

# **Paldor Peak Climbing**

Trip code	
Package name	Paldor Peak Climbing
Duration	15
Max. elevation	5896 m
Level	MODERATE
Transportation	Kathamndu - syapru besi - Kathmandu by private jeep.
Accomodation	Lodge + Camping twin sharing bed basis during the trek.
Starts at	kathmandu
Ends at	Kathmandu
Trip route	kathmandu - syapru Besi - Gatlang - Somdang - Paldor Base camp - High Camp - Paldor peak - Gatlang - Syapru besi - Kathmandu.
Cost	USD 1,950 per person

# **Highlights**

- Paldor Peak offers a unique climbing experience in the less crowded Langtang region of Nepal, allowing climbers to immerse themselves in the serene beauty of the Himalayas.
- The expedition takes you through the picturesque Langtang region, characterized by lush forests, alpine meadows, and stunning mountain vistas, providing a serene and visually captivating trekking experience.
- Trekking through Tamang villages like Gatlang allows you to experience the rich local culture, interact with the friendly villagers, and witness their unique traditions, adding a cultural element to the expedition.
- The itinerary includes strategic acclimatization days in Somdang and the base camp, allowing climbers to gradually adapt to the increasing altitude, reducing the risk of altitude sickness and enhancing the chances of a successful summit.
- The trek takes you to the Paldor Base Camp, situated in a stunning alpine setting, providing panoramic views of the surrounding peaks and a perfect base for acclimatization and preparation for the climb.

- Climbing Paldor Peak involves technical sections, including snowy slopes and rocky terrain, providing an exhilarating and challenging experience for climbers with previous mountaineering experience.
- The ultimate highlight is reaching the summit of Paldor Peak, standing at 5,896 meters (19,347 feet), and enjoying breathtaking 360-degree views of the Langtang and Ganesh Himal ranges.
- Throughout the expedition, you will be accompanied by experienced climbing guides who
  provide thorough training, guidance, and support, ensuring your safety and maximizing your
  chances of a successful summit.
- Paldor Peak climbing expedition offers a less crowded and off the beaten path experience compared to other popular peaks in the Everest or Annapurna regions, allowing for a more secluded and immersive mountain adventure.
- The Langtang region is known for its pristine natural beauty, peaceful surroundings, and stunning landscapes, providing a serene and tranquil environment for climbers seeking a unique Himalayan experience.

### Overview

Paldor Himal Peak climbing trip starts by the drive from Kathmandu to Syabrubesi (6 to 7 hours). From Syabrubesi the trekking starts following Tamang villages of Tangjet and Gatlang. Afterward, you head northwards along the ridge before dropping into the forest above Mailung Khola. The moraine filled valley below Paldor is reached from here in another day walk. After Summit you follow the trail that passes villages of Somdang, Gatlang and Syapru besi again. From Syapru besi we drive back to Kathmandu.

Paldor Peak, located in the Langtang region of Nepal, is a stunning peak standing at an altitude of 5,896 meters (19,347 feet). It offers a thrilling and rewarding climbing experience for mountaineers seeking to conquer a Himalayan peak.

Paldor Peak Climbing is an extensively ascending Peak in Ganesh Himal. Ganesh Himal is a subrange of the Himalayas which placed in the north-central part of Nepal. This range, spread about 70 km, is between Langtang and Manaslu. From Kathmandu, it lies to the North West direction.

The height of Paldor Peak is 5896m/19,343ft from sea level. In the range of Ganesh Himal, Paldor is located at the southeast end above the intersection of the Tiru and Karpu Ridge (Danda). Nearby this peak the Mailing Khola (Stream) originates. Mailing is one of the tributaries of the Trisuli River.

According to the historical record, Paldor Peak was first ascended by Mr. John Cleare and Ian Howell in 1974. The summit of Paldor Peak grants the spectacular views of high peaks in Ganesh Himal range- Yangra, Ganesh II/NW, Salasungo, and Pabil.

To summit Paldor there are many possible ways. This peak can be climbed from North East, South East, West and South West Ridge. The popular are Southeast Ridge and Northeast ridge routes.

In the south-east route to reach the lowest point of this ridge from the high camp of Paldor's East, it needs to pass glacier with steep snow and ice slopes. From the lowest point, the ridge continues with quite steep but without any major difficulties the summit can be done.

Likewise in Northeast ridge route, the trail goes through the path along a moraine from base camp. There is a small lake to the south of the peak named Fang. After the cross a stream flowing from the lake the trail heads toward the East Ridge of the Fang. The glacier at this point is flat and does not contain many crevasses. From this camp follow the Paldor's East glacier without difficulty and head north toward a col on the Northeast Ridge. Cross a bergschrund and climb a steep snow slope to gain the col then to continue the climb to reach the summit.

# **Trip Itinerary**

### Day 1: Arrival in Kathmandu

Upon your arrival in Kathmandu, you will be greeted by our representative from the trekking agency and transferred to your hotel. Spend the rest of the day resting and preparing for the upcoming climb. In the evening, there will be a briefing session with your climbing guide who will provide you with essential information and conduct an equipment check.

### Day 2: Kathmandu Sightseeing and Preparation

Today, you will embark on a guided sightseeing tour of Kathmandu, exploring its UNESCO World Heritage Sites such as Pashupatinath Temple, Boudhanath Stupa, and Kathmandu Durbar Square. In the afternoon, you will have free time to make any last-minute preparations and purchase any necessary gear for the climb.

### Day 3: Drive to Syabrubesi 1500m - 7 hrs

Leave Kathmandu and embark on a scenic drive to Syabrubesi, a small village located at an altitude of 1,460 meters (4,790 feet). The drive takes you through picturesque landscapes, terraced fields, and charming villages. Spend the night in Syabrubesi, preparing for the trek ahead.

