

Siklesh Village Trek - 4 Days

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Siklesh Village Trek Quick Information

Weather

2°C to 23°C

Duration

4 Days

Difficulty

Moderate

Accommodation

Lodge/ Home Stay

Meals Included

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Transportation

Jeep/ Bus

Daily Activity

05 hours walk

Religion

Buddhist, Hindu

Ethnic People

Gurung

Region of Nepal

Annapurna Region

Max Altitude

1980m./6534ft.

Per Person Cost

USD 280

Best Season

Sept, Oct, Nov, March, April & May

Geographic Terrain

Village, Forest, Hill, Terrace

Group Discounts Available

No. of Persons	Price per Person
Group Of 1 - 4	USD \$280.00
Group Of 5 - 8	USD \$260.00
Group Of 9 - 12	USD \$240.00
Group Of 13 - 18	USD \$220.00

Note: Our fixed group departure dates, services and price is guaranteed even if the group numbers are 1 person to maximum 18 persons. We will provide a guide cum porter if there is only 1 person to operate the trek and one more assistant guide if group size is above 10 persons. And of course, guide cum porter will carry 10 kg luggage.

Siklesh Village Trek Overview

The Siklesh Village Trekking is in the Kaski district and is well-known for its beauty and culture. It is a short and easy adventure in Nepal's Annapurna region. It is perfect for people who want stunning mountain views, charming villages, and cultural immersion. And they want to avoid dealing with high altitudes. This trek offers a taste of **Gurung life** nestled amidst breathtaking scenery. The journey typically starts with a scenic drive from Kathmandu to Pokhara and another ride to the trek's starting point.

You can see the Great Mountain and the rugged terrain when hiking. The path is off the beaten path through the Gurung hamlet. It passes cornfields and rice terraces before crossing a hill covered in a lush green forest. The hill lures hikers with panoramic views of **Machapuchare (fishtail peak)** and nearby mountains.

Sikles Village Trek is an excellent alternative to busier trails. Trekkers can get close to Nepal's varied plants and animals. The Siklis trek offers panoramic views. You can see Machapuchare (Fishtail Peak) and other grand mountains. It gives a unique trekking experience. It enriches and shows the heart of Nepal's nature and culture.

Highlights Of Siklesh Village Trek

- Off-the-beaten-path camping excursions that are brief and simple.
- Annapurna unspoiled trek and Siklis village visit with a local guide.
- Trips to the wilderness, the Himalayas, and cultural experiences.
- Stunning views of the Himalayas, farmland, and forests are home to various species.
- Authentic interactions with the Gurung community.
- Opportunities to learn about traditional farming and lifestyle.
- Walks through lush rhododendron forests.
- Peaceful trekking experience with fewer tourists.
- Scenic trails with panoramic mountain views.
- Unique cultural insights and traditional Gurung hospitality.
- Birdwatching and wildlife spotting in diverse ecosystems.
- Exploration of traditional Gurung architecture and village layout.
- Fresh, local cuisine and homestays for an immersive experience

Weather

Best Season for Sikles Village Trek

The Siklesh Village Trek offers unique experiences in every season. Each time of year appeals to different tastes.

Spring (March to May)

During this season, the weather is mild and pleasant, with temperatures ranging from 10°C to 25°C (50°F to 77°F). Blooming rhododendron forests fill this season. This season's clear skies will let trekkers see stunning views of the Himalayas and many bird species. Most birds are active during spring.

Summer (June to August)

Summer brings warmer temperatures and the monsoon rains to the region. The temperatures are higher, from 15°C to 30°C (59°F to 86°F). But, the trails can be slippery and muddy due to frequent rain showers. This season is less famous for trekking. There is a risk of landslides and leeches on the trails. However, if you don't mind the rain and prefer fewer crowds, summer can still be an option.

Autumn (September to November)

Autumn is another excellent time for the Siklesh Village Trek. The weather is clear and stable, with daytime temperatures ranging from 10°C to 25°C (50°F to 77°F). The clear skies provide breathtaking mountain views, and the trails are dry and easy to walk on. Trekkers love this season. It has ideal conditions and beautiful autumn colors in the landscapes.

