

Snowy Annapurna Expedition (8,091m)

"The highest peak of the Annapurna massive and the $10^{
m th}$ highest summit of the world, the Mt. Annapurna I (8091m) is awaiting your real climbing experience and efforts in Nepal with the professional organizer and the devoted team of Snowy Horizon Expeditions in Nepal."

Annapurna is a series of peaks 55 km long with the highest point, Annapurna I, which stands 8091m in altitude, making it the 10th-highest summit in the world, located in a spectacular setup, east of a great gorge cutting through the Himalayas by the Kali Gandaki River, which separates it from the Dhaulagiri massif lies only 34 km west. Annapurna I was the first 8,000m peak climbed by a French Expedition led by Maurice Herzog, who reached the summit on 3 June 1950. It took 20 years for another team to succeed on the same mountain summit. The 1970 ascent of the South Face of Annapurna by Chris Bonington's team was a landmark in the history of mountaineering. This is a mountain that is among the most familiar of mountains, yet one that is very rarely climbed.

Annapurna in Sanskrit literally means "full of food" but is normally translated as 'Goddess of the Harvests'. For Hindu Annapurna is "the universal and timeless kitchen-goddess, the mother who feeds and prevents starvation, a universal fear, which makes Annapurna a universal goddess, associated with the giving of food (wealth). This led her in time to be transformed into Lakshmi, the Goddess of Wealth with the most popular shrine located in Kashi, on the banks of river Ganga.

The entire massif and surrounding area is protected within the 7,629 sq km as Annapurna Conservation Area led by Project (ACAP), the first and largest conservation area in Nepal, established in 1986. The Annapurna Conservation Area is home to several world-class treks, including the Annapurna Circuit, so the Annapurna Expedition has additional benefits of occurring in an extremely spectacular setting, however Annapurna peaks are also the world's most dangerous mountains to climb. There are four Annapurna's in the massif as well and Gangapurna and Annapurna South. The South Face of Annapurna is one of the largest and steepest faces in the world. The face is awesome in size and difficulty. The South Face is 3000 feet higher than the southwest face of Mt. Everest. The South Face of Annapurna is relatively free of the terrible avalanche hazards that plague the standard routes on the North Face of the mountain, despite the great difficulty; the South Face is a logical route to the summit of Mt. Annapurna.



Annapurna Expedition Base Camp Services:

Snowy Horizon Treks & Expedition provides very professional, supportive and friendly mountaineering logistic services from Kathmandu to the ABC as well as during the climb. Our objective is to ensure a good quality, supportive, safe, friendly, stress free and comprehensive service to maximize summit opportunity.

We provide a comprehensive service organizing all necessary permits, and climbing documentation, travelling logistics including airfares, ground transportation, porters, and other individual services required by mountaineers. On the track to the ABC we organize all required accommodation and food.

In the Base camp our cook & helpers will prepare & serve three times delicious freshly cooked & plentiful meals a day & will ensure that hot and cold drinks are available 24hrs a day.

In the Base Camp we provide spacious expedition quality personal tents for all our clients both with full board or base-camp service only.

In the base camp we also provide dining tent, kitchen tent, toilet facilities and portable shower facilities and tent accommodation for our staff.

In the Base Camp we provide access to communication including satellite telephone and internet access, and solar panels to charge your batteries.





Annapurna Expedition Full Board Services:

For full board services we provide personal tent and food, which will be prepared by their climbing Sherpa. We provide UHF/VHF handheld radios on the mountain to maintain communications between ABC and high camps.

We provide a personal climbing Sherpa guide to help the clients to reach the summit. Personal climbing Sherpa will set up camp 1 and camp 2 and high camps/bevies including food provisions, fuel and oxygen and will guide and assist the client on the summit day.

Annapurna climb is a serious adventure and one of the most difficult and dangerous 8000m peak. The climbing skills of the client required to attempt the climb are high for the chance to succeed as well as for safety reason. Unlike other summits like Cho Oyu, Shisha Pangma or Everest, the client attempting Annapurna must be an experienced and independent climber, who doesn't rely on the leader to take them to the summit and bring them back. Our role is to assist, advice and support and we take it with full responsibility and seriousness of it.

The climb requires cooperation between teams in setting up fixed ropes. Our camp manager and guides will work with other teams on the route setting.

Approaches to ABC:

The approach to Annapurna Base Camp is a spectacular bonus trek through world class trekking area; Poon Hill with spectacular sunrise views on number of significant and elegant peaks including Dhaulagiri (8167m), Tukuche Peak (6920m), Nilgiri (6940m), Varaha Shikhar (7847m), Annapurna I (8091m), Annapurna South (7219m), Annapurna III (7555m), Machhapuchhre (6993m), Annapurna IV (7525m), Annapurna II (7937m) and Lamjung Himal (6983m) are the highlights of it. The trail follows then the deepest valley in the world the Kali Gandaki valley between two 8000m giants Annapurna I and Dhaulagiri. The trek passes through Tatopani, Ghasa, Thulobogin, Thulobogin pass and Mristi Khola to the Annapurna ABC. The approach trek can be shortening by 2 days driving to Tatopani/Dana from Kathmandu as well.

The Advanced Base Camp (4190m) is located at the North Annapurna Glacier and it can be reached within 7-9 days trek if you are interested for add on and or there is also option of flying in to ABC by helicopter from Pokhara or from Tatopani, Myagdi to ABC.

