



Nepal Everest Base Camp Trekking

The Ultimate Himalayan Mountain Adventure

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Unrivaled Expertise

MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Tour Company in 2022 by USA Today's 10 Best Readers' Choice Awards.

Unique Trip Design

Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail — the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

Small Groups

We keep our groups intentionally small — usually fewer than 10 people. This allows you a more intimate experience with the people and wildlife you encounter. With a smaller group size, we can take advantage of many unexpected invitations and opportunities that would be impossible with larger groups.





Leading the Way

World-Class Local Guides

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.





Why take this trip with us?

REASON 1

MT Sobek is a pioneering outfitter in Nepal and has offered Everest Base Camp adventures since 1969. This is where adventure travel started!

REASON 2

This 16-day legendary adventure has been expertly crafted to build in acclimatization time for a successful personal achievement - reaching Base Camp at 17,600 feet and Kala Patar at 18,500 feet.

REASON 3

Trust MT Sobek's professional local guides on this expert-led Himalayan trek. Along the way you will explore Sherpa villages, visit Buddhist monasteries, and come away feeling connected to the people as well as the place.

At A Glance

ACTIVITIES

Strenuous hiking on mountain paths, covering 3 to 9 miles per day on rugged terrain at a maximum elevation of 17,600'.



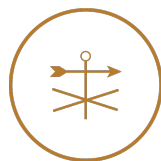
LODGING

Scenic and comfortable mountain accommodation in Nepalese inns and lodges, plus three nights at the Yak & Yeti Hotel in Kathmandu.



CLIMATE

Fall temperatures are typically 30 - 65°F during the day, and -5 - 35°F at night. Rain or snow is possible. Springtime is usually 5 - 10°F warmer.



KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK

It's important to note that the Nepali government has the authority to make the final decision on the type of aircraft used for the flights between Kathmandu and Lukla, and this decision is subject to change at any time. It may be either a scheduled flight or helicopter.



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Trekking in the Himalaya is a lifelong dream for many avid hikers, and what could be better than a pilgrimage to its greatest mountain—Everest—known in Nepali as Sagarmatha, the "Peak of Heaven." This 16-day adventure is nothing short of a true quest and, with more than 50 years' experience leading in Nepal, MT Sobek is the best company to get you to Everest Base Camp at 17,600 feet elevation. Our peerless, top-notch guides—all of whom are seasoned mountaineers—guarantee your trek will be a memorable experience!

16 Days

Start: Kathmandu, Nepal

End: Kathmandu, Nepal

Departing: April, May, October, November

Activities: Hiking & Trekking

Lodging: Comfortable Hotels, Luxury Hotels, Rustic Lodging

Group Size: 4-12 Guests

ACTIVITY:



Check [mtsobek.com](https://www.mtsobek.com) for date-specific pricing.

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"In a word, 'Incredible!' The journey to base camp was well planned and the difficulty was moderate, but we were all ready for the challenge. Mountain Travel Sobek did a wonderful job bringing us together for a trip of a lifetime!"

- Karl S.

The Itinerary

DAY
01

Arrive in Nepal

Welcome to Kathmandu! Meet your trip leader or an MT Sobek representative and transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon, receive a briefing and orientation, including information on trekking, altitude acclimatization, areas you will visit, and culture within the region. Enjoy a welcome dinner at Dechenling Restaurant.

MEALS: Dinner

DAY
02

Fly to the Khumbu

Transfer to the airport for the flight to Lukla. The short but spectacular flight leaves the Kathmandu Valley and heads into the Himalaya, home to the world's highest mountains. Make an unforgettable landing on Lukla's 1,729-foot-long, 65-foot-wide runway, perched high on a mountainside above the Dudh Kosi (River of Milk). Collect your gear and walk to your lodge. If the flight is on time, fit in a warm-up hike to Kharka, on a trail that leads to Mera Peak, passing small hamlets and resident shepherds along the way.