Winter (December to February)

Winter offers a more serene and quiet trekking experience. Temperatures can drop to as low as 0°C to 15°C (32°F to 59°F), and there is a chance of snow at higher altitudes. Winter provides clear, crisp views of the mountains and a calm trekking environment. But it can also be very cold, especially at night. Proper winter gear is essential; some trails might be less accessible due to snow.

January

2°C to 12°C

February

2°C to 13°C

March

5°C to 16°C

April

8°C to 19°C

May

11°C to 21°C

June

13°C to 22°C

July

14°C to 23°C

August

14°C to 23°C

September

13°C to 22°C

October

10°C to 19°C

November

6°C to 15°C

December

3°C to 13°C

Difficulty

Trek Difficulty of Siklesh Village Trekking

The Siklesh Village Trek is moderately challenging. It is suitable for trekkers with some experience. The trails are well-defined. They have steep ascents and descents. It would be best to have careful footing on rocky and uneven sections. With **the highest elevation of around 2,000 meters (6,561 feet)**, the risk

of altitude sickness is minimal. The trek spans **5-7 days**, with daily walking hours ranging from **4 to 6 hours**. It would be best if you had a basic level of fitness. But, regular walking or hiking before the trek will build the needed endurance. Local guides and teahouses are available along the route. They provide support and places to rest. This makes the trek easier than remote or unsupported treks.

4 Days Siklesh Village Trek Itinerary

Day 1: Drive to Mahendra Cave from Pokhara - Trek to Ghale Kharka

Pickup at your Pokhara hotel. Meet your porters and trekking guide. We will drive to Mahendra Cave and begin the hike to Ghale Kharka. The motorway is there. This trip provides views of typical Gurung and Magar villages. They are known for having some of the most ferocious but devoted **British Army soldiers**. The mountain range known as the Annapurna will be visible to you.

Destination:	Accommodation	Altitude:
12km. drive to Mahendra Cave - 10km. trek to Ghale Kharka (Avg. 04 hrs.)	Home Stay Ghale Kharka	(1669m./5507ft.)

Meals

Lunch, Dinner

Day 2: Trek to Sikles Village

After breakfast, depart the hotel and begin the hike around 8:30. You must make some easy ascents today. This is a picturesque route with lovely views of the mountains and towns. After the Ghorepani Poonhill trek, Sikles is the village most visited in the Annapurna Area. This is due to its extensive views of snow-capped mountains. Dinner at the Sikles Homestay/Lodge/Teahouse and lunch on the way.

Destination:	Accommodation	Altitude:
13km. hike to Siklesh village (Avg. 05 hrs.)	Homestay in Siklesh Village	(1980m./6534ft.)

Meals

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3: Trek to Taprang Village

After breakfast, check out of the accommodation and start your trip. The most beautiful part of your adventure will be the part of your walk. You will see breathtaking mountain vistas, the **Gurung and Magar** way of life, and their distinctive villages. Dinner at the Taprang Homestay and lunch on the way.

Destination:	Accommodation	Altitude:
12km. hike to Taprang Village (Avg. 04 hrs.)	Homestay in Taprang Village	(1400m./4620ft.)

Meals

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: Trek to Tangjakot - Drive to Pokhara

After breakfast, we leave the accommodation and begin the journey to Yangjakot. You will be served lunch in Yangjakot. We will travel to Pokhara after lunch. **Yangjakot and Pokhara are 13.9 kilometers apart.** The drive will take between 30 minutes to 1 hour. You'll be there in Pokhara at 2:30 or 3:30. You will be dropped off at your hotel. Trek is over.

Destination:

10km trek to Yangjakot (Avg.
03 hrs.) - 14km. Drive to
Pokhara (Avg. 45 minutes)

Altitude:

(820m./2706ft.)

