

Kori Danda Trek

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Duration

10

Max. Altitude

3,800m

Difficulty

Easy

Group Size

1-16

Per Person Cost

USD 800

Transport

Bus, Jeep, Car

Meals

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Starts At

Kathmandu

Ends At

Kathmandu

Accommodation

Hotel, Lodge and Camping

Overview

If you are interested in trying a new [trek in Nepal](#), that offers spectacular views of the Himalayas and surrounding hilly landscapes, then the Kori Danda Trek is suitable for you. This trek in the Annapurna region takes you to a 3,800m at Kori Danda from where you will see excellent views of the Lamjung Mountain, Annapurna II and Mt. Fishtail. The trek takes you through delightful Gurung villages where you can explore the wonderful culture and hospitality of the people there.

Known also as a [Sikles Trek](#), this trek was little known and explored in the past, but only now has its glory been recognized. Sikles is a stunning village that is home to the indigenous Gurung people, and it is also one of the largest Gurung settlements. The distance from Pokhara to Sikles is around 30 miles (47 kilometers), and we will need to take a jeep ride in order to get there.

The Kori trek is located within the inner [Annapurna Conservation buffer zone](#), on the boundary between the Kwholasothar rural municipality and the Madi Rural Municipality. When compared with the trek to [Annapurna Base Camp](#) and the trek to [Mardi Himal](#), this trek is completely off the beaten path and features only basic tea houses. Along the route, you'll find Kapuche Lake, which is also referred to as the Kahphuche Lake. This glacier lake in Nepal is one of the most beautiful ones in the country. The altitude at which Kapuche can be found is 2,450 meters making it one of the lowest glacial lakes. The color of the water in the lake is a bright blue that is crystal clear up close.

Due to the fact that the Kori trek is a relatively new trekking route, there are no places to stay along the way, such as hotels or guesthouses. During the nighttime hours of the trip, hikers will be required to sleep in tents. Porters will be provided for you, and in addition to transporting food items, they will also be able to prepare them.

If an off-beat new trek is what you are looking forward to exploring within a short duration, Silkes, or Kori Danda trek is definitely the trek for you!

Itinerary

Day 01: Arrival in Kathmandu and transfer to the hotel (1400m)

After completing the formalities at the airport, when you exit, you will be greeted by a representative from Glorious Himalaya. We will welcome you into your hotel and help you get checked in. After a few moments of rest, you can visit the nearby areas around your hotel to get more acquainted with the surroundings. Depending on the time you visit, a short walk around popular areas like Thamel can be in order or you can retire to bed early and rest up for the day.

Day 02: Drive from Kathmandu to Pokhara (822m) - 7 hrs bus drive

After our breakfast in the hotel, we will be heading towards Pokhara. Tourist buses leave every day, or you may request for a flight or private vehicle with additional charges. The drive to Pokhara follows the Prithvi Highway from Kathmandu and on clear days you can see amazing views of the mid-hills of Kathmandu.

We will most likely have lunch in Malekhu, a town known for its fish. Pokhara is still around 3-4 hours away from here. As we reach Pokhara, we will be checked in a hotel and can spend the night preparing for our trek and exploring the nearby Fewa Lakeside.

Day 03: Drive to Sikles village - 2 hrs jeep drive & Trek to Hugu Goth (2,050m) - 5 hrs trek

Following breakfast, we will get on the road and head to Hugu Goth via Sikless village. From Pokhara, we will travel to Sikles in the Jeep that we have rented. Traveling by Jeep to Sikles will take approximately 2 hours of your time. The road is graveled and has some bumps in it. The exceptional beauty of the surrounding area, on the other hand, more than makes up for the annoyances of the commute on the rough trail. Along the way, you can stop and take in the breathtaking scenery, which may include terraced farmlands, hills, forests, or rivers.

Once reached Sikles, we begin our trek. The path ascends and descends and is occasionally steep and narrow. The trail, on the other hand, is well-defined and serves its purpose well. The trail provides views of the River Valley and numerous mountains. Annapurna II, Annapurna IV, and Lamjung Himal all appear spectacular from the trail.

A famous waterfall also lies on the trail which can be visited. We'll arrive in Hugu Goth toward the late afternoon after hiking, where we'll have to stay the night at a Teahouse or Camp. The Goth in Hutu Goth literally means "shed", named probably after a famous place for cattle to be kept in older times. This place is also called Goth Ghar.

Day 04: Day hike to Kapuche Lake (2,450m)

This is going to be one of the most exciting days of our hike, and we are going to get an early start. We are going to travel to the breathtaking Kapuche Lake, which can be found at an elevation of 2450 meters. After a hike of about two to three hours, you will arrive at Kapuche Lake.