MEALS: Breakfast

TRANSPORTATION: 30-minute flight

ACTIVITY: 3 hours/3 miles hiking

DAY
03

Hike Lukla to Monjo

Begin your trek from Lukla with a descent to the Dudh Kosi. Follow the trail to Phakding, passing *mani* walls (boulders inscribed with Buddhist prayers), small villages, and well-terraced hillsides. Meet Khumbu locals who, unlike the majority of Kathmandu residents, are Sherpas — people who migrated from Tibet over 500 years ago and still dress traditionally and practice evolved forms of Tibetan Buddhism. With Khumbila (18,800'), sacred peak of the Sherpas, looming above, arrive at the lodge in Monjo (9,317') in the early afternoon. Relax and enjoy free time while you acclimatize.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 6 hours/8 miles hiking with 819' elevation loss/865' elevation gain



DAY
04

Trek to Namche Bazaar

Head north into UNESCO-listed Sagarmatha (Mount Everest) National Park, established in 1976 to protect an area of great environmental, religious, and cultural importance. Cross the Dudh Kosi and begin the steep climb up "Namche Hill" amidst lovely rhododendron, fir, and magnolia forests. As you ascend, catch your first glimpse of majestic Everest (29,028')! Arrive in the vibrant Sherpa market town of Namche Bazaar, the unofficial Khumbu capital beautifully situated in a terraced amphitheater facing the hanging glacier below Kwangde (20,293'). Check into the lodge, then spend the afternoon exploring Namche Bazaar.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 4–5 hours/3 miles hiking with 1,858' elevation gain



DAY
05

Hike to Tashinga

You'll have some time in the morning to visit the Sagarmatha National Park Visitors Center and Museum, where there are terrific views of the Everest region and numerous educational displays on the culture, geography, geology, climatology, and wildlife within the park and the Khumbu. A great way to kickoff the cultural experience! Follow the classical route to Everest, on a winding, almost level trail. After about 3 hours of hiking, take a slight detour off the main path and hike 15 minutes further before arriving at your comfortable lodge. After check in, the rest of the afternoon free to rest and relax.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 4–5 hours/4 miles hiking with 795' elevation gain



DAY
06

Ascend to Tengboche and Pangboche

Descend into the deep Dudh Kosi Gorge — one of the most beautiful valley walks on Earth — and then climb steeply to the famous Tengboche Monastery (12,680'). Burned in 1989 and now completely rebuilt, Tengboche is the spiritual center of the Khumbu and a training center for new monks. After lunch, continue through this holy region to Pangboche. This incredibly scenic hike follows the Imja River, and Ama Dablam (22,349') and the great massif of Everest hovers majestically above. The tangible spirituality and stunning scenery of this place always impresses!

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 5–6 hours/7 miles hiking with 1,274' elevation gain



Day Hike to Ama Dablam Base Camp

After crossing the Imja River and a gradual ascent to Lhabarma, you find yourself facing Ama Dablam, one of the Khumbu's most beloved and spectacular mountains. Ama Dablam Base Camp (15,013') sits on an open yak pasture beneath the west face, affording incredible views of Kan Tega (22,254'), Thamserku (21,729'), and Tawoche (21,463'). Here you'll likely meet climbing groups, either acclimatizing or fixing their route, as this trek coincides with climbing season. With binoculars you may even see climbers descending the steep ice slopes from the summit. Return to the lodge.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 6–7 hours/8 miles hiking with 1,939' elevation gain and loss



Continue to Pheriche

It's all stunning scenery all the time today as you follow the river with the breathtaking peak of Ama Dablam watching over you. With the giant Himalayan mountains now coming into clear view, cross the Khumbu Khola and make your way up to the remote village of Pheriche (14,070').

