KHUMAI DANDA TREKKING

GENERAL DETAILS

Category: Trekking

Sub Category: Annapurna Region

Region: Annapurna

Duration: 9 days

Accomodation: Tea-House (Lodges)

Altitude: 3700 m

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Difficulty: Moderate
Activity: Trekking

Season: March, April, May, September, October, November

Start/End Point: Kathmandu - Kathmandu

Group Size: 2-30

Total Distance: Approx. 35 km.

Transportation: Private vehicle

GROUP DISCOUNTS

1 pax : \$ 850.00

2 - 4 pax : \$ 798.00

6 - 12 pax : \$ 750.00

13 - 19 pax : \$ 750.00

TRIP OVERVIEW

Kumai Danda, often spelled and pronounced as Khumai, is a scenic high hill with a magnificent panorama of Nepal's Mid-West Himalayas. Khumai Danda trekking leads to the hidden

^{*} The above price resembles price per person.

pockets of the massif Annapurna Himalayan range, offering an easy and short journey to Kumai Danda and its surrounding traditional hill villages. Only a few groups of trekkers seldom venture around the picturesque hilltop ridge of Khumai Danda. This trek can be a perfect **adventure for women** of all ages whether you are travelling solo or with your fellow female explorers. Kumai Danda Trekking is a perfect holiday adventure destination due to its remote and isolated location, yet close to the scenic Pokhara.

You can spend a few days or more, in the close harmony of a tranquil and pristine environment. The walk leads through the lovely hill villages of Ghachowk and near Lhachowk villages. These villages are inhabited by the Gurung hill tribes of **Annapurna Himalayas**, trekkers can enjoy the traditional heritage life and farm activities. Slowly, the climb leads to a steep climb to reach the ultimate highlights of the moderate adventures. On top of a high hill at Kumai Danda, enjoy the alluring panorama of the Annapurna Himalayas standing close in front of majestic towering Machhapuchare Himal, the famous Fish-Tail.

The dominant staggering peak as seen from all around the southern hills and valleys of the Annapurna range. You can explore the lifestyle of the women in the Khumai Danda region which is truly inspiring, showcasing their resilience, strength, and cultural richness. Their stories and daily experiences serve as a powerful testament to the importance of women's roles in their communities, playing a significant part in promoting and encouraging **women's empowerment**.

After a marvelous moment around the high scenic hills at Kumai Danda, with a hike to Korchan Danda - the highest spot of the adventures with captivating views of Annapurna, Lamjung, and far towards Dhaulagiri in the far west - the Khumai Danda treks come to an end on reaching the road-head at Ghachowk village. A smooth drive brings you to beautiful Pokhara to conclude a wonderful and delightful short adventure to **Khumai Danda Trekking**.

ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrival in Kathmandu 1,340 m and transfer to hotel.

Upon arrival at Kathmandu's Nepal International Airport, you will be welcomed by our team of female staff and guides. A short drive takes you in the hub of Kathmandu city around Thamel area to your hotels. After checking into your lovely rooms, getting refreshed from the Jet Lag. Later, join with other members of the Khumai Danda Trek at meeting room for briefing. Our

female guide or group leader will provide information about the treks, local lodges, and food options. The briefing will includes a wide range of information to make your holiday meaningful and enjoyable. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 2: In Kathmandu with sightseeing tour and trek preparations.

The day begins with breakfast, followed by visits to two significant sites: Pashupatinath Temple and Boudhanath Stupa. The tour is escorted by a government certified female tour guide.

Pashupatinath Temple, a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, is a revered Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. Located by the Bagmati River, it hosts Hindu cremation ceremonies and is especially important during Shivaratri, attracting numerous pilgrims.

After breakfast, we'll visit Boudhanath Stupa, one of Nepal's largest stupas, positioned east of Kathmandu. It's notable for its significant size and height, as well as its four pairs of eyes representing Mahayana Buddhist principles. Following a quick city tour, we'll return to the hotel to prepare for tomorrow's trek. The overnight stay will be at the hotel.

Day 3: Fly to Pokhara 860 m (30 mins by air) and transfer to hotel by the Phewa Lakeside.

In the morning, after breakfast, our Women Adventures staff and guide will meet you for a short drive to the airport for your flight to Pokhara. On reaching Kathmandu Domestic Airport Terminal, after checking in, then get on board in a moderate size aircraft. A sweeping flight of 30 minutes, overlooking astounding panorama of Himalayan Peaks will take you to Pokhara. On landing at Pokhara Airport, get organized with the baggage, and a short drive takes you to your hotels which is located near Phewa Lake Side, a lovely place to enjoy. Overnights in Pokhara, a city blessed with natural beauty of mountains and lakes. You will have time for stroll around the Lake side, the streets are lined with best restaurants, shops and stores.

Day 4: Drive to Hyanja 1, 170 m and start trek through Ghachowk to Hile Kharka 2,160 m-06 hrs. with 45 minutes drives.

