

(Joshimath to Joshimath)

Overview

Kuari Pass trek is the most famous trek. Kuari, meaning "doorway", is a Himalayan high mountain pass situated in the Garhwal region of northern India, south of the Tibetan border and on the western rim of the "Nanda Devi Sanctuary" Biosphere Reserve. It falls under Chamoli district. The Kuari Pass Trek found fame in the early 1900s when intrepid adventurers and mountaineers such as Lord Curzon, Eric Shipton and Bill Tilman used the passage in their pioneering explorations of the region. The Kuari Pass trek is known as The Curzon Trail (named after the former British Viceroy Of India "Lord Curzon"). For mountain lovers this trail offers magnificent views of Himalayas and an opportunity to be transported into inner Himalayan region from the plains of northern India in a very short duration. Trekkers will be walking on endless high altitude meadows with Himalayan peaks bot great and small shooting up all around. There are beautiful forest sections to walk through, magnificent campsites, and sunrise & sunsets to die for. Trekkers will meet with the few shepherds that call this area home and literally trek there on daily basis with their herd. The trail is suitable for both summer trekking and winter trekking, although conditions are dramatically different on the two journeys. Winter Kuari Pass trek is also can be undertaken to enjoy the snow trekking.

Height of the peak	Vacation Style	
12,400 Feet	9-45 Years Of Age	Camping Trek
Activity Level	Group Size	
Easy to Moderate	Medium & Large Groups	7 & 15
Duration	Km	
6 Days	One Way	16 Km





KUARI PASS

Garhwal, Uttarakhand

Short Itinerary

- Day 1 Haridwar to Joshimath city (Base Camp) 280 Km
- Day 2 Joshimath to Gulling via Dhak Village 12 Km
- Day 3 Gulling to Tali Top 6 Km
- Day 4 Tali Top to kuari Pass and back to Tali Top 12 Km
- Day 5 Tali Top to Jhoshimath via Dhak Village 17 Km
- Day 6 Jhoshimath to haridwar 280 Km

- Brief Itinerary

Assemble at the Haridwar Railway station by 6.00 AM. We hit the road early to reach joshimath by approximately 6pm in the evening. As we wind our way across the beautiful Dev Bhoomi, we pass through bustling towns, and glimpse the winding rivers and sacred prayags or confluences; while reading a book, listening to music, singing along, getting acquainted with your fellow trekkers, or simply sleeping it off till we reach our destination. Once you unwind at the guest house in the evening , you may want to take a stroll through this humble, spiritual town that has many tales of religion and spirituality: many of which are true and many of which are legends. Sip on some chai and munch on some pakoras while listening to the stories of Shankaracharya and the wishing tree from a local Garhwali.



Brief Itinerary

Time to gear up! We begin our trek from today by taking a short but scenic car ride for 7km till the village of Dhak. The ascent begins as soon as we hit the dirt road from Dhak. A steep climb awaits us as we trek on narrow forest trails; which means attempting to get your body acclimatised quickly and watching your every move! The spectacular mountains can be seen in delightful hues; varying from greens to Browns to the whites of the snow-capped peaks in the distance. In the winters, a snowy carpet awaits you at regular intervals or constantly, depending on the weather. Tiny hamlets perched precariously can be seen on your way: one such village is the picturesque Tugasi. Here, we stop for a quick rest and then plough on towards Gulling. After a steady climb through steep trails, we reach our campsite in filling which is situated at an incline. Surrounding you are magnificent views of the Nanda Devi and the Dronagiri peaks!

Day 3 - Gulling to Tali Top - 6 Km (11180 Feet)

From Gulling, we will once again get onto a steep climb, as we wend our way, slowly but surely, towards the Tali forest camp. We pass through thick coniferous forests interspersed with oaks and rhododendrons; the state flower of Uttarakhand. In the summer, the entire forest is in full bloom, whilst in the winters, layers of snow cover the forest floor: each unique in its own beauty. However, one must be careful while treading on the snow as it tends to get a tad slippery. Farther on, the terrain opens up to picture-perfect Bugyals or meadows. We then get to behold the glistening Tali lake. It's pristine waters reflecting the skies, amidst a backdrop of jagged peaks. We head to our campsite where, if time permits, we can all forget the self-respecting adults we are, and indulge in carefree childishness by playing in the snow!

We brace ourselves for the upcoming, yet welcoming challenge of prevailing over the tough terrain in order to reach the coveted prize, i.e, the Kuari Pass. A gradual ascent through the milky snow or patches of green & brown terrain, takes us to Khullara which is another breathtaking spot either fabulous views. As we continue up from an open patch of land in Khullara, the climb gets steeper. Suddenly a vast expanse of flat ground covered in snow or grass stands before you. We cross this gorgeous stretch of terrain & climb farther till we reach Kuari Pass. Powerful winds make it piercingly cold! However, the frigid temperature cannot dampen the sweet taste of victory! Congratulations are in order & a well-deserved break. Get amazed at the ginormous peaks of Nanda Devi, Neelkantha, Dronagiri, Ghori Parvat, amongst others. Engage in some exhilarating snow-gliding before we descend for Tali top. An incredibly successful day can only end in fun and laughter, topped off with a bonfire to warm yourself and savour some delicious food.

