

FISHTAIL TOURS AND TRAVELS PVT. LTD. (CULTURAL TOURS)

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BEYOND KANTIPUR (KATHMANDU)

A life changing journey immersing in the inspiring beauty of Nepal's culture and nature

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Embark on a tour that highlights the wildlife, cultural and the cosmopolitan aspects of wonderful Nepal. All this and more can be done in an unforgettable 11 days tour of Nepal. Squeeze around the numerous lively crowded "Gallis" (alleys) in Kathmandu city, smell the fragrance of Incense that fills the air, as the temple bells ring soothingly nearby. Negotiate the chaotic traffic and experience Kathmandu's rich culture on a personal level, you will surely feel alive! Brace yourself! The adventure begins as you climb aboard one of the many colorful boats that line the shores of 'Phewa Lake.' The dreamy sunrise at 'Sarangkot' will definitely set your mood to discover more in Pokhara! The quaint towns of Bandipur along with Gorkha and Nuwakot, adds more cultural experiences mingling with the warm locals to encounter their culture and customs. This trip is surely a rewarding experience to make your trip a memorable one.

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DAY 03: TOUR OF PATAN AND KIRTIPUR

Following breakfast we visit and discover Patan, City of Fine Arts. Patan Durbar Square and as we walk past the whitewashed gate, we enter a square lined with cafes, grocery stores and huge iron bells. Still beyond the alleys lie mostly medieval neighborhoods of the city. Temples and Stupas are in abundance, in various shapes, sizes and antiquity. After having a tour of a city of art and craft, surely we will be going back to have seen so much of medieval art and architecture that really flourished during the Malla reign. We drive to Kirtipur and discover off the beaten Newari town located on a hill southwest of Kathmandu. Here we can discover the traditional lifestyle of the local Newari of Kirtipur along with the rich cultural heritage it boasts. We drive back to Kathmandu. *Overnight in Kathmandu.*



DAY 04: DRIVE TO NUWAKOT | 3-4hrs |

Early morning after having our breakfast, we hop into our vehicle and drive off to Nuwakot, another hilltop town that is getting popular as a tourist destination. Here we can stay at a community lodge where we can feel like local. We can visit the durbar (palace) in Nuwakot which is a seven storey fort; this is from where King Prithivi Narayan Shah conquered Kathmandu. From here we can also have a spectacular view of the valley below and also the breathtaking mountains. We explore the surroundings and mingle with the friendly locals and experience their warm hospitality. *Overnight in Nuwakot.*



DAY 05: DRIVE TO GORKHA [1001m] | 5-6hrs |

Following breakfast, our adventure begins with a scenic drive to Gorkha offering views of rivers, terrace fields and captivating view of the countryside. Once we reach Gorkha we can explore the surroundings and visit the famous Gorkha Palace (Durbar) built in a Newari style. There is another worth visiting places like as Old Gorkha Bazar that exhibits many historic monuments; Ratna Mandir, Bhimsen temple, Tallo durbar built in 1835. *Overnight in Gorkha.*



DAY 06: DRIVE TO BANDIPUR [1030m] | 1-2hrs |

After having our breakfast we drive to Bandipur via Dumre Passing the Trishuli River. Bandipur is a picturesque town nestled in the Himalayan foothills of Nepal, a land as famous for its natural beauty as for the hospitality of its people. Bandipur captivates the visitor with its cultural appeal and pristine scenery. This

Newari town has maintained its age-old flavor, and presents sightseers with a heady mix of history, architecture, incredible views, awesome caves and unspoiled landscapes. The worth visit to the town is an opportunity to get a close look at Newari culture. *Overnight in Bandipur.*



DAY 07: BANDIPUR TOUR

We enjoy a day of free time to further explore Bandipur. The surrounding hills are ideal for hiking along trails that will take us through tribal villages, verdant forests, 'power places', and hilltop shrines that once doubled as fortresses. As we explore the area we may feel as though we're stepping back in time; though development increases, the aura of this place has been beautifully preserved. As tourism in Nepal developed along the main roads and airports, for over 30 years there simply was no road linking Bandipur to the main infrastructure, leaving it almost untouched by touristic influence. The village is saddled on a high ridge above Dumre, 700 metres beyond the Marsyangdi River Valley, making for an exceptional view of the Himalayan panorama. *Overnight in Bandipur.*

DAY 08: DRIVE FROM BANDIPUR TO POKHARA AND EXPLORATION

Following breakfast, our adventure begins with a scenic drive to Pokhara offering views of rivers, terrace fields and captivating view of the Annapurna range as you are near the city- scenic lake city. Moreover, there are lots of other interesting attractions like Devi's Waterfall, Tibetan Refugee Settlement, Gupteshwor Cave, International Mountain Museum and Bindabasini. Overnight in Pokhara.



