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Premium Nepal Tour - 9 Days

Elevate your travel experience with a meticulously crafted luxury tour to Nepal, where historical and cultural marvels, majestic mountain vistas, and tropical jungle adventures seamlessly integrate with stays at premium accommodations.

Begin your premium Nepal tour with visits to an array of UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Kathmandu, including the vibrant Durbar Square, the revered Temple of the Living Goddess, and numerous Hindu temples notable for their intricate wood and brick architecture. Delve into this ancient city's rich cultural, historical, and spiritual tapestry, exploring Buddhist thangka paintings and their iconography and perhaps selecting a unique piece to take home.

Continue to Pokhara, a serene town at the base of the western Himalayas, offering spectacular views of towering peaks. Enjoy a private boat ride on the tranquil Fewa Lake, visit an island temple, and ascend to the Peace Pagoda on a hilltop for breathtaking views of snow-covered Himalayan slopes, including the iconic Mt. Machhapuchhare. Enhance your understanding of mountaineering history and culture at the International Mountain Museum.

Conclude your journey in southern Nepal by exploring Chitwan National Park, a lush expanse of semi-arid forests and grasslands teeming with wildlife—Luxuriate in a top-tier lodge that promises close encounters with nature. Embark on scenic boat rides to spot sunbathing gharials and crocodiles, and stroll or drive through the UNESCO-listed park and nearby Tharu villages. Search for one-horned rhinos, elusive Bengal tigers, deer, wild boars, and bears on a Jeep safari. Chitwan is also a haven for bird enthusiasts, home to an impressive array of avian species, including hornbills, darters, and kingfishers, making it a genuine biodiversity hotspot.

Note: This premium tour uses luxury accommodations. A standard version of the same tour can be organized using 3-star with 4 star in some places as a another reasonable option. Please write us.

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PRICE INCLUDES

The above cost is based on twin/double sharing in all accommodation (Single supplement: USD 1950)

- All airport/hotel transfers and ground transportation in air-conditioned private vehicle
- Three nights' accommodation (twin sharing) in Kathmandu in a 5-star category hotel: Soaltee Kathmandu or similar
- Two-night stay at 4-star Hotel Barahi Pokhara or similar, including breakfast
- Two nights stay at Barahi Jungle Lodge in Chitwan, including all meals
- Jungle activities such as jeep safari, boat ride, village walk/jungle walk
- All applicable entrance fees for the shrine, monuments, heritage sites, National Park
- City tour in Kathmandu in Swoyambhunath, Bhouddanath, Kathmandu or Patan Durbar Square, and Pashupatinath
- Farewell dinner at a Nepalese cultural Restaurant with a cultural program
- Kathmandu to Pokhara flight
- English-speaking knowledgeable tour guide throughout the tour, nature guide in Chitwan
- All agency service charges and government taxes

PRICE EXCLUDES

- Lunch and dinner in Kathmandu and Pokhara, and Lumbini
- Any activities outside of the given program
- Personal Expenses such as bar bills, beverages, laundry, telephone calls, etc
- Tips for guide, driver, etc (Tips are expected)

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Day 1: Welcome at the airport, pick up and transfer to hotel

Welcome to Nepal, a country celebrated for its diverse ethnicities, distinctive culture, and breathtaking natural landscapes! As you exit the airport, you'll be greeted by vistas of pristine blue skies, verdant hills, and majestic snowy peaks. Our team will meet you at the terminal and escort you to your hotel. After some rest at your hotel, venture out to experience the lively streets if you are not too jet-lagged.

Join a welcome dinner in the evening. You will be picked up from your hotel and driven to Thamel, the vibrant tourism hub offering the perfect setting for a leisurely walk. Savor traditional Nepali dishes on welcome dinner on your first night in a Nepalese cultural restaurant.

Included activities

Kathmandu - Welcome dinner
Complimentary Airport Arrival Transfer

Day 2: UNESCO Heritage Sites Tour in Kathmandu

We hope you had a lovely sleep. After a hearty breakfast at your hotel, we will start the tour at around 9 am to a few UNESCO world heritage sites.

Swoyambhunath Stupa: Swayambhunath Stupa, affectionately known as the Monkey Temple, is an ancient religious complex perched atop a hill in Nepal's Kathmandu Valley. This iconic site is revered in both Buddhism and Hinduism and is distinguished by its gleaming white dome and golden spire adorned with the watchful eyes of Buddha. The stupa is surrounded by numerous shrines and temples, offering panoramic views of the city below. Legend holds that Swayambhunath was formed from a lotus flower that bloomed in the middle of a lake that once covered the valley. Visitors often encounter the resident monkeys, which add a playful element to the sacred atmosphere.

Kathmandu Durbar Square: Kathmandu Durbar Square is a composite compound of ancient palaces, courtyards, and temples, built between the 12th and 18th centuries; it used to be the Royal palace compound of the old Malla dynasty. A 17th-century stone inscription in 23 different languages set into the wall of the palace will interest you; the Taleju temple-tallest of all structures built in 1549 A.D.; Jagannath temple- built in the 16th century, known for erotic figures carved in the wooden struts eaves, Kal Bhairav- one of the vast stone idols in Kathmandu depicting the fierce aspects of Shiva, Statue of King Pratap Malla in praying pose and the living goddess, Kumari, are very few of other attractions at Kathmandu Durbar Square among many different structures.

Pashupatinath: Pashupatinath Temple is one of the important Hindu temples of Lord Shiva in the world. This two-tiered pagoda temple is built on a single-tier plinth that is popular worldwide.

Only Hindus are granted entrance into the main temple complex. Still, you can see the temple and the cremation activities from the western bank of the holy Bagmati River. Besides being a place of devotion, the bank of the Bagmati River next to Pashupatinath Temple is the ideal cremation site for Hindus in Nepal.

