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# Chulu West Peak Climbing

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## Duration

16 Days

## Difficulty

Challenging

## Best Seasons

Mar-July, Sep-Dec

## Transportation

Jeep

## Max Altitude

6419m

## Trip Type

Climbing

## Meal

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Accommodation

Hotel & Tent

## Chulu West Peak Climbing 2024 and 2025

- Chulu West Peak is an adventurous Climbing Peak in the Annapurna region.
- The Chulu West Peak climbing trip is combined with Around Annapurna Trekking.
- The trip crosses the highest Pass in the world- Thorung La Pass (5416m).
- It was first summited in 1952 AD by a Japanese expedition team.
- It offers surprising views of the Annapurna and Dhaulagiri mountain ranges.

## Trip Overview

Chulu West Peak Climbing offers an exhilarating adventure in the Annapurna region of Nepal. Chulu West stands at an impressive 6,419 meters (21,059 feet) above sea level in the **Manang Valley**. The climb typically begins with a scenic trek through the [Annapurna Circuit](#), allowing climbers to acclimatize to the altitude and soak in stunning views of the Himalayas.

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The Chulu West climbing peak follows the ridge of the Marshyangdi River and the beautiful Manang Valley.

It goes through the yak pasture and North-West Ridge from the base camp. The Chulu West climbing trip is an exciting and breathtaking trip to the Nepal Himalayas activities.

However, the Chulu West Peak Climbing starts from the west drive from Kathmandu. The trail is combined with the Annapurna circuit. Moreover, a Japanese expedition team climbed Chulu West Peak in 1952 A.D. from the peak's west ridge.

Then, it became a famous climbing peak in the Annapurna region. It is connected with Meso Kanto La on the south. [Thorung La passes](#) (5416m) on the North. The Chulu West Peak expedition trip offers surprising views of Mt. Dhaulagiri (8167m), Nilgiri, Annapurna I (8091m), Tukucho Peak, and other surrounding snow-capped peaks. Physical fitness and acclimatization at high altitudes, as information about climbing gears and [equipment](#), are necessary for climbers.

The high camp is set around 5450m on glacial terrain. The climbing guide provides information about the difficulty level and the way out of the successful expedition. March to April and September to November are the best seasons for Chulu West Peak Climbing.

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**The Chulu West Peak climbing trip begins from Chamje, after a several-hour** west drive from Kathmandu. Then, the trip heads towards the Manang Valley and continues after acclimatization to the Yak grazing meadow above the valley. It is three days of climbing activities and crosses the [Thorung La pass](#).

Boundless Adventure offers experienced Chulu West Peak Climbing guides, Chulu West Peak Climbing gears, types of equipment, Chulu West Peak Climbing maps, Chulu West Peak Climbing Permits, Chulu West Peak Climbing itinerary, Chulu West Peak Climbing ground transportation; please contact us about Chulu west peak climbing trip in Nepal Himalayas.

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## Climbing equipment

Boundless Adventure provides necessary Chulu West Peak climbing equipment, including a Sleeping bag and down jackets, from Kathmandu, Nepal. Please let us know what type of [climbing equipment](#) you have.

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## Chulu West Peak Climbing Cost

The cost of Chulu Peak Climbing varies depending on various factors, including the number of climbers, included service, and duration of the expedition. Boundless Adventure provides high-quality service at a reasonable price for peak climbing to Chulu West. The cost covers ground transportation, all necessary permits, a guide, Porter, accommodation, and three meals throughout the trek.

Boundless Adventure offers an exclusive group discount for climbing Chulu West Peak. To find out the exact cost of the climb with your customizable plan, contact us via WhatsApp at +977 9851033819.

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## Online Book a trip

Boundless Adventure provided an online booking system to make booking the trip to Chulu West peak climbing easy. To book online, you must pay 20% of the total cost; the rest can be paid after arriving in Kathmandu.

If you have any questions about the trip before booking it, please message us at +977 9851033819. Our team is always ready to support and assist you. You can proceed once you are comfortable with our itinerary, price, and service.

## Trip Itinerary

Boundless Adventure provides a 16-day itinerary for climbing Chulu West Peak. The climb occurs within the Annapurna Conservation area and includes a trek to Annapurna Circuit. The expedition to Chulu West peak climbing began with a scenic drive from Kathmandu to Chame. From Chame, the trekking journey begins via Pisang, Manang, Ledar, and finally, Chulu West.

