

Kedarkantha Trek

if there is a will, there is a KEDARKANTHA



Overview

Region: - Uttarakhand

Duration: - 5 Days

Grade: - Easy to Moderate

Max Altitude: - 12,500 Ft.

Approx. Trekking Km: - 32 Kms.

Nestled at a height of about 12,500 ft, covering a distance of 20 Kms, Kedarkantha is not just a trek beginner-friendly, it's also adorned with breathtaking views of falling snow and engulfing scent of pine trees. December to February being the ideal time for the trek, you get to see the Godly peaks of Swargarohini, Black Peak and Bandarpoonch.

The sight of snow at the height of 10,000 ft lying on the base of pine trees even by the end of April makes it one of the best winter trekking destinations. Another reason for it to be a terrific trek among the enthusiastic travelers is the pretty campsites which is unique in its own way, the awe-inspiring summit views of the

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mighty mountain peaks and the forest walks among the pine trees treading over the bed of brown dried leaves creating a magnificent experience.

The trek begins from Sankri, making a stop at Jadhuk Talab based at a height of 9,100 ft, to the destination which is approximately 4.5 Kms from there. With the charming and captivating views of the snow-clad Himalayan mountains, the lush green flora and the frozen ponds, it's a delight for the travelers seeking a thrilling adventure!

Who Can Go:-

First-timers can apply, should have some interest in trekking and mountaineering. The climber must be fit and have sufficient stamina to cover 5 km of distance in 45 minutes without a stress.

The climber should be able to carry a 10 kg backpack.

Heart problems, high blood pressure, asthma, and epilepsy cannot be reconciled on this mission. The climber must not have the conditions mentioned above.



Brief Itinerary

Day 1:- Dehradun - Sankri

- Altitude 6,400 feet

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- Stay in guest house/Eco-Camps.
- Drive 220 km (10 hrs drive).
- Local market and network is available.
- Pick up time 06:00 am at the parking of ISBT (Bus Station)/Railway station.
- Route:- Dehradun- Mussorie- Naogaon -Purola- Mori- Sankri

Day 2:- Sankri- Juda-Ka-Taal-Shepherd Campsite

- 9,100 ft, 4-5 hrs trek, 4km
- One third of the trek through village and rest through forest
- Stay in tent
- Moderate level ascent through forest
- Hot lunch at camp
- Spring and manmade water points are available
- Go to Juda Taal lake for evening walk, activities.

Day 3:- Shepherd Camp – Base of Kedarkantha

- 11,250 ft, 6 – 4 to 5 hrs trek, 4km
- You will be witnessing Shepherd huts in open meadows.
- It's advisable to carry at least 2 liters of water
- Very scenic day, can see Bandarpooch, Swargarohini and greater Himalayas.
- Stay in tent

Day 4:- Basecamp- Kedarkantha Summit- Sankri

- 12,500 ft, 7-8 hrs trek (to and fro) , 8km
- Moderate ascent most of the time, few slops have steep ascent
- It's advisable to carry at least 2 liters of water
- Lunch on the Kedarkantha basecamp
- 360 degree of view from summit
- First 180 degree angle covers Himalayas Bandarpooch, Swargarohini, Kala Naag, Ranglana and other greater Himalayas peak

Day 5:- Sankri- Dehradun

- 10 hrs drive.
- Drive 220 km.
- After Breakfast and morning tea move to Dehradun
- Reach Dehradun by 8:00 pm.



Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: Dehradun – Sankri (220km Altitude: 6,400 feet)

The Exotic and appealing Kedarkantha Trek starts from Dehradun city with a morning pickup by authorized personal at 6:00 AM. Sankri is based up at a distance of 220kms on the National Highway 123. It's a long scenic drive on a SUV providing sheer pleasure to the trekkers so that they can enjoy the beauty of the location. On Reaching the destination one can check in to the prior booked hotel and our representative can help you with the check in formalities. Since the evening is free for leisure one can enjoy indoors and relax or can set out to explore the beautiful Sankri village where there are local shops and small market selling mostly daily goods and a collection of few dhabas.

