

## Kailash Manasarovar Tour Via Kyirong

### Trip Facts

**Duration:** 14 days

**Trip Destination:** Nepal & Kailash (Tibet)

**Entry / Exit Point:** Kyirong (Kerung)

**Maximum Altitude:** 5600 M

**Group Size:** 25 People Or Above

**Mode Of Trekking / Tour:** Tea House/Lodge

**Driving Hour:** Approx 5-7 Hours

**Trekking Hour:** 5 To 8 Hours

**Trip Type:** Pilgrimage & Adventure

**Best Season:** April Through October

**USD Price:** 2600

**INR Price:** 240,000

Kailash Yatra by overland journey is considered to be the classic route of this spiritual trip. Prior to massive devastation earthquake in Nepal held in 2015, this classic popular trip was conducted via Kodari / Zhangmu border. Now being the earthquake damaged badly in this border side, this border was shield by no entry /exit for the people or travelers. Since then, Kailash yatri (pilgrims) choose alternative option to pay homage to their mighty Mt. Kailash via Lhasa or Hilsa border. These two routes become so popular after 2015 for the tourists traveling to Lhasa Tibet & Kailash Manasarovar. After three years, Chinese Government has finally give the good news to all travelers, by opening Kyirong (Kerung) border at north-west of Nepal from November 2017 for all tourists who wish to visit Tibet by overland trip.

Kyirong being the alternative border for Kodari Tatopani, we tour operator and travelers feel someway better to organize tours & trekking in Tibet touristic destination among Kailash region. Although Kyirong border is not like comfortable as Kodari, the travelers has at least get choice of little economy trip than of expensive flight option. Tibet Kyirong border is connected with Nepal Rasuwagadhi border through Friendship Bridge. The journey from Kathmandu to Rasuwagadhi border is longer than of Kodari border with little difficult narrow road as well. It takes about 7 to 8 hours to reach Syabrubesi from Kathmandu due to road condition and so we have to stay overnight here. You will notice the strict & numerous checking points while you travel from Kathmandu to border by Police & military of Nepal as you have to pass your journey through Langtang National Park region. Then next morning, we can get entry to Tibet region and stay in Kyirong for two nights in order to acclimatize our health with Tibetan climate. Our program will then proceeds as per itinerary with stunning scenery of mountains, lakes, monasteries, Tibetan local villages, their people & cultures etc. In this Yatra (tour), you will get basic facility for accommodation with dormitory room in all places; however you will get personal care and services by our staff team with family feeling caring and serving hot & delicious

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foods. The drive journey will be 5 to 7 hours daily during this trip. We will provide comfortable bus for your Yatra.

And we do request to our all yatrīs for their kind co-operation if they find any inconvenient due to unexpected situation during the trip because this trip is anyway not easy trip than other pilgrimage tour due to harsh climate, remote region, basic facility & strict policy of Chinese Government. We tour organizer do our best for your comfort and safety at best possible way making your trip memorable. We hope you will find us as your best travel partner for organizing this lifetime holiest adventure and will remember us always. Hereunder you can go through our detail itinerary for this trip and send us your booking at earliest.



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## Day to Day Itinerary

### Day 1:ARRIVE IN KATHMANDU

Arrival in Kathmandu, meet by our tour officer at the airport. You will be welcome by Rudrakshya Mala and providing complimentary Water Bottle. Then you will transfer to hotel, check in and rest. In the evening, dinner at hotel and you will be inform about your next day tour program by our leader. Optional: If anybody are interested to take an hour Mount Everest Flight on next day morning, should book and confirm with us by this evening. Normally, the flight operates from 6.30 am to 10 am, and you should prepare in the hotel before 1 hour 15 minutes ahead to leave airport for reporting 45 minutes before departure time at least. \* Overnight at Hotel (Room on twin sharing basis)

