

# Australian Camp Trek



## Overview

In reality "Thulo Kharka," which is big field, is the true name of Australian Village. From the villages below Dhampus and others, it used to be a seasonal herding area for bison and cow herders. The hikers were unknown or not so common until the beginning of the 90s while the path to Annapurna's sanctuary Trek or Annapurna Basin was already famous with Phedi–Dhampus–Pothana

–Deurali–Landruk–Chhomrong, the road is just 15 minutes west of the area. It is said that people from Austria considered it so stunning during the late 1980s and used to stay camping for several days because it was such a quiet, untouched view of the mountains. From then on people began naming it Austrian camp, and since the local Nepalese people had difficulty pronouncing it, and then pronouncing it Australian camp, the location had new name as Australian camp.

Located on the lovely hill top of the campsite, Australian Camp provides a stunning view of the valleys and the Annapurna Mountain Range. The venue is on the northwest side of Pokhara. We continue our walk from Kande after about an hour. 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 (7219 m), Hiunchuli (6440 m), Machhapuchhre (6993 m) and Lamjung Himal.

## Highlights

- Situated on a ridge, Australian Camp provides breathtaking views.
- Prominent mountain peaks visible from the camp include Annapurna South (7219 m), Hiunchuli (6440 m), Machhapuchhre (6993 m), and Lamjung Himal.
- Mesmerizing view of sunrise from Sarangkot.
- View includes the magnificent valleys and the Annapurna Mountain Range.

## Journey

The point of departure to Australian camp for this trip is Kande. Through Kande to Camp Australian there's a good walkway. The Australian Camp from Kande takes 2-3 hours of walk. Australian Camp is the better known for the villages of the Himalayan Mountains of Annapurna, Machhapuchhre, Manaslu and beautiful green hills, where you can see the bright day of an unoffshooting panoramic view. Due to location and scenery, the Australian camp is important for the hike. Panoramic view of the Himalayas, Mount Annapurna in particular, is a wonderful gift to the Australian base. It is also very important to find in order to be the central point of the village of Dhampus. The Australian camp promises some good lodging.

#### Trekking Grade: One

It involves the simplest trek in Nepal, no experience and fast walking or snowy travel. It is only a stroll through the village to explore Nepal's rural lifestyle and culture. You will look at panoramic mountain views, village life stretching and a beautiful stroll along the jungle. Trekking is easy and typically the height is 2500 m (2500 ft) higher than the sea level.

# Outline Itinerary ( 2 Days )

## Day 1 : Drive from Pokhara to Sarangkot and Trek to Australian Camp

Early morning drive to Sarangkot is for starting the day with mesmerizing view of sunrise. This gives you highlight of the day and keep you energized for the rest of the day. The drive is around 20 minutes. After the sunrise view, you would be driving to Kande from where you shall be trekking to Australian Camp.

Australian Camp is an outstanding village with an unimpeded view of Annapurna Himalaia Mountains, Machhapuchhre mountains, Manaslu range and beautiful green hills on a clear day.

**Max Altitude** Australian Camp (2,060 m)

**Duration** Drive (25 mins), Trek (2-3 hrs)

**Overnight** Australian Camp Lodge

## Day 2 : Trek down to Kande and drive back to Pokhara

Your trip ends here which is marked by your hiking down to Kande for about 2 hours and then, you shall be on the road, driving back to pokhara for around 30 minutes.

**Max Altitude** Kande (1,600 m)

**Meal** Breakfast

## **Include / Exclude**

- Accommodation for the first day of the trip in twin sharing basis in the Lodge/ guest house.
- Transportation in private van
- TIMS, necessary permit and government taxes
- Hotel Pick and Drop service
- English speaking guide and a porter
- Breakfast on second day
- Meal on first day (breakfast on first day, lunch and dinner on both days)
- Personal expenses
- Any expenses not mentioned in included section
- Tipping to guide, porter and driver as per your satisfaction



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