Day 02: Sankri – Juda-ka-Talab (Shepherd campsite 3.8km altitude 9,100)

After a healthy breakfast, it's time to start the journey straight towards Juda-ka-Talab. Approximate time to reach the same is around 5 Hours. Moving along the stream this is the road that moves towards the Kedarkantha. The initial climb would be climbing several bridges through dense forest trees and thick carpet of maple and pine leaves all brown in color. Boars, martens and hares can also be spotted in this region. Crossing few streams and continuing through the path and rising sharp through dense oaks one can reach the dazzling spot of Juda-Ka-Talab which can never be missed by any trekker due to its sharp contrasting and unique beauty. The sharp contrast of the Titan Lake and massive pine and Oak forest on the right is a appealing environment in the lap of Mother Nature and an ideal campsite to spend a perfect evening. Overnight sleep is arranged in tents.

Day 03: Shepherd camp – Base of Kedarkantha (4 km altitude: 11,250)

KedarKantha base is our destination for the day and we start for it post breakfast.

During the trek you would come across shepherd huts in open meadows which are equally delightful to see. Just before reaching the Kedarkantha Base one can enjoy the delightful views of arc shaped range of snow clapped mountains comprising of Bandarpoonch, Swargarohini, Kala Nag and Ranglana standing out proudly revealing their beauty. Post reaching the base, tents are setup in a preferred selected place which is open and one can enjoy a clear view of the night sky. As the night grows the sight becomes more charming with the Milky way stretching from one end to the other, the dense network of stars and shining peak of the mountain all come together to provide an awe-striking view that remains engrave in mind. However, in such a height it is possible to cold waves so proper woolens should be carried for protection. Overnight sleep at the tent.

Day 04: Base camp of Kedarkantha – KedarKantha – Sankri (8 km altitude: 11,250 Ft. to 12,500 Ft)

The final day of the trek is destined to conquer the Kedarkantha Peak. The day starts early with a healthy filing breakfast enjoying the sunrise from the Kedarkantha meadows which is a simply amazing, pure and divine. Moving along the Oak forest one can find Kedarkantha peak much closer. Towards the end the trek becomes bit difficult but however the view from the top and the amazing location is worth the

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effort. At the top of the peak there is a beautiful, yet small temple dedicated to Lord Shiva and goddess Parvati. There is a small shrine of Lord Ganesh too. One can enjoy the sheer beauty for some time and then head back to the base camp by noon.

Once relaxed, set out for descending furthermore. On reaching the Sankri set the tent and mark the end of another delightful day with dinner and overnight sleep at the eco-tent. However, campfire is always an option to make the evening more interesting and gathering memories with friends together.

Day 05: Sankri – Dehradun (220km Altitude: 6,400 feet)

The first morning sun from campsite is the nexus of thick wood pine forest is equally beautiful. After having the breakfast, pack the backpack to descend furthermore. On reaching the base, get back to the hotel and freshen up. Have your hot lunch and get ready for Dehradun. You will reach Dehradun approximate by 8-9 p.m. You can book your further journey after that. For all those who wish to stay in Dehradun and enjoy the place for a day or more can book a hotel in the city and spend some more lovely days in midst the beautiful Himalayas.

Note:

Itinerary subject to change at anytime due to unforeseen weather condition/natural calamities/Government instructions/sudden global health concern etc.

[How to Reach](#)

The Dehradun Railway station is one of the main stations in the City and it is an old station. It has good connectivity to many places and these include Lucknow, Delhi, and Howrah. Tickets from Delhi to Dehradun by train cost around Rs.350 for a second class sleeper ticket and Rs.890 for a third A/C sleeper ticket. It is essential to book the tickets at least one month in advance as this route is always in demand.

By Train:-

From Delhi take the DDN SHTABDI SPL (02017) Dep. New Delhi at 06:45am. arrival Dehradun at 12:55pm. or the Uttar KOTA DDN SPL (02401) Dep. NZM at 11:45pm arrival Dehradun at 05:40 am (Overnight Journey).

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By Bus:-

Regular buses fly from ISBT Delhi Anand Vihar/Kashmiri Gate station to Dehradun.

Buses drop you at ISBT bus station.

Tata Sumo or similar vehicles will pick-up you from Dehradun Isbt and Railway Station

We would suggest you to take only government buses from ISBT Anand Vihar/Kashmiri Gate.

Private buses fly from outside ISBT and they are not trust worthiness.

Cost Terms

Inclusions :-

- 1.Accommodation. (Guest house, Camping)
- 2.Meals while on trek (Veg)
- 3.Trek equipment (Sleeping bag, mattress, Kitchen & dinning tent, crampon, utensils, tent)
- 4.All necessary permits and entry fees.
- 5.First aid medical kits, stretcher and oxygen cylinder.
- 6.Mountaineering qualified & professional trek Leader, guide and Support staff.

Exclusions :-

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



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