Overview

It is celebrated in all the Sherpaa settlements in the month of July. The Sherpas of Kathmandu and Helambu regions participate in dancing on this day. Generally, there are no such major festivals in this month. Being the rainy season, this month is the peak time for harvesting crops. This is a very special festival in the Khumbu area celebrated in the month of July every year. There is much dancing and merry making in addition to the more serious rituals and dances performed by the monks.

The Dumji Festival celebrates and honors the anniversary of Guru Rinpoche birth on the lotus flower. Lama Sangwa Dorji is the founder of the earliest monastery of Khumbu and he was the first to start the Dumji festival in Pangboche about 365 years ago in order to coincide with the birth anniversary of Guru Rinpoche. The festival serves as a religious and community duty to help bring the villagers together. Every 13 years it falls upon three families to provide food and drink for the entire village for the duration of celebrations, which lasts for 4 days.

Dumji festival is performed by the Tengboche Monks in Tengboche, Namche Bazar, Khumjung and Pangboche of Khumbu, and Junbesi of Solu. The festival in Namche is the most interesting and popular one amongst them all. These dates may vary by one or more days as the Tengboche Rinpoche, abbot of Tengboche Monastery. We, Wilderness Excursion Pvt. Ltd operates Sherpa Culture Tour and treks in highly competitive package cost and develops itinerary per your interest.

Highlights

Dumji Festival is Celebrated by the Sherpa people in Namche Bazar, at Tengboche, at Thame and Chiwong Monastery of Khumbu. The festival celebrates the birth of Guru Rinpoche on a lotus flower. It is a colorful and impressive event, organized by one families from the villages in the region.

Outline Itinerary

- Day 01 : Drive to Salleri from Kathmandu.
- Day 02 : Trek to Junbesi (2700m)
- Day 03 : Attend the festival in Thupten Chholing Monastery.
- Day 04 : Attend the festival in Thupten Chholing Monastery.
- Day 05 : Attend the festival in Thupten Chholing Monastery.

Day 06 : Trek back to Phaplu

Day 07 : Back to Kathmandu

Cost Includes

- A registered and experienced English speaking local trekking guide.
- Assistant guide if the number of pax is above 6 people.
- All meals: breakfast, lunch and dinner during the trek.
- Tea, coffee, cookies and fresh fruits during the trek.
- Kathmandu Salleri Kathmandu by local sharing jeep.
- Sagarmatha National Park Entrance Permit to trek and TIMS Card.
- Office service charge, government taxes and vat etc.
- Food, accommodation and salary of your guide and porters.
- Insurance and trekking gear for guide and porters.

Cost Excludes

- Transfers, accommodation and meals in Kathmandu.
- Guided sightseeing and monuments entrance fees in Kathmandu.
- All bar bills, beverages such as coke, fanta, mineral water
- Hot shower, hot water, internet and personal nature expenses.
- Personal travel insurance, internet, phone calls and wifi services.
- Rescue operation charge in case of emergency (we arrange rescue on request).
- Gratitude and tips for guide and porter.