



Destination – Nepal (Kathmandu & Pokhara)

Duration – 04 Nights/05 Days

Travel Period – 17– 21 April 2022

Tour Highlights:

- ◆ Kathmandu – 02 Nights
- ◆ Pokhara – 01 Nights
- ◆ Kathmandu – 01 Night

Day 01: Delhi-Kathmandu

Upon arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport, you will be met and assisted by our airport representative. After the immigration formalities, you will be transferred to the hotel as booked.

Overnight at Hotel in **Kathmandu**

Day 02: Kathmandu (Pashupatinath temple/Boudhanath Stupa, and Patan durbar square)

Buffet breakfast at hotel.

Pashupatinath Temple: The magnificent **Pashupatinath** temple with its astonishing architectural beauty is situated on the bank of the sacred Bagmati River. Dedicated to the Hindu God of Destruction, Lord Shiva, this temple is regarded as the most scared of all Lord Shiva temples. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the temple comprises of a richly ornamented pagoda that houses the sacred Linga or phallic symbol of Lord Shiva.

Every year thousands of pilgrims from all over the world come to pay homage to this temple. Non-Hindu visitors are strictly prohibited to enter the temple however; they are permitted to view the temple from the east banks of the river Bagmati.

Pashupatinath is also Nepal's most renowned Hindu cremation site. In the Hindu Culture, after a person is dead, his/her body is wrapped in cloth, placed on bamboo litters and brought to the cremation site where the eldest son in the family burns the body. The ashes from the dead body are collected and swept into the river Bagmati that eventually joins the Holy Ganges. Arya Ghat, is of special importance because it is here the members of the royal family were cremated. The main cremation site is Bhasmeshvar Ghat, which is the most-used cremation site in the Kathmandu Valley.

Afterwards, **Visit Boudhanath Stupa, and Patan durbar square.**

Patan also known as Lalitpur is the city of artisans and a paradise of fine arts. It is home to Kathmandu Valley's finest craftsmen who have preserved such ancient techniques and lost wax process used to produce exquisite sculptures. Best known for its cultural heritage, the city retains much of its old charm with its narrow streets, brick houses and multitude of well-preserved Hindu temples, Buddhist monasteries (vihars) and monuments. In the heart of Patan, amidst the hustle and bustle of the marketplace is the Patan Durbar Square, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Exquisite works of religious art and architecture, ancient palaces, pagoda temples, Hindu and Buddhist shrines adorn this place. Located in the square is the Patan Museum, formerly a Malla palace, which houses bronze statues and religious objects, some dating back to the 11th century.

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In afternoon visit the biggest Stupa in the world **Boudhanath stupa**.

Boudhanath Stupa is one of the most imposing landmarks of Kathmandu and is a center of Tibetan Buddhism. The stupa is built on a massive three level mandala style platform and is 36 meters (118 feet) in height. The base of the stupa is adorned with 108 small images of the Dhyani Amitabha Buddha and inset with prayer wheels. Thousands of pilgrims circle the stupa in a clockwise direction each day spinning the prayer wheels. It is said that each spin of a prayer wheel is the equivalent of reciting the mantra. The stupa's massive mandala makes it one of the largest spherical stupas in Nepal. The ancient stupa is one of the largest in the world. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Overnight at Hotel in **Kathmandu**.

Day 03: Kathmandu - Pokhara [30 Mints)/ (Phewa Taal/ Barahi & Bindebashini Temple)

Buffet breakfast at hotel.

After breakfast we drive to Pokhara which takes approximately 30 min. Upon arriving in Pokhara you will be transferred to the hotel to relax. In the evening stroll around Lakeside.

Pokhara's bewitching beauty has been the subject of many travel writers. Its pristine air, spectacular backdrop of snowy peaks, serene lakes and surrounding greenery make it 'the jewel in the Himalaya', a place of remarkable natural beauty. With the magnificent Annapurna range forming the backdrop and the serenity of three major lakes – Phewa, Rupa and Begnas – Pokhara is the ultimate destination for relaxation. Pokhara Valley is the end of the famous Annapurna Circuit and a gateway to some of the most famous long-distance treks in Nepal. It also offers plenty of rewarding short walks and day trips suitable for children and weary trekkers. It is the second largest city in Nepal and sits high on the list of 'must visit' places in Nepal.

On the way you have an option to take a blessing of Goddess Manakamana. It is situated in the hilltop, for that you have to take a cable car for 10 minutes. On extra of INR 500 you can take a cable car to go to the Temple. As that temple is famous amongst Hindus, so there might be crowd all the time and people do sacrifice of animals on temple aswell.

Visit following places in Pokhara:

Phewa Taal: Pokhara offers a variety of places to be explored such as the enchanting Phewa Taal or Phewa Lake, the second largest lake in Nepal. The lake is stream fed but a dam regulates the water reserve, therefore, it is classified as semi-natural freshwater lake. The lake offers boating services to enjoy the beauty and serenity Pokhara has to offer. Wooden boats can be rented along the shoreline. The north shore of the lake has developed into a lakeside tourist hub with a number of souvenir stores, bookshops, hotels, restaurants and bars catering to tourists.

The two-story pagoda of the **Barahi Temple** is situated in a small island in the Phewa Lake surrounded by marvelous views. This Hindu temple in Nepal is dedicated to Goddess Ajima in the form of a boar called Barahi to pierce her evil enemies with her pointed tusks. Barahi is pictured with the face of a boar

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with a cup in one hand and fish in the other. Barahi Temple is a very important center of worship for the Hindu devotees and locals as well as tourists constantly visit the temple.

Bindebashini Temple: This is one of the oldest temples in Pokhara. Legend says that when Pokhara was a part of Kaski Kingdom, the main deity of the temple, Goddess Durga, was brought from India. Apart from the peace and tranquility that can be felt in this region, the premises of the temple offers a good view of the Himalaya on a clear day. The temple is in the area of the Bazaar; hence, a journey of the old bazaar can be combined with a visit to the temple.

Overnight at Hotel in **Pokhara**.

Day 04: Pokhara - Kathmandu [30 min]

Buffet breakfast at hotel.

After breakfast check out from the hotel & proceed to the airport to board your flight to Kathmandu

Arrive & transfer to the hotel for check/In

Rest of the day at leisure for shopping/extra activities.

Overnight at Hotel in **Kathmandu**.

Day 05: Kathmandu-Delhi

Breakfast at hotel.

After breakfast, check out from the Hotel.

Please complete your check-out formalities:

- ✓ Arrange for your baggage pick-up from your rooms.
- ✓ Return your keys at check-out desk.
- ✓ Settle your extras bill and take a receipt of the same.
- ✓ Please do ensure that your baggage is with the bell Desk.

Transfer to Kathmandu airport to Board the Flight for Delhi.

******End Of Tour with Happy Memories******

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