Day 5 - Tali Top to Jhoshimath via Dhak Village - 17 Km ····· (6724 Feet)

The return to Dhak and Joshimath makes it a bitter-sweet experience as we reluctantly start descending while passing by the lake, the Bugyols and meandering streams. Ensuring that we are sure-footed while climbing down makes it easier to marvel at the mighty mountains with the sun rays glancing off the snow to create poetry in vision. The paths get narrower & as we near Dhak, reality sets in that we have left behind a slice of heaven. We look upon the celestial sights one last time before turning our backs to them & step into our cars to travel back to Joshimath. Why not continue to explore the sights and sounds of Joshimath before we depart for Haridwar tomorrow

Day 6 - Jhoshimath to haridwar - 280 Km

Time to say farewell as we bid goodbye to all the captivating places that you have visited throughout the trek to reach the magnificent Kuari Pass. As we leave behind the glorious snow or the lush greenery, depending on the season; exult in the fact that this trek is yet another feather to your cap! Lively discussions ensue with your new-found friends, as we continue to travel, stopping on the way for tea and lunch. If we are able to reach Haridwar by 6pm, you may want to witness the famous Ganga Aarthi at Har ki Pauri. We say goodbye and we hope you join us again for another exiting trek in the future!





Inclusions

Whats included in this tour - Items that are covered in the cost of tour price.

- All breakfasts, lunches and dinners while on trek (VEG)
- All accommodation from Joshimath to Joshimath
- All campaign equipments
- Medical Kit
- Professional Trek Leaders (Experienced Guide/Staff)
- ▲ All forests permits

Exclusions -

Whats excluded in this tour - Items that are not covered in the cost of tour price.

- Travel insurance and other emergencies
- Transport from Haridwar-Joshimath & Joshimath-Haridwar
- ▲ All Meals from Haridwar-Joshimath & Joshimath-Haridwar
- Mules (A Hybrid Animal) to carry personal luggage
- ▲ Single room accommodations
- Liquors, beers and bottled beverages
- Photography accessories like cameras etc.

How to Reach

By Air

Jolly Grant Airport is the airport serving Dehradun, located about 48 km from the Haridwar. There is a daily flight from Delhi for Dehradun

By Train

- ▲ From Delhi -DDN NZM AC EXPRESS (2205)
- From Kolkata- Doon Express (13009)
- From Mumbai- Dehradun Express (19019)
- From Chennai- Dehardun express (12687)

By Road

By road, Haridwar is well connected with major destinations of the country. NH72 connects Haridwar to Nahan (125 km) to the north-west, and thereon to Panchkula, Chandigarh and Shimla. NH 72 terminates at Dehardun, which is at 54km from Haridwar. Haridwar is located at a distance of 235 km from Delhi. NH72A links Haridwar to NH58 at Roorkee (35 km) and thereon south to Meerut (170 km) and Delhi (235 km). There is regular bus service from Delhi for Haridwar from Delhi's ISBT Kashmere Gate.

Extra Cost -

The transportation cost from Haridwar to Joshimath and back will have to be borne by the trekkers, the total cost of transportation one way is `5,500/- (to be shared among 5-6 people, i.e approx `1,100/- per person one way) – to be paid directly to the driver.





Things to Carry

- ▲ 1 Pair of Thermal
- ▲ 3 Pair of Socks + 1 Pair of woolen socks
- 2 Pair of Hand Gloves (Water Proof & Fleece material)
- ▲ Sun Cap
- Woolen Cap
- Neck Warmer (Scarf/Buff)
- 2 Quick Dry Full Sleeves (T-Shirt)
- ▲ 1 Full sleeves Fleece
- 1 Wind Proof Jacket (windcheater/Heavy Jacket)
- 2 Track Pants (No Cotton or Jeans)
- Sun Glass
- Sun scream, Lip balm, Moisturizer.
- Torch
- Trek Pole
- Trekking Shoes (No Sports shoes or Woodland shoes)
- Poncho (The Gear used to protect from Rain)
- Day pack (Small one)
- Back Pack 60 ltr (+ Rain cover)
- ▲ 2 Water Bottles
- Toilet Paper & Wet Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer
- Antibactial Powder
- Tooth Brush
- Quick Dry Towel

Medicines to carry

- Crocin (1Strip)
- Disprine (1 Strip)
- Lomotive (1 Strip)
- Digene (1Strip)
- 🔺 Guaze
- ▲ Dettol
- ▲ Band Aid Qty 5
- Neusphorine Powder
- ▲ Betadine Tube
- Vomistop/Avomine (Motion Sickness Tablet)

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