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Jours
7

Altitude max.
up to 5500 meters

Niveau
Very good skiers

Taille du groupe
4 Participants

Pays
Nepal

Région
Annapurna Range

Activité principale
Skiing

WILD YAK Heliskiing. A Signature Journey.

North of the Annapurna, the landscape becomes too vast, too vertical, too silent to be reduced to a discipline. The mountain is not traversed, it is read, chosen, and respected. The helicopter does not save time. It changes scale.

Each morning begins without certainty. The weather has already started to decide. The guides observe, and a direction emerges, quietly, almost naturally. The rotor turns. The ground falls away. And there is only wind, ice, and lines that are never the same twice.

Here, skiing is never repetition. It is discovery. It’s is a story that will last for the rest of your life.

From Pokhara to the Annapurna Range

In Pokhara, everything pauses. The lake is still, the peaks above remind you that another world is already in motion. This is where the system is read, and the expedition takes form.

Higher up, silence becomes dense. Each drop is a precise decision between conditions, safety, and possibility. A descent is never chosen for its beauty. It is chosen for its truth. Nothing is fixed. The mountain leads. Each turn is finally your signature.

And when it ends, there is only the sense of having passed through a system rarely seen from within.

At WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS, we select our accommodation with the same philosophy that guides our mountain operations: authenticity, character, and a genuine connection to place.

In Pokhara, we stay up in the hill in the Dorje's Resort & Spa.

After a day spent exploring remote alpine terrain, guests return to a setting designed for rest, reflection, and preparation for the next adventure in the mountains.

Why with WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS for your Heliskiing Adventure Journey?

- **Exclusive skiing adventure in the majestic Himalayas:** Choosing Nepal for a heliskiing journey is not about selecting a destination only. It is about choosing a way of moving through the mountains, with precision, patience, and respect for conditions that are never predictable but offers breathtaking landscapes.
- **Expertise of the Himalaya: WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS operates in this environment as a guiding presence rather than a fixed programme. Each expedition is shaped in real time, responding to weather windows, snow quality, and mountain safety. Nothing is forced. Everything is read.**
- **Professional guidance:** Personally led by our WILD YAK IFMGA Mountain Guide Alex Glasner
- **Small group advantage:** The experience is built around exclusively small groups of 4 participants per Mountain Guide, high attention to detail, and a commitment to safety that never compromises the quality of skiing.
- **A Journey beyond the ordinary experience:** Venture with your skis into Nepal's least-explored high-altitude wilderness.
- **Safety first:** Helicopter operations, mountain logistics, and guiding decisions are fully integrated into a single system designed for efficiency in remote terrain. Daily weather forecast updates.
- **A momentum:** What remains is the essence of the expedition: time in the mountains, in its most direct form, with the flexibility to follow the best conditions wherever they appear. This is not heliskiing as a fixed itinerary.
  It is heliskiing as a living mountain system.

WHY WITH WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS

Tailored experience

Where every detail is tailored for a confident experience.
Ultra small groups of only four skiers per Mountain Guide.

With WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS, you'll experience the **perfect balance of adventure and safety.**

The WILD YAK Team

International class safety
Led by Alex Glasner, our certified WILD YAK IFMGA Mountain Guide, and supported by expert helicopter pilots.

Briefing & Preparation

Tailor-made workshops and training (optional)

With WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS, we ensure you're well-prepared for your trekking. **Our pre-trekking and expedition optional workshops and training sessions in the Alps** will give you essential high altitude skills. We'll organize virtual meetings for those you can't attend in person.

Our preparation workshops in the Alps cover everything from physical and mental fitness advice to emergency procedures and the risks associated with high altitude.

With our expert advice, **you'll be well-prepared and confident** that you're ready to meet the challenges of your next high altitude trekking.

Feel free to contact us for a tailor-made training session in the Alps.