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 3 hours/3 miles hiking with 996' elevation gain



Optional Day Hike to Tabuche Ridge

Today you have the option to take a day hike to Tabuche Ridge. This optional hike is one of the least crowded and most scenic of the journey, and offers the opportunity to see 360-degree views in addition to the Mahalangur Himal range of the Himalayas. It is a steep, 2,700-foot climb, but take it slow and know that the sweet reward of stellar views are well worth it! Return to Pheriche to end the day.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 5–6 hours/4.5 miles hiking with 2,700' elevation gain and loss



Trek to Lobuche

Walk through the broad and beautiful Khumbu Khola riverbed en route to a herdsman's settlement — also once a 1953 British Everest expedition camp. With Tawoche and Cholatse towering above, ascend to the hamlet of Dughla, then continue up a steep terminal moraine atop which stand memorial cairns to those lost on Everest. The landscape is now wild and rocky, and an often frozen stream leads to Lobuche — a former yak-grazing settlement now serving trekkers and climbers bound for Everest Base Camp and Kala Patar. Enjoy a spectacular sunset over Nuptse (25,850').

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 5–6 hours/4 miles hiking with 2,130' elevation gain

DAY 11

Hike to Gorak Shep and Base Camp

It's your big base camp day! Begin your ascent to Gorak Shep (17,000'), the highest village in the Khumbu. Pause here for a nourishing lunch at the lodge, then continue a fairly arduous trek, following the top of the moraine and then descending onto the boulder-strewn glacier up to Everest Base Camp (17,600') - huzzah! Enjoy sensational views of the Khumbu icefall and surrounding scenery (though not Everest herself).

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 7-8 hours/10 miles hiking/1,400' elevation gain, 600' elevation loss

DAY 12

Hike to Kala Patar (18,500')

Start early for a hike up Kala Patar (18,500'), reaching the highest altitude of the trip, high above the Khumbu Glacier. Your reward is dramatic close-up views of Mother Everest and the awe-inspiring surrounding peaks. After many photos, descend to Gorak Shep which, at this altitude feels long and exhausting, but you can do it. Then take the trail back down to Lobuche and Thukla (15,090').

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 6-7 hours/7 miles/1,500' elevation gain/3,490' elevation loss

DAY 13

Return to Pangboche

This morning, instead of taking the trail back to Pheriche, you stay up high on the wide grassy plateau and make your way to Dingboche to admire a glimpse of Imtsha Valley. After lunch descend the pleasant trail to Pangboche. If you did not have a chance to visit the *gompa* (temple) in Pangboche on the way up, it is worth a quick visit now.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 4-5 hours, 5.7 miles, 2,200' elevation loss

DAY 14

Fly to Kathmandu

Bid a fond, if somewhat hesitant, farewell to the Khumbu and enjoy a short helicopter flight for the descent back to Lukla (to refuel) and onwards to Kathmandu (via helicopter or small plane). Upon arrival in Kathmandu, transfer to your hotel and enjoy lunch and dinner on your own.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 30-minute flight



Hinduism & Buddhism in Kathmandu

If your flight from Lukla operates as scheduled, you'll enjoy a morning tour of the Pashupatinath Hindu temple complex on the Bagmati River and Bodhnath's enormous Buddhist stupa — the largest in Asia and the center of Tibetan Buddhist culture in the Kathmandu Valley. This afternoon you're free to roam, relax, or do some last-minute shopping or sightseeing on your own. In the evening, join the group for a farewell dinner.

MEALS: Breakfast | Dinner



Depart for Home

After breakfast, transfer from the hotel to airport and depart Kathmandu on your homeward-bound flight. Or if you'd prefer to [spend more time in Asia](#), consider joining one of our extensions in India, Vietnam, or Cambodia. We would love to accompany you on another [trip through Nepal](#) in the future.

MEALS: Breakfast



Where You'll Stay

These accommodations may be subject to change depending on your date of travel.

