

Overview

"Join a less-visited trekking route located nearby Kathmandu and get to experience distinct trekking to one of the pilgrimage sites in Nepal on our Panch Pokhari trek."

Panch Pokhari refers to the five sacred lakes situated at the base of Jugal Himal. The trail to these lakes is adventurous and presents fantastic mountain panoramas, which resulted in creating a new trekking route for foreign travelers too. It means the Panch Pokhari trek is relatively new and not known to many trekkers. Unlike the other not easily accessible trailheads, one can reach the starting point of the Panch Pokhari trekking in a mere 5 to 6 hours of drive from Kathmandu.

The Panch Pokhari is nestled, at 4,100 meters, northeast of Kathmandu. The region has significant cultural and ecological values. The Panch Pokhari trek route goes through lush rhododendron forests and alongside green rolling hills. You will be passing by terraced fields, alpine pastures, and picturesque remote villages. Instead of tourists, you will be more likely to come across natives along the way.

Panch Pokhari trek is a new addition to our short & easy yet equally rewarding treks in the Himalayas. If you have some spare days in Kathmandu and want to do something lowkey adventurous, then Panch Pokhari trekking is a good option. This trek is for everyone, whether you are a beginner trekker or experienced. Moreover, the Panch Pokhari trek is also family-friendly. You can trek with your kids and the elderly.

Highlights

- Short and adventurous trek nearby Kathmandu
- Less-crowded trekking route
- Perfect for beginner trekkers looking for a tranquil trek in the Himalayas
- Family-friendly trek, with great mountain views and cultural experience
- The trail ascends and descends through lush rhododendron forests, alpine pastures, and terraced fields
- Cross beautiful rivers and streams on the way
- Get to see the lifestyle of the local community
- Explore the five lakes and witness heavenly landscapes

Check out our other similar short treks - [Langtang Valley Trek](#) and [Ghorepani Poon Hill Trek](#).

Panch Pokhari Trek route

There are two trekking routes that lead to Panch Pokhari. One begins from Sano Okhareni via Chautara, and the other begins from Bhotang village via Melamchi. The second route from Bhotang village is comparatively easy and short.

Depending upon your time, you can choose either of these routes, and we will make a tailored Panch Pokhari trek itinerary for you. You can do the Panch Pokhari trek following a short or long route as you wish.

Short Panch Pokhari trek

From Kathmandu to Panch Pokhari trailhead, we reach after a scenic 5 to 6 hours of drive. Bhotang village onwards, we begin trekking through villages like Tipeni Bazaar, Dhap, Raithane, and Manekharka. Passing by these villages lets us witness the lifestyle of the locals. We will meet with the locals and get to know their cultural heritage. Every new village will welcome us with its distinct charm.

We will be crossing rushing rivers and streams too, on the way. Snow-capped mountains like Jugal Himal, Dorje Lhakpa (6,966 m), Phurbi Chhyachu (6,637 m), Madiya (6,257 m), Langtang Range (7,234 m), Ganesh Himal (7,422 m), and numerous others are seen throughout the Panch Pokhari trek. Before reaching Panch Pokhari, we will ascend to Lauri Bina. A few minutes of walk from here will take us to Panch Pokhari.

Upon reaching Panch Pokhari, the first three lakes come into our perspective right away. The other two lakes are located a little far away. We will spend a night here and relish the heavenly view and divine atmosphere. Before descending, we visit the temple and get blessed by the deity.

Check out our Panch Pokhari trek map for detailed information about the route.

Panch Pokhari camping trek or teahouse trek?

The Panch Pokhari trekking route has not many tea houses. If we do not book the accommodation on time, the chances are low of getting one. And therefore, we have to do the Panch Pokhari camping trek. Generally, trekkers do camping treks to Panch Pokhari.

While camping, our crew will organize all the tents and cook. We have comfortable high alpine tents that will protect you from cold climate and wind at high altitudes. Likewise, our kitchen staff will cook delicious meals for the group.

The booking is open for Panch Pokhari trek 2022. Moreover, we have also opened early booking for Panch Pokhari trek 2023 (spring & autumn). [Contact us](#) anytime for more information.

Itinerary Details

Day 01 : Drive to Bhotang Village (1800 meters)

The day will adventure, after breakfast, our journey starts to Bhotang village by local bus is off-road express through Melamchi bazaar and Indrawati River. Slowly, almost 6 to 7 hour we will reach to Bhotang village. Overnight at the local hotel.

Day 02 : Trek to Nasimpati

Our Trek will start after morning breakfast, we ascend up to the mountain through stone steep trails with passing Rivers, flora, fauna and ridges throughout hiking. After 7 to 8 hour, we will reach our destination and overnight at tented camp.

Day 03 : Trek to Panch Pokhari Lakes (4100 meters)

To reach Panch Pokhari will take 3 to 4 hour by a gentle walk. We will move to Panch Pokhari after regular activities. The full-day sightseeing in Panch Pokhari, hike up to the ridge where we will explore magnificent Himalaya range with five holy lakes. Overnight at tented camp in Panch Pokhari.

Day 04 : Trek down to Bhotang village

We will descend to Bhotang village from Panch Pokhari alongside rivers, jungle, wood bridge and scenery. After 8 to 9 hours descending, we will reach to Bhotang village. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 05 : Drive to Kathmandu

Morning breakfast then drives to Kathmandu via Melamchi bazaar where will have lunch and continue drive towards Kathmandu. When we reach Kathmandu then transfer to hotel by local vehicle. Overnight at the hotel.