Nepal Buddhist pilgrimage tour

3 Star Hotel Package

970USD per person

*Including healthy meals

5 Star Hotel Package

1270USD per person

*Including healthy meals

Trip Style: Pilgrimage + Culture

Trip Difficulty: Easy Trip

Nepal Buddhist pilgrimage Tour is a tour of religious significance where we visit the birthplace of the Buddha which is known to be the Mecca of Buddhism and 8 million Buddhist followers throughout the world. This is a special visit of emotional connections with the Buddha at the very spot where he was born, which is similar to Bethlehem where Jesus Christ was born in this town of Israel which is a virtual magnet for billions of Christians across the planet. We take you to Lumbini to make your peace with the Buddha.

The '**Nepal Buddhist pilgrimage Tour**' also includes a visit of world heritage sites of the Buddha in the ancient valley of kathmandu where its cobble stoned streets offer a fantastic display of culture and color of different dimensions. Every bend you negotiate on Kathmandu's back alleys, there's history, temples and traditions that tell you much of an ancient past that struggles to survive with the modern day valley. **Nepal Buddhist pilgrimage Tour** will also bring you a unique peace as you meet the Buddha at his birth place.

DURATION: 07 days

ITINERARY

Day 01:: Arrival at Kathmandu - 1300M- Transfer to Hotel by Private Car

If it's a clear day when you are flying into Kathmandu, then your tour begins right from the skies itself. The sights from the windows of our jet shows us glimmering snow-capped mountain peaks spread out down below us, giving us the first thrills of our just begun vacation, sparking off a whole reaction of unforgettable experiences that stay with us for some time to come. As soon as your plane hits the tarmac of Tribhuwan International Airport, **Mountain Sherpa Trekking & Expeditions** office representative and driver will be on standby to meet and greet you at the airport and escort you to your hotel. The rep will help you check into your designated hotel, and after going to our rooms and refreshing ourselves we will be briefed about our daily activities. The rest of your time is free to move around the neighborhood and get familiar with your surroundings. Your first overnight in the ancient city of temples, probably the most in the world. Breakfast

Day 02:: Early morning fly to Lumbini (Birth Place of Lord Buddha) and Sightseeing of Lumbini

After breakfast, we head to the airport for our flight to Lumbini. In our 2 days tour in lumbini, we visit to Sacred Garden, Maya devi Temple, Puksani Pond, Visit Ashoka Pillar, Visit Buddha Temple, Visit Lumbini Museum & Tilaurakot. Once we arrive Bhairawa Airport, we drive to Taulihana Road into Lumbini. Check in our hotel, refresh & set out on a guided tour of the Sacred Gardens, A continued tour of archaeological Buddhist sites & the mayadevi temple which displays some interesting sights of the Buddha's mother. We then drive a few kilometers for a visit to religious and archeological sites at Devdaha and Ramagram. Devdaha is the ancient capital of the Koliya Kingdom. It is the maternal hometown of Queen Mayadevi (Mother), Prajapati Gautami (Stepmother), and Princess Yasodhara (consort); this is where Prince Siddhartha had spent his early childhood. In the evening, we return back to our hotel and a good night's rest.

Day 03:: Tour of surrounding areas of Lumbini; fly Back to KTM - Sightseeing of Kathmandu.

After breakfast, we do a tour of the remaining sites of Lumbini. On completion of this tour, we drive to the airport for our flight to Kathmandu. On reaching Kathmandu, we refresh at our hotel & head for a tour of Swayambhunath & Hanuman Dhoka palace. This Buddhist temple is one of the oldest in Kathmandu & a world heritage site. We then visit the ancient palace of the old Shah Kings that was used till the ‘70s in Kathmandu. Overnight at our hotel

Day 04:: Drive to Pharping and Namobuddha for religious tour & overnight stay in Dhulikhel

After a delicious breakfast, we drive down to Pharping, a town south of Kathmandu. Pharping is famous for the Padmasambhava caves that are known by the revered site of Yanglesho. This is where Guru Padmasambhava reached the level of Mahamudra vidyadhara. There are two caves in Pharping hallowed by Guru Rinpoche: the Asura cave and the Yanglesho cave. Below the flight of stairs climbing up to the Asura cave is an old and important Vajrayogini temple, called the Pharping Vajravarahi temple. Other stairs also lead up to the cave. Towards the village end, we find Ralo Rinpoche's monastery and a shrine containing a rising Tara on the side of an image of Ganesha. Pharping also has several monasteries, temples and retreat centres, including the Chatral Rinpoche's monastery, and the Palyul Retreat Centre, residence of Khenpo Namdrol Rinpoche and home to the Rigpa Shedra.

After enjoying our visit hereabouts, we drive down to Namobuddha, which is home to the very old Thrangu Tashi Yangtse Monastery, one of the most important Buddhist pilgrimage sites in Nepal, and said to be the most sacred. Namobouddha is famous as the place where the Buddha, in his previous life as a prince, is said to have given his body to a starving tigress and her cubs. After worshipping at this holy site, we do a scenic drive back to Dhulikhel. Overnight at our hotel.

