

## **Jungles of Nepal**

*Delhi–Kathmandu–Royal Chitwan National Park–Koshi Tappu Wildlife Sanctuary - Delhi*

### **DAY 1 ARRIVE DELHI**

Arrive Delhi. Upon arrival in Delhi you will be received and taken to the hotel

Meals included: None

Overnight:

### **DAY 2 DELHI**



Today late morning or afternoon you will do a guided tour of Delhi and visit parts of Old Delhi – visiting Jama Mosque and Red Fort. If time permits enjoy rickshaw ride in the by-lanes of the old city and later visit parts of New Delhi – visiting Humayun’s Tomb and drive past Government buildings.

In Delhi shopping possibilities are enormous. You may explore the city for its jewellery, and precious stone jewellery, shawls/pashmina, products for the home like furnishings and cutlery, but also a range of their own

homemade jams/chutneys and handicrafts of various parts of the country.

Meals included: Breakfast

Overnight:

### **DAY 3 DELHI - KATHMANDU**

Departure transfer to the airport to connect flight to Kathmandu

Arrive Kathmandu met upon arrival and transfer to your hotel

Rest of the day at leisure

Stay at Kathmandu for 03 nights

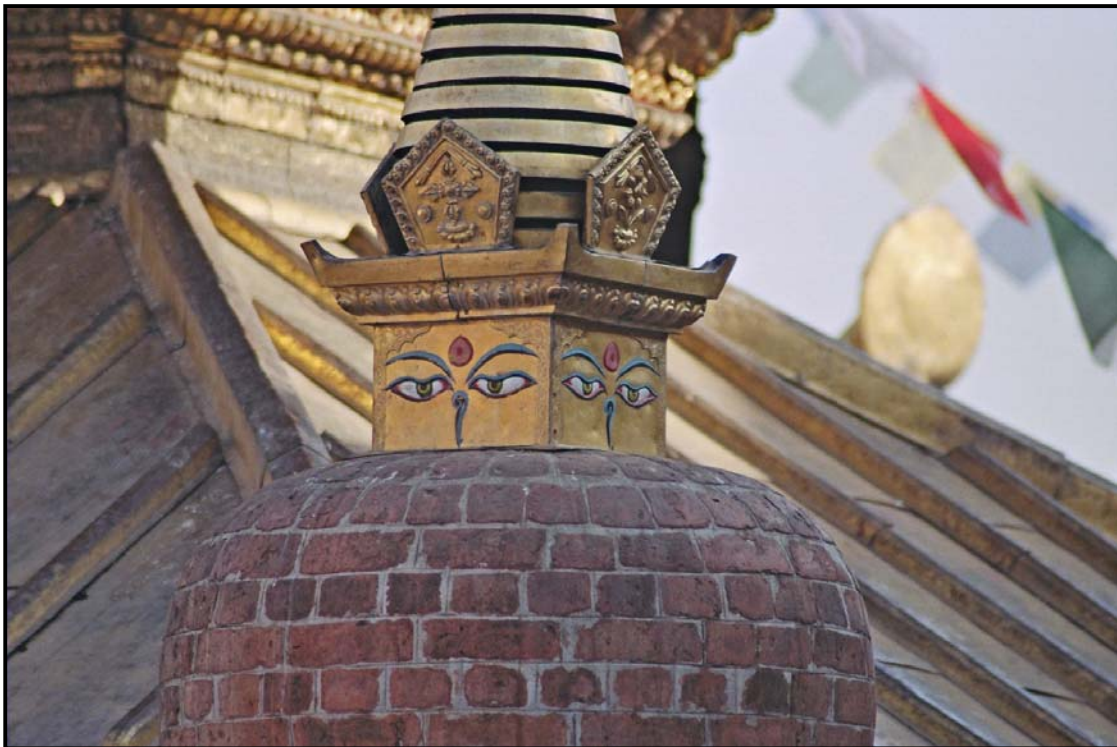
Meals included: Breakfast

Overnight:

## DAY 4 KATHMANDU

Half day guided tour of Kathmandu

This complex of Palaces, courtyards and temples, built between 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Centuries, used to be the seat of ancient Malla Kings of Kathmandu. It is the place where kings of Nepal are crowned and their coronations solemnized. An intriguing piece here is the 17<sup>th</sup> century stone inscription set into the wall of the palace with writings in 15 languages. The Durbar Square, protected as UNESCO World Heritage Site, is the Social, religious and urban focal point of the city. There are also three museums inside the palace buildings.



The four seeing eyes of Swayambhunath Stupa, watches over the valley from the top of 77m high hillock on western side. This most glorious Stupa in the world is one of the holiest Buddhist sites in Nepal and its establishment is linked to the creation of Kathmandu valley out of a primordial lake. The surroundings of the Swaoyambhunath is covered with small Chaityas & monasteries as well as some Hindu temples. The National Museum and the Museum of Natural History are situated at the foot of the hill.

