in this region.
 This place has brought political history.
 Trans - Himalayan views of the mountains.
 Explore Mid western nepalise Culture.
 Camping trek in Nepal.

Overview

Dhorpatan Trek lies in the Dhaulagiri Region. It is the only one spot in Nepal where licensed hunting is permitted. It is less visited by the beaten so it is known as off the beaten path trekking trail.

Dhorpatan Trek is a pleasant trek through mixed country and views of impressive Mountains. Dhorpatan Trek is mostly suitable for those who are interested for wild life hunting. We also organize hunting package which takes another 4 / 5 extra days. Controlled hunting is allowed with proper license and certain seasons in the year. Anybody with good physical condition and who can walk for several hours in a day can trek in this region. You don't have to be expertise expedition climber for this. It provides excellent mountain views of the Dhaulagiri and Annapurna range. Game license is issued by the Department of National Parks and Wildlife Conservation in Kathmandu. Dhorpatan is also an attractive destination for the trekkers and wildlife enthusiasts as protection has enabled animal numbers to increase in this rarely visited.

Dhorpatan trek offers an opportunity to discover areas, which remain practically, untouched and still retain an idiosyncratic lifestyle without being affected by western influences. It is characterized by alpine, sub-alpine and high temperate vegetation. Common plant species include fir, pine, birch, rhododendron, hemlock, oak, juniper and spruce. The area's vegetation is characterized by well-developed mixed-hardwood forest at lower elevation & many plant species of drier climate to North. It is the prime habitats of blue sheep; other game species are Ghoral, Himalayan Tahr, Black Bear Pheasant and Partridge. As in many other protected environments of Nepal, the reserve includes several villages inhabited by hill tribes as well as people of Tibetan descent who supplement farming with trade and animal husbandry. The birds species found within the reserve is rich in diversity including several endangered species of pheasants & partridge, mostly Chirp Pheasant and the nine different colored Danphe, the national bird of Nepal. Other than this, Dhorpatan Hunting Reserve is also an attractive destination for trekkers & wildlife enthusiast who wishes to visit this isolated area. Dhorpatan is naturally & culturally rich place. The Dhorpatan Hunting Reserve has set aside a dedicated area where only certain wild species are permit to be called for controlling the general population of this area. It is fact that there is limited amount of hunting operations in the reserve.

Our journey begins from a drive from Kathmandu to Beni and then to Darbang
Best season for this are February to May and August to November. We organize this trip according to your desire and duration of holidays

Trip Itinerary

Day 1 : Drive from Kathmandu to Beni – 9 / 10 hrs drv

Our journey begins with a nine hour's drive from Kathmandu to Beni. The trail passes through Trisuli River then after we drive to Marshyangdi River and small hill towns to the Seti River that takes directly

into Pokhara. The drive from here goes through uphill into zigzag road all the way to Nau danda. It then goes up through Nayapul. On the way we can view fabulous Mountains like: Annapurna South, Fish tail, green hills, terraces and villages. To reach Beni, our drive moves along the Kaligandaki River. Overnight at lodge

Day 2 : Drive to Darbang (3 hrs drive) and start trek to Dharapani – 5 hrs walk

After breakfast, we drive three hours to reach Darbang. In Darbang, people are engaged in making Khukuri. “Khukuri” is the curved Nepali weapon used as a weapon tool. In every house, of the village at least one person has adept the skill of Khukuri making. We can see Dhaulagiri Himal from Dharapani.

Day 3 : Dharapani to Lamsung – 6 / 7 hrs walk

On the following day, we will have a pleasant walk. The wonderful view along the trail will make you always refreshed to walk further. This remote area with stream and gorges will be a wonderful place to explore. The beautiful landscape added beauty. Overnight at Lamsung.

Day 3 : Lamsung to Jaljala (3,430 m) – 7 hrs walk

Commencing our trek, we can see mixed forests of Rhododendron & Oaks. We can also view the scenery of beautiful forests, high mountains including Dhaulagiri Himal, Gurju Himal, Churen Himal, Putha Himal etc which can be observed on the way of Lamsung to Jaljala where we will stay for our overnight.

Day 4 : Jaljala to Dhorpatan (2860 m) – 7 hrs walk

The trail descends up to Khahare Khola. After crossing it, the trail moves ahead on the bank of the stream and through mixed forest to reach Dhorpatan. Dhorpatan is a fantastic place in the middle of the jungle. Overnight stay in Dhorpatan is an adventurous and memorable stay.

