

Duration:	15 DAYS (options to extend)
Time of Year:	FEB/MARCH & OCT/NOV
Max Capacity:	15 PEOPLE
Price:	£4000

Everest Basecamp trek is iconic. You are following in the footsteps of historical mountaineers like Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hilary and surrounded by the world's highest mountains. Every day you will be immersed into the culture of the Sherpa people as you slowly hike up to heights of 5,643m soaking in the panoramic views that will last in your memory forever.

We invite you to join us on an incredible trek.

What The Trek Involves?

This trek is aimed at people with a basic level of fitness, previous trekking experience is not required as we can show you everything you need to know along the way. You will be walking anywhere between 2 -8 hours per day at any pace you would like, whilst taking breaks at local tea shops and visiting the historic Buddhist monasteries and stupas. You will be led by Gelje Sherpa* along with three assistant guides who were all born and grew up in these very villages, telling you tales from their childhood and the sherpa community.

** If Gelje or Adriana are ill or cannot attend in extreme circumstances an equally experienced and renowned guide will take his/her place.*

What's Included?

- ▶ Internal client transportation (Pick up/Drop off from KTM airport, taxi to/from domestic airport, travel to restaurant for client dinner)
- ▶ 3 nights stay at A 5* hotel in KTM
- ▶ Welcome dinner and farewell dinner
- ▶ Helicopter flights to and from Lukla

- ▶ Permits and park fee's
- ▶ Accommodation during trek
- ▶ Food and soft drinks (at the lodges) during trek
- ▶ Porters during trek
- ▶ Insurance for local guides
- ▶ Internal client transportation
- ▶ Medical kit
- ▶ 60 min deep tissue massage in Namche Bazaar

Not Included

- ▶ Airfare: International flights to/from Kathmandu
- ▶ Visa fee for Nepal
- ▶ Lunch and dinner during stay in Kathmandu (apart from trek organised dinners)
- ▶ Extra hotel nights in Kathmandu or Pokhara
- ▶ Extra food or drink and alcoholic beverages on the trek
- ▶ Personal expenses: Satellite phone call, battery recharging, showers, Wi-Fi, clothing, laundry, insurance
- ▶ Rescue Evacuation: Medical Insurance and emergency rescue evacuation cost if required. (Rescue, Repatriation, Medication, Medical Tests and Hospitalization costs.)
- ▶ Trekking equipment, clothes, and gear
- ▶ Tips for Porters and assistant guides
- ▶ Any other item not included in the 'what's included' list

Itinerary

We have designed this itinerary for the Everest Basecamp Trek based on our previous trekking experiences and based on a healthy pace and altitude gain so that we can minimise chances of altitude sickness (don't worry too much about that though)!



Please be aware that sometimes weather and other natural obstacles may alter or delay the itinerary slightly so please bear this in mind.

Day 1:	Arrive in Kathmandu, airport transport to hotel and meet Adriana and Gelje
Day 2:	Preparation day – gear check, last minute shopping and welcome dinner in the evening with all clients
Day 3:	Free day in Kathmandu to Explore (guided tour organised) and afternoon meeting with whole team
Day 4:	Fly to Lukla airport by helicopter (2,846m) and trek to Phakding (2,610m)
Day 5:	Trek from Phakding to Namche (3,440m)
Day 6:	Acclimatisation day in Namche, visit the Everest View Hotel (3,800m) for tea and coffee and optional 60 min deep tissue massage (included in trip)
Day 7:	Trek from Namche to Debuche (3,700m) via Tengbouche Monastery, visit monastery if open
Day 8:	Trek from Debuche to Dingboche (4410m)
Day 9:	Rest day in Dingboche, optional mini hike
Day 10:	Trek from Dingboche to Lobuche (4,940m) via Everest memorial
Day 11:	Trek from Lobuche to Gorakshep (5,164m) and onwards to Everest BC (5,364) if everyone is feeling good! And back to Gorakshep.
Day 12:	Hike up Kalapathar (5,644m) for panoramic views of Everest and trek down to Pheriche (4,371m)
Day 13:	Trek from Pheriche to Namche
Day 14:	Trek from Namche to Lukla
Day 15:	Fly back to Kathmandu by helicopter, farewell, and celebration dinner in evening.
Day 16:	Final departure or extra days in Kathmandu (recommended)

FITNESS REQUIREMENTS AND TRAINING

The main requirement is a strong mindset and a positive mentality! Other than that you need a basic level of fitness, enough to walk comfortably for 10km with a small backpack over hilly terrain at sea level. If you are fit and healthy you are ready to go!

If you are nervous about your fitness, we provide a training weekend in the Lake District with our professional mountain guides. This will involve learning how to walk with your trekking boots, how to use poles effectively and how to hike efficiently.

PAYMENT

You may pay your deposit and balance using any lawful means. If sending money by electronic bank transfer, then you will be responsible for covering the cost of the fees associated with the transfer so that AGA Adventures receive the full amount shown on the invoice.

CANCELLATION

Should you decide to cancel your trip for any reason at any time between booking the trip and the start date of the trip, some deduction will be made to the advance amount. This is to cover the company's obligations and expenses to pay a certain amount for personnel and resources in advance of the trip. The following cancellation charges will apply if you decide to cancel the booking:

- ▶ Cancellations made 90 days or more before the start date of the trip will incur a loss of 33% of the deposit paid.
- ▶ Cancellations made between 90 days and 60 days before start of trip will incur a loss of 100% of the deposit paid.
- ▶ Cancellations made between 60 days and 30 days before start of trip will incur a loss of 50% of the full trip cost.
- ▶ Cancellations made between 30 days and start of trip or at any time during trip will incur a loss of 100% of the full trip cost.

