Mt. Annapurna I Expedition



Annapurna

is a series of peaks in the Himalayas, a 55 km (34 mi)-long massif of which the highest point, Annapurna I, stands at 8,091 meters (26,545 ft), making it the 10th-highest summit in the world and one of the 14 "eight-thousanders". It is located east of a great gorge cut through the Himalayas by the Kali Gandaki River, which separates it from the Dhaulagiri massif. Annapurna is a Sanskrit name which literally means "full of food" (feminine form) but is normally translated as Goddess of the Harvests. In Hinduism, Annapurna is a goddess of fertility and agriculture. The Annapurna peaks are among the world's most dangerous mountains to climb, with a fatality rate of 40%.

Located in the central Himalaya region of Nepal, Annapurna is significant in that it was the first 8000-meter peak ever climbed. The 1950 first ascent via the North Face was immortalized in Maurice Herzog's book "Annapurna", the sine qua non of mountaineering literature. It took 20 years for another team to succeed on the mountain. The 1970 ascent of the South Face of Annapurna by Chris Bonington's team was a landmark in the history of mountaineering. This is a mountain that is among the most familiar of mountains, yet one that is very rarely climbed. With a fatality rate of 54%, and as of 2005, only 103 successful summits have been made, for the loss of 56 lives, many to the avalanches for which the mountain is known. Climbers killed on the peak include famed Russian climber Anatoli Boukreev in 1997, Christian Kuntner in 2005 and Iñaki Ochoa in 2008. The first solo climb was October 2007 on the South Face by Slovenian climber Tomaz Humar.

The summit of Annapurna is highly coveted ground. Of the fourteen 8000 meter mountains on earth, none has seen fewer attempts or successful summits as Annapurna. To date, less than 160 people have stood on her summit, compared to 3000+ total Everest summits, and 265 total summits on K2. Maurice Herzog first successfully climbed the mountain in 1950, four years before Everest's summit was reached, testimony to the difficult nature and elusive reputation of the mountain.

Duration: 40 days

Price: \$0

Rating: 5 Star

Group Size: Minimum Pax - 2

Grade: Challenging

Destination: Nepal

Activity: Expedition In Nepal

Region: Annapurna Region

Quick Facts

Elevation: 26,545 ft feet / 8,091 meters

Location: Central Nepal

Latitude: 27º 51' 42"

Longitude: 86º 51" 50"

Best season for climbing: Winter, Spring & Autumn

Year First Climbed: 3 June 1950

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Convenient Center(s): Pokhara

Entry: Besi Shahar

Exit: Beni Bazaar

Nearest Major Airport: Kathmandu (minor: Pokhara)

Easiest Summit Route: South face / ridge

Itinerary type: Fixed / Customized

Accommodations: Lodge / Camping

Trek grade: Strenuous

Total days: 35 + 5 = 40 days

Total royalty: US\$ 2,000 up to 7 members & additional each US\$ 300

Garbage deposit: US \$ 3000.00 for a team, refundable

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Air fare: Current fare applicable if required

Liaison Officer Charge: Depending on the size of group

Climbing Guide fee: Depending on the size of group

For detailed program and price: Mail to: info@expeditionnepal.com

Itinerary:

Day 1: Arrival in Kathmandu airport, meet our staff then transfers to Hotel.

- Day 2: Kathmandu free and preparation.
- Day 3: Official works for expedition and briefing by officer of Ministry of Tourism.
- Day 4: Kathmandu Beni Bazaar 820m. by reserve Bus and transfers to Hotel.
- Day 5: Beni Tatopani 1189m.
- Day 6: Tatopani Ghasa Village 2084m.
- Day 7: Ghasa Lete 2480m.
- Day 8: Lete rest and preparation for walk up to B. C.
- Day 9: Lete Dhulo Bukhing.
- Day 10: Dhulo Bukhing Pass 4281m. Phang Base Camp.
- Day 11: Phang Base Camp Annapurna I Base Camp.
- Day 12-31: Climbing period of Annapurna 1st 8,091m.
- Day 32: Cleaning Base Camp and trek back to Phang B. C.
- Day 33: Phang Base Camp Dhulo Bukhing.
- Day 34: Lete Ghasa.
- Day 35: Ghasa Tatopani.
- Day 36: Tatopani Beni Bazaar.
- Day 37: Beni Kathmandu by reserve Bus then transfer to Hotel.
- Day 38: Kathmandu Free.
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- Day 40: Last minute, transfer to airport for onward journey.

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