Emergency

Our emergency features
WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS has well-defined emergency response protocols, such as:

– medical kits with high-altitude medicine

– oxygen with masks and regulators

– plan for immediate response to medical emergencies in case of altitude sickness, frostbite, or injury.

In addition, our WILD YAK guiding Team is trained to administer first aid and coordinate rapid evacuations if necessary, including high-altitude helicopter evacuations.

Sustainability

WILD YAK's commitments

We demonstrate a solid commitment to responsible tourism by integrating sustainable practices into our WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS operations.

Since 2014, WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS, **in collaboration with our charity organization "The Butterfly Help Project",** has contributed namely to schools constructions, sponsoring Sherpa children who have lost their fathers in the mountains, collaborating with local organizations to preserve their culture, and financially supporting community development initiatives.

In addition, WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS encourages travelers to actively participate in community-based

activities and respect local customs and traditions. **We highly encourage reusable water bottles, minimizing single-use plastics.** We also provide proper waste disposal facilities during the trekking.

Furthermore, **WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS greatly emphasize the well-being of porters and the WILD YAK guiding Team.** We are committed to treating porters fairly and providing them with better working conditions by limiting the weight carried by each of them. Additionally, **we apply a strict policy of fair wages and provide them with proper clothing, footwear, and necessary accessories.** Finally, we purchase insurance for each porter's emergency medical and rescue services on each trip.

Last but not least, we contribute with each of our trip to the projects of "The Butterfly Help Project".

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

Jour 1: Arrival Kathmandu

Personal welcome at the international airport by the WILD YAK Team.
Transfer to the exclusive Dwarika Heritage Hotel.

Briefing and check of material.

Welcome dinner.

Jour 2: Flight to Pokhara

25 mins domestic flight to Pokhara.
Afternoon sightseeing around Lake Side, and check-in at the Dorje's Resort and Spa.

Personalized safety and helicopter briefing. Let you guide to the immense beauty of the Himalaya.

Jour 3 to 5: Turns in the Himalayas

Jour 6: Pokhara to Kathmandu

Morning flight back to Kathmandu. Rest of the day free to explore the capital of Nepal.
Transfer to the Dwarika Heritage Hotel.

Farewell dinner in Kathmandu.

Jour 7: International Flight (or optional adds-on)

Personalized transfer to the international airport.

LOGISTICS

Kathmandu

In Kathmandu:
We stay in the Dwarika Heritage Hotel on a single room basis, breakfasts included.

The included evening meals (2) are served in excellent restaurants in Kathmandu. WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS has tested each restaurant to meet our client's requirements best.

Please note that drinks are at each participant's expense.

Pokhara

Perched on a forested ridge above Pokhara, Dorje's Resort and Spa Pokhara Lodge offers a rare sense of tranquillity, privacy, and connection to the Himalayas. With panoramic views across the Annapurna range, this intimate lodge provides the perfect setting to begin and end each day of the expedition.

Far removed from the bustle of the city, Dorje's Resort and Spa embodies a quieter form of luxury — one rooted in nature, authenticity, and a deep sense of place. Its peaceful atmosphere, warm hospitality, and timeless Himalayan character make it an ideal base for our heliskiing journeys in Nepal.

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INCLUDES & EXCLUDES, PAYMENT INFORMATION

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WILD YAK Services
WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS' philosophy: the prices quoted include a maximum of services in complete transparency. So, our customers know the cost of their adventure when booking.