Meals

Breakfast, Lunch

What's Included

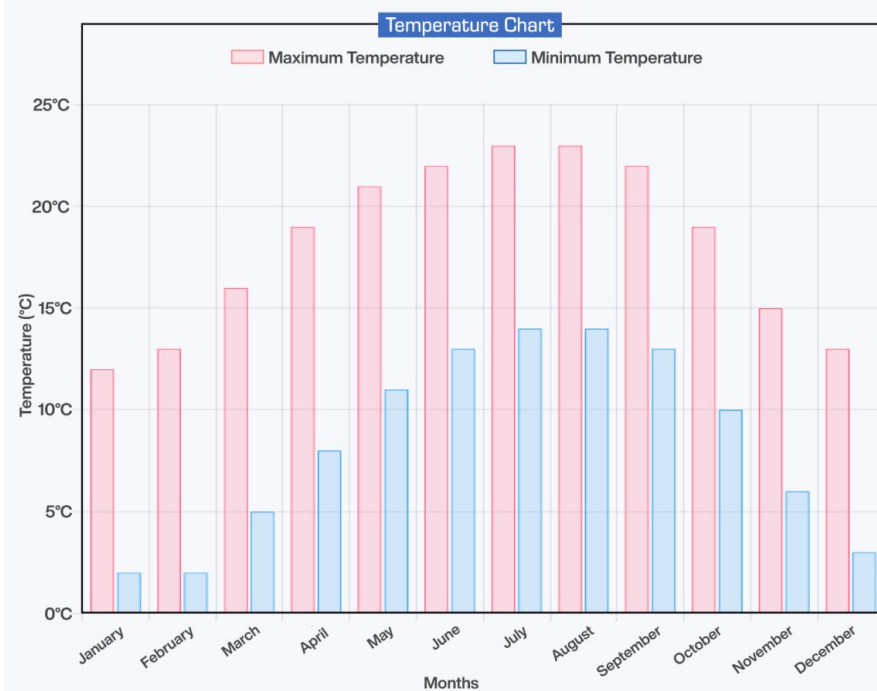
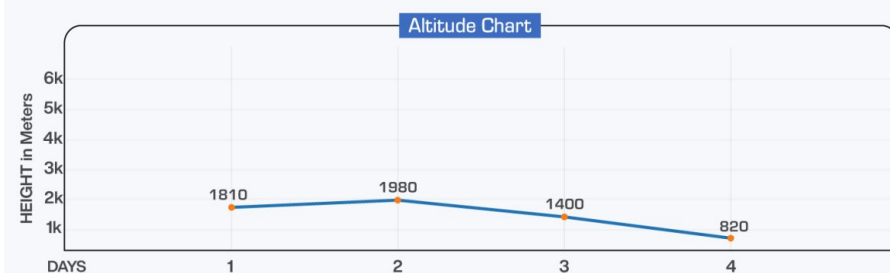
- Pick Up and Drop Off at Hotel in Pokhara before/ after Trekking .
- All meals (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner) during the trekking.
- Lodge/Homestay accommodation (twin share basis) during the trekking.
- One experienced, well trained, fluent English speaking, friendly, specialized in Siklesh village trekking route and government authorized trekking guide
- 1 Porter per 2 Trekkers and keep luggage weight under 10kg per person.
- Guide and porters food, accommodation, salary, insurance and transportation .
- Overland transportation as per mentioned in the itinerary.
- ACAP(Annapurna conservation area project) and necessary permits .
- A Trekking map, duffle bag, Oxygen saturation check up everyday, water purification, company t-shirt, first aid medical and trekking completion certificate etc.
- Assistance for emergency rescue evacuation.
- Government tax and service charge.
- Public Liability Insurance.

What's Not included

- Hotel accommodation and meals in Kathmandu and Pokhara .
- Hard and soft table drinks such as tea/coffee, coke, fanta, mineral water, alcoholic drinks, laundry, phone bill etc.
- Personal Travel insurance.
- International Flight Tickets.
- Nepal Tourist Visa Fee
- Tips for guide and porters.(Highly suggested).

