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Tent Peak Climbing

Tent Peak (5, 633m) (also known as Tharpu Chuli) is gloriously situated within the Annapurna Sanctuary, providing a great objective for a short trekking peak expedition, offering magnificent views of the Annapurna massif from the summit combined with spectacular trekking to and from base camp and the opportunity to summit your first Himalayan peak in a little more than two weeks. The beautiful landscape at the trekking part adds another reason for choosing a climb to this spectacular Tent Peak. While you trek along the fertile Modi Khola River belt, you will enjoy the natural glory as well as the cultural magnificence of most popular trekking region of Nepal. The alpine plants, lush forests, colorful flowers, culturally rich local people, snow-covered mountains would surely mesmerize you with their serene beauty. Path to the beginning of the route runs along a steep serpentine road with amazingly beautiful sceneries. During the spring season, you will see the mountains tinged with red or pink. As you trek higher, you will experience why the buffer zone near the Annapurna massif is considered the most picturesque in Nepal. Moreover, the easy accessibility of the Tent Peak makes it an ideal destination for those wishing for a short trekking plus peak climbing expedition. The Tent Peak Climbing trek begins from the Lake City of Pokhara in the Annapurna region. During the initial days, while trekking via Dhampus, Landruk, Chomrong and Dobhan, enjoy the mountainous environment marveling at colorful flora and clear views of the marvelous high mountains including the two eight-thousanders: Mt. Annapurna (8091m) and Mt. Dhaulagiri (8167m). Enjoy the ethnic hospitality along with the cultural magnificence of Nepal's ethnic mountain people. Trekking further we reach MBC and ABC. The climb for Tent Peak or Tharpu Chuli starts further from ABC after reaching the Tent Peak Base Camp. After summiting the peak, return from the same route until ABC. From ABC, we trek down to Bamboo, Jhinudada, and Nayapul, passing by waterfalls, villages & settlements, and the rhododendron forest that bloom with red flowers during the springtime. From Naya Pul, we drive to Pokhara which indicates the end of this amazing adventure.

Price:

Trip Start:

Trip Ends:

Duration: 18 Days

Grade: Hard

Altitude: 5663m

Destination:

Trip Style:

Transport:

Group Size: 1+

Best Time: March to May; September to November

Itinerary

Day	Title	Description
1	<u>Kathmandu (1300m)</u>	After landing at the Tribhuvan International Airport, Adventure Ascent representative will be there to greet you and take you to the hotel. We will then check-in at the hotel, freshen up and take a rest. Welcome dinner will be hosted in the evening.
2	<u>Kathmandu: Sightseeing and Trek Preparation</u>	After introduction with the city tour guide at the hotel you will begin your tour to Pashupatinath temple, Swayambhunath stupa and Bouddhanath stupa, which are all world heritage sites. Pashupatinath temple is one of the most important places of pilgrimage for all Hindus. Swayambhunath is also known as the Monkey Temple and Baudhanath Stupa is one of the largest stupas in the world. After the tour you will meet with your trekking/ peak climbing guide, briefing about the trek/climb and checking your trek gears will be done afterwards.
3	<u>Fly to Pokhara and Trek to Ulleri (2020m)</u>	After breakfast take flight to Pokhara takes approximately 25 minutes. The left side seat of the airplane offers some amazing views of the Himalayas. After landing Pokhara we drive to Tirkhedunga for three hours. We start our real trek journey from Tirkhedunga walking up hill on stairs for 2 hours or 2:30 minutes before reaching Ulleri 2,020m/ 6,627 feet. The total hike should take 2-3 hours.
4	<u>Trek to Ghorepani (2874 m (9429 ft).m)</u>	After breakfast, we head towards Ghorepani village. Ghorepani is an interesting place with small shops and stalls for selling local products and crafts. The town has two parts: one in a saddle and the other a few hundred feet lower. We stop at the higher part of the Ghorepani village that offers panoramic views of the surrounding mountains including Annapurna South and Nilgiri mountains. Since Ghorepani lies quite higher, we begin to feel the cold weather, especially in the evenings. Overnight in Ghorepani.

