

# Island Peak Climbing with EBC trekking Island Peak Climbing with EBC trekking - Itinerary

## 1. Arrival in Kathmandu Airport & transfer to Hotel (1345m/4428ft)

Airport representative from our company pick you up upon your arrival. Then transfer you to the hotel for short briefing about the trip. In the meantime, you can roam around the city to get familiar with new city or take a rest and relax.

## 2. Kathmandu Sightseeing & Final Preparation

After breakfast at Hotel, sightseeing starts with a visit to Kathmandu - Swayambhunath (monkey temple), and Boudhanath. In the afternoon, meeting with guide and checking the trekking gear for final preparation. (Overnight at Hotel)

## 3. Kathmandu – Lukla – Phakding (2,610m) -35 min flight & 4 / 5 hrs trek

After breakfast from Hotel, we drive to airport to catch flight to Lukla (2,600m). After arrival in Lukla the trail leads north from the airstrip to the edge of Lukla Plateau. The walk is easy and goes through several villages reaching Phakding (2,800m). (Overnight at Tea House Lodge – Phakding) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

## 4. Phakding – Namche Bazaar (3,440m/11286ft)- 6/ 7 hrs

Today's trekking is a bit difficult and uphill. After breakfast we enter the Sagarmatha National Park. The park preserves the rare floras and faunas. Then we cross several bridges before ascending to the heart of Khumbu region, Namche Bazaar. Namche is known as the Sherpa Capital where you are presented with striking views of Everest, Ama Dablam and Kongde Ri. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

## 5. Namche Bazaar – Khumjung Valley Excursion (3,790m/12434ft) – 3 / 4 hrs

This day is an acclimatization day spent in and around Namche Bazaar. The Khumjung Valley Excursion begins leaving at the market place with a steep climbing about one hour to Shyangboche. From the top of Shyangboche, one can see beautiful views of Mt. Everest (8848m), Ama Dablam (6856m), Themserku (6608m), Nuptse (7879m), and Lhotse (8383m). After we trail downwards to Khumjung, where one can see the Sir Edmund Hillary School and hospital. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge – Namche Bazaar) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

## 6. Namche Bazaar – Tengboche (3,870m/13664ft)- 6 hrs

Another amazing day in trip, we go by eastern ridge with views of rhododendron forest and descend through the forest. We cross Dudh Koshi River and after that we ascend uphill which leads us to the Buddhist land. We may see Himalayan Thar and Pheasants along the way. Now, we reach Tengboche Village. Here we can see the famous Tengboche Monastery which is also a pilgrimage destination for Tibetan Buddhists. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge - Tengboche) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

## 7. Tengboche – Pheriche (4,240m/13910ft)- 6 hrs

From Tengpoche, it's a short steep and muddy descending until a suspension bridge then ascending till Pheriche. While walking one passes small villages like Diboche through birches, conifers and Rhododendron forest. After a long walk the trail passes several villages such as Pangboche and reaches Pheriche. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge - Pheriche) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

### **8. Pheriche – Lobuche (4,930m/16174ft)- 6 hrs**

Leaving Pheriche the trail leads very soft way up to Dugla (4,620m). After that it ascends for about 2 hours, then flat to Lobuche. Walking time takes about 6 hours. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge - Lobuche) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

### **9. Lobuche – Gorak shep- Everest Base Camp (5,160m/16929ft)- 4 hrs**

From Lobuche the trail is relatively flat with several small ascends and descends to Gorak shep which is nestled below the summit of Mt. Pumori (7161m.) and the sheer west face of Nuptse. This takes 2 Hours. In the afternoon you will be visiting EBC (5400m) with guide. The trail to EBC takes you along the Khumbu glacier. From here you can observe the blue ice and the Khumbu icefall. This trekking will be an unforgettable experience. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge – Gorak shep) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