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Day-to-Day Itinerary:

Day 01: Arrival in Kathmandu and transfer to hotel (1350m).

Day 02: Rest, preparation, briefing and permit formalities in Kathmandu.

Day 03: Drive Kathmandu to Pokhara (950m-6/7 Hrs.) and transfer to Hotel.

Day 04: Pokhara to Tatopani, Myagdi (1190m-6 Hrs.) drive and lodge.

Day 05: Drive to Lete (2480m-2 Hrs.) and trek to Thulobugin (3260m-4 Hrs.); camping.

Day 06: Trek via Thulobugin Pass (4310m) to Hum Khola (4300m-6 Hrs.); camping

Day 07: Trek from Hum Khola to Miristi Khola (4120m-5 Hrs.), camping

Day 08: Trek from Miristi Khola to North Annapurna Base Camp (4190m-6 Hrs.); camping

Day 09-33: Advance BC-Annapurna I, Summit (8091m)-Advance BC.

Day 34: Trek down from base camp to Miristi Khola (4120m-6 Hrs.); camping.

Day 35: Trek from Miristi Khola to Thulobugin (3260m-5 Hrs.); camping

Day 36: Trek from Thulobugin to Lete (2480m-5 Hrs.); lodge.

Day 37: Lete to Pokhara drive via Tatopani (7 Hrs.), hotel.

Day 38: Pokhara city tour or strolling around; hotel.

Day 39: Fly back to Kathmandu from Pokhara; transfer to hotel.

Day 40: Leisure day, D-briefing and city tour in Kathmandu, farewell dinner.







Day 41: Final Departure to your port of destination.



Full Board Service Cost Include:

- All arrival and departure transfers in Kathmandu.
- 4 Nights in Kathmandu& 3 Nights in Pokhara hotel accommodations on BB Plan.
- Kathmandu-Pokhara-Lete-Pokhara-Kathmandu land transfers.
- Mt. Annapurna I expedition permit (Royalty Spring; US\$ 1800 for member).
- Government official Liaison Officer for Mt. Annapurna I Expedition.
- Annapurna Conservation Area entry permit and TIMs card for members.
- All camping equipment in Advance Base Camp and other camps.
- Food, accommodation and guide during trekking in teahouse/lodge/camp.
- Food during expedition period cooked by our experienced cook at ABC.
- 1:1 experienced private climbing Sherpa guide for climbing support.
- 2 Oxygen (4 Ltrs.) bottles for climbing member and 1 for Sherpa.
- Mask & regulators 1-set for climbing member and Sherpa.
- Gamow bag at EBC for emergency rescue purpose.
- Baggage allowance carrying by mules/porters up and down to BC: 50 kg.
- Required high altitude food for climbing member and Sherpa.
- Insurance, wages, meal and allowances for climbing Sherpa and BC staffs.
- Solar panels for light and battery charging in base camp.
- Icefall and rope fixing charges, tents at high camps C1, C2, and C3.
- First Aid medical kits for the Group and the staffs.
- Walkie-talkies & satellite phone for communication (uses charge \$ 5 per unit for Sat).
- Office service charge and government taxes levied in Nepal.
- Farewell Dinner & Snowy Horizon Special Gifts.



Full Board Service Cost Exclude:

- Lunch and Dinner during your stay in Kathmandu (except for the farewell dinner).
- Items of personal nature; laundry expenses and defined personal climbing gears.
- Expenses incurred towards usage of all communication means.
- Clothing, packing items or bags, personal medical kit, camera/video fees or trekking gears.
- Any extra expenses arising out of various/unforeseen situations like natural calamities, landslides, political disturbances, strikes, change in Government regulations, etc.
- Any additional staff other than specified.
- Summit bonus to your private Sherpa guide if approached to the summit (Minimum US\$
 1200.00)
- Medical and travel Insurance with helicopter search and rescue for member.
- Permits for walkie-talkies & filming if special camera.
- Tips to Base Camp Staffs is mandatory; **minimum US\$ 200** per member for the team.
- Any other item not mentioned in "Service Cost Includes" section.



Base Camp Service Cost Includes:

- All arrival and departure transfers in Kathmandu.
- 4 Nights in Kathmandu& 3 Nights in Pokhara hotel accommodations on BB Plan.
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Base Camp Service Cost Exclude:

- Lunch and Dinner during your stay in Kathmandu and Pokhara.
- Climbing Sherpa guide, oxygen bottles, high altitude food & tents above ABC (Camp: 1-2-3).
- Ropes, any other climbing gears and services above ABC (Camp: 1-2-3)
- Items of personal nature and laundry expenses and defined personal climbing gears.
- Expenses incurred towards usage of all communication means.
- Clothing, packing items or bags, personal medical kit, camera/video fees or trekking gears.
- Any extra expenses arising out of various/unforeseen situations like natural calamities, landslides, political disturbances, strikes, change in Government regulations, etc.
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Notes:

- The cost is for 3 star hotel categories in Kathmandu.
- Additional activities may be added as climbers request with appropriate additional cost.
- The cost may also be affected due to the requirement of number Sherpa and porters.
- For any kind of change please contact us by mail or call.



Package Cost:

Please contact us by email or call us for negotiation of the Package Cost.

Sincerely,

Bodha Raj Bhandari Chairman

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