Short Annapurna Circuit Trek

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Equipment checklist for – Short Annapurna Circuit Trek

Head

- **Sun Hat / Cap:** Wide-brimmed for sun protection.
- **Beanie / Warm Hat:** Essential for cold mornings/nights.
- **Buff / Neck Gaiter:** For dust, wind, and sun protection.
- **Sunglasses:** Category 3 or 4 UV protection (essential for high altitude).
- **Headlamp:** With extra batteries (for early starts/night treks).
- **Sunscreen & Lip Balm:** SPF 50+ (must-have).
- **Face Mask / Balaclava:** For extreme cold or dusty trails.

Upper Body

- **Base Layer (Thermal):** Moisture-wicking (Merino wool or synthetic). x2
- **Fleece Jacket / Mid-layer:** For warmth.
- **Down Jacket:** Insulated, lightweight (essential for high altitude).
- **Raincoat/Poncho:** Waterproof and windproof.
- **Trekking T-shirts:** Quick-dry, breathable. x2-3
- **Long-sleeve Sun Shirt:** For hot days.
- **Gloves:** Insulated trekking gloves

Lower Body

- **Trekking Pants:** Convertible (zip-off) or lightweight. x2
- **Fleece / Thermal Pants:** For layering under trekking pants.
- **Rain Pants / Over-trousers:** Waterproof.
- **Shorts:** For lower altitudes / warm days.
- **Underwear:** Moisture-wicking, quick-dry. x3-4
- **Warm trekking trousers:** For higher altitudes

Footwear

- **Trekking Boots:** Mid to high-cut, waterproof, broken-in.
- **Camp Shoes/ Sandals /Flipflop:** For relaxing in teahouses after trekking.
- **Gaiters:** To keep snow/rocks out of boots.
- **Microspikes / Crampons:** Useful for icy trails (seasonal).
- **Trekking Socks:** 3–5 pairs of moisture-wicking socks to keep your feet comfortable.
- **Warm Wool Socks:** For cold nights and higher-altitude conditions.

Toiletries & Hygiene

- **Toothbrush & Toothpaste:** Travel-sized products are convenient.
- **Comb:** To comb your hair after a bath
- **Blister Kit:** For preventing and treating friction spots during long walking days.
- **Soap / Body Wash:** For personal hygiene during the trek.
- **Shampoo:** Carry a small travel-sized bottle.
- **Quick-Drying Towel:** Lightweight and practical for multi-day trekking.
- **Toilet Paper / Pocket Tissues:** Useful because supplies may not be available everywhere.
- **Hand Sanitizer:** For cleaning your hands when soap and water are unavailable.
- **Wet Wipes:** Useful when shower facilities are limited.

- **Moisturizer:** Helps protect your skin from dry mountain air.
- **Personal Medications:** Bring sufficient supplies and follow your healthcare professional’s advice.
- **Basic First-Aid Kit:** Include personal essentials and basic wound-care supplies.
- **Menstrual Hygiene Products:** Carry your preferred products if needed.
- **Nail Clippers:** Useful for maintaining nail hygiene during the trek.

Other Essential Items

- **Daypack (20–30 Liters):** For carrying water, snacks, extra layers, and daily essentials.
- **Duffel Bag (50-70 Liters):** For your main trekking luggage, especially if using a porter.
- **Rain Cover / Dry Bags:** Protect your backpack and belongings from rain and snow.
- **Water Bottles / Hydration Bladder:** Carry approximately 2–3 liters of water capacity.
- **Water Purification Tablets / Filter:** For treating drinking water when needed.
- **Trekking Poles:** Help improve stability and reduce strain on your knees during ascents and descents.
- **Sleeping Bag:** Around –10°C to –15°C is useful for many standard trekking seasons.
- **Sleeping Bag Liner:** Optional for additional warmth and hygiene.
- **Energy Bars / Snacks:** Useful for maintaining energy between meals.
- **Travel Lock:** For securing your duffel bag or luggage.
- **Earplugs:** Helpful for sleeping in shared teahouse rooms.
- **Notebook & Pen:** Optional for recording your trekking experiences.
- **Small Binoculars:** Optional for viewing distant mountain scenery and wildlife.

Electronics

- **Mobile Phone:** For communication, photos, and navigation.
- **Power Bank:** Useful where charging facilities are limited or expensive.
- **Phone Charger & Cables**: Bring all necessary charging accessories.

- **Universal Travel Adapter:** For charging electronic devices in Nepal.
- **Camera & Spare Batteries:** Optional for capturing Himalayan scenery.

Documents

- **Passport:** A valid passport is required for travel and trekking arrangements.
- **Passport-size photos:** 2-4 copies of passport-size photos.
- **Nepal Visa:** Required for eligible international visitors.
- **Travel Insurance:** Must cover high-altitude trekking and emergency helicopter evacuation.
- **Trek Route Map:** To navigate trekking trails.

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