

## (05 NIGHTS/06 DAYS) SCENIC NEPAL



**HIGHLIGHTS: KATHMANDU • EVEREST EXPERIENCE FLIGHT • PASHUPATINATH TEMPLE • BOUDHANATH STUPA • BHAKTAPUR DURBAR SQUARE • POKHARA VALLEY • SUNRISE EXCURSION • ONE HOUR BOATING • CULTURAL DINNER**

### DAY 01: ARRIVAL - KATHMANDU (-/-/-)

Arrive in Kathmandu. Meeting and assistance at the airport and transfer to the hotel

Rest of the day is free.

### Overnight at the hotel in Kathmandu

### DAY 02: KATHMANDU (BREAKFAST/-/-)

Early morning, possibility of a scenic **Everest Experience flight (50 min)**

This flight provides brief but stunning views of an encyclopedic assortment of peaks. After taking off from Kathmandu airport the flight curves and flies over Dhulikhel towards Jiri offering panoramic views of peaks like Langtang (7246m), Mt. Shishapangma (8027m), Mt. Dorje Lakpa (6975m) and Mt. Lapchi Kang(7367m). Now the flight banks towards north to provide close-up view of four 8000's giants Mt. Makalu(8479m), Mt. Lhotse (8501m), Mt. Everest (8848m) and Mt. Cho Oyu (8153m). It passes over Namche Bazaar



and glides back over Solu passing by Mt. Numbur (6956m) and the bulk of Gauri Shankar (7145m).

## After breakfast, sightseeing tour of **Pashupatinath temple**

Pashupatinath is one of the sacred Shiva temples on the Indian sub-continent. It draws devotees from all over India, including many colorful Sadhus (wandering Holy men). It is the largest temple complex in Nepal. Visiting Pashupatinath begins and ends a traditional pilgrimage circuit. Lord Pashupatinath's supreme holiness stems from hollowed linga enshrined in the main temple and its location on the bank of sacred Bagmati River. Bagmati sanctity makes Pashupatinath Nepal's most sacred cremation site.



## Continue on to **Boudhanath Stupa**

On the eastern side of Kathmandu is a huge stupa of Boudhanath. This is the largest stupa in Nepal and one of the largest in the world. It is the sacred place for Buddhist pilgrims. Once you enter the stupa complex it resembles Bharkor street of Tibet with a considerable population of Tibetans, number of thriving monasteries and many small shops selling Tibetan artifacts. Boudhanath is one of the few places in the world where Tibetan culture is accessible, vibrant and unbound.



## Afternoon, sightseeing tour of **Bhaktapur Durbar Square including Pottery Square**

Hidden by the alleyways leading south from the curving road to Taumadhi Tole, Potters' Sq is exactly what you would expect – a public square full of treadle-power wheels and rows of clay pots drying in the sun. This is the centre of Bhaktapur's ceramic industry, and it's a fascinating place to wander around. Several shops sell the finished article, and you can see the firing process at the back of the square, which is lined with mud-covered straw kilns.



## **Overnight at the hotel in Kathmandu**

## DAY 03: KATHMANDU – POKHARA (205 KMS/6 HRS DRIVE) (BREAKFAST/-/-)

After breakfast, drive to Pokhara valley (205 kms/6 hrs drive)

En route possibility of rafting on Trishuli river (approx. 2.5 hrs)

Later, drive to to **Pokhara town** It is also referred as city of lakes and mountains. It is also the gateway to one of the best trekking location in the world. Approx. 200 kms from Kathmandu Pokhara enjoys a mild climate, clean air, reflection of snow capped mountains on the sheltered lake. Its relaxed atmosphere is pleasantly removed from the hectic hustle and bustle of Kathmandu. Lakeside Pokhara is a traveler’s oasis. Upon arrival transfer to the hotel in Pokhara.



Evening, stroll around the lakeside area.

### Overnight at the hotel in Pokhara

## DAY 04: POKHARA (BREAKFAST/-/-)

Early morning, excursion to Sarangkot hill for a closer view of the mountains (weather permitting)

At an elevation of 1592m, Sarangkot is probably the most popular short excursion from Pokhara. It is perfect viewpoint to admire the mountain views and splendid panorama. The panoramic view includes a glimpse of Mt. Dhaulagiri, Mt. Annapurna South and Mt. Hiunchuli with the bulk of Mt. Annapurna behind, unmistakable mt. Fishtail, Mt. Annapurna III, IV and II and Lamjung Himal. Pre-dawn excursion to Sarangkot is recommended to view beautiful sunrise over the Himalayas. The sight of shimmering Phewa Lake is stunning enough, but to the north the hillside drops straight down to Suikhet valley, with a breathtaking vista of Mt. Dhaulagiri, the Annapurna range, and Mt, Fishtail filling the horizon



After breakfast, sightseeing tour of Pokhara town with one hour boating on Fewa lake

Boat trip in the lovely Phewa Lake is the foremost attraction of Pokhara. Paddling out into the middle of the lake is a nice way to spend a quite afternoon. Phewa lake is the largest lake in Pokhara valley and the second largest lake in Nepal.

Rest of the day is free



## **Overnight at the hotel in Pokhara**

### **DAY 05: POKHARA – KATHMANDU (BREAKFAST/-/DINNER)**

After breakfast, drive back to **Kathmandu**.

Evening, transfer to an authentic Nepali restaurant for **farewell dinner with cultural shows**

This is one of the wonderful experiences to taste typical Nepali food which we call “Dal Baht” with lentils. You will be surprised with the variety of Nepalese dishes that will keep on coming. The server with a gentle smile in their face will name you every item in Nepali as well as in English language before serving you. Along with the food you will be kept entertained with typical Nepali folk shows. You will get a chance to see the dance performance of different ethnic groups of Nepal in their unique cultural uniform.



## **Overnight at the hotel in Kathmandu**

### **DAY 06: DEPARTURE (BREAKFAST/-/-)**

Free till departure. Transfer to the airport in time to connect your onward flight.

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