Siklesh Village Trek Route Map

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Additional Trip Information

Permits and Fees for Siklesh Village Trek

For the Siklesh Village Trek, trekkers need to obtain two main permits:

Annapurna Conservation Area Permit (ACAP):

Cost: The ACAP permit costs NPR 3,000 (approximately USD 30) per person for foreigners.

Purpose: This permit allows access to the Annapurna Conservation Area, which includes Siklesh Village and surrounding areas. It helps fund conservation efforts and supports local communities.

Trekkers' Information Management System (TIMS) Card:

Cost: The TIMS Card costs NPR 1,000 (approximately USD 10) per person for individual trekkers.

Purpose: The TIMS Card registers trekkers and provides emergency assistance and support services during the trek. It ensures safety and helps maintain trekker records for security purposes.

These permits are crucial. You can get them through registered trekking agencies. You can also get them directly from the Nepal Tourism Board in Kathmandu or Pokhara. They follow local rules and promote responsible tourism in the area.

Siklesh Village Trek Accommodation and Meals

On the Siklesh Village Trek, trekkers have many lodging options ranging from homestay lodges to camping. The options provide flexibility based on preferences and trekking style.

Accommodation Options:

- **Homestays:** Experience authentic Gurung hospitality with local families in Siklesh Village. This option offers cultural immersion and insight into traditional lifestyles.
- **Lodges/Teahouses:** Along the trekking route, lodges and teahouses provide comfortable accommodations.
- Facilities provide private or shared rooms equipped with beds and blankets. Some rooms feature attached bathrooms.
- **Camping:** For those preferring a more adventurous experience, camping is possible at designated campsites along the trail. Trekkers need to bring their camping gear or arrange through trekking agencies.

Meals and Dining Options:

- **Local Cuisine:** Enjoy traditional Gurung cuisine featuring dal bhat (rice and lentils), momos (dumplings), and local vegetables. Meals are often prepared using fresh, locally sourced ingredients.
- **Teahouse Meals:** Lodges and teahouses serve meals ranging from simple to hearty, catering to trekkers' dietary needs. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner options include Nepali, Tibetan, and Continental dishes.
- **Packaged Snacks:** Trekkers can also purchase packaged snacks, energy bars, and beverages at

teahouses for on-the-go sustenance.

These options provide accommodations and dining. They ensure that trekkers can find suitable facilities and enjoy authentic local experiences. The trekkers can enjoy these options. They can do so while exploring the scenic trails of Siklesh Village and the surrounding Annapurna region.

Addressing Siklesh Valley Trek's Safety and security concern

Fitness Level Required

The Siklesh Village Trek demands a moderate level of fitness from trekkers. Participants should be able to walk for 4-6 hours daily. They will navigate varied terrains with some steep up-and-down sections. Prior hiking experience isn't required. But good fitness will enhance the trek. It will reduce fatigue and discomfort.

Acclimatization Considerations

The highest elevation on the Siklesh Village Trek is around 2,000 meters (6,561 feet). So, acclimatization issues there are usually minimal. Nonetheless, it's crucial to drink water during the trek. And watch for signs of altitude sickness. Taking breaks as needed and keeping a steady pace can reduce risks. It makes sure a comfy and fun journey through the pretty landscapes.

Packing Essentials

Pack essential items for the Siklesh Village Trek. Tailor them to the changing weather and rough terrain. Bring lightweight, moisture-wicking base layers and breathable clothing suitable for layering. Bring a warm jacket and waterproof outer layer. They will help with chilly mornings or unexpected showers. Wear sturdy boots with ankle support. Use trekking poles. These help you stay stable on rough trails.

Carry a light sleeping bag for the season. Ensure your daypack has sunscreen, sunglasses, a reusable water bottle, and personal toiletries. Pack a well-stocked first aid kit. Include medicines for common ailments and any personal prescriptions. It will help with minor injuries or health concerns on the trek.

