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DHULIKHEL- NAMOBUDDHA TOUR



Trip Facts

Trip Duration: 2 Days

Difficulty Level: Light

Trip Area: Kavre District

Maximum Altitude: 1750m/5,741.47ft-Namobuddha

Best Season: September-November and March-May.

Meals: Breakfast at the hotel

Accommodation: Hotels, Resorts & Lodges

Transportation: Car Jeep or Bus

Trip Start: Kathmandu

Trip End: Kathmandu

Itinerary Highlights

- Scenic Beauty
- Lush Landscapes
- Cultural Immersion
- Traditional Villages
- Historical Sites
- Spiritual Significance
- Namobuddha
- Legend of Compassion
- Tranquil Environment
- Forest Trails
- Adventure and Exploration
- Tea House Stops
- Spectacular Sunrises and Sunsets

Trip Overview

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The Dhulikhel to Namobuddha hike is a picturesque and culturally rich trek in Nepal, offering an immersive experience into the natural beauty and traditional heritage of the region. This hike, suitable for both novice and experienced hikers, typically takes about 4-5 hours to complete, covering a distance of approximately 13 kilometers. It is a journey that combines serene landscapes, panoramic mountain views, and profound spiritual encounters. Starting from Dhulikhel, a charming town situated around 30 kilometers east of Kathmandu, the hike begins with a gradual ascent. Dhulikhel itself is renowned for its stunning vistas of the Himalayan range, including peaks like Langtang, Ganesh Himal, and even Everest on clear days. The town also boasts a rich cultural tapestry with ancient temples and traditional Newari architecture, setting a captivating tone for the hike. As you leave Dhulikhel, the trail meanders through lush forests, terraced fields, and quaint villages. The route is adorned with vibrant rhododendrons in spring and offers glimpses of local life, with villagers engaged in farming and daily chores. The gentle uphill climb is interspersed with flat stretches, making the hike enjoyable and not overly strenuous. Along the way, hikers can take breaks at small tea houses to rest and enjoy local snacks.

The hike culminates at Namobuddha, one of the most important Buddhist pilgrimage sites in Nepal. Perched on a hilltop, Namobuddha is believed to be the place where a young prince, in an act of supreme compassion, offered his body to a starving tigress and her cubs. This legend is depicted in intricate carvings and paintings at the Namobuddha Stupa and Monastery. The tranquil atmosphere of Namobuddha, coupled with the panoramic views of the Himalayas and the surrounding valleys, creates a profoundly peaceful and reflective end to the hike.

Overall, the Dhulikhel to Namobuddha hike is a perfect blend of natural beauty, cultural exploration, and spiritual enrichment. It offers hikers not just a physical journey, but also a soulful experience that highlights the harmonious coexistence of nature and culture in Nepal. Whether you're looking to enjoy the serene landscapes, delve into the local traditions, or seek spiritual solace, this hike has something to offer for everyone.

Detail Itinerary

Day 1: Dhulikhel to Namobuddha Hike

Morning:

- Drive to Dhulikhel.
- Briefing and introduction with your guide.
- Start the hike from Dhulikhel.

Afternoon:

Arrive at Kavre Village.

- Short break for refreshments and snacks.
- Continue hiking towards Phulbari.
- Reach Phulbari and stop for lunch at a local eatery.
- Resume the hike after lunch.

Afternoon to Early Evening:

- Arrive at Namobuddha Stupa and Monastery.

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- Explore Namobuddha and its surroundings.
- Enjoy the sunset views from Namobuddha.
- Check into a guesthouse or lodge for overnight stay.
- Dinner at the guesthouse/lodge.

Day 2: Namobuddha to Dhulikhel

Morning:

- Wake up early to witness the sunrise over the Himalayas.
- Breakfast at the guesthouse/lodge.
- Explore Namobuddha further or participate in morning prayers at the monastery.

Late Morning to Afternoon:

- Begin the descent from Namobuddha.
- Arrive at Phulbari and take a break for refreshments.
- Continue hiking towards Kavre Village.
- Reach Kavre Village and have lunch at a local eatery.

Afternoon to Early Evening:

- Resume the hike towards Dhulikhel.
- Arrive back in Dhulikhel.
- End of the hike. Transfer back to your accommodation or departure point.

Cost Includes

- Guided Hike
- Transportation
- Permits and Entrance Fees
- Refreshments
- Cultural Experiences
- Safety Equipment

Cost Includes

- Personal Expenses
- Accommodation
- Meals
- Tips and Gratuities
- Optional Activities
- Travel Insurance