

DHAULAGIRI EXPEDITION SPRING



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DHAULAGIRI EXPEDITION (8167M/26,795FT)

FACTS OF THE TRIP:

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| Highest access: | 8167m (26,795ft) |
| Duration: | 52 typically Days |
| First Ascent: | Swiss-Austrian team, May 13, 1960 |
| Group Size: | 08-10 people per group |
| Co-ordinates: | 28°41'48"N 83°29'42"E |
| Location: | Dhaulagiri Himal |
| Airport: | Kathmandu (KTM) |
| Country: | Nepal |
| Departure From: | Kathmandu (KTM) |
| Grade: | AD/ Scottish Grade IV |
| Accommodation: | Three - Four star hotel in Kathmandu |
| Major Activity: | Trekking/ Mountaineering |
| Transportation: | Car, Flight, Tourist bus |
| Climbing route: | Northeast Ridge |
| Meals: | B/B plan in Kathmandu & B, L, D during the driving and climbing period |
| Best season: | Late spring and autumn |
| Himalayan sights: | Mt. Annapurna, Mt. Putha Hunchuli, Mt. Machhapuchhre (Fishtail) |
| Sights: | Tour to Pokhara & Kathmandu |

ITINERARY DETAILS OF DHAULAGIRI EXPEDITION

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| Day 01 | April 02 | Arrival in Kathmandu & Transfer to the Hotel (1,400m) |
| Day 2-3 | April 3 - 4 | Rest in Kathmandu and brief and preparation. |
| Day 04 | April 05 | Fly from Kathmandu to Pokhara (960m); Hotel accommodation. |
| Day 05 | April 06 | Drive from Pokhara to Takam; Tea house accommodation. |
| Day 06 | April 07 | Trek from Takam to Bagar (2,080m); Tea house accommodation. |
| Day 07 | April 08 | Trek from Bagar to Dovan (2,520m); Tea house accommodation. |
| Day 08 | April 09 | Trek from Dovan to Italian Base Camp (3,660m); Camping accommodation. |

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| Day 09 | April 10 | Acclimatisation at Italian Base Camp (rest day), Camping accommodation. |
| Day 10 | April 11 | Trek from Italian Base Camp to Dhaulagiri Base Camp (4,750m) |
| Day11-47 | Apr12-May18 | Climbing Period (Dhaulagiri Summit 8,167m) - Base Camp |
| Day 48 | May 19 | Preparation to Return (Base Camp Cleaning) |
| Day 49 | May 20 | Trek to Yak Kharka (3,680m); Tea house accommodation. |
| Day 50 | May 21 | Trek from Yak Kharka to Marpha; Tea house accommodation. |
| Day 51 | May 22 | Drive from Marpha to Pokhara and then fly to Kathmandu. |
| Day 52 | May 23 | Transfer to the International Airport for final departure |

COST FOR THE TRIP

| S.N | Particulars of Dhaulagiri Expedition Spring 2026 | Cost base of Full board support |
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| 01. | 52 Days Dhaulagiri expedition | US\$ 17,900.00 |



FULL BOARD SERVICE COST INCLUDES

- All arrival and departure transfer services to and from KTM International Airport, along with other necessary transportation as per the itinerary.
- Assistance at Kathmandu International Airport by Satori Adventures during your arrival and departure.
- 4-night 3-4 star hotel accommodation in Kathmandu on a bed and breakfast (B&B) basis.
- Experienced and government-licensed trekking and climbing Sherpa guide during the trekking and climbing period.
- An appropriate number of porters during the trekking period.



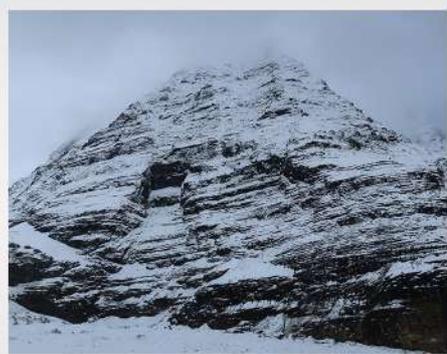
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- Land transportation from Kathmandu to Takam and Marpha - Kathmandu for all climbing members, Sherpa guide, liaison officer and kitchen staff.
- All Satori Adventures kitchen tents, storage tents, dining tents, client tents, toilet tents, tables, chairs and cooking utensils for base camp.
- Common climbing equipment includes: rope, ice bars, ice screws, and snow bars.
- 3 meals a day: breakfast, lunch, and dinner, with tea/coffee.
- Accommodation at a hotel/ lodge/ guest house, or tent camps during the trekking period.
- All tea house/ camping accommodation for members and staff during the trekking. You will be sharing sleeping quarters with one other member.
- All food and fuel for base camp and higher camps during the climbing period.
- A 40 kg baggage allowance is provided per person during the trekking period. This will be carried by porters/ mules.
- Daily weather report services from a Seattle, Washington-based company.
- Services of a chef and kitchen assistant at an advanced base camp.
- Trekking Permit (Annapurna Conservation Park entry fee).
- TIMS card (Trekking Information Management System).
- Expedition royalty and permit from the Nepal government to climb Mt. Dhaulagiri.
- Nepalese government royalty.
- One experienced, trained, government-licensed and 3-time summiteer climbing guide (Sherpa) per person.
- All wages, equipment, medical and accident insurances for all involved staff during the trekking and climbing period.
- Helicopter rescue insurance for all expedition staff involved.
- Medical consultation services are available at the base camp with the HRA clinic.
- Equipment allowances and wages for climbing Sherpas, cooks, kitchen assistant and government liaison officer.