### Day 2:SIGHTSEEING TOUR IN KATHMANDU

After breakfast, you will commence sightseeing tour of Pashupatinath Temple (the biggest Hindu temple) and Budhanilkantha temple (the tallest sleeping Vishnu). Lunch in the hotel and rest day at free for the preparation of trip. There will be short briefing program conducted in the hall before dinner around 6 pm along with assistance for money exchange & down jacket distribution. \* Overnight at Hotel (Room on twin sharing basis)

### Day 3:DRIVE, KATHMANDU TO SYABRUBESI (1600 m.) OR TIMURE

Today, you should wake up little early, take breakfast at hotel then start Yatra to border by 7 am. The highway goes with scenic drive passing through Trishuli Bazaar, Kalikasthan, Dhunche and finally reach at Syabrubesi. If the drive went late, you will have lunch in Dhunche, the base camp to start trekking to Langtang valley. Depending upon the availability of accommodation, your stay will be manage either in Syabrubesi or Timure. Syabrubesi is also alike main town to begin trekking to Langtang region. And Timure is the small border village where all immigration and customs are process to across border. The journey from Kalikasthan to Timure will be little tiresome due to off road and numerous check point by Police security and Army due to Langtang National Park region and near to border. On arrive at lodge, rest and relax. \* Overnight at Guesthouse - dormitory room \* Kathmandu to Dhunche - 130 km (6 hrs). \* Or, Kathmandu to Syabrubesi – 145 km (6.5 hrs) \* Syabrubesi to Timure – 12 km (15 min)

### Day 4:DRIVE TO BORDER, RASUWAGADHI (1800 m.) & ENTER TO KYIRONG IN TIBET (3950 m.)

Take breakfast by 7.30am then we will move towards border at Rasuwagadhi. Our representative will assist us for the immigration & custom formalities in Nepal side then proceed to enter Tibet region by walk crossing Friendship Bridge (20 min). While you check into Tibet immigration, you should stay in queue as per visa serial number. Tibetan guide will help for China side immigration and then drive ahead to Kyirong. After an hour drive, we reach at Kerung town where guide & driver need to do further permit formalities then we will lead further towards Kyirong county (2 hrs) where our guesthouse accommodation was arranged. We will check into room and our staff team will start their kitchen service with tea/snacks, soups and dinner. \* Overnight at Guesthouse - dormitory room \* Syabrubesi to Rasuwagadhi – 15 km (30 min) \* Rasuwagadhi to Kyirong town – 35 km (1 hrs) \* Kyirong town to Kyirong County – 70 km (2 hrs)

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**Day 5: ACCLIMATIZATION IN KYIRONG**

Today is rest day in Kyirong for acclimatization. You can stroll around Kyirong market and hill side to warm up your body to adjust with Tibet climate. Rest day, you can seat together with all group doing chanting or bhajan which helps to grow positive feelings and energy in your body. Lunch and Dinner will be arrange as per given timetable by our tour leader. \* Overnight at Guesthouse - dormitory room

**Day 6: DRIVE, KYIRONG TO DONGBA (4500 m.)**

Wake up early again to begin your Yatra ahead to Kailash Manasarovar. After breakfast, we will commence our journey by 9 am to Dongba. On the way, you will have good opportunity to see high passes, Ganesh Parvat, Lake Peiku Tso & Brahmaputra River. Pack hot lunch will be serve at the beach of Brahmaputra or in Saga town. Then we continue short drive to Dongba about 2 hours and rest in Dongba guesthouse. \* Overnight at Guesthouse - dormitory room \* Kyirong to Dongba: 270 km (5.5 hrs drive)

