

## Heritage And Nature Tour ( 9 Nights 10 Days )

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Our Heritage and Cultural Tour attempts to offer you a glimpse of the best of culture and nature Nepal has to offer. This tour incorporates the cultural and historical sites of Kathmandu, natural beauty of Pokhara valley and wildlife activities in Chitwan National Park, a world heritage site.

You will start with a sightseeing tour of Kathmandu by visiting Kathmandu Durbar Square, Swayambunath, Boudhanath and Pashupatinath before heading to Pokhara via Nuwakot. In Nuwakot you can visit 7 storey palace, Malika Temple, Bhairab Temple among others. Also called the lake city, Pokhara is a perfect place to view Annapurna and Dhaulagiri ranges and taking on adventure activities such as hiking, rafting and paragliding. From Pokhara you will head on to Chitwan National Park to see rare one-horned Rhino, Royal Bengal Tiger and elephants.

Duration: 10 days

Price: \$1000

Rating: 4 Star

Grade: Easy

Destination: Nepal

Activity: Tour

Region: Kathmandu Valley

### Itinerary:

#### Day Day 01: Arrive In Kathmandu

We will meet at the Trivhuban international airport & transfer to hotel. In the afternoon walk around in the Kathmandu Durbar Square and then we will invite you to visit our office get the briefing for each day program

#### Day Day 02 : Kathmandu Sightseeing: Day 02 : Kathmandu Sightseeing

We start World Heritage Sites in Kathmandu. Kathmandu Durbar Square holds the palaces of the medieval Kings who ruled over the then Kathmandu Kingdom. Pashupatinath houses a sacred lingam, or the phallic symbol of Lord Shiva. The Aryaghat alongside Pashupati and on the banks of the Bagmati River is a famous funeral site for the Hindus. The Buddhists shrine of Boudhanath is one of the largest stupas in the world, and one of the holiest Buddhist pilgrimage and tourist destinations in Kathmandu. The area

of Boudhnath is also famous for over 50 Tibetan monasteries. Swayambhu meaning the "the self-existent" is popular among the foreigners as the Monkey Temple owing to the large number of monkey population residing in the area.

**Day Day 03:** Kathmandu - Nuwakkot 3 hours.

After breakfast we drive you to Nuwakot via Kakani or Shivapuri. Kakani is the beautiful point of the land terraces and the distant mountains. During the drive to Nuwakot you will have a chance to fish farming and rural life of the people in that region.

Explore the village and interact with the local in the evening.

**Day Day 04:** Nuwakot - Chitwan

After breakfast drive to Chitwan National park. After Visiting the Temple, Continue drive to Chitwan. Afternoon about 1:00 to 1:30 Pm arrival at the resort. Upon arrival, there will be a short briefing on the program and our facilities. Thereafter, rooms will be assigned and lunch will be served.

**The Program at Resort:**

- 3:30 PM: Elephant-back safari: Guests will ride on elephant to explore the jungle and wildlife: the one-horned rhinoceros, several types of deer, monkeys, wild boar, bison, sloth bear, leopard and, if lucky, the Royal Bengal tiger. This exciting ride lasts for 2-3 hours.
- 7:00 PM: Slide presentation: One of our jungle experts will introduce background data and history of the Chitwan National Park as well as some other topics relating to wildlife. Your questions are most welcome.
- 8:00 PM: Dinner at the central dining hall.

**Day Day 05:** Chitwan

- 5:30 AM: Wake-up call followed by tea or coffee, then proceed for Canoeing/Jeep Safari. A traditional dug-out canoe takes you on a silent trip down the Rapti River to view aquatic birds and the animals of the river banks. Jeep safari by Land Rover starts from canoeing put out point covering the distance of approximately 10km with chances of seeing rare wildlife.
- 8:30 AM: Breakfast
- 9:30 AM: Elephant Briefing: To learn more about the life of these fascinating animals during a visit to our elephant stables.
- 1.00 PM: Lunch at central dining hall.
- Remaining hours before the afternoon program: take a dip in the pool, or relax on your verandah. Hammocks and the library are at your disposal and our bar is close by to refresh you with a drink of your choice.
- 4:00 PM: Nature Walk. This exciting walk with the nature will introduce you the main features of eastern Chitwan sal forest, open grassland and riverine jungle. Our guides will help you identify some species of birds, plants and other wildlife that you may encounter
- 7:00 PM: Tharu Stick dance: Farmers of the nearby villages will show some of their traditional skills and dances. Your participation is highly recommended.
- 8:00 PM: BBQ Dinner in the central dining hall/ outside at the terrace.

**Day Day 06:** Chitwan - Pokhara

5.30 AM : Bird Watching (or another elephant ride on availability) after early morning tea/coffee. Out of 519 species of the birds found in the park, we have recorded 276 species in our area. Our guides will help you to identify some of the species of these birds.

8.00 AM: Breakfast

Before departure, you may want to visit souvenir shop, where we have a small collection of local and ethnic items.

9.00 AM: Departure for the return journey to Pokhara.

(This program for Unique Wildlife Resort)

Pokhara is a place of remarkable natural beauty. The serenity of Phewa Lake and the magnificence of the Fishtail Peak rising

behind it create an ambiance of peace and tranquility. Pokhara is a perfect place to see the panoramic view of Himalayan region including Annapurna and Dhaulagiri. Over night at Hotel is Pokhara.

**Day Day 07: Pokhara**

Early in the morning drive to Sarangkot hill station to view sunrise and view of Himalaya Sangri-la. After breakfast, proceed for a half-day sightseeing tour of Pokhara City and 1 hour boating at Lake Phewa. Free at leisure for the remainder of the day.

**Day Day 08: Pokhara - Kathmandu**

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for Kathmandu. It will take 5 hours for 202km.

**Day Day 09: Kathmandu**

Two more World Heritage Site cities adjacent to Kathmandu: Patan & Bhaktapur. Patan is also known as The City of Fine Arts. Patan Durbar Square is one of the places in the Kathmandu Valley where the medieval arts and architecture still remain in its original state. The Durbar Square is full of ancient places, temples and shrines, noted for their exquisite carvings, mostly the Hindu and Buddhist monuments. Similarly, the medieval town of Bhaktapur, or the Town of the Devotees, preserves medieval arts, architecture, culture, and lifestyle to this date. One is sure to feel like traveling back into the past while walking along the Bhaktapur thoroughfares, squares and streets

**Day Day 10: Departure**

Free for shopping and personal activities till departure time. Transfer to the airport according to your departure time for the next destination

**Highlights:**

- Visit Kathmandu Durbar Square, Swoyambhunath, Boudhanath and Pashupatinath
- Spend time exploring Nuwakot Durbar
- Visit Pokhara Valley (Phewa Lake, Mountain Museum, Caves, Davis Fall, Paragliding)
- Spectacular views of Annapurna and Dhaulagiri ranges
- Jungle safari in Chitwan National Park