

UTTRAKHAND

Gaumukh Tapovan

Overview

Region: - Uttarkashi

Duration: - 8 Days

Grade: - Moderate

Max Altitude: - 4463 mts. Approx.

Trekking Km: - 46 Kms.

Cost: - ₹15,000 + 5% GST.

Add-ons-

- + Rs. 1224 Backpack Offloading
- + Rs. 2000 Dehradun to Dehradun
- + Rs. 430 Mandatory Insurance

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Brief Description

The Gaumukh Tapovan trek is a thrillfest with gigantic views of the cow-shaped Gaumukh Glacier which is also one of the main water sources of the holy Ganges. The trek offers breathtaking views of the Gangotri peaks - Shivling, Thalay Sagar, and Meru.

The Gomukh Tapovan trek is scenic with nature's bounty and is decorated with fragrant flowers, snow-capped peaks, and similar jaw-dropping views. Take a dip in the holy Bhagirathi River, which is considered one of the sacred rituals. During the Gomukh glacier trek, one can also immerse in the divine aura of the pilgrim cities- Rishikesh, Uttarkashi, Gangotri, and Bhojwassa. Marvel at the sight of the Bhagirathi sisters to experience the summit views.

Itinerary

Day 1

Dehradun - Gangotri

In the morning from Dehradun drive to Uttarkashi. Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2

Gangotri (3048 M/10000 Ft)

Gangnani: Further up on way to Gangotri about 26 kms from Maneri is the hot water spring at Gangnani, where one can have refreshing bath in the Kund called Rishi Kund. There is a temple near the Kund dedicated to the Sage Parashar, believed to be the father of Ved Vyas.

Harsil: Harsil is a beautiful spot to see the colors of the nature. The walks, picnics and trek lead one to undiscovered stretches of green, grassy land. Harsil is a perfect place to relax and enjoy the surroundings. Sighting here includes the Wilson Cottage, built in 1864 and Sat Tal (seven Lakes). The adventurous tourists have the choice to set off on various treks that introduces them to beautiful meadows, waterfalls and valleys. Situated amidst the incredible beauty of mountain peaks, Harsil is counted amongst some of the most beautiful places in the Garhwal region.

Gangotri: The shrine of Gangotri is situated at an elevation of 3200 m surrounded by deodars and pines. The original temple was constructed by the Gorkha General Amar Singh Thapa. Every year people from all around the world visit this shrine. A number of ashrams and dharamshalas are located on the other side of the river. It is believed that Raja Bhagirath used to worship Shiva on a slab of rock "Bhagirath Shila" situated near the temple. Submerged in the river there is a natural Shivling where, according to mythology, Lord Shiva sat when he received the Goddess Ganga in his matted locks. A days trek takes one to Gomukh, the source of the mighty Ganges.

Day 3

Gangotri (3048 Mts/10000 Ft)- Bhojwassa (3792 Mts/12440 Ft) 13 Kms Trek/5-6 Hrs)

Morning after breakfast we commands our trek further to Bhojwassa via Chirbasa (3600mt). From Gangotri we move along the beaten track towards Chirbasa, which is on tree line. The entire trek today is along the roaring Bhagirathi River. Beyond Chirbasa the terrain becomes really desolate and barren. In fact, it has been referred to as Artic Tundra by many trekkers. From Chirbasa we trek further to Bhojwassa, the entire trail passes through dense forest, Arrive Bhojwassa; there is a small temple and a potential campsite near down the river. We make our camp near river side. Afternoon free to explore the area and to enjoy excellent sunset on Bhagirathi group of peaks. Dinner and overnight stay in tents.

Day 4

Bhojwassa - Gomukh (3890 Mts/12760 Ft) - Tapovan>(4463 Mts / 14640 Ft)

Early in the Morning enjoy the panoramic view of Bhagirathi group of peaks. After breakfast trek to Gomukh (3890mt), the source of the Ganges. Gomukh is where the water of Ganga trickles down from the glaciers. The sages called it 'Gomukh', because in the distant past, it probably appeared like a cow's mouth. Explore the area and trek to Tapovan, one of the finest high altitude alpine meadows in the area. The trek from Gomukh to Tapovan is ascent steep, and as we climb, the view of the surrounding peaks becomes clearer. The appear to be just a stone's throw away. Tapovan known for its beautiful meadows that encircle the base camp of the Shivling peak, Tapovan is a very pleasant surprised spot with a large meadow complete with bubbling streams, wildflowers and campsites. Herds of Bharal (blue mountain goats) are a common sight from here on mountain ridges. On the far side of the glacier the Bhagirathi I, II, III (6454mt), provide an equally impressive backdrop. It is also the little wonder where Sadhus and saints choose this spot for extended meditation during the long summer month. Arrive Tapovan and camp. Dinner and overnight stay in camp.

Gomukh: The Gomukh glacier is the source of Bhagirathi (Ganges) and is held in high esteem by the devout who do not miss the opportunity to have a holy dip in the bone chilling icy water.

Tapovan: Tapovan is an ideal location for the tourists looking for peace and adventure. Tapovan is located on an altitude of 4463m / 14640ft above sea level. Tapovan is base camp for Shivlinga peak in Utrakhand hills. One can also have a nice view of Bhagirathi peaks from Tapovan

Meadow. Every year this place has been visited by thousands of tourist including foreigners for adventure activity like mountaineering & trekking.

Day 5

Tapovan - Nandanvan (Trek 4-5 Hrs)

We trace back to Nandan van via Gomukh glacier. The route from Tapovan leads from the upper section of the meadow till down and onto the glacier. From Gomukh turn towards Nandanvan (4340m) and steering on right one will be on top of the Gangotri glacier. The glacier runs between two ranges and the landslides make a layer of rocky moraine on the ice which makes the walking easier. The glacier walk is very slippery and a slight lack of concentration would be dangerous. Huge crevasses gaped here and there. After a walking for about a kilometer there is a vertical ascent. Big rocks enroute offer grips and foot - holds but many of them are deceptive too. Dinner and overnight stay in tents.

Day 6

Nandanvan - Gangotri (Trek 6-7 Hrs)

Early morning enjoy the sunrise on high peaks. After breakfast trek down to Gangotri. Arrive Gangotri at hotel. Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 7

Gangotri- Dehradun

After breakfast lets end this beautiful journey if you have taken our transportation then drive to Dehradun. By evening you will reach Dehradun.

Cost Terms

Inclusions: -

1. Accommodation. (Guesthouse, Homestay,).
2. Meals while on trek (Veg. + Egg) from Dinner on Day 1 to Dinner on Day 6 .
3. All necessary entry fees and permits.
4. First Aid Medical Kits and Oxygen Cylinder.

5. Mountaineering qualified & professional Trek Leader, Guide, Cook and Support staff.
6. Porters/mules to carry central equipment.

Exclusions: -

1. Food during the transit.
2. Insurance.
3. Mules or porter to carry personal luggage.
4. Anything not specifically mentioned under the head Price Includes.
5. Any kind of emergency evacuation charges
6. Any kind of personal expenses.

Note: Normally Adventhrill expect to carry your personal luggage on your own, if you wish to offload your backpack, you can give it to Mule.