

Ilam Shree Antu Danda Tour

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Destination

Nepal Treks & Tours

Duration

6

Difficulty

Easy The trip is easy and suitable for everyone, including children and older people. It does not require any skills in mountain climbing or traversing difficult terrain.

Highlights

- Spectacular sunrise and sunset views from Antu Danda, a beautiful hillock standing at an altitude of 1,977m above sea level
- Stunning natural scenery, including lush tea bushes and panoramic views of the eastern Himalayas, the Terai landscape, and the tea-growing regions of Darjeeling
- The opportunity to experience the diverse cultures and traditions of the local communities, including the Limbu, Rai, Lepcha, Magar, and Tamang ethnic groups

Overview

The Ilam Shree Antu Danda Tour is a must-do for those looking to experience breathtaking sunrise and mountain views in the Ilam district of Eastern Nepal. Located just a 3-hour car drive from Ilam Bazaar, the trek's destination, Antu Danda, is a beautiful hillock standing at an altitude of 1,977m above sea level. The trail passes through lush tea bushes and offers stunning natural scenery. Antu Danda is also renowned for its breathtaking sunset views, with the Eastern Himalayan massif serving as the perfect backdrop.

The Antu Danda viewpoint offers panoramic views of the eastern Himalayas to the north, the Terai landscape to the south, and the tea-growing regions of Darjeeling to the east. On clear days, Mt. Everest can also be seen. Ilam is a diverse area, home to various ethnic groups such as Limbu, Rai, Lepcha, Magar, Tamang, and others. Visitors can also opt to stay with a Lepcha community through homestay and

learn more about their unique culture and traditions.

Antu Danda offers well-facilitated hotels and cottages for accommodation. The development of these facilities is a result of the increasing flow of tourists visiting Ilam and hiking up to the Shree Antu hill.

Itinerary

Day 01: Arrival in Kathmandu

When you arrive at Tribhuvan International Airport, a representative from Himalayan 360 will be there to meet you and take you to your hotel. After checking in, you can rest or, with the guide, visit Himalayan 360's office in Thamel a part of Kathmandu in the tourist district. Here there are many shops and restaurants. The shops are colourful and full of pashminas, slippers, trekking equipment, and felt items. The restaurants serve European as well as Nepalese meals. ATMs are plentiful should you require them. In the evening, there will be a welcome dinner hosted by Himalayan 360 where you will be served authentic Nepalese cuisine. This is a great introduction to Nepalese food.

Accommodations:

Hotel

Day 02: Kathmandu to Ilam Bazaar

Take a domestic flight to Bhadrapur, or we can drive directly to Ilam from Kathmandu. It would be our pleasure to observe stunning green tea gardens on the way. We would take a tea break and snacks at Fikkal. In the evening, we would go around Ilam Bazaar.

Either drive or Fly.

Distance:

12-13 hours drive

Accommodations:

Hotel

Flight Hours:

40 minutes

Day 03: Drive from Ilam Bazaar to Maipokhari and back to Ilam Bazaar

We take our early drive to Maipokhari from Ilam Bazaar. It is a distance of one and half hours normal drive. We observe the Maipokhari area for 2-3 hours. We would taste fresh homemade tea at Maipokhari. Besides, we will also visit the tea factory on the way to Ilam Bazaar. Overnight in the hotel.

Distance:

2-3 hours

Accommodations:

Hotel

Day 04: Drive from Ilam Bazaar to Shree Antu Danda

We go early in the morning to view the stunning sunrise from Antu Dada. We will also pay our visit to the Lepcha museum at Antu Dada. Besides, we would interact with the local people to have in-depth knowledge of the local culture and tradition.

Distance:

3 hours

Accommodations:

Hotel

Day 05: Drive from Shree Antu Danda to Bhadrapur and Fly back to Kathmandu or Drive from Shree Antu - Kathmandu.

After having breakfast at Shree Antu, we drive down to Bhadrapur if we are flying to Kathmandu. If we are driving to Kathmandu, we take early bus from Shree Antu to Kathmandu. Upon arrival in Kathmandu, we will go to hotel.

Distance:

12-13 hours

Accommodations:

Hotel

Flight Hours:

40 mins

Day 06: Final Departure

Today is the last day of our Trip, it is the time to say goodbye and return to the real world. If you have some time left, you can do some souvenir shopping or sightseeing around the hotel. A representative from Himalayan 360 will collect you from the hotel and take you to the airport 3 hours before your departure.

COST

Cost Includes

- Airport pickup and drop by private vehicles
- All land transportation
- Daily breakfast is provided
- Accommodation in hotel or cottage resort
- English-speaking tour guide
- All government local taxes
- First aid kit

Cost Excludes

- Personal expenses such as alcoholic beverages, drinks, phone, and laundry
- Lunch & dinner
- Emergency rescue and travel insurance
- Tips and gratuities

Address

Address:

Galkopakha Marg - Kathmandu - Nepal