

**Lama Adventures Pvt. Ltd.**

# Chulu Far East

<b>Difficulty</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Region</b>	<b>Max. Altitude</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Group Size</b>	<b>Accommodation</b>
Hard	22 Days	Manang	6059m	Peak Climbing	3-15 pax	Lodges, Hotels and Camp

## Overview

Chulu Far East Peak climbing offers breathtaking views across of the Annapurna II, III and IV, Gangapurna, Glacier Dome, Dhaulagiri, Tilicho peak and Manaslu.

The climb is combined with the classic trek around the Annapurna massif, ascending the Marshyangdi valley and crossing the Thorong La, before descending to Pokhara via the Kali Gandaki valley. The trek takes you through a wonderful variety of landscape and culture; from the lower subtropical reaches to the upper valley with its terraced fields and rhododendron and pine forests.

The North-East ridge is considered the normal route to climb this peak from a Base Camp on the moraine at 5334m. Most climbers make it to the top and back from Base Camp in one long day.

You should be physically fit with climbing experience, and be familiar with the use of your equipment, crampons, harness, ice axe, tying knots and handling climb in gropes. Most of the climbing involved will be walking rope together, including glacial walking.

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Arrival in Kathmandu

On your arrival in Kathmandu, Tribhuwan International Airport, our representative will welcome you & drive you to the hotel. It's a free day/evening. You can walk around Thamel for shopping.

### Day 2: Sightseeing around Kathmandu

Kathmandu is the historical and cultural heart of Nepal and has been a popular

destination for tourists ever since Nepal opened its doors to visitors. The city presents a wonderful mix of Hinduism, Tibetan Buddhism and Western influence. There will be a guided tour to the largest Buddhist stupa in Nepal Boudhanath and after that to the most popular Hindu shrine dedicated to Lord Shiva- Pashupatinath. We take a tour to Patan or Lalitpur (the City of Artisans), which is 5km away from Kathmandu. We walk through Patan Durbar Square, and delight in the architectural wonders of the Malla era. Mahaboudha Temple, Kumbeshwor Temple, Krishna Temple and Golden Temple are the major attractions at the square.

### **Day 3: Drive to Besisahar and then Chyamche**

You will take a bus and drive to Besisahar from Kathmandu. On the way we can see the lifestyle found in rural communities, which are surrounded by rivers and pastureland. Besisahar is a “sahar” which supply the daily requirements for the villagers near to it. You can find an average type of climate in Besisahar. Then, we head for Chyamche. Overnight stay at a guesthouse.

### **Day 4: Chyamche to Chame**

Crossing the suspension bridge from Chyamche, we climb uphill for an hour and a half until we reach Jagat. We continue on, crossing another suspension bridge, and eventually reaching Dharapani. After leaving Dharapani, you go along a short walk and then reach Bagarchap. Then, we walk through a few forested ridges on our way to Chame, which is the headquarters of the Manang District. Overnight in Chame.

### **Day 5: Chame to Pisang**

A steep and narrow path through a very dense forest will bring us to the dramatic curved rock face, rising 1500m from the river. This is probably the steepest part of the Marshyangdi Valley, so steep that the trail is carved into the vertical rock. After passing this last bit of rock, the valley opens up with majestic vistas. And right where the valley widens stands the Paungda Danda, a massive sloping rock face that rises over 5,000ft (1500m) above the trail. We trek for a while before reaching Lower Pisang where we spend the night.

### **Day 6: Pisang to Braga**

Today's route would take us from Lower Pisang to Ghyaru, from Ghyaru to Ngawal, and then finally Ngawal to Braga. We see the first glimpse of a distinctive face of Annapurna II (7937m) on the trail today. The trails are mostly framed by lush green forests which is an incredible sight. Overnight in Braga.

### **Day 7: Braga to Far East Base Camp**

Today after breakfast in Braga, we trek along spectacular waterfalls coming from the

Julu Khola. Then, we follow a steep trail to reach Chulu Far East Base Camp. The climbing trail at times crosses rocks as well. Overnight in Far East Base Camp.

### **Day 8: Acclimatization day**

Today is an acclimatization day so we go for peak climbing training with our guides. Besides practicing peak climbing, we can also hike to the nearest glacier from the base camp. Overnight in Far East Base Camp.

### **Day 9: Trek to Far East High Camp**

After spending a full day acclimatizing in the base camp, we follow a bit difficult trail which climbs steeply through snow slopes. Our walk today is accompanied by the panoramic views of Annapurna Himalayan Ranges, Pisang Peak, Chulu East, Chulu West, Chulu Far East and several snow-capped high peaks. Overnight in Far East High Camp.

