

Mt. Kailash Tour

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Day 1

Fly Kathmandu – Lhasa

After breakfast, transfer to airport for flight to Lhasa. When you arrive in Lhasa either by train or flight, your guide will greet you and take you to your hotel. Tourists may view the Yarlung Tsangpo River/ Bhamaputra river (the Longest and largest river in Tibet) and Lhasa river on their way to Lhasa. After arriving in Lhasa, you can take a rest and get acclimatized to high altitude. If you feel to go out, then you can go to the Potala Square, where you will enjoy the fountain with different colors and get amazing photos of the Potala and around. Insider Tips: For the new-comers of Tibet, to get acclimatized to the high altitude in Tibet. Having a good sleep in your hotel is a good option. Don not rush to visit attractions inside Lhasa city. Stay overnight in Lhasa.

Day 2

Lhasa tour - Potala Palace, Jokhang and Barkhor street (B)

Breakfast is at Hotel. Today's tour will first bring you to the Potala Palace which is the winter palace of the Dalai lama. It was put to use since the 7th Century by the 33rd great king of Tibet. The most valuable collections of Potala Palace are the gilded burial stupas of former Dalai Lamas and meditation Cave of the 33rd great king of Tibet. Then after lunch, tourists head to Jokhang temple which was founded by the 33rd great king of Tibet in the 7th century. Inside you can see the statue of Buddha Sakyamuni at the age of twelve. Outside, you can see pilgrims making prostrating in front of Jokhang Temple. Around the temple is Barkhor street, where you can do kora (a religious circle of a building or mountain) with pilgrims and locals, and explore the old market. Stay overnight in Lhasa.

Day 3

Lhasa tour - Drepung Monastery/Sera Monastery (B)

In the morning ,you are going to visit Drepung monastery which is one of the “great three” Gelug monasteries of Tibet, founded in 1416 by Jamyang choge, one of the Tsongkhapa’s main disciples. You can visit biggest monastery kitchen inside the monastery and enjoy Buddhist Sculpture Carving workshop near Drepung. In the Afternoon, Tourists will visit Sera Monastery which is another one of the “great three” Gelug monasteries of Tibet. The hot attraction is the Monks debate at around 3 - 5 in the afternoon. In addition, you can tour the Tibetan religious scripture printing house; inside the monastery, you can see three sand Mandalas and colorful Rock Painting of Buddha. Stay overnight in Lhasa

Day 4

Lhasa (3650m) to Shigatse (3900m) via Gyantse (B)

In the morning, drive from Lhasa to Shigatse .On the way, drive over the Gampala pass (4790 m), and you will have a glimpse of Yamdrok-tso (4400m) .The Lake is surrounded by many snow-capped mountains and in the distance you can have spectacular views of Holy Mount NyenchenKhangsar, (7191m) the highest mountain near Lhasa .Later, we will pass and enjoy the Korola Glacier on the roadside; At Manak Dam Lake, you can hang pray flag at Simila Mountain Pass; Then, we will arrive in Gyantse, historically Tibet's third largest city (after Lhasa and Shigatse).In Gyantse, we will visit the famous Pelkor Monastery and Gyantse Kumbum and enjoy the Far view of Gyantse Fortress.After one and a half driving, we arrive in Shigatse, which is the second largest city in Tibet. In Shigatse, we may visit traditional Barley Mill and view the landscape of Barley Field (in summer). Stay overnight in Shigatse.

Day 5

Shigatse(3900m) to Everest Base Camp (5200m) (B)

In the morning, we will visit the home of Panchan Lama - Tashilunpo Monastery. Then, we'll leave Shigatse after getting your Alien's travel permit, and then drive to Lhatse, it is a small town where you can have lunch.After that, we will pass Tsola Pass(4600M), and Gyatsola Pass(5248M). Shortly after we enter Mt. Everest National Nature Reserve, tourists can enjoy the panorama of Himalaya at Gawula Pass(5198m).Then we drive along the New zigzag road to Everest Base Camp(5200m). You can get closer to gaze at the Mt. Everest peak. The sunset of golden Everest peak if time and weather permits at the lodging area. Stay overnight at tent or Rongbuk monastery guest house.Stay overnight at Rongbuk.