### **10. Gorak Shep – (Kalapathar)- Dingbouche (4,440m/14566ft)**

Excursion to Kalapathar. From Gorak Shep the trail is a steep ascent to the top of a small peak, Kalapathar 5545m meaning "black rock". From here we can see Mt.Everest , Mt.Nuptse, Mt.Ama Dablan, Mt.Kantega, Mt.Tamserku, Mt.Tawatse and Mt.Pumori all present themselves in a 360 degree panorama. It's possible to begin the ascent to Kalapathar very early in the morning and sunrise can be seen over the Himalayan range. After Kalapathar, the trail leads down to Dingbouche. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge - Dingbouche) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

### **11. Dingboche - Chhukung (4700m/15419ft)**

After breakfast the trail leads uphill to Chhukung (4700m) and steep climb up to Chhukung for 360 views of Himalayas. Chhukung is the entry point for the Island Peak Expedition trip. In Chhukung you will meet the climbing guides and cooks. From this point day trips to Glacier or to Imjatse valley can be done. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge - Chhukung) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

### **12. Chhukung - Island peak Base Camp (5087m/16689ft)**

The trail leads fairly steep way climbing south then turning east to the main line of the valley. It then winds along or below the southern flank of the moraine from the Lhotse Glacier. The trail continues along a streamside leading to what we call Big-rock. The route to the Amphu Lapcha lies to the southeast. A crisis cross route through the Imja and Lhotse glacier moraines leads to a wide valley flanking the South West side of Island peak. Here there will be briefings, preparations & tanning about the climb. Overnight in Island Peak Base Camp (5,200m) (Overnight at Tent Camp) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

### **13. Island Peak Base Camp- High Camp (5500m/18044ft)- 3 hrs**

The trail to High camp is steep up and rocky. Along the way we can see beautiful views of Imja glacier and lake. (Overnight at Tent Camp – High camp) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

### **14. Island Peak Summit (6189m/20305ft) and Back to Chhukung-**

Island Peak Ascent (6,189m/20,305ft), from early about 3am in the morning will have to start climb the rock gully towards the summit. This is not difficult but there are several short rock steps to climb before you emerge on the right side of the gully. The route then follows a ridgeline, which leads to an exhilarating and exposed traverse onto the snout of the summit glacier. You will need to rope up for the glacier as it contains several crevasses but it leads without difficulty to a 100m(330ft) snow and ice slope (40-45°) on which the guides will fix a rope. From the top of this slope, it is 3 rope lengths along a sharp summit ridge lead to the top. After enjoying the summit views you will descend all the way to Base Camp and then Chhukung. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge – Chhukung) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

## **15. Chhukung – Tengboche**

The trail makes a gradual descent through scrub junipers and around Mani stones as it follows the hillside. The trail passes many Mani walls in deep rhododendron forests where crossing after the Imja khola, the trail climbs many carved Mani stones to Pangboche. Pangboche Gompa is the oldest in Khumbu; a visit will be well worth it. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge – Tengboche) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

## **16. Tengboche – Namche ( 3440m)**

This is the day to return back Namche Bazaar and the path leads downhill to Phungitenga and we continue flat trail until Namche. Here you can explore The Everest National Park Museum which houses many mountaineering and Himalayan artifacts. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge – Namche) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

## **17. Namche – Lukla (2800m)**

We trek back to Lukla through same route, crossing several suspension bridges and Sherpa settlements. Our goal today is to reach Lukla before the sunset for celebration of our successful trip. (Overnight at Tea House Lodge – Lukla) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

## **18. Lukla – Kathmandu**

We take scenic flight back to Kathmandu. And maybe you can do shopping or buy souvenirs for your friends and family. Or better you can relax, have some massage and dine the best meals of the city in some of the best restaurants. (Overnight at Hotel) Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner. Attend the evening dinner and cultural program provided by our company.

## **19. Free Day in Kathmandu**

After winding up a successful trip, our representative drops you off to the airport for your further journey. You are dropped to the airport around 3 hours before the departure so that there may not be any delays. Have a safe journey!

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