Preparing meticulously with these essentials enhances safety. It also ensures that trekkers can fully enjoy Siklesh Village and its surroundings. They are full of natural beauty and cultural experiences. Always check local weather forecasts and trekking advisories before you leave. Safety is the top priority.

Frequently Asked Questions

Is it possible to do the Siklesh Village Trekking independently?

Yes, it is possible to do the Siklesh Village Trekking independently. However, it is recommended to hire a guide or a porter to help you navigate the trail and carry your belongings.

Is it safe to drink water during the trek?

No, it is not safe to drink tap water during the trek. You should only drink bottled water or water that has been purified with tablets or a filtration system.

Are there any cultural attractions to see during the trek?

Yes, there are several cultural attractions to see during the trek, including Gurung villages, temples, and monasteries. You can also witness the traditional lifestyle and customs of the local people.

What kind of wildlife can I expect to see during the trek?

During the trek, you can expect to see several species of birds like eagles, vultures, and pheasants. You may also see some mammals like langurs, macaques, and deer. However, it is rare to see larger animals like leopards and bears.

How many km is it from Pokhara to Sikles?

It is approximately 42 kilometers from Pokhara to Sikles by road. This distance takes you through beautiful landscapes and slowly rising terrain. It is good for day trips or as a start for longer treks into the Annapurna region.

What lake is near Sikles?

Begnas Lake is about 14 kilometers from Sikles. It is a calm, freshwater lake surrounded by lush hills. The lake offers panoramic views of the Annapurna range. It is a peaceful retreat and a starting point for hikes into the nearby hills.

Which mountain is seen from Sikles?

From Sikles, you can see breathtaking views of Machapuchare (Fishtail Peak). Also, you can see Annapurna II and other major peaks of the Annapurna range. The mountains are majestic. They create a stunning backdrop to the village. They attract trekkers and nature enthusiasts seeking panoramic views.

How far is Sikles from Kathmandu by road?

Sikles is approximately 200 kilometers northwest of Kathmandu by road. The journey offers travelers a glimpse into diverse landscapes ranging from terraced fields in the lowlands to rugged mountain scenery as you approach the Annapurna region. It's a scenic route but can be challenging due to road conditions.

How far is Pokhara from Sikles to Kapuche Lake?

Kapuche Lake, known as Khayer Lake, is approximately 15 kilometers north of Sikles. The trek to Kapuche Lake from Sikles traverses through verdant forests and rolling hills, providing stunning views of the surrounding peaks and offering a serene escape into nature's tranquility.

Are there any medical facilities available along the trek?

Basic medical facilities are accessible in Siklesh and neighboring villages, usually provided by local health posts or clinics. These facilities can address minor health issues and provide essential medications. However, evacuation to Pokhara, the nearest major city with comprehensive medical services, may be necessary for more serious medical concerns.

What are the options for extending or combining treks with Siklesh Village?

Trekkers can extend their journey from Siklesh to nearby destinations such as Ghale Gaun, another culturally rich Gurung village known for its hospitality and panoramic mountain views. Combining the Siklesh Village Trek with other popular routes like the Annapurna Circuit or Poon Hill Trek offers diverse landscapes and cultural experiences.

Cancellation Policy

We understand that plans can change willy-nilly. However it is our responsibility to ensure fairness and transparency among our customers regarding our cancellation policy. So we kindly request all travelers to carefully review the cancellation and refund policy before confirming their trip.

After your trip starts, we cannot provide a refund for any voluntary withdrawal, cancellation, or early departure by the traveler. This means ***the full amount paid to us will not be refunded after the trip has begun.*** Likewise, if during the trip, any services such as accommodation, sightseeing, meals, transportation, etc. included in the itinerary/trip are not used by the customer, no refunds or reuse will be provided to whatever portion remains unused on the trip.

Also, please note that ***last-minute cancellations are non-refundable.*** You have to understand that many trip arrangements such as accommodation, transportation, permits, guides, and operational logistics are confirmed and pre-booked. Thus, cancellations made at the last minute create non-recoverable costs for the company and so do for our clients. In addition, cancellations made shortly before the departure date or after the trip has started will be considered as last-minute cancellations and will not be eligible for any refund.

