



## Khopra Danada Trek - 12 days - \$500/Person

### Trip Info

**Trip Code:** WHT/NT-03

**Grade:** Moderate

**Maximum Elevation:** 3,600M.

**Minimum:** 2 Person(s)

**Type:** Trekking/Hiking

**Best Season:** October to late-November, and from March to May

Khopra trek, is a lesser known trekking destination, but it is slowly gaining popularity among trekkers. The trek takes about 12 days to complete and during the time, takes you through amazing landscapes and beautiful places. Traversing through Rhododendron forests and encountering waterfalls, will surely cheer you up. Also, the wildlife and vegetation you will find along the way, is equally beautiful.

Our trekking in Annapurna region Nepal, begins from Kathmandu and then takes us to Pokhara to Ghandruk in the second day. We will then trek from Ghandruk, following the trail that leads to Tadapani. Next day, we will trek to Dobato, to Bayli Kharka. The trail from Dobato, separates into a more popular one to Ghorepani and to a lesser known one, Bayli Kharka. We will be trekking to Bayli Kharka, then to Chistibang. From Chistibang, we will travel to Khopra Danda, and take an excursion day trek to, Khair Lake. We will then follow the same trail back to Khopra Danda and then trek to Tatopani. Taking a jeep ride back to Pokhara, from Tatopani, we will reach Kathmandu, the next day.

With this amazing Annapurna region trek, we will have enjoyed the amazing and beautiful scenic beauty of the landscape. We will be accompanied by tall and majestic mountains, Annapurna II (7937m), Annapurna III (7555m), Annapurna IV (7525m), Annapurna South (7237m), Machhapuchhare (6993m) and Lamjung Himal (6931m), all along the way. Forests we will be traversing through, will be blossomed with Rhododendron, during the spring. Also, Danphe pheasant and Himalayan Munal and Tahr will be seen. Also, the hospitality of Gurung and Magar people will make us more, humble. In the end, we will be left with beautiful memories and amazing experience to cherish for a very long time.

## Itinerary

### Day 1 - Arriving at Kathmandu

Day 1 of our Annapurna region trekking, marks you landing at the TIA at Kathmandu. Our representatives from White Himalayas will pick you up at the airport and drop you at your hotel. They will be explaining the trekking schedules and routes, and anything else you wish to know regarding the trek. You can freshen up at your hotel, then head out to explore the beautiful city of Kathmandu. Also, the beautiful night life of Thamel can be enjoyed during the night.

### Day 2 - Kathmandu to Pokhara to Khimche and trek to Ghandruk (1940 m)

Today, we have a long road journey ahead of us. So, we will be leaving early today and drive from Kathmandu to Pokhara which will take us about 6 hours. We will have lunch on our way there. Upon reaching Pokhara, we again need to get going, so we will take a jeep to Khimche. Driving from Pokhara to Khimche will take us about 3 hours of time.

And, only from Khimche, we begin our trek to Ghandruk. It is a short trek, and will only take us about 1 hour. Ghandruk is the largest Gurung village in the Annapurna region, where not only the culture of the Gurungs can be explored, but it comes with an amazing scenery in the background. Beautiful view of Annapurna South and Machhapuchhre, can be enjoyed while at Ghandruk. Overnight at Ghandruk.

### Day 3 - Ghandruk to Tadapani (2610 m)

On day 3 of our Khopra Trek, we will be trekking from Ghandruk to Tadapani, which will take us about 4-5 hours of time. The trail from Ghandruk to Tapapani traverses through, Rhododendron and oak forest. The pleasant sound of the birds and the stunning view of the small waterfalls, is sure to make you fall in love with the place. Trekking during the spring season, also lets you enjoy the forest blossomed with Rhododendron. There are no villages in the route, but few tea houses can be found. Amazing view of Annapurna II (7937m), Annapurna III (7555m), Annapurna IV (7525m), Annapurna South (7237m), Machhapuchhare (6993m) and Lamjung Himal (6931m), can be enjoyed all along the way. We will stay the night at Tadapani.

