

DESTINATION ITINERARY

Nepal

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FEATURED IN THIS JOURNEY



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Swayambhunath (Monkey Temple)



Pokhara and Phewa Lake

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Destination overview

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PACKAGE DURATION

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STARTING PRICE

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BEST TIME

Peak: Mar, Apr, Oct, Nov | Shoulder: Jan, Feb, May, Sep, Dec | Avoid: Jun, Jul, Aug

TRIP TYPES

hill, heritage

8 APPROVED SUBLOCATIONS

Places you'll visit



Pashupatinath Temple (Kathmandu)

TEMPLE | 2-3 HOURS

One of the most important Shiva temples in the Hindu world, set along the banks of the Bagmati river in eastern Kathmandu. Only Hindus may enter the main sanctum; others view the gilded roofs, cremation ghats and resident sadhus from the terraces opposite. It is busiest at Maha Shivaratri.



Swayambhunath (Monkey Temple)

HERITAGE SITE | 2 HOURS

A hilltop Buddhist stupa west of central Kathmandu, its whitewashed dome topped by painted eyes and a gilded spire. Visitors climb a long stone stairway past shrines and resident monkeys, walk clockwise spinning the prayer wheels at the base, and look out across the whole Kathmandu Valley.



Pokhara and Phewa Lake

LAKE | FULL DAY

A relaxed lakeside town below the Annapurna range and the usual base for treks in the region. Visitors row wooden boats out to the Tal Barahi temple on its island, walk the lakeside promenade, and take in the World Peace Pagoda and Devi's Fall on the outskirts.



Chitwan National Park

NATIONAL PARK | 2 DAYS

A lowland reserve of grassland, sal forest and river channels in the Terai, known for greater one-horned rhino, gharial and sloth bear, with a small tiger population. Visitors take jeep safaris, guided walks and dugout canoe trips, and many stay near Tharu villages along the Rapti river.



Bhaktapur Durbar Square

HERITAGE SITE | HALF DAY

The best preserved of the Kathmandu Valley's three royal squares, a traffic-free quarter of brick and carved timber. Visitors see the fifty-five window palace, the tiered Nyatapola temple and the pottery square, watch potters and thangka painters at work, and try the local juju dhau curd.



Sarangkot sunrise viewpoint

VIEWPOINT | 3-4 HOURS

A ridge above Pokhara reached by a short drive or a steep pre-dawn walk, and the standard place to watch first light strike Machhapuchhre and the Annapurna wall. Travellers arrive in the dark, wait through a cold half-hour, and some descend afterwards by paraglider rather than road.



Kathmandu Valley durbar squares

HERITAGE | HALF DAY

The valley's historic palace squares bring together Newar architecture, temples and living urban neighbourhoods. Travellers visit for craftsmanship and layered history; allow separate time for the chosen square rather than treating all as one quick stop.



Annapurna foothill views

MOUNTAIN LANDSCAPE | HALF TO FULL DAY

The hills around Pokhara provide accessible ridge walks and mountain viewpoints without committing to a long expedition. Conditions and visibility vary, so build in flexibility and use an appropriate guide for longer walks.

6 DAYS

Suggested day-by-day plan

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DAY 5

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DAY 6

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Travel essentials

CURRENCY

The Nepalese rupee is the local currency. Indian rupee notes in smaller denominations are commonly accepted, and cards work in Kathmandu and Pokhara.

LANGUAGE

Nepali is the national language and English is widely used in tourism. Hindi is understood almost everywhere, which makes travel easy for Indian visitors.

TIME DIFFERENCE

Nepal is 15 minutes ahead of Indian Standard Time (IST).

WEATHER

Warm in the Terai and cooler in the hills, with clear mountain views in spring and autumn, monsoon cloud through summer and cold, bright winters.

CONNECTIVITY

Indian roaming works but local Ncell or Nepal Telecom SIMs are cheap and simple to arrange. Coverage weakens on high trekking routes.

VISA AND PERMITS

Indian citizens do not require a visa for Nepal. Carry a valid Indian passport or Election Commission voter identity card; confirm the accepted documents for children before departure.

Food and culture

Nepali meals centre on dal bhat, seasonal vegetables and pickle, alongside Newari dishes, momos and thukpa. Vegetarian food is widely available; beef is generally absent, though buffalo appears in Newar cooking. Remove shoes at temples and homes, circle stupas clockwise and ask before photographing people or cremation ghats.

AIR, RAIL AND ROAD

Getting there from India

AIR

Kathmandu is the main air gateway, with direct and connecting flights from several Indian cities. Regional airports support Pokhara and the Terai.

RAIL

There is no through mainline passenger railway to Kathmandu. Indian railheads near approved land borders can support an overland entry.

ROAD

Several approved land borders connect India and Nepal. Choose the crossing based on the Indian origin and Nepal itinerary, then allow for slower mountain roads.

Official guidance: Tribhuvan International Airport Immigration FAQ - <https://tia.immigration.gov.np/faq> (checked 2026-08-30)

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Practical notes

- The Nepalese rupee is pegged to the Indian rupee; Indian notes are often accepted, but high-denomination Indian notes may be refused.
- Traffic drives on the left, and hill roads are slow and winding - allow far more time than the road distance suggests.
- Remove shoes and leather belts before entering temple precincts, and dress modestly at Pashupatinath.
- October to early December gives the clearest mountain views; June to September is monsoon, when the peaks are often hidden.
- Tipping is modest but customary for trekking guides and porters, and is usually settled at the end of the trip.
- Carry warm layers even in autumn - mornings at Sarangkot and Nagarkot are cold well before the sun comes up.

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