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Everest Base Camp Helicopter Tour with Breakfast at Kongde Lodge

Duration: 6 hours Days

Itinerary (Plan)

Day 1 **Detailed Itinerary for Everest Base Camp Helicopter Tour with Breakfast at Kongde Lodge**

- **Time :** 6 hour
- **Max Altitude :** 5,545 m

Accommodation: Hotel / Teahouse

Meal: BLD

5:30 AM – 6:00 AM: Hotel Pickup and Transfer to the Domestic Terminal

Pickup from your hotel in Kathmandu and transfer to the domestic terminal at Tribhuvan International Airport. Carry your passport and booking confirmation for verification.

6:00 AM – 6:30 AM: Check-in, Weight Verification and Safety Briefing

Our team completes check-in, confirms passenger and baggage weights, and the crew delivers the safety briefing. The pilot reviews the route and the morning's weather before departure.

6:30 AM – 7:15 AM: Kathmandu to Lukla (2,845 m)

Departure at first light. The flight crosses the Himalayan foothills, terraced hillsides and river valleys before landing at Lukla, the gateway to the Khumbu.

7:15 AM – 7:30 AM: Lukla Operational Stop

A short refuelling and operational stop at Lukla when required. You may step out briefly under crew guidance.

7:30 AM – 7:50 AM: Lukla to Pheriche (4,371 m)

Climb into the upper Khumbu past Sherpa settlements, monasteries and glacial valleys. Pheriche is the staging point for the high-altitude sector.

7:50 AM – 8:20 AM: Pheriche – Everest Base Camp – Kala Patthar

Fly toward Everest Base Camp for an aerial overfly of the base camp area, the Khumbu Glacier and the Khumbu Icefall. The helicopter then positions for a short landing at Kala Patthar at approximately 5,545 m, subject to weather, visibility, aircraft performance and pilot approval.

8:20 AM – 8:35 AM: Kala Patthar Landing

Approximately 10–15 minutes on the ground for photographs and close views of Everest and the Khumbu Glacier. Move slowly, stay within the area indicated by the crew and return to the helicopter promptly.

8:35 AM – 8:50 AM: Kala Patthar to Pheriche

Descend back to Pheriche to reposition for the Kongde sector, with views of Gorak Shep and the upper Khumbu along the way.

8:50 AM – 9:05 AM: Pheriche to Kongde (4,250 m)

A scenic crossing of the Khumbu Valley to the Kongde ridge, with Everest, Lhotse, Makalu, Cho Oyu, Ama Dablam and Thamserku in view on clear mornings.

9:05 AM – 10:00 AM: Breakfast at Kongde Lodge

Land at Kongde and enjoy breakfast at the lodge. Expect eggs, toast, potatoes, sausage, juice, tea or coffee depending on the day’s menu, with time on the terrace for photographs before departure.

10:00 AM – 10:20 AM: Kongde to Lukla

Return flight toward Lukla, with a final look across the Khumbu Valley and the Dudh Koshi gorge.

10:20 AM – 10:35 AM: Lukla Refuelling Stop

A short operational stop at Lukla when required before the final leg.

10:35 AM – 11:30 AM: Lukla to Kathmandu and Hotel Drop-off

Fly back to Kathmandu, transfer to your hotel and conclude the tour by late morning.

Cost Include

- Shared-seat or private chartered helicopter flight (Kathmandu – Everest Region – Kathmandu)

- Hotel pickup and drop-off in Kathmandu
- Everest Base Camp aerial overfly
- Kala Patthar landing, subject to weather, visibility and operational approval
- Kongde landing and breakfast at Kongde Lodge
- Sagarmatha National Park entry permit and Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality fee
- Airport taxes and domestic terminal charges
- Licensed mountain pilot and professional flight crew
- Fuel surcharge, landing permits and helipad fees
- Onboard emergency oxygen and standard safety equipment
- Passenger insurance coverage during the flight, as arranged by the operator
- Applicable government taxes and service charges

Cost Exclude

- Nepal entry visa fees
- International airfare to and from Nepal
- Personal travel and evacuation insurance
- Personal expenses, additional meals, drinks and shopping
- Premium breakfast items, champagne and extra beverages at Kongde Lodge
- Pilot and crew gratuities (optional)
- Additional landings, charter extensions or route changes requested by passengers
- Costs arising from delays, cancellations or itinerary changes due to weather, ATC or unforeseen conditions
- Accommodation in Kathmandu before or after the tour
- Any service not specifically listed under Package Includes