- The organization of your Journey
- All airport/hotel transfers in Nepal
- Accommodation in superior hotel in Kathmandu – Dwarika Heritage Hotel (2 nights), on a sharing basis, including breakfasts
- 2 dinners in Kathmandu (welcome and farewell)
- Accommodation in Pokhara – Dorje's Resort & Spa (4 nights), on a single basis, including breakfasts and dinners
- Domestic flights from Kathmandu to Pokhara, and back (by airplane) **up to 20 kg personal luggage**
- A well-experienced and professional WILD YAK Team: IFMGA Mountain Guide Alex Glasner, including his salary, insurance, transportation, food, and lodging
- Helicopter
- Radio sets and satellite phone (personal use on own participant's charge)
- Oxygen, mask, and regulator in case of emergency

- Medical first aid kit
- Logistics organization in case of rescue – repatriation
- 1 WILD YAK sport bag for each participant
- All government and local taxes

Not Included

- International flight (we are at your disposal for your flight booking)
- Entry visa for Nepal (USD 30 per person for up to 15 days)
- Excess baggage and, or cargo for domestic and international flights, including local taxes
- Additional night(s) in Kathmandu or in Pokhara for any reason not caused by WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS and outside the planned itinerary
- Meals in Kathmandu and Pokhara, except those included
- Travel cancellation and rescue insurance (**mandatory**)
- All individual beverages and personal expenses
- Additional trip/tour
- Tips
- Any other expenses not included in the above price.

Payment & Cancellation Policy

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Payment Methods: bank transfers

Currency: The default transaction currency will be specified on our website or provided when booking. If you pay in a different currency, currency conversion fees may apply, and the payment provider or financial institution will determine the exchange rate. **Note: All bank transfer charges are for the remitter's account.**

Payment Schedule:

- The payment schedule will depend on the type of booking and the specific terms and conditions associated with your booking.
- For some bookings, full payment may be required at the time of booking.
- For other bookings, a deposit will be required at the time of booking, with the remaining balance due before a specified deadline.
- Failure to make the required payments within the specified timeframe may cancel your booking, subject to our cancellation policy.

Payment Security: We prioritize the security of your payment information and comply with industry standards and best practices.

Payment Disputes and Refunds: In the event of a payment dispute or if you believe an incorrect payment has been made, please get in touch with our WILD YAK service team immediately. Refunds, if applicable, will be processed according to our cancellation and refund policy.

Modifications to the Payment Policy: We reserve the right to modify this payment policy at any time without prior notice. Any changes to the payment policy will not apply retroactively and will only affect

future bookings.

Please note that this is a general overview of our payment policy. The specific payment terms and conditions may vary based on your booking and destination. We recommend reviewing the detailed payment policy provided when booking or contacting our WILD YAK service team for further assistance.

Trip Cancellation Policy (cf. Article 5 of WILD YAK Terms and Conditions):

At WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS, we understand that unexpected events can disrupt your travel plans. To ensure a smooth and transparent experience for our valued customers, we have developed the following trip cancellation policy:

Cancellation Requests:

All cancellation requests must be submitted in writing via email, registered letter or through our designated cancellation form available on our website. The date of receipt by us of your cancellation will be considered for calculating the charged money. If the last day of the time limit is an official holiday or a non-business day, the time limit shall expire at the end of the first subsequent business day.

Cancellation & Refund Policy:

Cancellation from your side:

The cancellation charges will vary depending on the type of booking, destination, and specific terms and conditions associated with your reservation.

Once you have paid your deposit, your trip is confirmed, subject to payment of the fees owed 45 days before your trip commencement date. An expedition trek member may then cancel their participation on the following basis:

- **Cancellations outside of 45 days will result in the loss of the trip deposit.**
- **For cancellations made within 45 days of the trip commencement date, we reserve the right to retain 50% of the total fee.**
- **For cancellations within 30 days of the departure date, a cancellation fee of 100% of the total fee applies.**

Non-refundable components of your booking, such as certain flights, accommodations, or activities, may not be eligible for a refund.

Refunds will be issued using the original payment method used for the booking.

Cancellation by WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS:

If we need to cancel your trip due to unforeseen circumstances, we will notify you as soon as possible.

If we cancel your trip, you will be eligible for a full refund of the amount paid for the affected booking.

Modifications to the Cancellation Policy:

We reserve the right to modify this cancellation policy without prior notice.