Day 05:: Tour of Bhaktapur and Patan City then drive to Kathmandu. Overnight stay in Hotel

We get up pretty early in the morning to enjoy a mesmerizing sunrise views over the himalayas from Dhulikhel. You can even enjoy panoramic view from the balconies of your rooms. We then enjoy a hot breakfast; go out for a stroll down the streets of Nagarkot before driving down to ancient Bhaktapur for some great sightseeing. Spread over an area of 6.88 sq km, 12 km southeast of Kathmandu, Bhaktapur or Bhadgaon showcases the ancient grandiose of the Golden Age of Nepali art and architecture. Built by King Anand Dev Malla in the 9th century, the city was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1979. It has remained a model for heritage conservation since then. At the Bhaktapur Durbar Square, you will find many fine examples of sculpture, woodcarving and pagodas dedicated to different gods and goddesses – the Nyatapol & Dattaraya Temples, the Golden Gate, Palace of 55 windows that also has marks of bullet penetrations that tells a tragic tale this once-upon-a-time independent kingdom. Another attraction are the erotic statues of the gods in the act of the ancient art of sex that we all know of as the ‘Kamasutra’’.

?We then drive down to Patan for some thrilling s/seeing of this historical medieval city. This is one of the three medieval cities in Kathmandu and a destination for connoisseurs of great arts. We take a tour of the Patan Durbar Square - a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Located in the square is the Patan Museum (originally a Malla palace), Krishna Mandir- a stone temple of Lord Krishna with its 21 spires and art that displays scenes from the Mahabharata and Ramayana epics, this includes the Royal Bath or 'Tushahity' and the nearby Hindu and Buddhist temples. Overnight at your hotel in Kathmandu

Day 06:: Early morning religious Kora (Circle) of Boudhanath Stupa, visit Kapan Monastery

After breakfast, we drive to the Boudhanath stupa, the oldest and biggest monastery in Asia. In the morning, we stand in the queue and do a kora with the other Buddhist faithful while spinning the prayer wheels as we walk around the stupa. Boudhanath is an emblem of Buddhism and an interesting place to spend some time and meditate. We then drive down to Kapan monastery, which sits on a hillock overlooking the ancient valley of Kathmandu. The monastery is home to 360 monks, lamas, teachers and workers. Kopan is committed to helping all beings develop their full potential of infinite wisdom and compassion as taught by their founder, Lama Thubten Yeshe. After spending some prime time down at this quiet peaceful monastery, we next head to Budhanilkantha.

Budhanilkantha is famous for its Temple, which is located at the base of Shivapuri Hill within the Kathmandu valley on the northern side. It is also known as the mystical Budhanilkantha temple or 'Narayanthan' temple. Budhanilkantha literally means "Old Blue Throat". The temple is only nine kilometers away from the ancient valley of Kathmandu. The deity of Lord Vishnu; also known as Narayan, is seen in the lying position on 'Ananta Sesa', or the cosmic ocean. There is much medieval history, which links the ex-royal family to this sleeping statue of Vishnu. The deity is about a thousand years old. Overnight stay in Kathmandu.

Day 07:: Morning free for shopping and fly back home sweet home

After having healthy breakfast , our guide and office vehicle will be on standby at your hotel to transfer you to the airport for your connecting flight home. Serving you was a wonderful joy and pleasure, we at Mountain Sherpa Trekking & Expeditionswill cherish the bonds of our relationship created over the time you spent with us and we thank you for choosing us as your travel partner and for visiting this amazing country Nepal. Sayonara friends! Till we meet again. Breakfast

Cost Includes

Transports & Accommodations

- Private Transfers upon arrival and departure
- Kathmandu- Lumbini- Kathmandu both way by flight
- 3 Nights Hotel accommodations in Kathmandu as per itinerary
- 1 Night Hotel in Lumbini & 1 Night in Dhulikhel is included
- Private vehicle during city Tour and ground transfer

Meals & Drinks

- Daily hygienic breakfast in Kathmandu as specified in Itinerary
- Welcome dinner at best local restaurant with cultural show
- High quality Natural Mineral Water during whole tour
- All meals included in Lumbini including lunch & Dinner
- Breakfast and dinner is included in Dhulikhel

All Activities & Entrance Fees

- Fully guided 6 days Cultural & religious Tour including Lumbini
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Entrance fees to historic sites, temples and monuments
- Allowance for Tour guide and driver
- Guide & driver's food and accommodation.

Extra Service & Support

- Free extra luggage storage service if required
- Free help to get SIM Card, currency exchange etc
- One hour body massage at the end of Tour
- We help you, if an airline loses your luggage, or delayed
- We help our clients to buy souvenirs at wholesale price

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International Airfare and Nepal Visa fee
- Travel insurance for emergency and trip Cancellation
- Lunch & Dinner in Kathmandu(approximately $ 5-10 Per Meal)
- Any Alcoholic Drinks & Gratitude for Guide & driver

Top Tour Destination

- Kathmandu: Nepal largest city with full of historic site
- Lumbini: Lumbini is the Buddha's birthplace, spiritual sites
- Namo Buddha: One of the sacred Buddhist pilgrimage sites.
- Dhulikhel : One of the beautiful place for breathtaking views