DAY 09: POKHARA SIGHTSEEING AND SARANGKOT SUNRISE

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DAY 10: FLY BACK TO KATHMANDU | 30min flight |

Breakfast at hotel. Timely transfer to domestic airport for your flight. Once we reach Kathmandu, check in to our hotel. We are free to explore on our own, indulge in some last minute shopping or visit some UNESCO Heritage Sites in Kathmandu Valley. It’s time to get triumphant of our journey, so a farewell dinner in the evening will be arranged. *Overnight in Kathmandu.*



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	4 star	5 star
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Nuwakot	The Famous Farm	The Famous Farm
Gorkha	Gorkha Gaun	Gorkha Gaun
Bandipur	Bandipur Mountain Resort	Bandipur Mountain Resort
Pokhara	Hotel Barahi Pokhara	Temple Tree Resort & Spa

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SARANGI - A CULTURAL TOUR

Experience the unforgettable moments exploring Nepal's rich culture and history and natural beauty

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ITB-CT008	SARANGI	09 nights/10 Days	Kathmandu Valley, Pokhara Tansen, Lumbini and Nagarkot

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Your next stops are the beautiful Bandipur Newari town and Pokhara- The famous Lake City. From the pristine Phewa to the mesmerizing Himalayas, the natural grandeur of Pokhara will arrest your sights. Discover the universal truths and retrace the footsteps of Lord Buddha in Lumbini and Kapilbastu like a true Buddhist pilgrim. A meditation on the road, visit to this sanctified Buddhist site might just be the soul-cleansing experience you have been looking for! Finish off with a 'Jungle Adventure' in Chitwan amidst the wild while surrounded by the hoots and roars of the forest.

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DAY 03: KATHMANDU – POKHARA FLIGHT

Breakfast at hotel. Timely transfer to domestic airport for your flight towards Pokhara. The flight duration will be approx. of 30min. and you will get to see the views of snow peaked mountains, green hills, lakes from your window seat. Upon arrival in Pokhara, transfer to your designated hotel and check-in. Rest of the day free at leisure on your own. We suggest you to stroll around lakeside area in the evening. *Overnight in Pokhara.*



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DAY 05: DRIVE TO TANSEN |2-3hrs|

Today we drive to another ancient hill town of Tansen. This town boasts of its cultural richness. Here we can visit the bazaar walking on cobbled streets surrounded by houses influenced by old Newari architecture. We can try and buy a Nepali cap called “DHAKA TOPI” since Tansen is popular for it. We can take



back home as souvenir. Traverse around Shreenagar Hills, hiking around/to the Rani Mahal on the banks of the Kali Gandaki River or we can go backpacking along the river trail to find enchanting new routes. *Overnight in Tansen*

DAY 06: DRIVE TO LUMBINI

As soon as we are done with breakfast we start early our drive to Lumbini - which will take about 2 hours. As we leave the city and enter the Terai plains, we can notice the sudden surge in the temperature as it gets hot and humid (except in winters). We then reach the legendary place where one of history's greatest and most revered figure, Siddhartha Gautam was born. If we make it to Lumbini by evening or around sunset, you can take a leisurely walk around the local market and observe the local lifestyle around here. *Overnight in Lumbini.*



DAY 07: LUMBINI | KAPILVASTU TOUR

Lumbini means love in Sanskrit and the place definitely lives up to its name. But more than that, the place provides one with a spiritually uplifting journey as it brings you closer to the origin of Lord Buddha. Ashoka Pillar (which bears the oldest inscription of Nepal), Queen Maya Devi Temple, ancient monasteries, the sacred Bodhi Tree, ancient bathing pond are the noteworthy attractions around here. Visit the museum, peace pagoda and stroll around the meditation site. Next up is the historical site of Kapilvastu, Tilaurakot where Siddhartha Gautam spent the first 29 years of his life. There's a small museum at the final turn-off to Tilaurakot that displays some of the artifacts found at the site. *Overnight in Lumbini.*



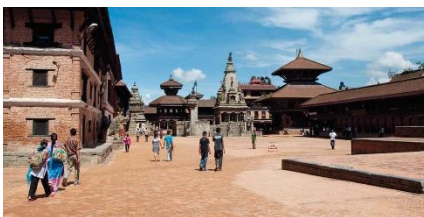
DAY 08: FLIGHT BACK TO KATHMANDU & TRANSFER TO NAGARKOT

Breakfast at hotel. Timely transfer to airport for your flight to Kathmandu. It is approx. 35min flight Bhairahawa to Kathmandu. From Kathmandu there is a half-hour drive taking us to Nagarkot the premiere hill station on the Kathmandu Valley rim; here we can whiff a breath of fresh mountain air and view the rolling hills on the eastern rim of Kathmandu valley. Kick back and relax, beat the mountain chill with some wine. *Overnight in Nagarkot.*



DAY 09: DRIVE BACK TO KATHMANDU EN ROUTE VISIT BHAKTAPUR

In the early morning, we witness yet another amazing sunrise at Nagarkot, with the view of Mount Everest (weather permitting) and other snowcapped peaks of the Himalayas, it is simply awe-inspiring. The downhill drive takes us through serene landscapes, the changing scene from pine trees to lush green agricultural flatlands below, arouses a sense of belonging. We make a stop at Bhaktapur a UNESCO heritage site, an ancient city that has a rustic charm and is home to the larger population of "Newars" in the valley. The brick-laden walkways, intricately carved out temples give you an insight of times gone by. Built in the 17th century, the Nyatapal Temple still stands strong today. Peek at the 55 embellished windows, as the Golden Gate



gives us access to the inner areas of the palace. The numerous pagoda styled temples and monuments that dot the square, gives a perfect example of the expressive and complex design of Nepalese architecture back in ages of the medieval times. We can grab a few locally produced handicrafts before we depart as memorabilia and gifts for our loved ones. *Overnight in Kathmandu.*

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**Note: The figures shown above are the maximum and minimum temperatures in summer and winter respectively / Source: Department of Hydrology & Metrology, Nepal.*

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