



Helicopter tour to Annapurna Base Camp

Trip Facts

Difficulty	Max Altitude 3,210m/10,531ft	Accommodation	Meals
Activity Luxury trips	Best Season Autumn (Sept–Nov) & Spring (Mar–May)	Start / End Point	Duration 1 Day

Trip Overview

Discover Annapurna Base Camp (ABC) by Helicopter

Nestled deep within the northern-central pocket of Nepal's legendary Himalayas lies **Annapurna Base Camp (ABC)**. Sitting at a breathtaking altitude of **4,130 meters (13,550 feet)**, this iconic destination is tucked away inside a high-altitude glacier basin known as the **Annapurna Sanctuary**.

Historically famous as the launching pad for mountaineers conquering **Annapurna I**—the world's 10th highest peak and the first ever 8,000-meter mountain scaled by humans—ABC offers an unparalleled mountain experience.

A 360-Degree Mountain Amphitheater

The view from Annapurna Base Camp is widely considered one of the most majestic mountain vistas on Earth. What makes it completely unique is the perspective:

- **Complete Alpine Immersion:** Instead of viewing a distant mountain range from a far-off ridge, you stand directly on the glacial valley floor.
- **Towering Vertical Reliefs:** You are entirely enclosed by a perfect, 360-degree theater of giant Himalayan peaks.
- **Massive Ice Walls:** Sheer vertical walls of rock, dramatic icefalls, and hanging glaciers rise an astonishing **3,000 to 4,000 meters straight up** all around you.

An **Annapurna Base Camp (ABC) Helicopter Tour** whisks you straight to the heart of the Annapurna Sanctuary Himalayas in a 2-hour round trip, completely eliminating the standard 7-to-11-day trek. Operating primarily out of **Pokhara**.

Trip Itinerary

06:00 AM - Morning

07:00 AM - Landing at ABC (4,130m)



07:40 AM - Flight Return

08:30 AM - Transfer Back

FAQs

What is the best time of year to visit Annapurna Base Camp?

The peak windows are Spring (March to May) and Autumn (September to November). During these months, the skies are crystal clear, offering the best visibility for the 360-degree mountain views, and flight conditions are highly stable.

How do I get to Annapurna Base Camp?

You can reach ABC via two main options: 1. The Classic Trek: A scenic 7-to-11-day hike starting from Pokhara that winds through traditional Gurung villages. 2. The Helicopter Tour: A breathtaking 2-hour round-trip flight from Pokhara that lands directly at the base camp for breakfast.

Do I need a permit to visit ABC?

Yes. All visitors must obtain the Annapurna Conservation Area Project (ACAP) permit and a TIMS (Trekking Information Management Systems) card. If you book a helicopter tour or trek through us, all mandatory permits and local taxes are completely included in your package.

Will I get altitude sickness on a helicopter tour?

Altitude sickness typically requires a few hours at high elevations to develop. Because our helicopter tours strictly limit ground time at 4,130 meters to 30–40 minutes, the risk is extremely low. You will have plenty of time to enjoy the views and breakfast safely before descending.

What should I pack for the morning at base camp?

Even in peak seasons, early morning temperatures at 4,130 meters can drop below freezing. We highly recommend wearing a down jacket, windproof outer layers, sturdy footwear, a warm beanie, and polarized sunglasses to protect against high-altitude snow glare.