Day 6 : Explore Dhorpatan and trek to Phagune Phedi (4493 m) – 3 / 4 hrs walk

Today is the day for exploration around Dhorpatan Wildlife Reserve. We can see different types of animals like Leopard, Ghoral, Himalayan Tahr, black bear, barking deer & other many animals. Bird's species and plants species include fir, pine, birch, rhododendron, hemlock, Juniper, spruce & up to 36 species of flora can be observed. The reserve includes several villages, people by hill tribes as well as people of Tibetan descent who supplement farming with trade and animal husbandry. We can also see Monastery, Chortens and local market. Wooden roofs are another attraction of trekkers. We can also learn typical life style of people in this place. After observing the wild life of Dhorpatan we trek forward towards Phagune Phedi. The trail ascends steeply up enjoying the beautiful scenery of the mountains, green jungle and landscape.

Day 7 : Morning hike to Phagune Phedi and trek back to Jungle camp – 7 hrs walk

Early in the morning hike to Phagune danda, observe the beautiful views of the Himalayan ranges, jungle and landscape. And trek back descending to Jungle camp. Overnight stay at Jungle camp.

Day 8 : Jungle Camp to Gurjaghat (3,000 m) – 6 hrs walk

The trail today is an easy walk. We have to walk through a flat land through mixed jungle and streams. The walk is really pleasant so you won't feel tiresome today. After walking for about six hours from jungle camp we reach Gurjaghat where we will spend our overnight.

Day 9 : Gurjaghat to Patichaur – 6 hrs walk

We have both ascending and descending walks today. The trail from gurjaghat is ascending at the beginning hour whereas we begin to descend through the jungle and gorges after we have lunch. After about six hours walk, we reach Patichaur, our destination for the day. Overnight at Patichaur.

Day 10 : Trek from Patichaur to Darbang (1150 m) and drive to Beni – 3 hrs drv

Today is the last day of our trek. Moving forward to Darbang from Patichaur, we will have a pleasant walk for about two hours. The trails heads ascending and descending through light jungle and gorges. After arriving Darbang, we drive towards Beni which will take about three hours. On the way, we can see forest, green hills, rivers, streams and other beautiful things. Overnight stay at Beni.

Day 11 : Drive back from Beni (850 m) to Pokhara

We will be driving toward Pokhara from Beni today. Along the way, we can some amazing views of Mountains shining brightly in a clear sunny day. We can even add some sightseeing tours in Pokhara at the evening time. We can also relax by boating one hours in the famous Phewa Lake. Overnight stay in Pokhara

Day 12 : Drive back Pokhara to Kathmandu – 6 hrs drv

In the last day of our trek, we will be driving back to Kathmandu from Pokhara which will take about six hours.

Inclusions

What is included?

Domestic airports pick up and drop in Kathmandu as per program by private car

Transportation from Kathmandu to Kathmandu whole round trip.

Accommodation during the trek with all meals (Lunch , Dinner and Breakfast) with Cup of Tea/Coffee and room sharing basis.

Camping+lodge (whereas possible) trek with all meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner prepared by our cook) .

Services of an experienced English speaking trekking guide, cook, kitchen helpers and porters.

Food, salary (allowance), insurance, equipment and transportation for cook, assistance, porters etc.

First aid kit bag

All equipment for camping (tent, mattress, kitchen tent, kitchen utensils, toilet tent etc)

Sleeping bag and down jacket if necessary.

All applicable government taxes and service charges.

National park and local fee.

What isn't included?

Any meals, accommodation and sightseeing in Kathmandu (if required please let us know and as per your budget requirement we would be very happy to arrange the same)

Bottled drinks (mineral water, any cold drinks, and alcoholic drinks).

Personal travel insurance against sickness, injury, accidents, damage or loss of goods.

Liability for extra expenses caused by illness, accidents or situation beyond our control.

Expenses of personal nature such as laundry, telephone, bar bill, tips for driver, guide and porter, etc.

Medical and emergency evacuation charges.

Respective expenses if one returns earlier from the trip due to sickness or emergency purpose.

Personal equipment for Sunglasses, Sun hat, normal trekking boot, plastic trekking boot etc.

Tips for guide & porter and others staff.

Any other services or optional activities not mentioned above in the included list.

Complimentary