Chulu West Peak Climbing



Trip Overview

This expedition combines trekking and alpine climbing in the Annapurna region. Climbers pass through yak pastures, alpine meadows, and traditional Tibetan-influenced villages. The summit push rewards adventurers with panoramic Himalayan vistas including Annapurna, Dhaulagiri, Nilgiri, and Mustang peaks. High-altitude camping ensures a genuine Himalayan experience for moderately experienced climbers.

Total Trip Days: 17 DAYS

Region: Annapurna Region

Max Altitude: 6,419 m (Chulu West Summit)

Difficulty: Strenuous / Moderate Alpine (Non-Technical with some snow)

Trip Highlights

- Summit Chulu West (6,419 m) with spectacular alpine views

- Trek through Kali Gandaki valley and Tibetan-influenced villages
- Cultural exposure at Muktinath Temple
- High-altitude camping experience
- Panoramic vistas of Annapurna, Dhaulagiri, Nilgiri, and Mustang ranges

Itinerary

Day 1:

- Meet at Tribhuvan International Airport and transfer to hotel.
- Trek/climbing briefing and gear check.
- Overnight in hotel.

Day 2:

- Visit UNESCO sites: Pashupatinath, Boudhanath, Patan Durbar Square.
- Obtain Annapurna Conservation Area Permit (ACAP) and trekking peak permit for Chulu West.
- Overnight in hotel.

Day 3:

- Scenic flight over Pokhara, Kali Gandaki Valley, Annapurna and Dhaulagiri ranges.
- Explore Jomsom Bazaar, overnight in lodge.

Day 4:

- Gradual trek through arid Kali Gandaki valley with views of Dhaulagiri and Nilgiri.
- Visit historic Tibetan-influenced villages along the way.
- Overnight in lodge.

Day 5:

- Follow Kali Gandaki valley, pass through Jharkot and Chele.
- Explore Muktinath Temple (sacred to Hindus & Buddhists).
- Overnight in lodge.

Day 6:

- Gentle ascent into high alpine terrain with yak pastures.
- Camping preparation and gear check for climbing rotation.
- Overnight in tented camp.

Day 7:

- Ascend to base of Chulu West with views of Annapurna II, Lamjung Himal, and Dhaulagiri.
- Camp setup at BC. Overnight in tented camp.

Day 8:

- Hike nearby ridges for acclimatization and reconnaissance of summit route.
- Review climbing techniques and rope work.
- Overnight in tented camp.

Day 9:

- Ascend steep moraines and rocky slopes.
- Establish high camp on a snow/rock terrace.
- Overnight in tented camp.

Day 10:

- Early morning alpine start.
- Climb snow slopes and rock slabs using ropes and crampons.
- Enjoy panoramic views of Annapurna, Dhaulagiri, and Mustang.
- Descend to High Camp for overnight.

Day 11:

- Descent back to BC, rest, and celebrate summit success.
- Overnight in tented camp.

Day 12:

- Gentle descent through alpine meadows and yak pastures.
- Overnight in lodge or camp.

Day 13:

- Return along the Kali Gandaki River valley.
- Overnight in lodge.

Day 14:

- Scenic flight back to Pokhara or drive depending on weather.
- Overnight in hotel.

Day 15:

- Explore lakeside city, Phewa Lake, or relax.
- Overnight in hotel.

Day 16:

- Scenic drive or flight back to Kathmandu.
- Free time for shopping or sightseeing.
- Overnight in hotel.

Day 17:

- Transfer to Tribhuvan International Airport for onward flight.

Route Map


17 Days
CHULU WEST PEAK CLIMBING
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Day 10
Chulu West
6419m
Day 5
Muktinath
3710m
Day 4
Kagbeni
2800m
Day 6
Khopra Khola
4000m
Day 9
Day 10
High Camp
5400m
Day 12
Thorang
Phedi
4450m
Day 3
Day 13
Jomsom
2700m
Day 7-8
Day 11
Chulu West
Base Camp
4800m
Day 14-15
Pokhara
826m
Day 1-2
Day 16-17
Kathmandu
1350m
LATITUDE NEPAL
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9000m
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