We will depart from the hotel in Pokhara for an exciting and scenic short drive to the starting point of trekking. The drive heads beyond Pokhara Valley facing views of Annapurna Himalayas then reaching at Hyanja village. From here we should get organized with the baggage and backpacks with needful items for the treks. You will follow the lady expert guide

heading across Mardi River crossing a bridge and then climb towards Ghachowk. A nice typical hill village, mostly inhabited by the Gurung ethnic tribe of people. From here onwards a steep climb on stone steps then on the country hill trails to reach remote Hile Kharka, a small settlement. In Nepal, Kharka means a place of cattle herder shelters. Enjoy the comfort of a simple lodge for an overnight halt with views of surrounding hills and snow peaks.

Day 5: Trek to Kumai Danda 3,245 m-05 hrs.

From Hile Kharka after a good simple breakfast with refreshing cool mountain air, the walk leads towards our ultimate destination to Kumai Danda. The trail follows through lovely forest lined with tall rhododendrons, and pines with some bamboo grooves. The path gets narrow with steep climbs but once you reach the top of Khumai Danda, the tough steep climb rewards you with a stunning panorama. Enjoy the grand vista of Mt. Dhaulagiri and Annapurna Himalayas with close views of majestic Machhapuchare Himal. At Khumai Danda overnight in the comfort of a nice and simple lodge with basic facilities. Due to its remote, isolated location, and with few numbers of visitors the lodges are simple but in the near future it is expected that the lodge will upgrade.

Apart from the lodges the Khumai Danda offers the magnificent scenic surrounding which is the main highlight of the trek, so enjoy the glorious panoramic scenery. Celebrate the success of the Khumai Danda trek with your female friends, guides, and porters, feeling proud of having accomplished this journey together as strong and determined women.

Day 6: Trek to Korchan Danda and continue to Ghachowk and drive to Pokhara-07 hrs. 6 hours walks and an hour drive to Pokhara.

In the morning you can enjoy the striking sunrise views, as the light touches the snow-capped peaks. After a mesmerizing scenery, walk towards next scenic viewpoint to Korchan Danda, the highest point of the adventure. The walk leads to short downhill and then climb for an hour to the top of Korchan Danda.

A high scenic ridge with breath-taking panorama of Machhapuchare, Annapurna Himalayan peaks at close distance. After a joyous moment then head downhill slowly on steep-sided narrow path. Enjoy the long descend to Ghachowk village, then take a short exciting drive to Pokhara. At Pokhara, enjoy rest of the day at leisure exploring around the interesting streets of Lakeside.

Day 7: Fly to Kathmandu and transfer to hotel.

As time for short scenic flight to Kathmandu from Pokhara, you will depart from the hotel. It takes about 30 minutes drive to reach Pokhara airport. After checking in through security then get on board in a moderate size aircraft for sweeping panoramic flight back to Kathmandu. On arrival, you will transfer to your hotels, rest of the day at leisure.

Day 8: In Kathmandu free day, for individual activities with options for tours.

A free day in Kathmandu to enjoy relaxing moments and for individual activities and shopping spree. You can shop for souvenirs from Nepal from handicrafts to jewelers etc. Interested people can opt for another exciting tour of Patan and Bhaktapur cities on request.

Day 9: International departure for homeward bound.

Last day in Kathmandu and Nepal, after an overwhelming adventure and experience around Khumai Danda and the Annapurna Himalayas. As time for your international flight, our lady guide and staff will transfer you to the airport. Then bid farewell to Nepal, guide, and staff; as you enter the air terminal for homeward bound or to next port of call.

* Please note that the schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions and other unforeseen circumstances.

INCLUDED SERVICES

- Airport Pick Up and Drop Off (International & Domestic)
- 3 star standard hotel with breakfast in Kathmandu (Nepal standard)
- 3 star standard hotel with breakfast in Pokhara
- Tea house (Lodge) accommodation during trek
- All meals (Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner) during trek
- Tea / Coffee (3 times a day) during trek
- A professional Trekking Guide, Porter (Helper), and Assistant Guide provided for more than
 5 trekkers.
- Air ticket (Kathmandu-Pokhara)
- All food, drinks, lodging, salary, insurance, medical equipment, and transportation for Trekking Staff
- Private transfer (Pokhara-Kande, Khoramukh-Pokhara, and Pokhara-Kathmandu)

- Kathmandu Cultural and Historical sightseeing with a Tour Guide, private transportation, and entrance fee
- Trekking Permit (TIMS)
- Annapurna Conservation Area Permit (ACAP)
- Down jacket, sleeping bag, fleece liner, and a duffel bag
- All government taxes

EXCLUDED SERVICES

- Any bar bills (alcoholic drinks, mineral water, and cold drinks), cigarettes, your personal insurance coverages that should include the emergency helicopter evacuation, and any kind of expenses created due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Lunch and Dinner in Kathmandu and Pokhara.
- Tips for Guide Porter & Driver (Tips are not mandatory but expected, and recommended)
- Any other services that is not mentioned in Inclusion section

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