- 5 Trek to
Tadapani via
Poonhill
(2,700m)

Before the dawn we start our hike up to Poon Hill, one of the panoramic viewpoints of Annapurna Region. On reaching the top of the hill, named after an ethnical tribe of Nepal, the Puns, we get the biggest reward of Annapurna Panorama Trek. Behold the magnificence of Himalayas- the wide range of panoramic scenery from the far western Himalaya of Dolpo, Mt. Dhaulagiri, and Annapurna including Mt. Machhapuchhre (Fish Tail) and all the way to Manasalu Himalayan range. When the first sunlight of the day falls on these soaring Himalayan peaks the views are even more mesmerizing. Enjoy an hour or so at the top and descend down to Ghorepani for the breakfast. After breakfast the trek towards destination starts. We walk through the pleasant rhododendron forest downhill for a while and then slide up for almost ten minutes to Deurali Pass. Almost 5 hours of scenic walk up and down from Ghorepani brings us to Tadapani.
- 6 Trek to
Chhomrong
(2170m)

As we descend from Tadapani through stair cases we pass along the trail through a dense rhododendron forest. The narrow trail for sometimes opens up to perfectly manicured terraced views. Pass a few surging waterfalls a suspension bridge. After lunch we start the day for couple of hours and finally arrive to Chhomrong. It is a beautiful village located on the lap of the giant Annapurna massive. You can also enjoy the magnificent view of Mt. Fishtail, Annapurna III, Ganggapurna, Gandarvachuli from your tea house.
- 7 Trek to Dobhan
(2600m)

The trail from Chhomrong descends first on stone staircases to cross the Chhomrong khola and then we climb steep all the way to Sinuwa. Beyond Sinuwa, the trails enters into the forests and it goes up and down all the way to Dovan. There are only few lodges from now onwards at every night stop. It can be cold in the late afternoon as the sun hides behind the big hill before getting dark.

- 8 Trek to
Machhapuchhre
Base Camp
(3700m) Soon after breakfast we hit the trail passing through the bamboo forest which is damp and cold then ascend steadily with fewer steep sections. It is only after reaching Himalaya Hotel that the forest opens up and we are out in the sun again with phenomenal views of the glacial river below. It is a steep climb up through a much drier forest before reaching Hinku Cave. From here we can see the trail drop closer to the river before climbing again to Deurali, the most scenic stretch of the day. The vegetation is scanty, allowing magical views of the valley, the river below, and the sheer rock face cliffs above with bands of wispy waterfalls. And then we stop for lunch in Deurali. After lunch we start ascending gently thorough a river bed then over a steep trail over to the mountain side. The hike to Machhapuchhre Base Camp is somewhat strenuous. From Machhapuchhre base camp we get an excellent views of the majestic Machhapuchhre along with Mt. Hiunchuli, Annapurna South, Annapurna I, Annapurna III, Gandharvachuli and Ganggapurna which is certainly a rewarding experience.
- 9 Trek to
Annapurna
Base Camp
(ABC) (4130m) Today we are above the tree line. The vegetation disappears on our way to ABC and the path widens as we enter the Annapurna sanctuary. From here, we get breath taking views of the near-vertical south face of Annapurna towering above us. The sanctuary boasts of a dynamic view without anything impeding the 360-degree panorama. From the base camp we again get to enjoy magnificent views of the Machhapuchhre, Annapurna south, Annapurna I, Hiunchuli and many other peaks.
- 10 Acclimatization
& Climbing
Preparation at
ABC Today is set for acclimatization. Your guide will brief you about the climb, feel free to ask any questions to your team leader or guides that you may have regarding the climb. After lunch, our guides will provide training on peak climbing techniques and on using climbing gears such as ice axe, climbing boot, harness, jumner, and how to ascend and descend using ropes. There will also be training on how to fix the ropes, climbing technique, and about the knot and gears. We believe that some training experience will boost up your confidence and climbing skills, thus increasing the chances of scaling the summit as well as fully enjoy the experience. For those who aren't willing to climb the peak, there are plenty of options like walking and exploring in the area including a trip to discover the South Face of Annapurna I.