**Day 7: DRIVE, DONGBA TO LAKE MANSASAROVAR (CHIU GOMPA) - 4600 m.**

Today we have to wake up very early morning and take early breakfast. We begin our Yatra by 6 am approximately so that we can reach Lake Manasarovar at earliest possible for holy bath and puja. You will cross the highest motorable pass – Mayum-La Pass 5200 m). Before this pass, we will have to wait sometimes for check points formalities for Ngari region (Kailash) then with short drive further before Mayum La pass, we will take halt for Lunch break. After then our border bus will make stop at Manasarovar entry check post where we have to change our border bus to pollution free bus of Manasarovar region. Sometimes, we have to wait some while for bus due to bus unavailability at that time so we spare such time by chanting and praying looking great views of Lake Manasarovar & Mt. Kailash. Once the bus start, it goes for parikrama of Lake Manasarovar, the lake created by the thoughts of Brahma for Gods & Goddess and will stop at good location for holy bath and puja after few hours drive. Suggested to all yatris to take quick dip in lake and change warm clothing to prevent sickness. And don't leave any wet clothes or unnecessary things in the beach of lake that pollute the pristine environment of holy place. Today you will make 70% parikrama (circumambulation) of Lake, you will see Rakshas Taal, abother beautiful fresh water lake, also called Rawan Lake, the demon lake created by Lanka king Rawan with crescent moon shape and come to stay in ChiuGompa at Guesthouse. Take complete rest with keeping warm to your body. \* Overnight at Guesthouse - dormitory room \* Dongba to Lake Manasarovar: 360 km (7 hrs drive)

**Day 8: DRIVE, CHIUGOMPA TO DARCHEN (4700 m)**

Today you can wake up leisurely with good rest and take breakfast. You have plenty time in the morning to stay near Lake Manasarovar. If anybody wish to do hawan puja, they can do today morning. Or, if anybody wants to hike up Chiu Gompa, they can go for it. After lunch, we will go to the base camp of Mt. Kailash called Darchen. Enroute again you will have panoramic view of Gurla Mandata, Mt. Kailash and Rakshas Tal. Check into hotel in Darchen and stroll around local market. \* Overnight at Guesthouse - dormitory room \* Manasarovar - Darchen (40 km) - 1 hour

**Day 9: DRIVE TO YAMADWAR & START KORA TO DERAPHUK (4950 m.)**

Here, we start our day to fulfill one of our ultimate desires to complete parikrama of Mt. Kailash. Morning take breakfast in the hotel, then carry your backpack with pack lunch and water bottles, leaving other stuffs in

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the hotel, we drive upto Yama Dwar. You can see the nearest view of south face of Mt. Kailash feeling blessed by darshan of Lord Shiva & Parvati. Everyone visit Yama Dwar with making three times circular around it, with this it assumes that the pilgrims who cannot go for Kailash Kora will have same blessing from Lord as they did complete kora of Mt. Kailash. At Yama Dwar, the horse and porter will be provided to the pilgrims who booked for trekking around Kailash and they start their Yatra by riding horse and other pilgrims will walk. Again those who are not going for parikrama will stay back in Darchen at hotel where our some staffs will be there to take care of them. The trek is not so difficult today, it is moderate trekking with more plain trekking paths and some of places with short gradual climb. End of the trek feels slight ascent until you reach guesthouse. Once you reach Diraphuk camp, you will forget all your pain due to superb blessing darshan of Mt. Kailash, the north face. This is the best location of whole trip from where you can see the most nearest and almighty view of Mt. Kailash. \* Overnight at Guesthouse or Tented Lodge – dormitory room \* Darchen to Yama Dwar – 11 km (30 minutes) drive \* Yama Dwar to Diraphuk – 18 km (5 hrs) trek

### **Day 10: CONTINUE TREK TO ZUTHULPHUK (4850 m.) VIA SHIVASTHAL – DOLMA LA - GAURIKUNDA**

Your wake up will be at 4.30 am early morning today, then quick fresh up & breakfast. Before sunrise, we start our trek to cross Dolma La at earliest. As yesterday, you should take pack lunch with you and start uphill climb from the beginning of the camp along through view of Shivasthal till steep climb to Dolma La Pass (5600 m.) for 4 to 5 hours. At Dolma La, Buddhists pay homage offering prayer flags, money, clothings, incense sticks etc. After Dolma La, just cross down you will see the holiest lake – Gauri Kunda at your right below and you will cross short glacier level then after couple of hours descends you should trek down very careful the steep downhill to reach teashop. Take short break here for lunch and rest then continue flat trail trekking upto Zuthulphuk camp for 3 hours approximately. \* Overnight at Guesthouse or Tented Lodge – dormitory room \* Diraphuk to Zuthulphuk (22 km - 9 hours) trek