### **Day 10: Summit**

Fully acclimatized and properly equipped, we start early with the aim to reach the summit before noon, as the strong winds after midday creates obstacles in reaching the summit. We will walk through several technical sections and head towards the summit. Our tiring climb to the summit is rewarded with breathtaking views of Annapurna Himalayan Ranges, Gangapurna, Manaslu, Pisang Peak and several snow-capped mountains. Then, we descend down following the same route back to reach the base camp.

### **Day 11: Far East Base Camp to Manang**

After breakfast in the base camp, we begin our journey back to Manang which is a decent downhill trail. With fantastic views of surrounding snow-capped peaks, we head towards Manang valley. Manang is well known for its rich culture and tradition. We will have the opportunity to experience the traditional lifestyle of the local Manangi people while exploring the village of Manang. Overnight in Manang.

### **Day 12: Manang to Shree Kharka**

You continue your trek to Tilicho Lake, from Manang and head out through the western gates and then follow the path down to the river. After crossing the Khangsar Khola on the bridge below Khangsar and ascend the slope to the village, a village still in the old Tibetan stylish Khangsar. Overnight in Khangsar. From Khangsar we continue our gradual uphill trek with good views of surrounding snow-capped high peaks to arrive at Shree Kharka. Overnight in Shree Kharka.

### **Day 13: Trek to Tilicho Base Camp**

After passing Shree Kharka, we come across an intersection in the trail. One path maintains the altitude, traversing the slopes towards a place where the valley is narrow; the other continues to ascend towards the line of the ridge. The former is the old path, and is much more difficult as it goes on a really steep scree; the latter is the new path that goes a completely different way. Continue along the new path, reach a high crest, and descend on switch backs carved out through the scree slopes to a side valley of the main valley. At its bottom is a brook. On the other side of it is a building known as Tilicho Base Camp at an elevation of 4200 meters. Overnight in a tent.

### **Day 14: Trek to Tilicho Lake**

The hike up from Tilicho Base Camp to the lake is an easy one. So, you walk along a narrow trail until you arrive in a beautiful turquoise lake Tilicho. Take pictures and enjoy your time there. We head down to Tilicho Base Camp to prepare for tomorrow's trek to Yak Kharka over Meso Kanto Pass.

### **Day 15: Trek to Yak Kharka via Meso Kanto Pass**

Today as you pass over Meso Kanto Pass, you will be climbing steep uphill and give some time to enjoy the view from the pass and also capture some beautiful moments from the pass. After the pass we will descend down and reach Yak Kharka. Overnight in Yak Kharka.

### **Day 16: Trek to Jomsom**

Today our destination will be Jomsom, which is the headquarters of Mustang region. The trail goes down most of the time with normal slopes. It will take 4-5 hours to reach Jomsom. Overnight in Jomsom.

### **Day 17: Drive back to Pokhara**

After breakfast at Jomsom, we stroll around the place for sightseeing. The area boasts a unique landscape with a feeling that you are in the desert. You drive back to Pokhara from Jomsom. Overnight in Pokhara.

### **Day 18: Back to Kathmandu**

After breakfast, we say goodbye to the beautiful lake city of Pokhara and drive towards Kathmandu. After reaching Kathmandu, we have the rest of the day off to rest or do some souvenir shopping. To celebrate the successful completion of our journey, we will have a farewell dinner in the evening. Overnight in Kathmandu.

### **Day 19: Free Day**

Just relax at your hotel room and travel around the beautiful cultural city of Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur. You have the day to your own, so enjoy your last day in Nepal.

### **Day 20: Final Departure**

It's time to leave Nepal, of course with smiles and many memories to cherish. Depending on your flight time we will drop you at Tribhuvan International airport for your final departure to your destination.

## **Inclusion / Exclusion**

## **Cost Includes**

Arrival in International Airport and Departure.  
4 Night's hotel in Kathmandu with Bed & Breakfast.  
Sightseeing in Kathmandu Valley.  
Entrance fee in Sagarmatha National Park.  
Peak Permit and Climbing Guide.  
Local Transfer and domestic flight.  
Domestic airport departure taxes.  
All camping Equipment, two men tents, Dining tent, KitchenTent,  
Toilet Tent, Table, chairs and Mattresses during the trekking &  
Peak climbing.  
Breakfast, lunch, dinner in trekking and climbing period.  
Guide, Cook, sherpa, Kitchen staffs and porters  
Insurance for trekking staff and Equipments.

## **Cost Excludes**

Personal equipment  
for Trekking & Peak  
climbing.  
Personal travel  
Insurance.  
Lunch & dinner in  
Kathmandu.  
Emergency Rescue  
evacuation.

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