

Everest Base Camp Helicopter Tour

Duration: 4-5 hours Days

Itinerary (Plan)

Day 1 Detailed Itinerary for Everest Base Camp Helicopter Tour

- **Time :** 4-5 hours
- **Max Altitude :** 5545m

Accommodation: N/A

Meal: N/A

5:30 AM – 6:30 AM: Hotel Pickup & Transfer to Domestic Airport Terminal

Your Everest experience starts with a scheduled pickup from your hotel in Kathmandu. A private vehicle will take you to the domestic terminal at Tribhuvan International Airport, where our team will assist with check-in and luggage. The early morning drive through calm city streets sets a relaxed tone for the day ahead. Please carry your passport and booking confirmation, as airport staff will need to verify these documents before you proceed.

6:30 AM – 7:00 AM: Flight Check-in and Safety Procedures

Upon reaching the terminal, you will be guided through the boarding process and receive a detailed safety briefing from the crew. The pilot reviews flight routes and weather conditions while ground staff complete final preparations. All necessary equipment is checked, and you will be given clear instructions to ensure a smooth and secure flight.

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM: Helicopter Flight from Kathmandu to Lukla (2,845m)

The helicopter lifts off and immediately reveals breathtaking views of Nepal's countryside. Terraced hillsides, meandering rivers, and traditional villages like Dolakha and Jiri unfold beneath you as the aircraft heads northeast. Crossing the Lamjura-La Pass at 3,550 meters, the terrain transforms into alpine forests and rugged hills. After roughly 45 minutes, the helicopter lands at Lukla Airport, where the lively atmosphere

of trekkers and porters adds to the authentic Khumbu experience.

8:00 AM – 8:15 AM: Refueling Stop at Lukla Airstrip

The helicopter takes a short refueling break on the Lukla tarmac. You can step out during this pause to stretch and enjoy panoramic views of the surrounding hills and peaks. The energy at this busy mountain airstrip gives you a real feel for the Everest region's trekking hub.

8:15 AM – 8:30 AM: Scenic Flight to Kala Patthar (5,450m)

The helicopter continues upward toward Kala Patthar, offering spectacular aerial views of the Khumbu region. Glacial valleys, Sherpa villages, and prayer-flag-covered ridges pass beneath you. The iconic peaks of Mount Everest, Lhotse, Nuptse, and Pumori grow larger with every minute. The pilot provides live commentary, identifying key landmarks along the way.

8:30 AM – 8:45 AM: Explore Kala Patthar – Everest Viewpoint

The helicopter sets down at 5,450 meters on the slopes of Kala Patthar, one of the best vantage points in the Himalayas. You will have approximately 15 minutes to explore the area, take photographs, and take in the breathtaking close-up views of Mount Everest and the Khumbu Glacier below. The thin air and incredible silence at this altitude create a truly unforgettable moment.

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM: Fly to Syangboche / Everest View Hotel (3,950m)

The helicopter descends toward Syangboche, passing over Gorak Shep and several Sherpa settlements. The iconic Everest View Hotel comes into sight, perched on a ridge with sweeping Himalayan views. This short flight offers a bird's-eye perspective of monasteries, chortens, and the unique high-altitude landscape of the Khumbu region.

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM: Breakfast Stop at Everest View Hotel

You are welcomed at the world-famous Everest View Hotel for a well-deserved breakfast. Enjoy a warm meal while seated at the highest hotel on earth, with Mount Everest and its neighboring peaks forming the backdrop. The combination of good food, hot drinks, and unmatched scenery makes this a highlight of the entire tour.

9:30 AM – 10:00 AM: Return to Lukla for Refueling

After breakfast, the helicopter flies back to Lukla for a brief refueling stop. The return route retraces the scenic path through the Khumbu Valley, giving you a final look at the

glaciers, ridges, and villages from above.

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM: Fly Back to Kathmandu & Hotel Drop-off

The helicopter departs Lukla for the final leg of the journey. The flight offers sweeping views of the descending Himalayan terrain, Namche Bazaar, and the Dudh Koshi River valley. As you approach Kathmandu, the landscape gradually transforms back to green hills and urban settlements. Upon landing, our team will transfer you safely back to your hotel. The tour concludes by late morning, leaving you with incredible memories of an aerial journey through the Everest region.

Cost Include

- Private or shared-basis chartered helicopter flight (Kathmandu – Everest Region – Kathmandu), with window seats provided according to the selected package and operational availability
- Hotel pick-up and drop-off (Airport transfers within Kathmandu)
- National Park entry permit
- Pasang Lhamu Rural Municipality local government tax
- Airport taxes
- Experienced, certified helicopter pilot and professional flight crew
- Landing at Hotel Everest View (landing package)
- Breakfast at Hotel Everest View
- Fuel surcharge, landing permits, and helipad fees
- Emergency oxygen system onboard for passenger safety
- Passenger insurance coverage during the helicopter tour
- All applicable government taxes and service charges

Cost Exclude

- Nepal entry visa fees
- International airfare to and from Nepal
- Travel insurance (including high-altitude helicopter evacuation and medical coverage)
- Personal expenses, including meals, beverages, snacks, and shopping
- Pilot, guide, and staff gratuities (optional)
- Additional photography, videography, filming, or special landing permits (if required)
- Costs arising from flight delays, cancellations, or itinerary changes due to adverse weather conditions, natural disasters, or other unforeseen circumstances

- Accommodation in Kathmandu before or after the tour (unless specifically included)
- Any services or expenses not explicitly mentioned under Package Includes

