

Nagarkot Classic View Tour

Duration: 2 Days



Overview

Trip Grade: Easy	Max Altitude: 2175 M
Activity: Hiking, Trekking, Sightseeing	Group Size: Minimum 02 Pax
Arrival On: Kathmandu, Nepal	Departure From: Kathmandu, Nepal
Meals: All meals during trek & breakfast in kathmandu	Accommodation: Stone Built Houses (tea houses) during trek

Nagarkot is 32 km far from central **Kathmandu**. It is one of the highest hills near Kathmandu valley. It is 2175m high from the sea level. Around the Nagarkot hill, most of the people are **Tamang** ethnic. They seem no more affected by city lifestyle. We can find real village life experiences there. When we go to Nagarkot, we have to drive through **Bhaktapur city**. So, at the first we visit Bhaktapur Durbar Square which is the most popular **UNESCO** listed heritage site of city sightseeing in Nepal.

We can see many temples, viharas, museums, statues and many other amazing things around durbar square. They are related to the local **Newari** peoples'™ lifestyles and their interesting history. Most of the monuments are from 14 to 17th century around Bhaktapur. That period was the **Malla** dynasty period according to Nepal's™ history. And after that, we drive to Telkot village and start to hike up or trek to Nagarkot. It takes about 1.5 hrs to walk through local Tamang ethnic villages. Gradually we climb up and we can see nice views of Kathmandu and Bhaktapur city and valley including other surrounding hills, jungles, and the Himalayas also. When we reach Nagarkot village, at the first you see the local bus station, then we go ahead a few meters and reach the area of tourist hotels. Most of the tourist standard hotels are there. From your hotel location, we can see an excellent view of Langtang and Ganesh Himal range.

At the evening time we will see a perfect view of the sunset and the next morning early in the morning we go to Nagarkot viewpoint by private car, it takes about 20 minutes. And there is a view tower from where we can see a nice view of sunrise and excellent view of Himalayas again. Most of the people they want to see Everest from there. But we do not give a guarantee, we say more possible

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because of the weather. Another thing is it's really far from here. That's why we do not see clearly the Everest. But we see many other mountains from here during the time of sunset.

After the delicious breakfast, we walk down to the southern ridge to get to the **Changunarayan** temple. It is about 13 km passing through the pine trees and the settlement of Tamang Ethnic community can be visited on the way. Locals may say you Lhaso as it is same to Namaste in their language. While walking through the pine trees after Telkot, we might see people coming with pine leaves or grasses hill like the bamboo basket and normally there are people grazing their goats too. Then we reach the famous Vishnu temple, Changunarayan. The temple premise is full of old stone statues which are the masterpieces. Then we will back to Kathmandu by private car.

There are different trails from Nagarkot for the hikers. Dhulikhel is about 18 km on the eastern ridge from Nagarkot and through the panoramic landscape and local villages. If taken to the north-west side, the trail takes us to **Chisapani** which is also very famous trekking trail. So depending upon the interest and the days, hikers have multiple choice. It will be 2 to 7 days around Kathmandu valley.



Itinerary

Kathmandu-Bhaktapur city tour and drive to Nagarkot.

After your breakfast, we start our tour visiting ancient city Bhaktapur, known as the city of the devotee. It is located at 14 km Northeast of Kathmandu city which is full of old wooden carving and temples made of red bricks. We will begin from the center palace square to see the important temples, palace and statues. The statues of Bhairava and Ugrachandi near the main entrance are magnificent where the 55 windows palaces full of wooden carving attract us to approach immediately near the golden gate. After this, we walk to Potter square through the small alley with the beautiful small souvenir shops. We can see the oven and handmade pottery or even you can try yourself. Then move to Taumadi Square to see the 5 stores Siddhi Laxmi or Panchtale temple and beautiful Bhairave temple. We will go to Nagarkot after visiting the Dattatreya square which is the very old part of Bhaktapur and origin of wooden carving is considered this place.

Since Nagarkot is a place for the view of the Himalayas and the sunrise and sunset, we will enjoy the sunset view and walk a bit. Enjoying the dinner, we will wait for the morning sunrise view.

Nagarkot-Changunarayan hiking -Back to Kathmandu by drive.

The early morning is so nice to get up here in Nagarkot so that we can enjoy the view before the sunrise and the changes of color of the mountains with the sun. Enjoying with good photos, we will have breakfast and get prepared to hike down to Changunarayan. The first part of our hiking will be down to the Telkot passing the Tamang ethnic villages and the fields. We pass the motorway from time to time then upon reaching Telkot, we start walking through the pine trees. It is really calm and serene walking, the beginning a few time is slightly climb up then it is flat. We may meet some hikers coming from Changunarayan and might see the people grazing the cattle. Then we reach Changunarayan temple, it on a small hillock with the Newari houses. The work of wooden carving can be seen there while some painters can be seen working hard on the canvass to preserve the old Thangka paintings. After visiting this old Vishnu temple and taking little bit time there, we wrap up our visit to get back to Kathmandu with beautiful memories and sharing the short hiking experience with our team.

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Cost Includes

- ⇒ Hotel accommodation in B/B basis in **Nagarkot**.
- ⇒ Farewell dinner in Kathmandu.
- ⇒ All the transportation as per the itinerary.
- ⇒ A professional guide for you.
- ⇒ Porter service(2 trekkers: 1 porter) if needed.
- ⇒ Food and accommodation for your guide and porters.
- ⇒ All necessary documents(Entry Permits).
- ⇒ All government and local taxes.
- ⇒ T-shirt from the company.
- ⇒ Trip map.
- ⇒ Trip completion certificate.
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- ⇒ Visa for Nepal.
- ⇒ International flight to and from Kathmandu.
- ⇒ Lunch and dinner in Kathmandu and Nagarkot.
- ⇒ Travel and rescue insurance of clients.
- ⇒ Personal expenses: Bar bills & laundry service.
- ⇒ Extra night accommodation in Kathmandu and Other destination in exception of the itinerary.
- ⇒ Tips for guide and porters.