

Godavari - Phulchoki Hiking Trip -1 day

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Duration

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Highlights:

- Godavari Botanical Garden covering more than 82 hectares of land
- Sacred pond -"Panch Dhara" in Godavari
- 360-degree views of the Kathmandu Valley from Phulchoki (Highest hill surrounding the valley)
- Phulchoki Telecommunication tower

Godavari is the greenest and most pristine part of Kathmandu Valley, that lies at its south-eastern edge. It is tucked at the foot of Phulchoki Hill (2,791), which is also the highest hill in the Kathmandu valley rim. Godavari, with its rushing streams and shady meadows, serves as a popular picnic spot amongst Nepalese. You may also find families spending some quality time at this place. On every twelve years, in autumn, a huge festival called Maha Kumbhamela takes place at Godavari Temple.

Phulchoki Hill is renowned for its beautiful hiking trails, that pass through wilderness. Phulchoki forest is full of different species of birds and during the months of April, March and October, you might get views of these birds migrating. Phulchoki, as a hiking destination, is popular amongst both internal and external tourists. Many Nepalese throng to Phulchoki Hill to experience snowfall in winter months.

Itinerary

Day

Early in the morning, after breakfast, we will assemble at our office in Thamel. We will be driving for about 40 minutes in a private vehicle to reach the Godavari botanical garden

Godavari botanical garden is a Nepal Government Institution with documented collections of plants for display, scientific research, education, and conservation. We shall have our scheduled lunch at a hotel, nearby.

After lunch, we will be hiking uphill through the sub-tropical forest to reach the top of Phulchoki.

The Phulchoki hill is home to different kinds of birds including Chestnut-headed Tesia, Rufous-gorgeted Flycatcher, Rufous-bellied Niltava, Greater Yellow nape, Nepal Cutia, Bronzed and Racket-tailed Drongos, Yellow-browed Tit, Red-billed Leiothrix, Whiskered Yuhina, Besra, Grey-headed Woodpecker, and Ultramarine Flycatcher.

On a clear day, from the peak of Phulchoki, you can see parts of Annapurna and Gaurishankar Ranges, along with spectacular views of Kathmandu valley. Atop the hill, you will also witness a communication tower used by television networks.

Important Information:

Departure Point: Thamel, Kathmandu

Departure Time: 7 am

Return To: Original departure point

Inclusions:

Professional English speaking tour guides

Entrance fees

Packed lunch

All taxes and service charge

Other info:

Age requirement- at least 13 years of age

You will receive confirmation within two business days.

Cancellation Policy:

- If we receive your cancellation request before 7 days of departure date, there shall be no cancellation fees.
- If we receive cancellation request in between 3 and 6 days before the departure date, there is 50 percent cancellation fees.
- If we receive cancellation request within 2 days of scheduled departure date, then no refunds are made i.e 100% cancellation fees.

What's Not Included

- Medical expenses if any, travel insurance.

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