

# GHOREPANI POONHILL TREKKING : SHORT & REWARDING TREK FOR WOMEN

## GENERAL DETAILS

Category:	Treks for Women
Sub Category:	Annapurna Region
Region:	Annapurna
Duration:	9 days
Accommodation:	Tea-House (Lodge)
Altitude:	3210
Meals:	Breakfast Lunch Dinner
Difficulty:	Easy
Activity:	Trekking
Season:	All Seasons
Start/End Point:	Ktm-Ktm
Group Size:	2-30
Total Distance:	40 to 50 kilometers (25 to 31 miles)
Transportation:	Flight and Private vehicle

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## GROUP DISCOUNTS

1 pax : \$ 700.00

\* The above price resembles price per person.

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## TRIP OVERVIEW

The **Ghorepani Poon Hill Trek** is one of the simple and preferred short treks by all including Nepali trekkers. This is the best trekking option for anyone wishing to trek within a week with a mountain view and cultural exploration. The **Ghorepani Poon Hill Trek route** is simple enough for beginners and families looking to make the most of their limited time in the

Annapurna Region. The trek finds its way from Pokhara to the charming villages decorated with rhododendrons, farmlands, and other hidden gems, eventually leading to the village of Ghorepani, Nepal. The major attraction of this trek is the early morning hike to Poon Hill (3,210 m) which is one of the most popular sunrise viewpoints in Nepal and a highlight of **poonhill trekking**.

From there, you will get the chance to witness the sun gradually rising over the Annapurna South, Dhaulagiri, Nilgiri, and the sacred Machhapuchhre (Fishtail) and paint the backdrop with a golden hue. After this magnificent spiritual interaction with the mountains, the trek goes on to Tadapani which leads to Ghandruk, possibly the finest preserved Gurung village in Nepal. In Ghandruk village, trekkers can get a glimpse of local traditions, visit several museums, and admire the elegant slate-roofed houses that have striking views of the mountains. Ghandruk is equally famous for tourism activities run by locals. The lodges are run by women which makes them a good place for rest for people who care for a responsible trip.

However, our detailly planned Ghorepani Poonhill Trekking itinerary allows trekkers to dive into local settlements as they walk through Gurung and Magar villages. This breathtaking route features Tikhedhunga, Ulleri, Tadapani, and Ghandruk which have their own unique culture and charm. Along with diverse cultural exploration, scenic routes taken while returning to Pokhara complete an astonishing trekking adventure.

No matter if you are a beginner or an experienced trekker looking for an easier trail, the Ghorepani Poon Hill trek combines elements of culture, history, hospitality, and nature. This trek is also ideal for women who prefer to travel with a *female trekking guide in Nepal*, adding comfort and confidence throughout the Ghorepani Poon Hill journey. Women Adventures offers excellent support throughout the Ghorepani Poon Hill Trek, ensuring comfort and guidance on this scenic Himalayan trail.

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## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Arrival in Kathmandu (1,350 m)

Upon landing, our friendly lady representative will greet and meet you and move you right away to your hotel. After checking into your hotel, you can rest and get refreshed. After a good relaxation, you can join the Ghorepani Poon Hill trek briefing with our female trekking guide covering trek details, local lodges, and food. After a short trek brief, we will introduce you to

Thamel, a popular tourist hub in Kathmandu. Known for its lively environment and extensive services. You can eat there, exchange money, shop for small daily requirements, do last-minute trek shopping, or rent equipment. You can enjoy an authentic Nepali dinner with a cultural program in the evening. A good way to experience Nepali cuisines and cultures.

## **Day 2: Kathmandu Sightseeing Tour and Trek Preparations**

After having Breakfast, your day begins with a guided tour of two major sites:

**Pashupatinath Temple** and **Boudhanath Stupa**. The tour is guided by a government-certified female tour guide.

Pashupatinath Temple, a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, is a revered Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. Located by the Bagmati River, it hosts Hindu cremation ceremonies and is especially important during Shivaratri, attracting numerous pilgrims.

After breakfast, we'll visit Boudhanath Stupa, one of Nepal's largest stupas, positioned east of Kathmandu. It's notable for its significant size and height, as well as its four pairs of eyes representing Mahayana Buddhist principles. Following a quick city tour, we'll return to the hotel to prepare for tomorrow's trek. The overnight stay will be at the hotel.