Day 6

Everest Base Camp –Saga (450km)

In the morning, we can enjoy the sunrise of Everest Peak at lodging area if weather permits; then As we head to saga, you can view of the worlds' 14th highest peak Mt. Shishapangma (8012m), and Turquoise Lake Peikutso(4590m). If you are lucky enough, you are very likely to see wild animals like wild donkey, wild antelope etc. Stay overnight in Saga hotel

Day 7

Saga to Darchen, via Lake Manasarover (450km)

On the way to Darchen, you will have a chance to appreciate the stunning view of the Saga valley between Gangdise Range and Himayala Range. Meanwhile, the beautiful grassland and local's villages can also be seen. As we cross the Mayomla Pass(5112M), you can enjoy the spectacular vista of Mt. Naimonanyi(7694M). Then we are supposed to pass by the holy Lake Manasarover and finally arrive at the southern foot of Mt.Kailash, the most holy mountain in Tibet. Stay overnight in Darchen Hotel.

Day 8

Darchen-Drirapuk (driving 7km, Trek 13km)

In the morning, we are supposed to take eco-bus from Darchen to Sarshung valley. Then we will meet Yaks and porters at Sarshung village. (the cost of hiring yaks, horses, and porters are not included in the package) After that, we can begin the trek (Around 13km) from Sarshung to Drirapuk Monastery along the Lachu

valley and rivers. You can enjoy the both west and north face of mountain Kailash today. Finally, we will visit Drirapuk Monastery. Stay overnight in Guest House

Day 9

Drirapuk-Dzutrpuk (Trek 18km)

Today, we will trek over Dromala pass(5630m), the highest pass of the Kora. On the way you can have a rest in a teahouse. All the way, you can see locals Tibetans prostrating in the Kora path and beautiful Kadoe Lake when walk downhill. We may also visit Zutulpuk Monastery. Stay overnight in Guest House

Day 10

Dzutripuk-Darchen (Trek 7km, driving 5km).

On the day three of the kora. you will trek 7km to Zongto where you can take bus to Darchen. Along the Kora, you can see piles of Mani Stones. We will end the Trek around noon, rest in the lodging place.(Optional): Taking bath in Lake Manasarova and enjoy hot spring Stay overnight in Darchen Hotel.

Day 11

Darchen-Saga (450km)

Embark on a scenic drive from Darchen to Saga, covering a distance of 450 kilometers. En route, you will have the opportunity to witness the serene beauty of Lake Manasarovar, a sacred lake revered by many. The journey through the Tibetan plateau offers breathtaking landscapes and an immersive cultural experience. Upon arrival in Saga, you will check into your hotel and settle in for an overnight stay. Stay overnight in Saga hotel

Day 12

Saga to Sakya (350km)

Today, you will travel from Saga to Sakya, a distance of 350 kilometers. The drive will take you through the picturesque Tibetan countryside, with its rolling hills and vast open spaces. Upon reaching Sakya, you will check into your hotel and prepare for a restful night in this historic town. Stay overnight in Sakya.

Day 13

Sakya to Shigatse (170km)

In the morning, explore the ancient town of Sakya. Visit the renowned Sakya Monastery, famous for its stunning murals, extensive collection of scriptures, and numerous statues. After immersing yourself in the rich history and culture of Sakya, you will embark on a 170-kilometer drive to Shigatse. Upon arrival in Shigatse, you will check into your hotel for an overnight stay. Stay overnight in Shigatse.

Day 14

Shigatse (3900m) to Lhasa (3650m) 350km(B)

Today, you will journey back to Lhasa, covering a distance of 350 kilometers. The drive follows the Yalong Valley, offering magnificent views of the Yalong River bed. You will have the chance to stop at a viewing platform to take in the expansive river landscape. Upon reaching Lhasa, your guide will transfer you to your hotel for an overnight stay. Stay overnight in Lhasa.

Day 15

Depart from Lhasa(B)

Breakfast is at hotel. In the morning after breakfast, drive back to Gonggar Airport for flight to Kathmandu.