Acclimatization is crucial during any expedition. The itinerary of Chulu West involves one day of acclimatization and exploration at Manang village. Days one and sixteen are for arrival and departure from Nepal. Thus, the number of days trekkers spend during Chulu West is sixteen. However, the itinerary is customizable; we customize the itinerary per the preference of our clients at their request.

### Day 01: Pick up Kathmandu airport (1345m)1345meters).

Upon arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport, our representative will await you with a board with your and our company's names. As you finish all formalities at the airport, you will meet our team members. Our representative will welcome you and take you to your hotel safely.

After checking in at a hotel, you can freshen up and rest. In the evening, you can come to our office for the journey briefing. However, we are okay with visiting your hotel as well.

#### **Destination:**

Kathmandu

#### **Accommodation**

Hotel

#### **Transportation:**

Car

#### **Duration:**

20 min

### Day 02: Drive to Chame (1425m)

The journey to Chulu West peak climbing began with a warm breakfast at your hotel and driving towards

Chame from Kathmandu. The drive from Kathmandu to Chame follows the Prithivi Highway alongside the Trishuli River. The condition of the road from Kathmandu to Besisahar is paved and well-maintained. However, the road becomes rugged from Besisahar to Chame with a gravel road.

You'll have a scenic drive on a bus from Kathmandu to Besisahar. From Besisahar, you'll change the transportation and drive towards Chame on a shared jeep. A bus from Kathmandu takes 4-5 hours to get to Besisahar. Navigating through the traditional villages of Dharapani and Jagat and terraced fields while following the Margsyandi River, you'll get to Chame at 2710m. The drive from Besisahar to Chame takes another 4-5 hours in a jeep. Your dinner and overnight stay are at the tea house of Chame.

**Destination:**

Chame

**Accommodation**

Hotel

**Transportation:**

Bus

**Duration:**

6/7 hour

**Food:**

Lunch and Dinner

**Day 03: Trek to Pisang (3300m)**

With the chirping sound of birds and crisp air, you will wake up in the Annapurna region. After finishing a hearty meal, the trekking journey begins towards Pisang. Leaving Chame, trekkers start waking alongside the river of Marsyangi river and green fields before trekking through the dense forest of Pine. You'll reach Bhratang village with a one-hour hike, known for its apple farm. From there, the journey continues with a stunning view of mountain peaks and reaches the day's final destination, Pisang, at 3300m.

The trek from Chame to Pisang takes 5-6 hours and covers approximately 14km. The trail passes through beautiful landscapes, from pine forests to rivers and unobstructed mountain vistas. The trekking paths involve gradual ascent and descent and some steep ascent. Your overnight stay and dinner are at the tea house of Upper Pisang.

**Destination:**

Pisang

**Accommodation**

Hotel

**Transportation:**

Hiking

**Duration:**

5-6 hours

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 04: Trek to Manang (3540m)

With an early breakfast, you will set foot for Manang, which has a view of the Annapurna massif. From Pisang, there are two different routes to reach Manang; one is via Humde, and another is via Ghyaru and Nawal village. However, we'll take a route through Ghyaru and Nawal village.

A tough, steep climb from Pisang takes you to Ghyaru village, which provides gorgeous views of Mount Annapurna and Pisang Peak. Another gentle walk from Ghyaru takes you to Nawal village, where you'll have lunch. After lunch, the trail leads to Braga village, famous for Baga Gompa, which is 500 years old. A short hike from Braga village takes you to Manang at 3540m. The trek from Pisang to Manang takes 6-7 hours. Your night's meal and night stay is at the tea house of Manang.

### **Destination:**

Manang

### **Accommodation**

Hotel

### **Transportation:**

Hiking

### **Duration:**

6-7 hours

### **Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 05: Acclimatization day at Manang.

The fifth day is acclimatization and exploration day at Manang village. Altitude-related issues are a concern as you get to 2500m, and Manang is already above 3000m. Thus, Manang is the ideal place for acclimatization.

There are two different Manang villages; one is Upper Mannag, and the other is Lower Mannag. While staying at Lower Manang, you will visit numerous monasteries on the acclimatization day. On the day, you will have a short hike to the area 500m above the lower Manang. You will go explore Bojo Gompa and Bravel Gompa to acclimate. Mountain peaks, including Annapurna, Gangapurna, Tilicho, Annapurna II, and Lamjung Himalayan Peak, are superb during your hike.