FULL BOARD SERVICE COST INCLUDES

- First aid medical kits for the group and the staff.
- A guide for communication carries a satellite phone. Available to clients at a cost of \$3 per minute.
- Provide appropriate high-altitude food for all clients and staff at base camp and above as required.
- Required fixed and dynamic rope during the climbing period.
- Heater will be provided at the base camp for the dining tent.
- Emergency oxygen mask and regulator provided upon request of the client with a requirement for an appropriate charge.
- Each client will have an individual North Face V25 tent available in the Dhaulagiri advanced base camp.
- Solar panel for charging lights and electronics.
- All tents for camps I, II and III.
- Icefall charges.
- 3 Bottles (12L) of Poisk Oxygen will be provided for each member.
- The latest model of the Summit or Top Out system mask and regulators will be provided.
- We provide Sherpa's tents, food for climbing and insurance.
- Free assistance service for cargo clearance and duties.
- EPI cooking gas and stove will be provided in Camp I, III and South Col for cooking food.
- A generator will be provided to back up the lighting in base camp.
- Transportation of food supply from Kathmandu to Base Camp by porters/ mules.
- Our service charge and government taxes are levied in Nepal.
- Complete Pre-departure information.
- Flight ticket reconfirmation and visa extension procedure services.
- Farewell dinner in a typical Nepali restaurant with a cultural show in Kathmandu before departure.
- Satori Adventures t-shirt and scarf.



FULL BOARD SERVICE COST (EXCLUDES)

- Lunch and dinner during your stay in Kathmandu and Pokhara.
- Any packed food/snacks, aerated drinks, energy drinks, mineral water, alcohol, cigarettes, chocolates, or any other food consumed beyond the prescribed breakfast, lunch and dinner.
- Expenses incurred for the use of landlines, mobile phones, walkie-talkies, satellite phones, and internet services.
- Clothing, packing items or bags, a personal medical kit, and personal trekking gear.
- Any extra expenses arising from various/ unforeseen situations like natural calamities, landslides, political disturbances, strikes, changes in government regulations, etc.
- Transportation services include only what is listed on the itinerary. Any additional distance travelled will be charged accordingly.
- Any additional staff other than those specified.
- Rescue, repatriation, medicines, medical tests and hospitalisation expenses.
- Medical insurance and emergency rescue evacuation, if required.
- Travel insurance and helicopter rescue.
- Walkie-talkies
- Filming permit (if you have a special camera).
- Personal climbing gear.
- Nepal's customs duty for importing expedition equipment.
- Items of a personal nature, laundry expenses, and tips.
- Tips, gifts, souvenirs.
- Airfare for international flights.
- Nepal entry visa fee (Visa insurance is easy upon arrival).
- Any additional services, products, offers, or activities not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Any other item not included in the "PACKAGE COST INCLUDES" section.

DHAULAGIRI ADVANCED BASE CAMP

(4748m/ 15,577ft):

Satori Adventures always operates the Dhaulagiri expedition in both autumn and spring seasons. We normally operate the expedition from the normal route "Northeast Ridge), but we will operate the Dhaulagiri expedition from the Southeast, Southwest and the Northwest. Groups requesting these options must have a minimum of 8-10 people in the team.

The approach starts south of Dhaulagiri, trekking through the Majhangdi Khola, the gorge between Dhaulagiri I & II around the mountain's North face. Base camp is usually set up across from the Eiger, a steep rock tower that separates the North face from the Northeast spur. The Eiger is notorious for producing avalanches. The first part of the climb consists of a lengthy trek up the icefall that starts at the foot of the Eiger and goes up towards the saddle between Dhaulagiri and Tukche-Ri. From there, the climbers venture onto the actual Northeast ridge for the first time.

Satori Adventures' advanced base camp will be set up for a period of one month. On an 8000m expedition, climbers spend most of their time at base camp, so naturally, on any long expedition, base camp becomes a home away from home. We establish our camp at a walking distance between the meeting points of different groups and with a strategic viewing position of the Dhaulagiri massif. Satori offers a personal tent that serves as your private retreat, a dining tent that functions as the common area, a shower tent, and a toilet tent. Upon arrival at the base camp, you will find it fully established, with hot beverages and snacks available immediately. Waiting for you there will be your base camp staff and high-altitude climbing Sherpas. Prior to your climbing period, you will have a Puja ceremony at the base camp for good luck. This is one Nepalese tradition not to miss; it represents a safe climbing passage for everyone involved in the expedition.



