

Overview

Join our fabulous short trek to Australian Camp for 1 night 2 days excellent getaway from daily monotonous life that offers very refreshing hiking in the nature and village experience and walk through the terraced farmland and cultural village of Dhampus, Kande and Pothana. The trip starts after well prepared breakfast in Pokhara, an hour smooth drive from Pokhara takes us to Kande at the altitude of 1700 meter from sea level, the starting point of this short trekking of Australian Camp and Dhampus Village trek. This is an easy village walk and a nice hike of 1 night 2 days for the amazing experience luxury holidays near Pokhara valley.

Where is Australian Camp located?

Australian Camp set on the beautiful hill top offers striking views over the valleys and stunning views of the Annapurna Mountain range. The place is located on the north-west of Pokhara. After driving about an hour, we start our hike from Kande. The trail is steep; through stone staircase for about 1.5 to 2 hours to get Australian Camp, situated on the ridge and having an incredible view of Annapurna South (7219m), Hiunchuli (6440m), Machhapuchhre (6993m) and Lamjung Himal. From Australian Camp we will hike down to continue through perfect jungle trail with birds chirping sounds our trek to continue to beautiful village of Dhampus, takes about an hour. Dhampus village is on the Annapurna trekking trail is blessed with majestic views of the Annapurna Himalayan Range. The village is attractive, a number of old fashioned slate roofed houses. The trek is best for those wishing to experience Nepal mountain scenery and ethnic culture within a short time.

After Dhampus village one more hour to walk down to Phedi through the terraced rice fields and we also can extend this small luxury trek with 1 Night stay at Sarangkot which is best popular for its panoramic view offering stunning sun rise view along with brilliant mountain scenery, delightful view of Pokhara valley, Phewa Lake. Especially in the night time we can enjoy the beautiful night lights of Pokhara city. We categorized this short trip as a luxury lodge trek to Annapurna on request of our valued clients.

History of Australian Camp

The real name of Australian Camp is actually “Thulo Kharka” meaning big pasture. It used to be seasonal herding place of buffalo and cow herders from the villages bellow Dhampus and other. It was unknown or less walked by trekkers till early 90s while Phedi – Dhampus - Pothana – Deurali – Landruk – Chhomrong route for [Annapurna Sanctuary Trek](#) aka [Annapurna Base Camp](#) was already popular, the route is just 15 minutes away to west of it. It is said that during late 80s, people from Austria found it so beautiful and they used to come and camp there for several days as it is so peaceful and pristine offering mesmerizing Mountain View. Since then people started to call it Austrian camp and as it is difficult to pronounce for local Nepalese people and then pronounced it Australian camp this is how the place got new name as Australian Camp.

Sleeping and eating

There are several lodges at Australian Camp, they facilitate for eating and sleeping, most of guest houses offer en-suite rooms and WiFi is available, the good mobile reception. Angel Guest House is the best. Sometimes the place is crowded; mostly during the weekends as many Nepalese now they hike on Saturdays and Sunday.

Package Cost

Guide in Himalaya (Wilderness Excursion – our sister corporate agency) offers 1 night 2 days package USD 99 for our foreign clients based on minimum two clients basis and NPR 8300.00 for Nepalese clients based on minimum 4 people basis. It is also can be personalized for [A Day Hike from Pokhara](#) or 2 Nights 3 Days Trip.

Extend this trip

To extend this trip; you can combine this trek with [Ghandruk Trek](#), [Ghorepani Poon Hill Trek](#), and Our [Mardi Himal Trek](#) is also started from Kande and walk through Australian Camp. For detail information, please contact us.

Outline Itinerary

Day 01 : Drive to Kande and trek to Australian Camp (2100m)

Day 02 : Trek to Phedi via beautiful village of Dhampus. Drive to Pokhara. Overnight in Pokhara.

Cost Includes

- Shuttles from your hotel in Pokhara to/from trek.
- Teahouse accommodation with attached bathroom on twin/double sharing basis .
- Meals: 1 Breakfast, 1 Lunch and 1 Dinner during the trek.
- Mineral water during the trek.
- One experienced local registered trekking guide.

- Guide fee and all his/her expenses during the hike.
- All necessary trekking permits if required.
- Government tax, vat, service charges.

Cost Excludes

- Accommodation, meals and transportation in Kathmandu and Pokhara.
- All bar bills, beverages such as coke, fanta, can juice etc.
- Personal nature expenses, toiletries, laundry, trekking gear.
- Travel insurance and rescue operation in case of emergency.
- Guided sightseeing and monument entrance fees in Kathmandu and Pokhara
- Porter and horse ride if needed.
- Gratitude and tips for guide, porter (tipping is not mandatory but expected).