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Bouddhanath: Bouddhanath Stupa is one of the largest Stupas in the world. This octagonal Mandala-designed shrine stands among hundreds of prayer wheels and the 108 Buddha idols set into the niches around the large stupa.

People call Bouddhanath ‘Little Tibet’ because it is also famous for having over 50 Tibetan monasteries, making the area known as ‘Little Tibet.’ Join the pilgrims to orbit the Stupa, shop handicrafts in nearby stores, or sit on a rooftop restaurant and soak in the ambiance.

Included activities

Kathmandu - Pashupatinath Temple
Kathmandu - Durbar Square
Kathmandu - Boudhanath Stupa
Kathmandu - Thangka Painting Studio Visit
Kathmandu - Swayambhunath Temple

Day 3: Orphanage visit and Nagarkot after Bhaktapur sightseeing

This morning, we embark on a memorable journey as we visit an orphanage managed by a devoted Nepalese woman for 25 years. Witness firsthand the positive impact she has made on the lives of children. After an hour at the orphanage, we'll head to Bhaktapur, an exquisitely preserved medieval city rich with temples and statues. We'll explore its three main squares: Durbar Square, Taumadhi Square, and Pottery Square, including visits to the architecturally stunning Nyatapola Temple and the 55 Window Palace, among other sacred sites. Sample the famed 'Juju Dhau'—a creamy local yogurt—at one of Bhaktapur's traditional dairies. We then proceed to Nagarkot, settling in for the night at Club Himalaya, which offers panoramic views of Kathmandu, Bhaktapur, Changu Narayan, and the surrounding landscapes. Conclude the day with sunset cocktails, rejoicing in the breathtaking views.

Included activities

Bhaktapur – Guided tour
Nagarkot - Sunset local cocktail at Club Himalaya (one drink included)
Kathmandu – Orphanage Visit

Day 4: Sunrise in Nagarkot and fly to Pokhara

You will have breakfast watching the Himalayas. After breakfast, you will drive down towards central Pokhara city. You will do a Pokhara city tour, visit the international mountaineering museum, Tal Barahi temple, Gupteshower cave, Tibetan refugee camp, Bindyabasini temple, peace pagoda, etc.

Included activities

Pokhara - Phewa Tal Lake boating
Pokhara - Peace Pagoda
Pokhara –Watch and involve in Talbarahi Aarati

Day 5: Pokhara

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You will start your day very early with a visit to Sarangkot Viewpoint for a sunrise over the snowcapped Himalayan peaks, from the Annapurna Ranges to Fishtail Mountain (Machhapuchhre). You will marvel as you see the sweeping vistas of the chains of mountain gaints. You will come back to hotel, have breakfast and start your day of Pokhara sightseeing. You will visit International Mountain Museum, Gupteshwor Cave, World Peace Pagoda, Fewa Lake and Talbarahi Temple, etc. You can also visit to a Tibetan Refugee camp and hear stories of their journey from Tibet to Nepal. Enjoy boating in Fewa Lake in the evening.

Included activities

Pokhara - Sarangkot Viewpoint
Pokhara - Tibetan Refugee community visit with momo lunch
Pokhara - International Mountain Museum
Pokhara – Gupteswor cave visit

Day 6: Pokhara to Chitwan Drive

Today after breakfast we pack and then embark on a drive eastward to Chitwan. As you journey towards Chitwan, the climate grows warmer and the roadside scenery shifts to lush greenery. Chitwan is renowned for its eponymous national park, celebrated for its dense jungles and diverse wildlife.

Upon reaching your hotel in Chitwan, take some time to relax and freshen up. If you're up for it after your journey, take a leisurely stroll through the local streets, engage with the ethnic Tharu community, and sample some of their unique dishes, such as duck meat and snail soup.

Included activities

Chitwan NP - Tharu Village tour

Day 7: Chitwan

Start your day with a hearty breakfast, gearing up for an exhilarating Jungle Jeep safari in Chitwan, Nepal's first national park. During your adventure, keep an eye out for rare wildlife such as the One-horned Rhinoceros, Gaur, Wild Elephants, deer, antelopes, pangolins, and more. With some luck, you might even spot the elusive Royal Bengal Tiger.

For bird enthusiasts, a dedicated bird-watching activity is available. Chitwan is home to about 550 bird species, including the Great White-Fronted Goose, Kashmir Flycatcher, and various pheasants. After exploring the jungle, enjoy a tranquil canoe ride on the Rapti River, where you'll encounter alligator families.

Conclude your day with a visit to a Tharu cultural show in the evening. This experience offers a glimpse into local life through traditional dramas, cultural stick dances, and the vibrant attire of the Tharu community.

Included activities

Chitwan - Sunset Snacks by Rapti River
Chitwan - Canoe Safari

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Chitwan - Jeep Safari Tour

Note: Program time in Chitwan might change according to season.

Day 8: Chitwan to Kathmandu Drive

Start your morning with a delightful breakfast at Jungle Villa before making the drive back to Kathmandu. Once you arrive, the afternoon is yours to explore. You might take this opportunity to shop for unique local goods or deepen your understanding of Nepal's rich cultural heritage with a visit to the Nepali Folk Musical Instrument Museum, which houses over 650 unique instruments. In the evening, consider joining your group leader and fellow travelers for a farewell dinner at an excellent local restaurant, where you can savor traditional Nepalese cuisine and create lasting memories of your journey.

Day 9: Trip Ends

Your journey in Nepal concludes after breakfast today. Should you wish to extend your stay in Kathmandu, we can arrange additional accommodation in advance, depending on availability. Your leader will suggest you the airport pick up time for your departure flight or assist with any onward travel arrangements you may need.