DHAULAGIRI CAMP I (5450M/ 21,000FT) 4-5HRS:

Once you have reviewed the basic and advanced training provided by your climbing Sherpa guide, you will be ready for your attempt to climb to Camp I (5,450 m/18,000 ft). In this section of the climb, you will encounter mixed terrain. The first section of the ridge is known as Jacobs Ladder and is a moderately technical climb, featuring limestone and snow conditions. Nowadays, the top of the ladder forms the location for camp II, but the 1960 expedition had set up an intermediate camp near the top of the icefall. Prior to the first section of the glacier, you will encounter grassy slopes, rock slabs and a moraine. The first section of climbing on the moraine takes about two hours and requires fixing a rope for almost 200m at a slope of 35-40°.



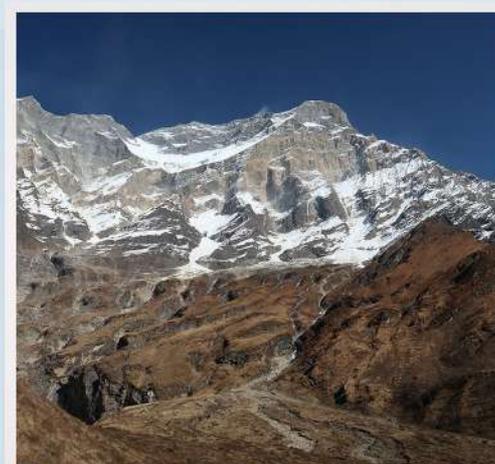
DHAULAGIRI CAMP II (6400M/ 20,997FT) 2½-3HRS:

The climb from Camp I to Camp II is the moderate section of the route, ascending ice and a few mixed climbing sections. Compared with other camps, the distance between Camp I and Camp II is shorter and easier. Here you will encounter the heart of the ice and snow. The first section involves slogging over snow for about two hours, and then you encounter several steep sections of blue ice at a 35-40° slope, extending for 50-60 meters; these sections do not require a ladder. For most people, this is the crux of the route. Camp II is situated above the snowy terrace.



DHAULAGIRI CAMP III (7400M/ 24,278FT)4-5HRS:

The distance from Camp II to Camp III is approximately 1000m/3,281ft. Between Camp II and Camp III, 100% of the route requires a Sherpa climbing guide to be fixed. This section, for most climbers, feels easier and safer because most of the route is fixed. This section should not be taken lightly; the climbing involves sustained slopes, and there is exposure to cold and wind. Although it is autumn, there have been reports of direct sunlight hitting this section, making it feel very

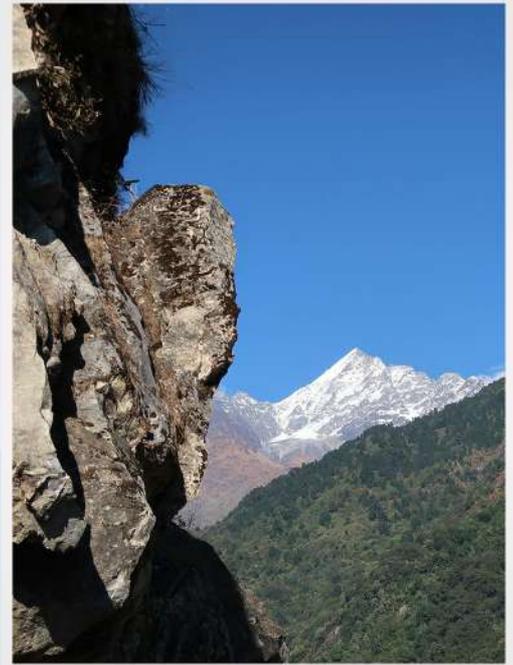


warm. In this climbing section, you have to climb about 4 hours along blue ice and snow that is on a 35-45° slope. This section is particularly hazardous during the spring season because the snow slope is covered with a layer of ice, making it prone to avalanches. This is the reason Satori Adventures advises our clients to climb in the autumn season rather than the spring season.



DHAULAGIRI SUMMIT (8,167M/ 26,795FT) 16-17 HRS:

Summit day is the main goal of the climbing period. Most climbers begin their summit bid between 11:00 pm and 1:00 am. If all goes well, they reach the summit between 7:00 and 10:00 am. Below the main summit is a false summit; the main summit is reached via an exposed ridge. It takes approximately 4 hours to return to Camp III from the summit and another 3 hours to reach Camp II for an overnight stay. The route requires 400m of fixed rope above Camp III, below the serac; another 400m of fixed rope above the serac and below the false summit; and an additional 100m of fixed rope. So we require almost 900m of rope above Camp Three to summit on a 35-50° slope. Most of the sections are blue ice and snow. The climbing is not technical in the lower sections, as you ascend through several basins with short snow headwalls, the route becomes increasingly difficult. The climb passes through the false summit and finishes on an exposed ridge, offering a spectacular view of the mighty Himalayas. Satori Adventures Sherpa guides will secure ropes, break trail, and make every effort to assist the group in reaching the summit of the world's 8th-highest mountain.



kindest Regards,

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