Some people also prefer to go to Milerapa Cave for a day hike; however, we don't suggest you go there as it is a long distance away. Similarly, some people like to visit the frozen lake (also known as Gangaurna Tal) and hike up to the forest above the lake on the acclimatization day. From there, you can appreciate the view of Pisang Peak and Chulu East.

Moreover, on acclimatization day in Manang, trekkers can interact with locals and learn about their culture and traditions. After a short day hike, you will return to your tea house in Manang for overnight accommodation and a night meal.

### **Destination:**

Manang

### **Accommodation**

Hotel

### **Transportation:**

Hiking

### **Duration:**

4 hours

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Day 06: Trek to Ledar (4200m).**

With the fresh energy of the previous day's acclimatization, you'll enter Ledar village at 4200m. You will depart from Manang after a pleasant morning meal at the tea house. To continue their journey to Ledar, trekkers must check their permits at the ACAP office in Manang. The trail follows Thorung Khola until Yak Kharka and Kone Khola before reaching Ledar.

As you leave Manang and climb, the mesmerizing mountain views, meandering rivers, lakes, and beautiful settlements will amaze you. Passing through Thangki, you will reach Gunsang village and take a short break there. Then, the walk continues with spectacular vistas of snow-covered peaks. After crossing the suspension bridge several times, you'll reach Yak Kharka and the day's destination, Ledar. The trek from Manang to Ledar takes 4-5 hours. Overnight lodging and dinner are at Ledar's tea house.

**Destination:**

Ledar

**Accommodation**

Hotel

**Transportation:**

Hiking

**Duration:**

4-5 hours

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Day 07: Trek to Chulu West Base Camp (4900m)**

The challenging part begins on day seven. After breakfast at Ledar, you'll hit the trail and move towards Chulu West Base Camp, at an elevation of 4900m. The trek from Ledar to Chulu West Base Camp consists of a steady ascent with some steep sections.

Indeed, the trek includes high altitude challenges, yet the close view of Mountain peaks upon reaching the Base camp will reduce all the tiredness faced during the walk. Annapurna and Dhaulagiri ranges will surround you as you reach the final destination. As there are no settlements in the Base Camp, our team will fix a tented camp for your night stay, and our cook will prepare food for you. It takes 5 hours to reach Chulu West Base Camp from Ledar.

**Destination:**

Chulu West Base Camp

**Accommodation**

Tent

**Transportation:**

Hiking

**Duration:**

5 hours

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Day 08: Trek to High Camp (5530m)**

The eight-day hike is the final point before climbing to the summit of Chulu West Peak. You'll start hiking towards High Camp from the Base Camp of Chulu. The trek involves a steep climb with sections of open scree and rocky paths, making it relatively challenging. The higher you climb, the more rugged the landscape becomes, but with the motivating sight of Mountain ranges.

A 5-6 hour climb with stunning views of the Annapurna ranges, Manaslu, Dhaulagiri, Gangapurna, and Lamjung Himal takes you to High Camp at 5530m. Your night stay is at a tented camp.

**Destination:**

High Camp

**Accommodation**

Tent

**Transportation:**

Hiking

**Duration:**

5-6 hours

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Day 09: Summit Chulu West (6419m) and back to Base Camp.**

The day is the most awaited in the expedition as it takes you to the summit of the Chulu West. The day is long and adventurous, so be ready for the excursion. With a packed lunch, you'll head towards Chulu West summit early in the morning. The trail ascends to the technical sections requiring crampons, ice axes, and fixed ropes.

Reaching the summit at 6419m provides a feeling of triumph. The sun rises, and its rays on the mountain ranges will create a magical moment. The Annapurna and Dhaulagiri ranges will congratulate you on your achievement. You can take time to enjoy the spectacular beauty there. After appreciating the beauty of the summit of Chulu, you will descend to Chulu Base Camp. The trek is about 9-10 hours long. Your overnight stay is at a tented camp in a base camp.

**Destination:**

Chulu Base Camp

**Accommodation**

Tent

**Transportation:**

Hiking

**Duration:**

9-10 hour

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## **Day 10: Trek to Phedi (4450m)**

Our tenth-day excursion begins with a hearty morning meal at Chulu Base Camp, made by our cook. After breakfast, the journey descends from base camp via rocky paths. Enjoying the majestic views of the surrounding peaks and transforming landscape, a 5- 6 hour walk takes you to Phedi via Ledar. Your dinner and overnight rest are at the village of Phedi, at 4450m.

