

OFFICE OF THE TREKKING & MOUNTAINEERING DIVISION
GARHWAL MANDAL VIKAS NIGAM LTD., MUNIKIRETI, RISHIKESH

TOUR NO. 01

RISHIKESH – UKHIMATH – DEVERIYA TAL – KALIMATH – TUNGNATH –
GOPESHWAR – KARTIKAIYA – RUDRAPRAYAG – RISHIKESH

Duration: 07 Days, w.e.f 11.4.10 to 17.4.10, Season – Round the year, Grade – Soft medium

Cost: @ Rs. 12,560/- per pax, US \$- 285, Euro - 213

SERVICES: Accommodation in tourist bungalows/lodges/camps, Indian vegetarian all meals, trekking equipment (Mattress, sleeping bag & tent), Rs. one lac Insurance of participant, first aid, services of trained mountaineering tour escorts and experienced camp followers.

Description: The trek/tour program is a complete Himalayan exploration to the heavenly views of the Himalyan range. The route passes through dense forests, shady groves, alpine meadows, steep short climbing to the lofty heights from where one can have enchanting views of fascinating snow clad Himalaya. During the journey a 4 km good climb to Tungnath(3680m), Chandrashila(3720m), and to Kartikaiya(3048m) one encounter with the facing Himalayan peaks as Chaukhamba ranges(Ist 7138m, IInd 7070m, IIIrd 6995m & IV 6854m), Kedarnath(6940m), Neelkanth(6596m), Hathi Gori(6601m), Kamet(7756m). Enroute at Ukhimath during the winter months Sri Kedarnath move here and worship lord Shiva in this town. On the way Dogalbhita is a little heaven and Chopta is the open grasslands on the roof of the world.

TREK ITINERARY

11.4.2010 All the participants are requested to assemble at TRH Rishilok, GMVN, Munikireti. In the evening group reception and opening address. Dinner & overnight stay in Rishilok complex, Munikireti.

12.4.2010 After breakfast 176 km drive to Ukhimath (1311m.). Hot lunch enroute in TRH Rudraprayag. Ukhimath is winter seat of the deity at Kedarnath temple and the seat of the Rawal of Kedarnath. In the evening a visit to the Ukhimath temple. Dinner & overnight stay in TRH Ukhimath.

13.4.2010 After breakfast 16 km drive to Guptkashi with packed lunch. 5 km trek to Kalimath. Darshan & pooja. Kalimath is the famous sidha pith where MahaKali, MahaLakshami, MahaSaraswati, Gaurisankar, Mahadev & Bhairav are worshiped in different temple (only 3 km from here is the Kalshila where the demons Shumbh and Nishumbh were slain by Kali). After a brief halt & leisure 22 km drive back to TRH Ukhimath. Dinner & o/n stay in TRH Ukhimath.

- 14.4.2010** After breakfast 14 km drive to Sari village with packed lunch. 3 km trek to Devriyatal, 2438m. This fascinating lake gives the spectacular reflection of snow capped peaks in the lake water. An ideal place for bird watching and photography. After day leisure and a picnic lunch 8 km. return trek to Ukhimath via ancient trekking route. Dinner & o/n stay in TRH Ukhimath.
- 15.4.2010** After breakfast 28 km drive to Chopta, 2500m. with packed lunch. 4 km trek to Tungnath, 3680m. In the temple Shiva's arm is worshiped. See ancient architecture and sculptures. The view of facing snow clad peaks are Panch Chuli (6904m.), Neelkanth (6597m.), Nanda Devi (7817m.), Dunagiri (7066m.) & Kedar peak (6940m.). The place's paradise for photography. (1 km further is Chandrashilla peak provides a close view of above snow – clad peaks). After a brief halt 4 km return trek to Chopta. Further 38 km drive to Gopeshwar, 2100m. Dinner & o/n stay in TRH Gopeshwar.
- 16.4.2010** After an early b/f 80 km drive to Kanakchaurin, 1900m. 3 km trek to Kartikaiya ji, 2800m. with packed lunch. Visit the temple darshan and pooja. A brief halt for panoramic view of facing the majestic Himalayan peaks from north to east since Banderpunch (6316m.) to Nanda Devi (7817m.) and a bird's eye view of vast Himalayan Garhwal valley. After a brief halt 3 km return trek to Kanakchaurin. Further 39 km drive to Rudraprayag. Dinner & o/n stay in TRH Rudraprayag 610m.
- 17.4.2010** After b/f 141 km drive to Rishikesh. Hot lunch enroute at Nigam's Rafter's camp, Kaudiyala. After lunch drive to Rishikesh. In the afternoon arrival at Rishilok complex. Evening tea.
- Tour concludes.**

NOTE: Itinerary is subject to change due to any natural calamities and weather conditions. Each participants will have to carry his personal belongings and the equipments provided for the trek. Entrance fee for National park, sanctuaries, reserve forest, forest panchayat, shooting & filming fee will be directly paid by the individual participant to the concerning forest offices as per the government norms.