

KATHMANDU – NAGARKOT - DHULIKHEL **(05 NIGHTS /06 DAYS)**

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DAY 01: KATHMANDU

Morning arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport at Kathmandu. Meet assistance and will greet you with Khada at the airport then escort you to the hotel (Check-in Time at 14:00 hrs).

Afternoon visit **Kathmandu Durbar Square (UNESCO World Heritage Site)**, Located in the heart of the capital city, is also known as Hanuman Dhoka square. The name Hanuman Dhoka came from the statue of Hanuman at the entrance of the royal palace, established by the Malla King from 15th to 18th century. The Major attraction in **Kathmandu Durbar Square** are Taleju temple, gigantic figure of Kalbhairav (the god of destruction), Basantapur Durbar Palace, Shiva-Parvati and temple of Kumari on the residence of living goddess. Overnight in the hotel.



DAY 02: KATHMANDU

After **breakfast** visit **Swayambhunath (UNESCO World Heritage Site)**, Swayambhu means "Self-Created." It is also called Monkey Temple. The world's most glorious Buddhist Chaityas built 2000 years ago situated on top of the hillock. Visitors will also have a panoramic view of the valley from this spot. Swayambhunath Stupa, which is considered one of the most imposing stupa in the world, rises high. One can reach the stupa by going up about 365 steps stone steps. The four sides of the stupa depict Buddha's eyes of wisdom, which see through all existences.



Afternoon visits **Patan Durbar Square (UNESCO World Heritage Site)**, also known as Lalitpur. There are three main courtyards in the palace: Mul Chowk, Sundari Chowk and Keshav Narayan Chowk. The Major attraction in Patan Durbar Square are: Taleju Temple, Krishna Temple (which is devoted to Lord Krishna, is one of the best examples of stone architecture in Nepal), Bhimsen Temple and **Golden Temple** of Hiranya Varna.



Later **Pashupatinath (UNESCO World Heritage Site)**, This is the most sacred and one of the holiest Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. Chronicles indicate the temple's existence prior to 400 BC but the main sanctuary of Pashupatinath complex was built in 17th century to replace the past one. Devotees can be seen taking ritual dips in the holy Bagmati river flowing beside the temple. Cremation of the dead body Hindus/Buddhist takes place at the bank of Bagmati River at Pashupatinath.



DAY 03: KATHMANDU - NAGARKOT (2175 m)

After breakfast drive to **Changu Narayan** then soft trek (3.5 hrs) to **Nagarkot**. **Nagarkot**, Located north east of Kathmandu and famous for its Himalayan (Mountain) views- the Himalayan peaks at sunrise are a magnificent sight to behold. Nagarkot is also a famous hill station for the short hikers, biking tour for a day. This place is surrounded by thickly forested hills of pine trees which give you an idyllic scene. During the walk you will have wonderful view of landscape and mountains. Interact with local people and observe the village lifestyle. View sun set. Overnight in the hotel.



DAY 04: NAGARKOT - DHULIKHEL (1550 m)

Wake up early in the **morning for the sunrise view** and also enjoy the awesome view of Mountain range (Weather permit). After **breakfast**, soft trek (4 hrs) to Dhulikhel. **Dhulikhel**, is ancient town is one of the best places to experience authentic Newari culture. Explore Dhulikhel, the older section of the town that still features traditional Newari settlements and old-fashioned brick houses. Have wonderful view of landscape and mountains. Relax and view sun set. Overnight in the hotel.



DAY 05: DHULIKHEL - KATHMANDU

Morning wonderful view of sunrise and mountain range (Weather permit) from the hotel.

After breakfast explore **Dhulikhel town** then proceed for visits of **Bhaktapur Durbar Square**

(**UNESCO World Heritage Site**), It is also known as Bhadgaon, which lies 15 km east of Kathmandu and was built by King Yaksha Malla in 15 century. This city is one of the unique master pieces of wood carving, stone carving and also for Pottery that preserves the world's oldest pottery profession. The Major attraction in Bhaktapur Durbar Square are: Golden Gate, The palace of 55 windows, Taleju Temple, Vatsala Temple, Bhairava Nath Temple, Mini Pashupati temple and Pottery Square.



Afternoon visit **Boudhanath (UNESCO World Heritage Site)**, It was renovated in 8th century. The 36-meter-high stupa of Boudhanath is one of the largest stupa in South Asia. Here you can see many monasteries surrounding it. On each side is a pair of the all-seeing-eyes of the Buddha symbolizing awareness. Boudhanath is a very important and holy stupa to Buddhists, particularly to the Tibetan Buddhists. Overnight in the hotel.



DAY 06: KATHMANDU - DEPARTURE

Breakfast, On time departure transfer to the airport for your onward destination. (Check-out time at 12:00).

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* Return Home with the beautiful memories of your tour *

Highlights:

- Visits all UNESCO World Heritage sites of Kathmandu Valley.
- Interact with the local people including visits of Hindu Temples and Buddhist monuments during the trip.
- Soft trek to Nagarkot and Dhulikhel.
- View of Sunrise - Sunset and Mountain ranges from Nagarkot and Dhulikhel
- Farewell Nepali dinner with Culture Show.