



Chulu West Peak

Trip Facts

Difficulty Challenging and difficult	Max Altitude 6,419m/21,060ft	Accommodation Hotel in Kathmandu / Tea houses on trek and on tent while climbing	Meals
Activity Peak Climbing	Best Season Mar–May & Sep–Nov	Start / End Point	Duration 16 Days

Trip Overview

Chulu West Peak is a premier climbing destination in Nepal. It stands at a magnificent 6,419m (21,059ft). It is located in the remote Manang Valley. This peak sits within the Annapurna Conservation Area. The Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA) manages it legally. The Chulu Peak massif is uniquely complex. It comprises four distinct summits across a jagged ridge line. For strong trekkers, Chulu West is an elite milestone. It is famous for being highly technical. The route features steep, sustained glacier climbs and rock scrambling. It requires previous alpine experience and basic rope work.

The 16-to-19-day expedition blends perfectly with the Annapurna Circuit. The approach trek offers exceptional high-altitude acclimatization. You will walk through traditional Gurung villages and deep valleys. Our team establishes a rugged wilderness High Camp at 5,100m. The final summit push is an exhilarating challenge. Climbers use crampons, ice axes, and climbing harnesses. You will use jumar ascenders to scale fixed ropes up a steep snow headwall.

The summit rewards you with breathtaking views. You will stand face-to-face with Annapurna I (8,091m), Dhaulagiri, and Manaslu. The adventure continues after your successful descent. Your team will cross the world-famous Thorong La Pass (5,416m). Himal Trek Nepal manages all complex logistics safely. We secure NMA climbing permits and provide premium group gear. Our elite, certified Climbing Sherpas guide your journey to ensure maximum safety.

Trip Itinerary

Day 1 - Arrival in Kathmandu & Welcome Briefing

Difficulty	Max altitude 1,400m/4,593ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 2 - Permit Finalization & Kathmandu Sightseeing Tour

Difficulty	Max altitude 1,400m/4,593ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 3 - Drive from Kathmandu to Besisahar and then to Chame (2,670m / 8,759ft)

Difficulty	Max altitude 2,670m/8,760ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 4 - Trek from Chame to Upper Pisang

Difficulty	Max altitude 3,300m/10,827ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 5 - Trek from Upper Pisang to Ngawal

Difficulty	Max altitude 3,660m/12,008ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 6 - Trek from Ngawal to Manang Valley

Difficulty	Max altitude 3,660m/12,008ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 7 - Mandatory Acclimatization Day in Manang

Difficulty	Max altitude 3,540m/11,614ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 8 - Trek from Manang to Yak Kharka

Difficulty	Max altitude 4,050m/13,287ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 9 - Trek from Yak Kharka to Chulu East Base Camp

Difficulty	Max altitude 4,700m/15,420ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 10 - Trek from Base Camp to Chulu East High Camp

Difficulty	Max altitude 5,330m/17,487ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 11 - The Summit Push: Summit Chulu East & Return to Base Camp

Difficulty	Max altitude 6,584m/21,601ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 12 - Weather Contingency / Reserve Day

Difficulty	Max altitude 4,700m/15,420ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 13 - Trek from Base Camp to Thorong Phedi

Difficulty	Max altitude 4,925m/16,158ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 14 - Cross Thorong La Pass to Sacred Muktinath

Difficulty	Max altitude 5,416m/17,769ft	Accommodation	Meals
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Day 15 - Fly to Pokhara via Jomsom and later fly back to Kathmandu by connecting flight

Day 16 - Final Departure from Nepal

Cost Includes & Excludes

Includes:

- 3 nights accommodations during Kathmandu stay in twin sharing basis.
- Internal flight transfer. 1. One way domestic flights from Jomsom to Pokhara and later from Pokhara to Kathmandu. 2. Airport transfers via private vehicle in Kathmandu.
- Required Permits & Fees: 1. Annapurna conservation Park Entry Permit. 2. TIMS (Trekking Information Management Systems) card if applicable. 3. Peak climbing Permit.
- Accommodation Along the Trail: 1. Standard twin-sharing rooms in local tea houses or mountain lodges/ Camps during summit for 12 nights.
- Trekking Support Staff: 1. Salary, insurance, food, accommodation, and equipment for a licensed English-speaking guide. 2. Salary, insurance, food, and accommodation for porters (typically 1 porter shared between 2 trekkers, carrying up to 20–25kg total).
- Meals on the Trek: 1. Full board meals: 3 meals a day (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner) chosen from the tea house menu. 2. Post-dinner hot beverages (tea or coffee) or a cup of hot water.
- Safety Gear: 1. First-aid kit carried by the guide, including an oximeter to monitor oxygen levels daily.

Excludes:

- International Travel Costs: 1. International airfare to and from Kathmandu. 2. Nepal Tourist Visa fee (payable in cash USD upon arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport).
- Single supplementary fee.
- Travel and Emergency Insurance: 1. Mandatory: Travel insurance that explicitly covers emergency helicopter evacuation up to 6,000 meters (most basic plans cap out at 3,000m).
- Meals before & after trek in Kathmandu and extra stay in Kathmandu/Pokhara hotels other than mentioned above: 1. Hotel up-gradation might cost extra depending on your request.
- Trail Luxuries & Services (Tea house Add-on): 1. Hot Showers: Gas or solar-heated showers cost between \$3 to \$7 USD per shower (prices increase with altitude). 2. Device Charging: Power banks, phones, and camera battery charging cost \$2 to \$5 USD per full charge. 3. Wi-Fi / Connectivity: AirLED or Everest Link Wi-Fi prepaid cards cost roughly \$5 to \$10 USD for a set amount of data. 4. Drinking Water: Bottled water costs \$1 to \$4 USD per bottle (it is highly recommended to bring water purification tablets/filters instead).
- Personal Trekking Gear: 1. Down jackets, sleeping bags, hiking boots, trekking poles, and backpacks (though sleeping bags and jackets can be rented cheaply in Kathmandu for around \$1 to \$2 a day).
- Beverages & Snacks: 1. Alcoholic drinks (beer, spirits), specialty coffees, soft drinks, and bakery items at trail cafes.
- Tips & Gratitude: 1. Tipping guides and porters is custom and highly expected. The industry standard is roughly 10% to 15% of your total trek cost, pooled together by the group and handed out on the final evening.