Still, the company will use their discretion in setting the conditions for the refunds, therefore, few of the conditions mentioned are subject to change. The company holds every right to cancel the trips booked by the customers before it is guaranteed to run or an official agreement is signed. A trip is guaranteed to run once it has two fully paid travelers unless minimum numbers state otherwise.

Unfortunate circumstances such as unforeseen natural disaster, canceled flights, strike, industrial action, wars, riots, quarantine, government intervention, weather, the deteriorating health condition of a group member, etc. could lead to cancellation of trips. In such cases, the customer can either ask to get back the 90% of the total trip cost paid to the company (13% Government Tax will be deducted) or reuse the cost in an alternative trip with the same price, immediately, in the following season of the same year.

The company will require a written notice in case of any cancellation. Please ensure the date of the trip cancellation is the date on which the written cancellation is received by the company. If you cancel the trip anytime prior to the departure date of the actual trip, 90% of the total cost is reusable for a year or

refund.

Trip Amendment

First and foremost, please note that all the amendment conditions are applied to the trips listed on this site only. Below are a few notes to take about the amendment fees in case of any changes during, while, or after the booking:

If the company receives a request on the booking amendments at least 60 days prior to the trip, a total of USD 50/person is charged to the customer. However, if the customer's request for a booking amendment in less than 60 days before the trip departure, then the charges will be as per the cancellation policy mentioned above. In case of any changes in the price of the trip during the procedure of booking and the amendments, the new cost will be applied to the trips. Please note that these changes might not be applied by the company, but can be levied upon the company by the third parties i.e. the hotels or the service providers working with the company.

Any changes, amendments, or additions in aggregation to the trips you have booked, for example, hotels, transfers, additional days, etc. will account for no additional fee.

Health Conditions

Nepal Alternative Treks places the highest priority on the safety and well-being of all travelers. We need to ensure the traveler's well-being and health condition at the time of booking. While travelers can participate without medical documentation, those with chronic illnesses or long-term medical conditions must obtain a doctor's consent before joining the trip. This is to ensure their health is not badly affected during the adventure and that they can safely enjoy the journey.

The company will not be responsible for any type of mishaps and will not bear the medical and evacuation expenses on behalf of the participant. Therefore, we request our clients to consult their doctors for a thorough checkup and vaccination before booking a trip with us. In addition, clients with specific health needs or concerns should inform the Company in advance. This allows us to provide guidance and, if required, arrange additional services to make the trip safer and more comfortable. If needed, clients may also request additional services related to the length of the trip or stay in the country of travel.

Weather and other unfavorable conditions

Clients should be well aware of the unpredictability of the weather conditions in the mountainous regions. The unfortunate weather conditions, especially in the Everest, Jomsom, and Kanchenjunga regions, can sometimes lead to unfavorable circumstances that include delay or cancellation of flights. The Company will cover the expenses of accommodations and food in the departing location until the arrangement of flights is done. However, the Company holds every right to reroute the original trip or transports which will be in favor of the situation without any addition in the cost. Please note that the company will not be responsible for any missed international flights, losses caused by Altitude Sickness, or any other unpredictable circumstances, and the participants will have to pay all the charges incurred. Nonetheless, the Company will connect and assist you to make the necessary alternative arrangements, but, the additional charge will be covered by the customers themselves.

Regardless of stating every condition and information about the trips on the website and brochures of the

Company, we will not be responsible for the unforeseeable situations that may arise before or during the trips. The Company will, however, try its level best to give prior notice about it and take alternate strategies to deal with it. These booking conditions may only be waived in special circumstances, and in writing, by a letter from the Chief of the Company. Note that all the legal agreements set up and signed between the client and the Company shall be subjected to and governed by the Nepalese law.

Note: All the Terms and Conditions mentioned are prepared as per the laws of the Government of Nepal and is governed by them. Therefore, only the head of the Company gets to intervene and holds the authority to make any amendments.

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