

Ruby Valley Trek

Location: Gorkha & Dhading Districts, Gandaki **Duration:** 12 Days **Max altitude:** 5,010 m (Pangsang La)

Difficulty: Challenging **Group size:** 2–10 people

Overview

The Ruby Valley Trek is a true off-the-beaten-path adventure on the western fringe of Langtang National Park, named for the precious gemstones once mined in the region. Cross the spectacular Pangsang La Pass at 5,010 m for unbroken views of the Ganesh, Manaslu and Langtang ranges. The trail visits Tamang and Gurung villages where ancient Tibetan-Buddhist culture is still actively practiced — and where you may be the only foreigner in town.

Highlights

- Cross Pangsang La Pass (5,010 m)
- Triple panorama: Ganesh, Manaslu & Langtang
- Authentic Tamang & Gurung mountain culture
- Visit ancient Tibetan-Buddhist monasteries
- Untouched, low-traffic trail

Day-by-Day Itinerary

DAY 1 Drive Kathmandu to Syabrubesi

1,460 m. Long but scenic drive through hill towns.

DAY 2 Syabrubesi to Gatlang

2,238 m. Visit one of the largest Tamang villages.

DAY 3 Gatlang to Somdang

3,270 m. Cross Khurpu Bhanjyang Pass.

DAY 4 Somdang to Pangsang Pass and Tipling

5,010 m / 2,078 m. Cross the trek's highest pass.

DAY 5 Acclimatise & explore Tipling

Visit Buddhist & Christian villages side-by-side.

DAY 6 Tipling to Sertung

2,180 m. Cross suspension bridges and walk through millet fields.

DAY 7 Sertung to Borang

1,800 m. Descend through subtropical forest.

DAY 8 Borang to Khading

1,500 m. Ridge trek with valley views.

DAY 9 Khading to Darkha

1,200 m. Descend to roadhead.

DAY 10 Drive Darkha to Kathmandu

Off-road jeep drive to capital.

DAY 11 Kathmandu — leisure / shopping

Free day to relax and shop in Thamel.

DAY 12 Departure

Airport transfer.

What's Included

- ✓ Restricted Area Permit & ACAP
- ✓ Senior trekking guide
- ✓ Porters & camping crew
- ✓ Tented camp & teahouse mix accommodation
- ✓ All meals during trek
- ✓ Kathmandu transfers

What's Not Included

- ✗ International flights
- ✗ Nepal visa fees
- ✗ Travel insurance
- ✗ Personal trekking gear
- ✗ Bar bills & tips

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This itinerary is indicative; final program is tailored to your dates and group.