Annapurna Panorama 13 days

Experience a wonderfully varied and easy-paced trek through the stunning Annapurna region, while lodging in quaint mountain villages. Track tigers at Nepal's finest national park, relax by picturesque Lake Phewa and sightsee in cosmopolitan Kathmandu.

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Kathmandu / Ends in: Kathmandu
- Departs: October to May
- No local payment required
- Breakfast:12, Lunch: 8, Dinner: 8
- Hotel Rating: basic 3 star hotels & lodges
- Tour Guide: Local guides

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - click here
- To book this trip - click here
- To enquire about this trip - click here

TOUR MAP:

QUICK WEB LINKS

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Day 1: Kathmandu

A warm Nepalese welcome! Arrive Kathmandu, included transfer to hotel. This evening attend a welcome meeting, where you will be briefed on your trip. Overnight - Kathmandu

Day 2: The Kathmandu Valley

Kathmandu is Nepal's largest city and one of the most important points on the caravan routes between Tibet and India. This culturally diverse city is the meeting place for dozens of ethnic groups, giving it a truly cosmopolitan feel. After breakfast explore Kathmandu and its surrounds with our Kathmandu guide. The highlights of today's sightseeing include the Buddhist Stupas of Bodhnath and Swayambhunath, which are fabulous examples of Buddhist temple architecture and a great place to observe Buddhist life and culture. Also discover the delights of Patan Durbar Square, home to more than 50 stunning temples and shrines. This evening enjoy dinner and a cultural Nepali dance performance. Overnight - Kathmandu

Day 3:

Kathmandu – Pokhara – Syauli Bazaar. This morning fly to Pokhara at the foot of the spectacular Annapurna mountain range; the views are simply breathtaking. Your tour leader will not escort you on your flight, in Pokhara we meet our local guide and drive to Phedi where we'll have lunch before starting our trek. Following the Modi Khola River, we reach Chimrong, where we cross a bridge and climb to Chandrakot before reaching the picturesque valley of Syauli Bazaar. The highlight of Syauli, is the stunning backdrop of the 'fishtail' peak of Machhapuchre. Sit back, relax and enjoy the views! Overnight - Syauli (Lodge)

Day 4:

Syauli – Ghandruk. The Annapurna region has a truly diverse landscape; agricultural land, beautiful rhododendron forests and austere alpine climes, the thundering Modi Khola river and an array of pretty blooms in spring. Today we continue our steep ascent, through terraced fields and small thatched hamlets to Ghandruk. Our lodge is located in the heart of the village and you'll have plenty of time to explore and meet the friendly villagers. The skyline beyond the village is dominated by the snowy flanks of Annapurna South, Humchuli and the famous spire of Machapuchare, known as the 'Matterhorn of Nepal'. Overnight - Ghandruk (Lodge)

Day 5:

Ghandruk – Tadapani. We follow a well trodden trail, climbing higher, through magnificent forests of oak, witnessing Himalayan village life along the way and stopping at the local Gurung museum. We spend the night at Tadapani, where the views of Annapurna South and Huinchuli are spectacular. Overnight - Tadapani (Lodge)

Day 6:

Tadapani – Ghorepani. From Tapadani we head to the Bhurungdi Khola (stream) to begin our ascent to Banthanti village. We pass a series of picturesque waterfalls, cascading down stream to a

beautiful rhododendrum forest. At Gurung Hill we are treated to some fabulous views before crossing Deurali for our final ascent of the day to Ghorepani village. Take time to meet the locals, many of whom have served as Gurkha soldiers in the Indian and British army. Overnight - Ghorepani (Lodge)

Day 7:

Ghorepani – Poon Hill - Tikedhunga – breakfast. It's an early start, as we take an excursion to Poon Hill to view the sunrise over one of the most spectacular panoramas in Nepal, a sea of 30 majestic peaks line the horizon, encompassing three of the highest mountains including the mighty Manaslu. We then begin our steep descent, through forests, pastures and fields to the village of Tikhedhunga. Overnight - Tikedhunga

Day 8: Pokhara

Tikhedhunga – Pokhara. Following the old trading route we trek past waterfalls and through bamboo forests to the prosperous village of Birethanti, where our expedition ends and we drive back to Pokhara. After a chance to freshen up, we visit Lake Phewa, a popular tourist spot where you can hire sail boats, shop or simply relax and enjoy the picturesque views. Overnight - Pokhara

Days 9 - 10: Chitwan N.P.

Pokhara – Chitwan. Leaving Pokhara this morning journey to Royal Chitwan National Park on a public tourist bus (upgrade to private transfer available), arriving in the afternoon. Widely acknowledged, as one of the finest National Parks in Asia, Chitwan has an amazing array of animals including, Indian one horned rhino, bison, leopard, wild boar, sloth bear, deer, langur and rhesus monkey, not to mention of course the magnificent if elusive, Bengal tiger. Spend the remains of day 9 and day 10 enjoying various activities such as an elephant safari, jungle walk and a Tharu cultural dance with Nepali dinner. Overnight - Chitwan NP

Days 11 - 12: Kathmandu

Chitwan – Kathmandu. On day 11 travel back to Kathmandu on a tourist bus (upgrade to private transfer available), arriving early evening. Day 12, enjoy your final day, independently wandering around the maze of streets, courtyards and alleys, taking in all of the amazing sights and sounds of this bustling Capital. Kathmandu is like a museum with hidden temples and shrines tucked away in the most unexpected places. Overnight - Kathmandu

Day 13: Kathmandu

Hotel check-out and included onward transfer to airport. Kathmandu

WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

Trip Highlights

- Kathmandu and the Kathmandu Valley - Patan Durbar Square, Swayambhunath Pagoda, Bodhnath Stupa Buddhist stupa and various other temples and shrines
- The Pokhara Valley and Annapurna region
- Amazing panoramas of the Dhaulagari Himal and Annapurna Range
- Waterfalls, rhodedendron forests, rice paddies, mountain villages
- Pokhara and lake
- Chitwan National Park and wildlife.