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| 11 | <u>Trek to Tent Peak Base Camp (4450m)</u> | We cross the glacier and Moraine Mountain passes descending onto Annapurna South Glacier. Follow the cairned trail across the surface on the ice. Climb the moraine on the opposite bank of the glacier. Enjoy the views of the high mountains from 6000ers to 8000ers. Finally arrive at the Tent Peak Base Camp which is a flat camping area. |
| 12 | <u>Trek to High Camp (5,200m)</u> | Today, we make a steep ascent to the Tent Peak High Camp. Enjoy the panoramic views of Hiunchuli (6441m), Annapurna South (7219m), Annapurna I (8091m), Fishtail Mountain, and other snow-capped high mountains. Climb the hill to a glacial bowl. After setting up the high camp, we spend the remainder of the day discovering and preparing for the final summit. |
| 13 | <u>Ascent Tent Peak and Return to base Camp</u> | Around midnight, we get ready for the final push. We cross the short glacier to reach the base of several snow flutings. Climb fixed ropes to the final summit ridge. As we get nearer the summit, a sharp top of Tent Peak (5663m / 18,580 ft) unfolds. After summiting, we take the same route to return back to high camp. |
| 14 | <u>Descent to Annapurna Base Camp</u> | We continue our journey descending to the glacier and to Tent Peak Base Camp. From there we trek further down to the Annapurna Base Camp |
| 15 | <u>Trek Back to Bamboo (2310m)</u> | Today we retrace our steps towards Bamboo. Today's trek is downhill so it shouldn't be very difficult. Besides, we will always have the company of the extraordinary landscape to cheer us up. |
| 16 | <u>Trek to Jhinu Danda (1780m)</u> | From Bamboo, it is an uphill trek to Kuldighar followed by a downhill walk to Chhomrong Khola. Then we climb the stone steps to Chhomrong. The trail then descends to Jhinu Danda, where we will be staying for the night. Today we will have an opportunity to enjoy hot springs just 15-20 minute downhill walk from Jhinu Danda to soothe our aching body. |
| 17 | <u>Trek to Pokhara</u> | On our off road driving to Naya Pul from Jhinu danda we get to enjoy the mesmerizing hill landscape of western Nepal. Our trek will end at Naya Pul where we board our vehicle to Pokhara. After lunch wonderful afternoon celebration. |
| 18 | <u>Fly From Pokhara to Kathmandu</u> | In the morning after breakfast we will enjoying Pokhara memorable city tour before lunch. afternoon fly to Kathmandu. The left side seat of the airplane offers some amazing views of the Himalayas. Upon arrival in Kathmandu,. In the evening, we will attend a celebration as well as farewell dinner together. |

- 19 Final Departure Our adventure in Nepal ends today. An Adventure Ascent representative will drop you off at the Tribhuwan International Airport a few hours before the scheduled flight for final departure towards your sweet home.

Includes

Airport Pick up and transfers to hotel and briefings with tea and biscuits in Katmandu.

All accommodation as BB in 4 star hotel.

Experience professional guide for tour, trekking.

Full insurance for staff during the trip.

Full board meals on trekking breakfast lunch & dinner.

Properly tea and coffee whatever hot drink available only on trekking.

Transportation from the starting and ending points of the trekking.

All domestic flight tickets and airport tax for Everest region and Jomsom only.

First Aid Kit for staff.

Oxygen gas in case.

National park entry fee and TIMS card or trekking permit whatever needed.

Sleeping bag.

Trekking stick.

Potter bag (Luggage).

Excludes

Lunch and dinner in Kathmandu and Pokhara.

All hard drinks such as : Mineral water, whisky, rum, cola, fanta, etc.

All entrance fees during the sightseeing in Katmandu and until finished.

Any extra cost offering from unfavorable circumstance such as weather bad.

Personal expenses like hot shower and battery charge.

Personal equipment.

Emergency Rescue evacuation if necessary.

Personal tips for trekking staff.