

## Hindu Pilgrimage Tour in Nepal - 8 Days

A Hindu pilgrimage tour in Nepal is the best way to visit the greatest Hindu shrines, holy temples, and landmarks around the beautiful Hindu country Nepal. While joining the Hindu pilgrimage tour in Nepal, you will be enthralled by the spectacular sites that hold great importance for not only Nepalese but for all the Hindu pilgrims residing all over the world. In the same way, a Hindu pilgrimage tour in Nepal can be joined by each and every individual regardless of their age and fitness level as it doesn't require any high altitude strenuous walk.

Hindu pilgrimage tour in Nepal initiates after your arrival in Tribhuvan International Airport followed by transfer to your hotel on a private vehicle along with a short pre-trip briefing. We start our Hindu pilgrimage tour in Nepal by visiting the greatest Hindu temple of Lord Pashupatinath around the northern corner of Kathmandu valley. Listed under UNESCO cultural world heritage site, Pashupatinath temple is also the center of attraction for all the tourists visiting Nepal. On the same day, we also take a short drive towards Sanga nearby Bhaktapur, where the world's tallest statue of Lord Shiva is located at top of the hill. The entire place is beautifully managed and also there are special places like spas, yoga, and meditation center in the resort over there. On the second day of the tour, we visit Dakshinkali temple in the southern and Narayanstahn or Budhanilkantha temple of Lord Vishnu located at the northern side of Kathmandu valley. The Hindu pilgrimage tour in Nepal is not only limited to Kathmandu valley only, further we will be visiting Manakamana temple on the way to Pokhara by cable car. Upon reaching Pokhara, we take a short flight to Jomsom and visit Muktinath temple and Jwala Mai temple. After praying for salvation at Muktinath temple, we fly back to Pokhara for exploring the beautiful city. We will be at the doorsteps of Bindabashini temple, tal barahi temple, gupteshowr cave and pray for the prosperity and good health of us and our loved ones. In this way, we finally end our week-long Hindu pilgrimage tour and drive back to Kathmandu followed by your international departure on an upcoming day.

Hindu pilgrimage tours in Nepal can be embarked on during any season. Get glorified by the blessings of Lord Pashupatinath and other deities and make your Hindu pilgrimage tour in Nepal a trip worth remembering in years to come.

## PRICE INCLUDES

- Airport / hotel / airport transfer by private car / van / bus as per above itinerary.
- Three night's deluxe accommodation in Kathmandu inclusive breakfast.
- Two nights 3\* category hotel in Pokhara including breakfast.
- An English speaking tour guide for your whole trip inclusive of food, accommodation, salary, insurance, equipment etc.
- All tour activities as per above program.
- Jomsom to Pokhara and Pokhara flight inclusive domestic departure Tax.
- Surface transfer from and to Kathmandu by private car/van.
- Entry permits and fees for all temple, park, monasteries, cultural and historical spots.
- Farewell dinner in typical Nepalese restaurant with cultural dance.
- All our government taxes.
- Official expenses.
- Jomsom -Ranipauwa- Jomsom jeep.

## PRICE EXCLUDES

- Foods in Kathmandu and other places more than indicated as per programme.
- Your travel insurance.
- International airfare.
- Nepal entry visa , you can obtain a visa easily upon your arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport in Kathmandu. (Tourist Visa with Multiple Entry for 30 days can be obtained by paying US \$ 40 or equivalent foreign currency. Similarly, Tourist Visa with Multiple Entry for 90 days can be obtained by paying US \$ 100. Please bring 2 copies of passport size photos.) (US\$ 40 per person) you obtain a visa easily upon your arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport Kathmandu for 60 days from date of issue. You required 2 passport size photos & your password copy.
- Items of a personal nature such as alcoholic drinks, cold drinks, laundry.
- Personal clothing and equipments.
- Tips for guide and driver. (Tipping is expected).

## ITINERARY IN DETAIL

### Day 1: Arrival at Kathmandu airport and transfer to hotel

Welcome to Hindu country Nepal! As soon as your arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport in Kathmandu you will be greeted by one of our representatives and transferred to hotel. Free for rest of the day. Overnight at hotel.

### Day 2: After breakfast proceed for sightseeing tour Pashupatinath temple & Kailashnath Mahadev

We will begin our full-day sightseeing tour with a visit to Pashupatinath temple, the most sacred Hindu shrine of Lord Shiva, followed by a short half-hour drive towards Sanga around a huge statue of Kailashnath Mahadev on top of the hill.

Pashupatinath is the most significant Hindu shrine in the world, and the temple itself is the biggest Hindu temple of Lord Shiva located on the banks of the Bagmati River. Almost every Hindu pilgrims wants to bow their head in front of the Pashupatinath temple at least once in their lifetime. The cremation site, nearby jungle, river, and whole surroundings are the major attractions around the Pashupatinath. The temple is even listed on the UNESCO world heritage site. A large number of devotees, including national and international celebrities, delegates have visited the Pashupatinath temple.