What's Included

- 12 breakfast, 8 lunches, 8 dinners including dinner at a Nepali cultural evening.

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- 7 nights - basic 3 star hotels, 5 nights - basic mountain lodges (2-4 passengers per room and shared facilities)
- Airport arrival and departure transfer on day 1 and day 13
- Economy class flight - Kathmandu to Pokhara
- Public tourist bus - Pokhara to Chitwan, Chitwan to Kathmandu (upgrade to private transfer is available)
- Touring of Kathmandu, Kathmandu Valley
- Chitwan National Park activities including elephant safari and park fees.
- Annapurna trek with porter and mountain guide
- Services of local English speaking guides for all scheduled sightseeing
- Entrance fees to included sites
- All relevant transfers and transportation

What's Not Included

- International flights, departure tax and visa
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture

PRICES AND DATES: from USD $1,859

Prices shown are per person travelling. 'Twin/Double' prices per person apply when there are 2 people travelling, sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the 'Twin/Double' price. If you are happy to be paired up with another single traveller of the same sex on your tour, this can be arranged, (if another solo traveller of the same sex is already booked upon the tour), thus avoiding the single person supplement. All our scheduled tour departures are guaranteed subject to a minimum of 2 travellers.

2013

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
07 OCT - 19 OCT	USD $1,859	USD $529
21 OCT - 02 NOV	USD $1,859	USD $529
04 NOV - 16 NOV	USD $1,859	USD $529
18 NOV - 30 NOV	USD $1,859	USD $529
02 DEC - 14 DEC	USD $1,859	USD $529

2014

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
07 FEB - 19 FEB	USD $1,859	USD $529
21 FEB - 05 MAR	USD $1,859	USD $529
07 MAR - 19 MAR	USD $1,859	USD $529
21 MAR - 02 APR	USD $1,859	USD $529
04 APR - 16 APR	USD $1,859	USD $529
18 APR - 30 APR	USD $1,859	USD $529
02 MAY - 14 MAY	USD $1,859	USD $529
16 MAY - 28 MAY	USD $1,859	USD $529
03 OCT - 15 OCT	USD $1,859	USD $529
17 OCT - 29 OCT	USD $1,859	USD $529
31 OCT - 12 NOV	USD $1,859	USD $529
07 NOV - 19 NOV	USD $1,859	USD $529
14 NOV - 26 NOV	USD $1,859	USD $529
21 NOV - 03 DEC	USD $1,859	USD $529
05 DEC - 17 DEC	USD $1,859	USD $529
19 DEC - 31 DEC	USD $1,859	USD $529

Supplementary Prices

	Price/Person	Single Supp.
Pre-Accommodation - 3 Star	USD $79	USD $50
Pre-Accommodation - 4/5 Star	USD $149	USD $130
Post-Accommodation - 3 Star	USD $79	USD $50
Post-Accommodation - 4/5 Star	USD $149	USD $130
Annapurna Panorama - Hotel Upgrade	USD $540	USD $320

POSTCARDS:

Here's what some of our past travellers have written in to us and said about their experiences on this trip.

A very good introductory tour of Nepal. Trekking through the jungle was a great experience and views of the mountains - simply amazing! We was very impreesed with the guides. They were gracious, knowledgeable and pleasure to trek with.

Kelly & Marian Wheeler, Oct 2009

Overall the trip was everything i had hoped for and all the guides we encountered along with the staff at eh Sherpa Society were brilliant! The only piece of constructing feedback I would have is that I recommend that travelers are advised to purchase phone cards for the airport in case internal flights are cancelled so the representative can be contacted. Our flights was cancelled and we had problems using our mobile phone to contact anyone.

Adam Gooch, Oct 2009

Guides and porters could not have been better. They really made the trekking part of the trip very special.

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Dave Blumhardt, Oct 2009

I was thoroughly impressed with the organisation of the entire trip. The Sherpa Society were outstanding. The guide and porter for the trek were so good that I would recommend them to any one!! I will definitely be back.

Sarah Green, Apr 2009

An amazing experience. A great way to see Nepal and trek the Himalayas. Binod the guide was great. Always helpful and informed. The porters were also great. 'On the Go' has been very Professional from start to finish. I will definitely use and recommend them again. As a travel agent I will definitely recommend On the Go to all clients.

Christine Kapnopoulos, Apr 2009

Trip surpassed expectations, Binod and porters were exceptionally good and looked after us throughout the trip - cannot compliment them highly enough.

Jason Ross, Mar 2009

We found the overall organisation and pace of the tour, and vehicles used excellent. The meals included on the tour were good! The highlight certainly was the early morning canoe trip in Chitwan National Park. A fantastic holiday!

Mr Graham Boasey, Nov 2008

The impromptu overnight in Bhanthanti was brilliant. We stayed with such a lovely family. The guides and porters were great. The holiday included lots of variety which made it interesting. Never a dull moment!

Mrs Joyce Boasey, Nov 2008