NB: All refund requests must be made in writing and be received in our office within the notice period stated above.

For all cancellations, the company must be notified in writing. Acceptable means of communication include letter and email.

INSURANCE

Every client requires appropriate insurance which covers helicopter rescue, medical rescue and reparation costs all up to 5,600m altitude.

We have a partnership with Global Rescue who are the best provider for adventure insurance. We recommend their services for insurance policies. Without the adequate insurance you may have to pay up to \$100,000 for rescue.

Who Is Global Rescue?

Travel Protection

AGA Adventures partners with Global Rescue to offer the world's leading travel protection services. Medical and security emergencies happen. When they do, we rely on Global Rescue to provide our clients with medical, security, travel risk and crisis response services. Without a membership, an emergency evacuation could cost over \$100,000. More than one million members trust Global Rescue to get them home safely when the unexpected happens. We highly recommend our clients enrol with Global Rescue

<https://partner.globalrescue.com/agaadventures/index.html>

IMG Signature Travel InsuranceSM

IMG Signature travel insurance is the perfect add-on to a Global Rescue membership, providing coverage against a variety of unforeseen expenses while you're traveling, giving you the added comfort of knowing the value of your trip is protected in case you need it

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Sample FAQs

Q: What happens if I'm injured or have an emergency requiring evacuation?

A: Every situation is different when medical and security emergencies happen. To ensure you're protected when things don't go as planned, we highly recommend our clients enrol with Global Rescue <https://partner.globalrescue.com/agaadventures/index.html>

Q: What is included in the Global Rescue medical membership?

A: The Global Rescue medical membership includes 24/7/365 advisory services with medical professionals, field rescue from the point of illness or injury and medical evacuation to the member's hospital of choice.

Q: Are there any limitations on my activities with a Global Rescue medical membership?

A: No. Global Rescue does not put limitations on activities.

Q: What is included in the Global Rescue security membership?

A: The Global Rescue security membership includes 24/7/365 advisory services and security evacuation from events like unpredicted natural disasters, terrorist attacks and civil unrest— all supported by a team of intelligence specialists and military special operations veterans

GEAR LIST

This our mandatory gear list and things we highly recommend that you bring to your trekking trip! If you forget something or can't find it where you are we can help you find anything in Kathmandu!

- ▶ Base layers for cold days (thermal underwear)
- ▶ Waterproof jacket and trousers
- ▶ Warm down Jacket (can go down to 0 degrees in night)
- ▶ Warm down trousers/comfy trousers for the evenings
- ▶ Soft shell trekking trousers or leggings for women x2
- ▶ Soft shell jacket with hood
- ▶ Hard shell trekking trousers x 1
- ▶ Regular t shirts
- ▶ Mid layer jumpers (can get quite warm in the day) x2
- ▶ Fleece jumper x1
- ▶ Trekking boots or sturdy trainers with grip
- ▶ Slippers/crocs for in the lodges
- ▶ Warm sock (merino wool is good)
- ▶ Light socks for warmer days
- ▶ Thin gloves
- ▶ Softshell gloves for colder days
- ▶ Hardshell warm gloves for windy and severe cold (not common)
- ▶ Woolly hat
- ▶ Cap
- ▶ Sunglasses (category 3)
- ▶ Buff for dusty paths
- ▶ City clothes for rest days in Kathmandu
- ▶ Suncream SPF 50
- ▶ Lip balm sunblock
- ▶ Toiletries (wipes, soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste) Most things you can buy in Kathmandu.

- ▶ Towel (small travel towels are good)
- ▶ Trekking backpack, recommended 30L
- ▶ Sleeping bag is optional for lodges but all are equipped with blankets, sheets and pillow
- ▶ Compression stuff sacks for clothes (waterproof) x 3
- ▶ Duffel bag for porters to carry all gear x 1
- ▶ Lock for duffel bag
- ▶ Trekking poles
- ▶ Micro crampons for pass
- ▶ Headtorch and batteries
- ▶ Water bottles, Nalgene is recommended 500ml x 1 and 1000ml x 1
- ▶ Camera with extra batteries
- ▶ Chargers and cables
- ▶ Power bank
- ▶ Snacks! Bring your favourite hiking snacks for along the way.
- ▶ Small personal first aid kit (plasters, bandage, blister care etc)
- ▶ Medicine bag including (Paracetamol, Antibiotics, and Altitude Medicine such as Diamox. We advise you to consult your GP to discuss any medicines that require a prescription)



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Lehara Deep Soft Tissue Massage

Trekking can be hard! Have tired legs or an achy back a few days into your trek? Fear not as we at AGA Adventures have you covered.

We have partnered with Lehara, a local community-focused sports massage provider, that will provide you with a high-quality 60-minute-deep soft tissue massage. Upon arrival at the Khumbu Lodge in Namche, all you need to do is choose a time that suits you, and we'll sort the rest!

Proceeds from your session will also be invested into the communities of the Khumbu Valley.

Lehara is a non-for-profit organisation where all proceeds pay for both the ongoing tuition and salaries of the local Sherpa therapists, and builds a community investment fund focused on advancing education, improving healthcare and protecting the environment. For more information on Lehara, visit lehara.org or follow @leharanepal



CONTACT

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