After exploring the Pashupatinath temple, we head towards Sanga nearby Bhaktapur to visit Kailashnath Mahadev. And it is the world's tallest Shiva statue standing at 143 feet in height. There are exclusive facilities for tourists on the resort with a health club, meditation center, spa, yoga center with deluxe rooms. Overnight at Hotel.

### Day 3: After breakfast sightseeing tour around Dakshinkali temple & Narayanthan temple

Today after having our instant meal, we will leave for Dakshinkali temple, the famous temple of goddesses "Kali" and believed to be the most powerful Hindu goddesses with lots of blessings to offer. Located at 22 kilometers south of Kathmandu valley, we will be there at our private vehicle driving through beautiful forested lands, valleys, rivers and settlements along the way. The temple was built in the time of Malla regime in Kathmandu when goddess kali appeared in the dream of King and he ordered to construct the temple. Every Saturday and during Dashain festival, large number of hindu pilgrims from all over visits the temple with great belief. Animals like male goat and cockerels are sacrificed in large number in the name of goddesses.

Narayanthan temple also known as Budhanilkantha temple is the sacred temple of Lord Vishnu situated at northern side of Kathmandu. After short drive towards base of Shivapuri hill, we arrive at Budhanilkantha temple where we can worship the sleeping statue of Lord Narayan(Vishnu) which is 5 meters long in a small pond. Majorly the hindu pilgrims crowd can be seen during chaturmasya festival in Oct/Nov when it is believed that Lord Vishnu wakes up from his sleep. After being at the major hindu pilgrimage sites we get back to hotel for overnight stay.

### Day 4: After breakfast visit Manakamana temple and drive to Pokhara

We begin our day with a scenic 100 km drive towards Kurintar to visit the "Manakamana" temple, also known as wish-granting goddesses. "Manakamana" in Nepali means "your wishes come true," and it is believed that the wishes of all the pilgrims come true after worshipping goddesses. Upon arrival at Kurintar, we will ride a cable car, the fast and most accessible way on the top. It takes approximately 10 minutes to arrive at the top. The beautiful scenery awaits

on the way.

After visiting Manakamana temple, we returned downhill through the cable car and drove towards Pokhara for the next 100 km. You will be mesmerized by the scenic views of valleys, rivers on the way, and the astounding views of Annapurna Himalayas and lakes. After checking in at the hotel, we boated on Phewa Lake for beautiful sunset views. Overnight at Hotel.

### **Day 5: Early flight from Pokhara to Jomsom and visit Muktinath temple and return Jomsom**

We will be having early breakfast today as we have to catch a short 30minutes flight from Pokhara to Jomsom. Upon checking in at the hotel in Jomsom, we head towards Muktinath temple on Jeep (20 km). The jeep only reaches till Ranipauwa, from where we have to walk for around 45 minutes to finally arrive at Muktinath temple, the greatest pilgrimage site for Hindus all over the world. Muktinath is the god of salvation and it is believed that after taking a holy bath around 108 waters sprouts inside the temple, the one gets salvation. Further, we will visit the Jwala Mai temple where the natural gas emerges lighting the eternal flames which are believed to be created by Lord Brahma himself. We end our day after getting back to our jeep in Ranipauwa which takes us back to the hotel in Jomsom for an overnight stay.

### **Day 6: Flight from Jomsom to Pokhara followed by full day Pokhara sightseeing**

Early morning we will schedule a flight to Pokhara and check-in at the hotel. Today we will explore the scenic lake city Pokhara. Initially, we visit Bindabashini temple, the holy site where the goddesses Bindabasnini fulfills the wishes of her devotees. The next attraction would be Devis' fall, the spectacular water fall in the region. And we will visit Gupteshwor cave; which is named after Lord shiva. Further, a boat ride will take us to the Tal barahi temple or island temple in the middle of Phewa Lake. After exploring all the religious and touristic sites of the scenic Pokhara valley, we will stroll around the lakeside for individual activities. Overnight at the hotel.

### **Day 7: Drive back to Kathmandu**

Finally, we head back to the capital city Kathmandu on a scenic 200 km drive. Crossing the valleys, rivers with beautiful views of gorges, ridges, and settlements, we arrive at Kathmandu and check in at the hotel for rest. Further exploration of Kathmandu valley till the end of the day. And pack for the flight back home tomorrow.

### **Day 8: Final Departure**

Last day at Kathmandu, you will be transferred to the international airport on our vehicle and farewell. You will be flying back home with the great feeling of peace and enlightenment by visiting numerous Hindu pilgrimage sites around the beautiful country Nepal.