Any changes to the cancellation policy will not apply retroactively and will only affect future bookings.

Please note that this is a general overview of our trip cancellation policy. The specific terms and

conditions may vary based on your booking and destination. We recommend reviewing the detailed cancellation policy provided when booking or contacting our WILD YAK service team for further assistance.

TRIP NOTES

Difficulty level

Fitness & Difficulty Level

Selecting a peak that matches your fitness and experience is essential for both safety and enjoyment. At **WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS**, our expert guides have developed a clear and practical grading system to help you choose the mountain best suited to your abilities. Trust our experience to lead you toward the perfect climb.

Personal Equipment

Your personal equipment:

Acquiring the necessary equipment for your Himalayan journey can be expensive, with specific requirements that you might only need for this particular adventure. **To help minimize expenses, we provide our guests with the option to rent** sleeping bags and warm-down jackets. This allows you to experience your trekking without purchasing gear you may never need or use again.

We will provide you with a comprehensive list outlining all the essential clothing and equipment you must bring individually.

Travel Insurance

Travel Insurance:
Having the right travel insurance is essential to enjoy your trip with WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS fully. Travel insurance must provide coverage for trip cancellation due to personal emergencies (mountain rescue and helicopter evacuation shall be covered), medical issues, natural disasters, or other covered events.

Purchasing comprehensive **travel insurance** to protect yourself against unforeseen circumstances, including trip cancellations **is therefore mandatory** for anyone booking a trip with WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS. To this extent, you must submit a copy of your insurance policy to the WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS office with your registration form.

We recommend carefully choosing your insurance policy, as some insurance companies make exceptions for such trips. Before booking your insurance, check that the insurance company knows the itinerary you will be following with WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS and that all activities undertaken during the trip are covered.

Finally, check that your insurance policy also covers trip cancellation.

Due to the international situation of our clients, please note that WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS does not sell insurance. For more information on this subject, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Visa Procedure

Before traveling with WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS, please check the validity of your passport. **Your passport must be valid for six months after your return date.**

Nepal is one of the countries where obtaining a visa is quick and straightforward. There are **two ways of getting a visa to enter Nepal**:

– **Upon your arrival** at the immigration office at Kathmandu Tribhuvan Airport.

To apply at the airport, you must fill in a form using the electronic terminals. Take the printed receipt from the machine to make the payment (we recommend that you have an exact change in U.S. dollars) at the airport bank. Once you have paid, take your receipt to the immigration desk.

– **Before your departure**, contact your country's Nepalese Embassy or Consulate, or subscribe Online.

According to the provisions in force, the amount of the visa obtained on arrival is USD 30 up to 15 days, USD 50 up to 30 days, and USD 125 up to 90 days.

OPTIONAL ADDS ON

Resorts

Resorts:
Suppose you want extend your stay and discover some fabulous resorts, whether Shinta Mani Resort, a crafted stay in the Mustang, or discover the luxuriant vegetation of the Kathmandu Valley while staying in the Dwarika's Resort. A true sanctuary of wellness.

Contact us for any further information and booking. We are happy to advise you.

Extra Visits

Extra Visits:
Discover the Hidden Gems of Nepal beyond Adventure Activities

Besides mountaineering or trekking, you can explore diverse experiences in Nepal. With its cultural heritage, spiritual traditions, natural beauty, and warm hospitality, Nepal offers endless opportunities to create meaningful and unforgettable memories.

Cultural exploration and local immersion:

Uncover the richness of Nepal, where adventure activities are just the beginning. Elevate your senses with sightseeing tours of Nepal's historical sites and architectural marvels – Marvel at ancient palaces, temples, and intricate woodcarvings in Kathmandu, Bhaktapur, and Patan. Explore monasteries, museums, and art galleries to unlock the secrets of Nepal's rich history and artistic traditions.