### Day 4: Trek to Gatlang 2337m - 5 hrs walk

Begin your trek from Syabrubesi, following the Langtang Khola river. The trail ascends through terraced fields, forests, and charming Tamang villages. Reach Gatlang, a traditional Tamang village located at an altitude of 2,238 meters (7,343 feet), and immerse yourself in the local culture and hospitality.

### Day 5: Trek to Somdang 3271m - 6/7 hrs walk

Leaving Gatlang, the trail ascends through lush forests, offering scenic views of the surrounding landscapes. Trek to Somdang, situated at an altitude of 3,270 meters (10,728 feet), and enjoy the tranquil atmosphere and stunning mountain vistas.

### Day 6: Acclimatization Day in Somdang

To acclimatize to the increasing altitude, you will spend an extra day in Somdang. Use this day to explore the surroundings, interact with the locals, and take short hikes to higher elevations for better acclimatization.

### Day 7: Trek to Paldor Base Camp 4280m - 4 hrs walk

Leaving Somdang, the trail ascends to the Paldor Base Camp. The trek becomes more challenging as you traverse rocky terrain and alpine meadows. Reach the base camp, situated at an altitude of 4,280 meters (14,042 feet), and prepare for the climb ahead.

### Day 8 : Acclimatization and Training at Base Camp

Take a day to acclimatize and undergo training at the Paldor Base Camp. Your climbing guide will provide comprehensive training on climbing techniques, equipment usage, and safety protocols. You will have the opportunity to practice essential climbing skills and familiarize yourself with the equipment.

# Day 9: Trek to High Camp 5000m - 5 hrs walk

From the base camp, the trail ascends to the Paldor High Camp. The trail becomes steeper and more rugged as you gain altitude. Reach the high camp, situated at an altitude of 5,000 meters (16,404 feet), and prepare for the summit push.

### Day 10: Summit Day and Descend to Base Camp

Today is the summit day. Start the summit push in the early hours of the morning, equipped with climbing gear and under the guidance of your experienced climbing guide. The ascent involves traversing snowy slopes, negotiating rocky sections, and possibly using fixed ropes. From the summit of Paldor Peak, standing at 5,896 meters (19,347 feet), you will be rewarded with breathtaking panoramic views of the surrounding Langtang and Ganesh Himal ranges. Descend back to the base camp.

### **Day 11 : Contingency Day**

A contingency day is included in the itinerary to account for any unforeseen circumstances such as bad weather or altitude-related issues. This day provides flexibility in case the summit attempt needs to be rescheduled.

### Day 12: Trek back to Gatlang 3271m - 6 hrs walk

Leaving the base camp, you will trek back to Gatlang, retracing your steps through the picturesque landscapes and charming villages. Enjoy the beauty of the Langtang region and reflect on your remarkable climbing experience.

### Day 13: Trek to Syabrubesi 1500m - 5 hrs walk

Continue the trek from Gatlang and make your way back to Syabrubesi. Take in the scenic views and relish the memories of your successful climb.

### Day 14 : Drive to Kathmandu

Today, you will drive back to Kathmandu from Syabrubesi, enjoying the beautiful countryside and reflecting on your incredible climbing adventure. Once in Kathmandu, you can take the opportunity to relax, explore the city, and celebrate your achievement.

### Day 15: Departure from Kathmandu

After a remarkable journey and successful climb of Paldor Peak, it's time to bid farewell to Nepal. You will be transferred to the airport for your departure flight, carrying with you lifelong memories and a sense of accomplishment.

### **Inclusions**

#### What is included?

Arrival and departure transfer services for Airport – Hotel – airport.

Trekking Lodge/teahouse and tented accommodation during trekking and climbing session

Professional Trekking Guide and 2 guests 1 Trekking Porter

Very Professional Climbing Guide and Crews

Trekking staff foods, accommodations, salary, insurance

All Meal (Lunch, Dinner and Breakfast) & 3 tea/coffee every single day during the Trek and Climbing.

Langtang National Park fee & Climbing Permit

Assistant Cook and Transportation: Trekking assistant cook and necessary kitchen helper on the basis of Member and they carry of camping equipment and tent from Kathmandu,

Camping Equipment Utensils: EPI Gus, Gas stove or fuel stove for cooking, fuel or Kerosene oil, cooking pots, mattress, walkie talkie (talkback) etc.

Staff salary and allowance: climbing staffs and porters daily:

wages/equipment/food/clothing/insurance

High Altitude Tents: North FaceDome Tent Space for two pax. Wall/cabin tent for dining and kitchen, etc.

Paldor base Camp/ High Camp Lodging & Food service: chocolate and Three Meals (Breakfast, Lunch and dinner) a day for members and staff.

Drinks and Beverages for climbing: Tea with cookies and hot drinking water during the climbing period and Hot Washing water in case required.

Fixing Gear: fix rope, main rope, snow bar, ice crew, rock pitons as well as Heli Rescue/charter Arrangement.

kathmandu - Syapru Besi - Kathmandu by Private vehicals.

#### 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).

Any packed food/snacks, aerated drinks, energy drinks, mineral water, alcohol, cigarettes, chocolates, health bars.

Items of personal nature - laundry expenses, tips.

Rescues, repatriation, medicines, medical tests, and hospitalization expenses.

Medical insurance and emergency rescue evacuation if required.

Travel insurance and helicopter rescue.

Airfare of international flights.

Nepal entry visa fee (easy to obtain the visa on arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport – Kathmandu). \$25 USD for 15-day visa.

Personal climbing gear.

Tips, gifts, souvenirs.

Tips for the guide, porter, and driver (tipping is expected)

# Complimentary