## **Day 3: Fly Kathmandu - Pokhara – Nayapul - Tikhedhunga (1,750 m/ 5741 ft)/ 30 min flight + 1.5 hrs drive + 3.5 hrs walk**

After having breakfast, we will head to the domestic airport of Kathmandu .The smooth and scenic 30-minute flight will be ticking away to Pokhara. You will require a 1.5-hour drive to Nayapul, the starting point of the Annapurna region. The trek is considered easy to moderate. We will trek through beautiful and scenic villages like Birethanti and Hile accompanied by terraced rice fields and cascades. We will conclude our day at Tikhedhunga.

**Overnight in a teahouse.**

## **Day 4: Trek Tikhedhunga – Ghorepani (2,810 m / 9,219 ft) – 6 hrs walk**

We will kick off the day with a fresh start. We will begin our day with a rewarding day with some effort by climbing up the famous Ulleri staircase. It requires you to go through more than 3,000 steps, followed by a gentle and scenic trek through oak and Rhododendron forests with majestic Annapurna and Hiunchuli in the backdrop. We will conclude our day in Ghorepani, a famous Magar village. The scenic mountain view and the beautiful Ghorepani

village will recover from the demanding day.

### **Overnight in Ghorepani.**

### **Day 5: Pre-dawn Hike to Poon Hill (3,210 m / 10,531 ft) – Trek to Tadapani (2,710 m / 8,891 ft)**

You will need to wake up before dawn for a hike to Poon Hill, the famous hill station for Mount Dhaulagiri, and the Annapurna range view. From there you can witness a once-in-a-lifetime experience of snow-capped mountains glowing as the sun rays brushed them with gold or any metaphor can describe this moment. After sunrise, make your way back down to Ghorepani for breakfast and then continue with the trek through enchanted forests and small ridgeline hills to a small and calm village, Tadapani.

### **Overnight stay will be arranged in Tadapani.**

### **Day 6: Trek Tadapani – Jhinu Danda (Hot Spring) (1,500 m / 4,921 ft)**

We will descend today through terraced farmlands and a lush forest sheltered by magnificent fauna. After a decent trek, we will reach the village, Jhinu Danda infamous for natural hot springs. After checking in at the tea house, a short walk down will take you to the riverside hot pools which is a great way to relax for the day.

### **You will be spending the night in Jhinu.**

### **Day 7: Trek Jhinu – Nayapul – Drive to Pokhara**

The final trekking day will take you through breathtaking views and small bridges to Nayapul. After a 1.5-hour drive, Pokhara offers a lakeside vibe ranging from good food, nice music, and shopping.

### **Overnight in Pokhara.**

### **Day 8: Drive Pokhara- Kathmandu (1,300 m / 4,265 ft)**

After a delightful breakfast in the lap of mountains, we will take a scenic drive back to Kathmandu which will take around 7 hours following the Trishuli River. After checking in, you can relax at your hotel or do some market exploration.

### **You will spend the night in Kathmandu.**

### **Day 9: Departure Day**

As per your flight schedule, we will drop you to the airport three hours before the flight time. As you leave Nepal, you will take with you new friendships to cherish, memories that will last a lifetime, and the enchanting magic of the mountains in your heart.

\* Please note that the schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions and other unforeseen circumstances.

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## INCLUDED SERVICES

- Airport Pick Up and Drop Off
  - 3 star standard hotels with breakfast in Kathmandu (Nepal standard) with breakfast
  - 3 star standard hotels with breakfast in Pokhara (Nepal standard) with breakfast
  - Tea house (Lodge) accommodation
  - All meals (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner) during trekking
  - Tea / Coffee (3 times a day)
  - A professional Trekking Guide, Porter (Helper), and Assistant Guide is provided for more than 5 trekkers
  - All food, drinks, lodging, salary, insurance, medical equipment, and transportation for Trekking Staff
  - Private transfer ( Pokhara-Nayapul - Pokhara)
  - Kathmandu Cultural and Historical Sightseeing with a Tour Guide, private transportation, and entrance fee
  - Trekking Permit (TIMS)
  - Annapurna Conservation Area Permit (ACAP)
  - Down jacket, sleeping bag, fleece liner, and a duffel bag
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## EXCLUDED SERVICES