Immerse yourself in vibrant festivals, traditional villages, and the warm embrace of locals eager to share their customs and traditions. Immerse yourself in the local culture with homestay programs, where you can experience the daily life of Nepalese families, learn traditional cooking, and engage in community activities. Forge genuine connections and gain a deeper understanding of the local culture.

Wildlife and Nature Experiences:

Unleash your wild side with wildlife safaris in national parks like Chitwan and Bardia, where rhinos, tigers, elephants, and exotic bird species roam free. Or embrace the serene beauty of Nepal's mountains, lakes, and rivers through nature walks, birdwatching, and boating activities.

Spiritual and Yoga retreats:

Embark on a spiritual journey to Nepal's sacred sites, such as the revered Pashupatinath Temple, the peaceful Swayambhunath Stupa, and the birthplace of Lord Buddha, Lumbini.

Find serenity and rejuvenation through meditation retreats, yoga classes, and spiritual workshops that nourish the mind, body, and soul. Indulge in a world of wellness and Ayurveda, as Nepal offers a sanctuary for rejuvenation. Pamper yourself with spa treatments, Ayurvedic therapies, and healing practices that promote relaxation, stress relief, and holistic well-being.

Volunteering

Become a Volunteer:
Make a difference through volunteer programs, where you can contribute to community development, education, healthcare, and environmental conservation projects. Experience the satisfaction of leaving a positive impact and gain a profound understanding of Nepal's social challenges and initiatives.

WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS is dedicated to sustainable tourism and actively contributes to the community. Through their charity organization "The Butterfly Help Project", the co-founders of WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS have undertaken various initiatives, including constructing four schools in remote areas of Nepal. Additionally, they run a hostel for underprivileged mountain children, providing them with accommodation and education opportunities. They also sponsor numerous children who have lost their fathers in the mountains.

In addition to their educational efforts, the co-founders of WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS have established two apple orchards in the Kanchenjunga region above 3500 meters, supporting the local economy.

If you're interested, you can visit one of these schools or volunteer at the hostel. By engaging with WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS, you can contribute to the co-founders' impactful projects and make a difference in the lives of others.

FAQ

The journey

What's the best way to get to Nepal?

Many airlines offer flights to Kathmandu International Airport. Most airlines fly directly to most countries via Doha, Bangkok, Singapore, Hong Kong and New Delhi.

When should I book my ticket?

If you see a good deal and want to book your flights as soon as possible, make sure you can change your tickets, otherwise you risk losing your ticket in case we have to cancel the trip if we don't reach the minimum number of participants. We remain at your disposal for booking your international flights.

Please do not hesitate to contact us.

Can I get a cheap ticket online?

The risk with these tickets is that you generally have to pay a lot more if you need to make changes to your ticket. We strongly recommend that you use a travel agent for your trip, as they can help you solve many problems. In the long run, they save you money! We use professional travel agents for all our staff and guide bookings. Please do not hesitate to contact us.

What happens if I arrive before the start of the trek or want to return later?

For a trip as long as this, we ask that you arrive in Kathmandu on time to ensure that your luggage arrives on time and that you have time to recover from jet lag before your Himalayan experience. It is difficult to catch up with the group if you arrive late and are waiting for lost luggage!

If you'd like to arrive earlier or leave later to enjoy Kathmandu or discover other places in Nepal, we're happy to help you organise your extended stay.

However, please bear in mind that this is a long journey and participants usually want to return home as soon as possible after the trek. That's why we recommend that you take flexible tickets.

Is someone coming to pick me up at the airport?

A WILD YAK EXPEDITIONS representative will be waiting outside Kathmandu airport to meet you on arrival.

Are there any entry or visa requirements?

Yes, there are. Please refer to the « Visa » section of our website. Make sure you have the suggested amount in US dollars for your visa application in cash when you arrive in Kathmandu.

Currently, up to 15-day visa costs USD 30, up to 30-day visa costs USD 50 and up to 90-day visa costs USD 125 for most nationalities.

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