The lake is the glacial lake in Nepal that is located at the lowest altitude. When we are standing on the shores of the lake, it is easy for us to imagine that we are in a magical land. The location is absolutely breathtaking. The location doesn't see a lot of foot traffic. Because of this, there is peace and quiet there. Hugu Goth will once more serve as our lodging for the night as we make our way back there.

Day 05: Trek to Nohtha (3,050m) - 5 hrs trek

On our second morning at Hugu, we get a head start on the day by waking up early and having breakfast there. The distance between Hugu Goth and Nohtha can be covered on foot in approximately four to five hours. We will have to make our way across the Hugu Khola, after which we will begin our ascent through forests of rhododendron, fir, and pine. The view of the mountains on this day is identical to the views of the mountains on the previous days; however, as we walk, the mountains appear to be getting closer. Nohtha is equipped with a few simple conveniences, including households in which we can spend the night.

Day 06: Trek to Kori Danda (3,800m) - 5 hrs trek

The sixth day of the trek is going to be the most important because we are going to reach our goal, Kori Danda, which is the center of Nepal from east to west and is 3800 m above sea level. About four to five hours of our journey to Kori Danda will be spent climbing steeper and steeper hills.

We will leave the tree lines behind as we make our way towards the grasslands. When you get to the top, you will have a breathtaking view of the mountains mentioned above. We are able to take in the beautiful views of the rolling hills. It is also possible for us to have a view of the Pokhara Valley. Since there are no fixed accommodations here, we will have to stay over in a tent and camp on top enjoying the evening view.

Day 07: Trek to Sikles village (1,981m) - 6/7 hrs trek

Following breakfast, our day will consist of more of the same downward hiking. As soon as we make it to the Sikles Village, we are going to spend some quality time with the inhabitants there and discuss about our trip.

You may take a walk around the hamlet and get a better understanding of Gurung culture right there in

their own backyard. Since Sikles village is rather large, we will be able to visit the surrounding places, including those that we were unable to access during our previous excursion.

Day 08: Drive back to Pokhara (822m)- 2 hrs jeep drive

This morning, after breakfast, collect your belongings, bid farewell to the villagers of Silkies Village, and board the jeep for the two-hour trip to Pokhara. Pokhara is a beautiful city, and the area surrounding the lakeside has an incredible nightlife. You have the option of going boating on Fewa lake in the evening and stopping in the middle to pay a visit to the Tal Barahi shrine. Spend an enjoyable night in Pokhara celebrating the successful conclusion of your journey.

Day 09: Drive back to Kathmandu - 7 hrs bus drive

As we head towards Kathmandu from Pokhara, we are filled with a sense of accomplishment. We follow the same route back as we took earlier following the Prithvi Highway. We can make a stop at the Manakamana Temple at Kurintar. We take a cable car ride to the top of the hill in Gorkha where the temple to the "Wish Fulfilling Goddess" sits here.

Stopping at either Muglin or Malekhu we grab lunch and return to Kathmandu. We can celebrate the successful completion of our trek and retire into our hotel beds after preparing for departure the next day. You can also extend your stay in Nepal if you wish.

Day 10: Departure from Nepal

A representative from our office will transfer you to Tribhuvan International Airport for your planned international flight. You will take along an abundance of images and memories from the Kori Danda trip. We hope you like our services and anticipate organizing many more treks and trips with us in the near future. Glorious Himalaya wishes you a safe flight!

Trip Includes

- All the airport and hotel shuttles are by private vehicles as per the itinerary.
- 2 nights of 3-star standard hotel accommodation in Kathmandu inclusive of bed and breakfast.
- 5 nights of twin-sharing tented accommodation during the trek.
- 2 nights hotel accommodation in Pokhara inclusive of breakfast.
- Meals on full board (breakfast, lunch, dinner) throughout the trek in the mountain region.
- Both way Kathmandu - Pokhara - Kathmandu surface transportation by tourist bus.
- Both-way jeep transports from and to Pokhara. (Pokhara to Sikles and Sikles to Pokhara)
- Certified local trekking guide for the trek.
- Supporting local porters to carry your belongings during the trek. (1 porter for 2 people)
- All the essential trekking permits and paperwork for the trek.

- Rain protection duffel bag and sleeping bag to use for the trek.
- First aid medicine with an oximeter (which is very useful to check your pulse at high altitudes) for the trek
- An emergency helicopter rescue and treatment in case of your health issues while on the trek. (Should have your travel insurance)
- Trip achievement certificate after trip completion.
- All government taxes and company service charges.
- At the end of the tour, Nepali food farewell dinner in Kathmandu with a cultural dance program.

Trip Exclude

- International airfares and Nepal entry visa.
- Lunch and dinner in Kathmandu and Pokhara.
- Your personal expenses.
- Tips to the trip supporter. (Guide & Porters)

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