Rest of the day at leisure

Meals included: Breakfast

Overnight:

## DAY 5 KATHMANDU

Half day guided tour of Kathmandu

Patan Durbar Square is an enchanting mélange of Palace buildings, artistic courtyards and graceful pagoda temples. Listed as a world heritage site, the former Royal Palace complex is the centre of Patan's religious and social life, and houses a museum containing an array of bronze statues and religious monuments. One remarkable monument here is 17<sup>th</sup> century temple dedicated to the Hindu god Krishna, built entirely of stone.

This Stupa lies 6-km downtown Kathmandu. This colossal and ancient Stupa, one of the biggest in the world, has the all-seeing eyes of Lord Buddha. It was built in the fifth century AD. It is built on an octagonal base inset with prayer wheels. One can observe devotees chanting religious hymns & playing with prayer wheels.

Durbar Square, as you walk in, you can not but be overcome by a feeling of inner harmony. Such is the art and architecture and the special layout here. The 15th century Palace of 55 windows, situated to the left as you enter through the city gate, inspires admiration. The National Art Gallery is also situated inside. The Palace Entrance, Golden Gate that is the entrance to the main courtyard of the Palace of 55 windows, is masterpiece in repousse art. In front of the palace building is a medley of temples of various designs. There are temples like Batsala Temple and the Shiva temple, the replica of Pashupatinath Temple etc. **Nyatapola Temple:** This five-story pagoda was built in 1702 AD. Each story has pair of figures (two wrestlers, two elephants, two lions, two griffins and goddess's tigress & lioness). This temple is one of the tallest pagodas & famous for its massive structure and subtle workmanship.

Rest day at leisure or for shopping, overnight at the hotel

Meals included: Breakfast

Overnight:

## DAY 6 KATHMANDU – ROYAL CHITWAN NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast drive to Royal Chitwan National Park (04 hours)

Arrive at Royal Chitwan National Park and check in at your resort

Stay at your resort for 03 nights

Meals included: All Meals

Overnight:

## DAYS 7 & 8 ROYAL CHITWAN NATIONAL PARK



Morning and afternoon game drives to the national park for tiger tracking and animal watch

Where the Sal forest of the Chitwan jungle meets the wide and beautiful valley of the Rapti River, the world is wild and splendid. Broad grassland sweeps north to the Mahabharata range and virgin jungle extends south to the Churia hills. For centuries the dense jungle bordering on the foothills of the Himalayas formed an impenetrable barrier, keeping Nepal a hidden and mysterious kingdom. The last three decades have seen that barrier breached, but the jungle of the Royal Chitwan National Park remains a world apart. Here the spirit of the great explorer-adventurers still lives.

More than sixty Royal Bengal tigers share the 1,000 square kilometers of the Park with the great Indian one-horned rhinoceros, leopard, sloth bear and gaur (Indian bison). Wild boar, sambar, chital, hog and barking deer drink from water holes where marsh mugger and gharial crocodiles lie. For man, the privilege of seeing these animals in their world can, of course, be hard and dangerous. One of the ways he has won this privilege is by building “machans” – concealed observation posts from which he can watch the life of the jungle in safety and comfort.

Meals included: All Meals

Overnight:

## DAY 9 ROYAL CHITWAN NATIONAL PARK - KATHMANDU

Morning game drive to the national park for tiger tracking and animal watch

Drive to Kathmandu

Arrive Kathmandu and check in at your hotel

Over night stay at your hotel

Meals included: Breakfast

Overnight:

## DAY 10 KATHMANDU – KOSHI TAPPU

Departure transfer to the airport to connect flight to Birat Nagar

Arrive Birat Nagar and drive to Koshi Tappu

Arrive Koshi Tappu and check in at your resort

Rest of the day birding near the resort and in the sanctuary

Koshi Tappu Wildlife Reserve lies on the flood plains of the Sapta Koshi in Saptari & Sunsari districts of Eastern Nepal. The Reserve, established in 1976 covers an area of 175 sq. kms.

The vegetation is mainly tall Khar-pater grassland with a few patches of Khair-sissoo, scurb forest & deciduous mixed riverine forest. The reserve offers important habitat for a variety of wildlife. The last surviving population (about 100 individuals) of Wild Buffalo are found here. Other mammals residing here are hog deer, wild boar, spotted deer & blue bull. A total of 423 species of birds are recorded per day. Visitors can see minimum 100 types of birds in a day.

This Camp has 12 double tented camps having bathroom / toilets outside the camps. The client can do Bird watching by raft in the Sapta Koshi and land-rover to see Dolphins & wild buffalo etc.

Stay at Koshi Tappu lodge for 03 nights

Meals included: All Meals

Overnight:



## **DAYS 11-12 KOSHI TAPPU WILDLIFE SANCTUARY**



Full day birding and game drives to the Sanctuary

## **DAY 13 KOSHI TAPPU – KATHMANDU - DELHI**

Departure transfer to the airport to connect flight to Kathmandu

Arrive Kathmandu and connect your flight to Delhi

Arrive Delhi met upon arrival and transferred to the airport hotel for wash & change

## **DAY 14 DELHI – ONWARD DESTINATION**

Departure transfer to the airport to connect onward destination flight