

Hiunchuli peak climbing in Nepal

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Hiunchuli peak at a height of 6,441 meters high from sea level forms a massive south-facing wall together with Annapurna first (8091 meters) Annapurna South as well as other snow capped peaks. Its eastern part overlooks the Modi River & guards the entrance to the Annapurna Sanctuary and Annapurna base camp.

An American Peace Corps Expedition via the south- east face first ascended Hiunchuli 6441 meters in October 1971. Mount Hiunchuli is not technically difficult to climb but is vulnerable to rock falls & route finding may also be a problem. Even though it offers major new route potentials. It has received little attention from climbers and is rarely climbed.

Itinerary

Day 01: Arrival in Kathmandu and transfer to Hotel.

On arrival in Kathmandu Airport, you would be met and received by our representative & transfer to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 02: Kathamandu Sightseeing

After breakfast, proceed for a city tour of Kathmandu visiting Durbar Square, a complex of palaces, courtyard and temples, built between the 12th and 18th centuries, used to be the seat of the ancient Malla kings of Kathmandu. In the afternoon visit the Swoyambunath Stupa and Patan City. Swoyambhunath Stupa, atop the hillock is one of the holiest Buddhist sites in Nepal enlisted in the World Heritage Site. Patan City is an enchanting melange of palace buildings, artistic courtyard and former palace complex. One remarkable monument here is a 16th century temple dedicated to the Hindu God Lord Krishna, built entirely of stone.

Day 03: Fly to Pokhara and trek to Tirhedhunga

We will take a scenic morning flight from Kathmandu to Pokhara passing over the scenic greenery of the Valley before passing the stunning Annapurna range and arriving in the peaceful lakeside town of Pokhara. We will drive to Nayapul to begin our trek along a series of villages as we work our way up the banks of the Khumnu Khola. We will base through a series of traditional villages before arriving in the stone house village of Tikhedhunga.

Day 04: Trek to Ghorepani (2855m)

Leaving Tikhedhunga, we begin our journey with a steep climb to Ulleri. Ulleri is a large Magar village at 2070m. After Ulleri, the trail continues to ascend more gently, through fine

peaceful forests of oak & rhododendron towards Banthanti at 2250m. Then we make our trek towards Nangethanti at 2460m. After an hour's walk we will arrive at relaxing Ghorepani at 2775m.

Day 05: Trek to Tadapani (2675m)

After catching an early morning sunrise, we will continue through a dense rhododendron forest home to oak, pine and bamboo before descending to the town of Banthanti to rest for lunch. We then continued our climb to Tadapani, known for its scenic views of Hiunchuli, Annapurna South and the fishtail formation.

Day 06: Trek to Ghandruk (2000m)

The day starts with a short downhill hike. Leaving Tadapani, we descend steeply through forests and then the trail eases as we reach Ghandruk (2000m), which is the village of the Gurung people, one of the ethnic groups of Nepal, which have their own dialect, typical culture, costume, and lifestyle. This village is possibly the most popular tourist destination that offers the beautiful mountain views and easy connection to Pokhara and Kathmandu.

Day 07: Ghandruk to Chhomrong (1950m)

The trail continues uphill along the river before moving sharply downward to the banks of the Kimron Khola. After a short walk along the river we take a steep climb to the town of Chhomrong to spend the evening enjoying the local scenery and learning more about the traditional handicrafts of the region.

Day 08: Trek to Bamboo (2340m)

We start the day following a trail of stone stairs before crossing a suspension bridge above the Modi Khola River. The trail then moves back into a forest area filled with local bamboo and oak trees leading to Kuldi where we will stop for a rest. After exploring the quaint sheep herding fields, we will continue along the short trail before arriving in Bamboo for the night

Day 09: Trek to Deurali (3230m)

We continue along a gradually rising trail through the forest before passing through a muddy trail along the river. We continue through a mysterious rock overhang before climbing the short trail to Deorali to rest for the night.

Day 10: Trek to Annapurna Base Camp (4170m)

We hike through an area that is home to a wide range of wildlife including leopards, peacocks, pigs and deer. We will stop to see the Hinko Cave before continuing on a strenuous uphill climb to Machhapuchhre Base Camp. The camp is home to stunning views of the region including opportunities to see Hiunchuli, Annapurna I, II and the Machhapuchhare Fishtail from a relaxing vantage point. We then continue our hike and slowly move into a more barren area leaving the natural greenery of the lowlands behind and arriving at Annapurna Base Camp.

Day 11: Trek to South Base Camp (4170M)

We will take a scenic 5-hour trek through a glacier side path offering views of the Himalayan scenery before arriving at the South Base Camp to relax under the tranquil starlight sky.

Day 12: Trek to Hiunchuli High Camp (4600m)

We will continue our ascent along a very steep trail leading directly to the high camp. Upon arrival you can review your mountaineering skills with the guide and practice using the equipment to ensure you are comfortable with the challenge of the coming days.

Day 13: Climb to Hiunchuli Camp I (4900m)

We will take a scenic but strenuous trail to higher ground stopping to admire the view from several vantage points enjoying the towering mountains of the Annapurna region.

Day 14: Climb to Hiunchuli Camp II (5500m)

Similar to yesterday's trip, we continue uphill to reach a higher access point enjoying even more stunning views of the region as we ascend.

Day 15: Summit Hiunchuli Peak (6441m)

We will trek to the peak of Hiunchuli using our mountaineering equipment to climb the difficult ice filled trails to the peak. Upon reaching the summit, we will take time to admire the panoramic views from one of the area most scenic locations before slowly retracing our steps back to Camp II.

Day 16: Hike to Annapurna South Base Camp (4170m)

We continue along the same trail leaving the Hiunchuli Mountain along a descending path making for a much more relaxed hike.

Day 17: Trek to Annapurna Base Camp (4170m)

We will take another relaxing hike back to the Annapurna Base Camp taking time to catch the beautiful Himalayan sunset from a strategic vantage point before resting for the evening.

Day 18: Trek to Dovan (2630m)

We will continue to descend towards the town of Dovan passing through the town known as Himalayan Hotel as the terrain slowly starts to transform due to the change in altitude. Upon arrival in Dovan, we will take time to learn more about the lifestyle of the local hill people before having a traditional dinner during the evening.

Day 19: Trek to Jhinudanda (1750m)

We return uphill along the Kuldi Ghar River past the villages of Sinuwa and Lower Chhomrong before stopping for a traditional lunch. We then take a downhill hike to Jhinu Danda before relaxing in the natural rock hot springs located just a short walk from the town.

Day 20: Trek to Pothana (1600m)

We will start with a gentle decline before continuing along a flat trail leading to the stunning waterfall near the town of Himal Pani. We then pass through numerous terraces and streams before passing through the traditional Gurung and Magar villages leading to Bherikharka. We then hike through several scenic locations to enjoy the mountain views before passing through the oak forest to Pothana

Day 21: Trek to Dhampus Phedi and drive to Pokhara

On our last day of trekking, we will continue down the trail to the Gurung village of Dhampus Phedi where we will be driven to the peaceful lakeside town of Pokhara to celebrate the completion of our trek.

Day 22: Return to Kathmandu

We will take a scenic bus ride back to the bustling capital city of Kathmandu. Overnight in Kathmandu

Day 23: Warm Departure.

After Breakfast transfer to the airport for your next destination.