Yak and Yeti Hotel

A five-star oasis in the heart of Kathmandu, the Yak & Yeti is the perfect blend of contemporary international standards and time-honored Nepali tradition. Guests will find refuge among antique fountains, gilded temples, and emerald gardens while enjoying a state-of-the-art gymnasium, spa features, shopping arcades, atrium, tennis courts, and swimming pools.

Everest Summit Lodge—Lukla

Lying at the very gateway to mighty Mount Everest, the Everest Summit Lodge in Lukla has spacious, comfortably furnished rooms with en-suite facilities. The natural stone facade is complemented by a lovely sunny garden, and its traditionally appointed interior makes for a very warm welcome to arriving guests.

Everest Summit Lodge—Monjo

Rest in comfort at the Everest Summit Lodge in picturesque Monjo. The setting is spectacular, overlooking the village and the narrow Dudh Kosi Valley, and with the dreamlike backdrop of magnificent Thamskeru rising high up behind the lodge. Hot tea and warm staff help every guest feel welcome.

Hotel Namche

Travelers boast about the location (not uphill!) and the kind staff of this simple but comfortable lodging in the heart of Namche Bazaar. Guests can enjoy the restaurant, bar, and outdoor patio. Most rooms have electric blankets, private bathrooms, and hot showers — welcome comforts in the chilly Khumbu region.



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Everest Summit Lodge—Tashinga

Situated amidst pine forests overlooking the Dudh Kosi Valley, the Tashinga Lodge offers breathtaking views of Ama Dablam, Thamserku, Tawoche, and Khumbila. Comfortable rooms and local hospitality make for a wonderful stay at one of the most beautiful locations along your trek.

Everest Summit Lodge—Pangboche

The village of Pangboche sits, quite literally, in the lap of Ama Dablam. With Everest to the north, Thamserku and Kang Taiga to the east, Kongde Ri to the south, and the Imja River flowing through the wide fertile valley, the quaint Pangboche Lodge rests in the midst of abundant natural glory. En suite facilities round out the comfortable accommodations.

Edelweiss Lodge

Located within the Sagarmatha (Everest) National Park, Edelweiss Lodge commands a panoramic view of Himalayan peaks. The lodge was constructed with a blend of modern practicality and Sherpa traditional style. Simple rooms have WiFi, ensuite bathroom, and views of the mountains. Meals are served in the dining room, also with breathtaking views, a warm wood-burning stove, and a mix of local and continental fare.

Himalayan Eco-Resort

Nestled in the foothills of the Himalaya within the Sagarmatha (Everest) National Park, Himalayan Eco Resort offers simple rustic rooms with shared bathrooms and a single hand-washing station. Hot water bottles keep you cozy at night. The long low building is accented with stone walls and beautiful surroundings. WiFi is available in the dining room.

Snowland Highest Inn

Surrounded by Himalayan peaks, Snowland Highest Inn's spacious dining room features comfortable seating, wood stove heating, a small shop, views from paned windows and WiFi. Guest rooms are simple with 2 single beds and shared bathrooms. Gorak Shep is the last lodging before reaching Everest Base Camp.

Kala Pathar Lodge

This simple lodge has a homey feel with stone walls and outdoor picnic tables when the weather warrants it. At Kala Pathar, rooms are small and simple with shared bathrooms and a single handwashing station. Hot water bottles keep you warm at night. Hikers gather in the dining room, heated by a wood stove, to share stories of their day over a hot meal, access the WiFi, and perhaps purchase one of the delectable cakes on offer to enjoy together.

Departure Dates

This trip is available to run in: April, May, October, November

Book early for a greater choice of available dates.
Once you book, your price is GUARANTEED!

May 8-23, 2024

October 5-20, 2024

October 19-November 3, 2024

November 7-22, 2024

March 24-April 8, 2025

April 14-29, 2025

May 5-20, 2025

September 29-October 14, 2025

October 20-November 4, 2025

November 9-24, 2025

What's Included

PRICE INCLUDES

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, almost all lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and portorage

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses



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