### **Day 11: END TREK THEN DRIVE TO DONGBA**

Finally, your trek will end today with very short distance walking in easy flat trails. It takes about 1.5 hours to reach at bus pick up point. Bus will take us to Darchen hotel where our rest group members will waiting for us. Get quick refresh and pack the luggage then continue our drive back journey to Dongba. We will change our bus at Manasarovar Check Post to our previous border bus and get last darshan & blessing of Mt. Kailash & Lake Manasarovar and continue drive. \* Overnight at Guesthouse - dormitory room \* Zuthulphuk to ending point (08 km, 1.5 hrs trek) \* Ending point to Dongba: 350 km (6 hrs drive)

### **Day 12: RETURN BACK TO KYIRONG**

Return back to Kyirong via the same route of Saga & Peiku Tso. \* Overnight at Guesthouse - dormitory room \* Dongba to Kyirong County: 270 km (6 hrs drive)

### **Day 13: RETURN BACK TO KATHMANDU**

Morning after early breakfast drive down to Rasuwagadhi border, cross over the Friendship Bridge then drive back to Kathmandu. Lunch will be served in Syabrubesi. Evening dinner and rest at hotel. \* Overnight at Hotel (room on twin sharing basis) \* Kyirong to Rasuwagadhi border – 105 km (2.5 hrs) \* Rasuwagadhi to Kathmandu - 160 km (7 hrs).

### **Day 14:DEPARTURE**

Breakfast in the hotel. According to your flight schedule, you will be transfer to international airport in Kathmandu for your flight back home. Tour End.

## **Trip Cost Includes**

- Three nights' accommodation in Kathmandu (3.5 star deluxe) on twin/triple sharing with vegetarian meals
- Sightseeing tour in Kathmandu
- All necessary transfers in Kathmandu (arrival / departure)
- Kathmandu – Rasuwagadhi – Kathmandu transfers by private normal bus (non a/c)
- One night accommodation in Syabrubesi or Timure with all veg meals (dormitory room)
- Tibet group visa & all necessary permits
- All necessary Tibet permit including Parikrama of Kailash & Mansarovar
- All Guesthouse accommodation in Tibet (dormitory room)
- All vegetarian meals in Tibet (breakfast, lunch & dinner)
- Transportation in Tibet by Deluxe Bus
- Supporting truck to carry logistics
- English speaking Tibetan guide
- Necessary supporting crew (tour manager, cook, helpers & sherpas)
- Yaks & Yak men during the Parikrama (to carry foods and equipment)
- Entry fees (Kailash & Manasarovar)
- Medical kit bag & oxygen for emergency use
- Free gifts – Duffle Bag, Backpack Bag, Sling Bag, Beanie Warm Hat & Down Jacket
- All applicable taxes and service charges

## **Trip Cost Excludes**

- International air ticket to Kathmandu & return
- Nepal entry visa fee for NRIs
- Your travel insurance
- Rescue and evacuation service
- Personal expenses
- Asthapad Darshan (not allow by vehicle, you can go by trekking if Army permits)
- Horse & Porter for personal need during Kailash Parikrama
- Bottled drinks (Alcohol, beverages, soft drinks, juices etc)
- Tips for Nepali Sherpa Staffs, Tour Leader, Tibetan Guide & Drivers
- Extra night accommodation in Kathmandu in case of early arrival from Kailash
- Any additional cost (transport, hotel, visa split charge) that occurs due to illness or rescue of the member
- Any additional cost due to natural calamity and unforeseen circumstances



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