- Any bar bills (alcoholic drinks, mineral water, and cold drinks), cigarettes, client's personal insurance, and any kind of unforeseen expenses.
  - Lunch and Dinner in Kathmandu and Pokhara.
  - Tips for Guide Porter & Driver (Tips are not compulsory but expected)
  - Anything that is not mentioned in Inclusion
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## FAQS

### 1. What to expect in a tea house in Poon Hill Trek?

Teahouses are like guesthouses offering basic accommodation with twin-sharing rooms, shared toilets, and one main dining hall. Though a blanket will be provided, it is better to come prepared with a sleeping bag. The facilities also serve hot drinks, nurturing meals, and a warm atmosphere after a long day's trek.

### 2. What kind of food is provided during the Ghorepani Poon Hill Trek?

Most of the tea house restaurants serve a variety of Nepali cuisines which include Dal Bhat, momos, noodle soups, fried rice, pancakes, eggs, porridge, and tea or coffee. The menu at the teahouse might be limited with the dishes but is value for money as there is no shortage of food that is fresh and made from local produce.

### 3. Are hot showers available on Ghorepani Poon hill trek?

Most tea houses do offer hot showers for an extra cost which ranges typically from NPR 200-500. The availability of hot showers might be gas or solar-heated and may be more limited at higher altitudes during the colder months.

### 4. What is the distance between Ghorepani and Poon Hill?

Poon Hill is approximately 3.2 km or 2 miles away from Ghorepani. The complete round trip takes about an hour and a half, with an hour going up and thirty minutes coming back down, although this depends on an individual's pace.

### 5. What is the standard Ghorepani Poon Hill trek itinerary?

**A popular itinerary is around 4-5 days, divided as follows:**

Day 1: Nayapul to Tikhedhunga

Day 2: Tikhedhunga to Ghorepani

Day 3: Tadapani and Poon Hill sunrise to Poon Hill

Day 4: Ghandruk or Juhu to Tadapani

Day 5: Nayapul to trek, followed by driving to Pokhara

The extended itinerary includes additional arrival/departure days in Kathmandu.

## **6. How long is the Ghorepani Poon Hill Trek?**

Overall, the trek is around 40 to 50 km (25 to 31 miles) long. The estimated duration of the trek is 4 to 6 days, it might differ as per the route and pace. Detailed itinerary includes arrival and departure days in Kathmandu.

## **7. Is Poon Hill trek hard?**

The difficulty level of the trek is considered as easy. There is no requirement for experience with trekking, but a good level of fitness is required to manage daily walks comfortably, especially the stone stairways from Tikhedhunga to Ulleri. The altitude is manageable and poses no chance of altitude sickness for most people.

## **8. How to reach Ghorepani from Pokhara?**

First, you will drive to Nayapul, which takes approximately one and half-hour drive. Then you will trek to Tikhedhunga, and through Ulleri to reach Ghorepani in over 2 days. However, since there are no roads that directly lead to Ghorepani, trekking is your only choice.

## **9. How long does it take to trek to Ghorepani from Ghandruk?**

Starting from Ghandruk, it will take you 2 days to reach Ghorepani if taken clockwise through Tadapani. The distance is something between 15-18 kilometers depending on the stops and routes chosen.

## **10. When is the best time for the Ghorepani Poon Hill Trek?**

The best times are during Spring (March to May), and during Autumn (September to November) as during these times the mountains are clear, rhododendrons are bloomed and the views are truly spectacular. Though trekking in the winter season offers quieter trails, the weather turns extremely cold.

## **11. Do I need a guide and a porter for the Poon Hill Trek?**

While the trek is indeed possible to be done solo, hiring a local guide is recommended as it offers a better understanding of the culture and geography while also providing safety. As for the backpacks, hiring a porter helps with the backpack, making it much more enjoyable.

## **12. What if my question isn't listed?**

No worries! Get more details on equipment list, and for further queries, you can directly talk to our expert at +977 9841290101 or email us at [info@womanadventures.com](mailto:info@womanadventures.com)

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