### Day 4 - Trek to Bayli Kharka (3420 m)

Today, on day 4 of our Annapurna region trekking, we will be trekking from Tadapani to Dobato. We will leave the main trail leading to Ghorepani, but instead follow a less used trail, leading to Dobato. Traversing through the beautiful Rhododendron forest, we will soon rise above the tree line to reach the amazing view of Annapurna range.

We will then have lunch by a small stream and continue hiking further. Following the trail further, we will gradually climb through open countryside to reach a small pass. Then, the trail descends through beautiful Rhododendron forest to an open clearing, Bayli Kharka. We will stay the night there.

## **Day 5 - Trek to Chistibang (2975 m)**

Today, the trail follows through a grassy slope and traverses through pasture. A number of herder's hut, Dzo grazing and Danphe pheasant, can be found along the way. Also, the amazing view of the mountains will accompany us through out. There are small community lodges, where we will be staying the night.

## **Day 6 - Chistibang to Khopra Danda (Ridge) (3640 m)**

On day 6 of the Khopra Danda trek, we will start with breakfast at Chistibang, and follow the trail leading to Khopra ridge. Following the trail, we will slowly rise above the tree line. Some animals like Himalayan Tahr and Himalayan Munal, can be encountered along the way. Slowly ascending further and further, we will enjoy the panoramic view of Annapurna range, Dhaulagiri range, Nilgiri, Machhapuchhre, and other mountains. We will stay the night at Khopra Danda.

## **Day 7 - Excursion to Khair Lake (4728 m)**

Today, on the 7th day of our trekking in Annapurna region Nepal, we will be going out to explore the amazing Khair lake. This however, is not advised for every trekker, because of the high altitude and the time it takes to make a round trip. Khair lake trek, holds a very high religious importance to the Brahmins and Kshetris, during the Janai Purnima ceremony. We will enjoy the amazing view of Mt. Annapurna I, Annapurna South and Annapurna Fang, along with the stunning view of the Khair Lake. After enjoying there for some time, we will return back to Khopra Danda, and spend the second night there.

## **Day 8 - Khopra Danda to Narchyang (1200 m)**

On day 8 of our Annapurna region trek, we will be descending steeply from Khopra dada to Narchyang. Narchyang is the biggest Magar village in the region. After walking for 5-6 hours, we will reach Narchyang, where we will be staying the night.

## **Day 9 - Narchyang to Tatopani**

Today, we will be trekking from Narchyang to Tatopani. This will be a short trek and after reaching Tatopani, we will enjoy the amazing natural hot spa. All our body ache and soring leg, will feel relaxed. We will spend the day there, relaxing.

## **Day 10 - Tatopani to Pokhara**

On our 10th day of trekking in Annapurna region Nepal, we will be driving back to Pokhara. We will leave as early as possible, so as to explore some part of Pokhara. The beautiful city of lakes, offers many



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tourist destinations but due to our limited time, we will only visit some selected few. We can also do some shopping during the day, and at night, enjoy the amazing night life of Lakeside.

## **Day 11 - Pokhara to Kathmandu**

We will travel from Pokhara to Kathmandu, on the 11th day of our Annapurna region trekking. We will travel via roadways and it will take us about 6 hours of time. Upon reaching Kathmandu, we will explore the city around a bit. Also, the fun night life of Thamel, can be enjoyed during the night. A good night's sleep is all that is left for the day.

## **Day 12 - Departure**

Day 12 marks the end of our Annapurna region trek, and also your stay in Nepal. We will have our representatives from White Himalayas, pick you up from your hotel and drop you at the airport. We will share goodbyes, bade each other farewell. You will then board the plane, back to your home, with nothing but beautiful memories and amazing experience of the last 10 days.



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## Cost Includes

- All airport transfers from arrival to departure
- Two nights of accommodation in Kathmandu on BB plan.
- Two nights of accommodation in Pokhara on BB plan.
- Tourist Bus service between Pokhara and Kathmandu
- Private transportation between Pokhara and Trekking start point
- English-speaking guide
- Porter service ( 1 Porter for 2 People)
- All applicable permits ( ACAP) entry fee & TIMS card

## Cost Excludes

- Lunch and dinner in Kathmandu ,Pokhara & Trek
- Drinks and Bar menu
- International flight fee
- Emergency rescue evacuation if required.
- Tips for the guide and Porter.
- Travel Insurance