### **Destination:**

Phedi

### **Accommodation**

Hotel

### **Transportation:**

Hiking

### **Duration:**

5-6 hour

### **Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## **Day 11: Muktinath (3800m) via Thorong-La Pass (5416m)**

The day takes you to the most significant pass in the world, Thorong La, at 5413m. However, the final destination of the day is Muktinath village. You'll start your hike early in the morning before sunrise. The trek from Phedi to Thorung La includes a winding trail. From Phedi, the trail moves to High Camp via a rocky and steep trail.

The challenges increase from High Camp due to the high altitude and steep rise. However, the sunrise view of breathtaking mountain peaks will give you a feeling of accomplishment upon getting to Thorong La. The mountain peaks of Dhaulagiri, Annapurna I, Manaslu, and other surrounding peaks are mesmerizing from the summit of Thorong La.

After enjoying the view from Thorong La, you'll descend to Muktinath at an elevation of 3800m. Muktinath's warmer temperature and lower elevation provide relief after the adventurous walk. The trek from Phedi to Muktinath via Thorung La takes 7-8 hours. Overnight lodging and Supper are at Muktinath's tea house.

### **Destination:**

Muktinath

### **Accommodation**

Hotel

### **Transportation:**

Hiking

### **Duration:**

7-8 hours

### **Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



## Day 12: Trek to Kagbeni (2800m)

Trek from Muktinath to Kagbeni (2800m) is a popular returning route on the Annapurna circuit. In the morning, you will visit Muktinath temple and have breakfast. After finishing a morning meal, you'll start climbing down to Kagbeni. The trail descends through beautiful small settlements, including Jharkot and Khingar.

On the way, you can see ancient monasteries and traditional Tibetan-style houses. Also, the walking section offers a pleasant view of numerous mountain ranges. The trek from Muktinath to Kagbeni takes two and a half hours. Your overnight and evening meal is at Kagbeni's tea house.

**Destination:**

Kagbeni

**Accommodation**

Hotel

**Transportation:**

Hiking

**Duration:**

4 hour

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 13: Trek to Jomsom (2715m)

You'll say goodbye to Kagbeni and descend towards Jomsom village. Your descent begins after a warm breakfast at Kagbeni. The trail from Kagbeni to Jomsom follows the riverside of Kaligandaki and offers an astonishing view of the world's deepest gorge, Kali Gandaki Gorge. Ekle Bhatti and Marpha are notable villages you will pass through before reaching Jomsom. It takes 2-3 hours to reach Jomsom from Kagbeni, overnight, and dinner at Jomsom.

**Destination:**

Jomsom

**Accommodation**

Hotel

**Transportation:**

Hiking

**Duration:**

4 Hours

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 14: Scenic fly to Pokhara (830m)

With a warm breakfast, you go will to Jomsom airport. Saying goodbye to the Annapurna area, you'll fly to Pokhara from Jomsom. The flight provides a bird's gaze view of the Annapurna and Dhaulagiri ranges. The 25-minute flight takes you to Pokhara. You will have much time during the day to utilize it to visit the nearby areas of Pokhara, including Lakeside. You can enjoy your evening meal at the hotel/restaurant of Lakeside— the night's stay is at Pokhara's hotel.

**Destination:**

Pokhara

**Accommodation**

Hotel

**Transportation:**

Flight

**Duration:**

25 minute

**Food:**

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Day 15: Drive back to Kathmandu (1345m)**

Say goodbye to Pokhara and drive back to Kathmandu after breakfast. You'll drive back through Prithivi highway, enjoying a view of rural villages, winding roads, and green hills. During the drive, you can also enjoy the meandering river of Trishuli. A 6-7 hours drive takes you to Kathmandu.

Once you arrive in Kathmandu, you can relax at your hotel and roam around the nearby areas in the evening. Then, have dinner and overnight stay at the Kathmandu hotel.

**Destination:**

Kathmandu

**Accommodation**

Hotel

**Transportation:**

Bus

**Duration:**

6-7 hours

**Food:**

Breakfast and Lunch

**Day 16: Final Departure**

The expedition to Chulu West peak climbing ends, and it's hard to bid you farewell. If you have time, you can take another trip. Otherwise, with the hope of meeting you again, we will drop you off at the airport for your onward destination after breakfast at the hotel.

Note: Check-out time is noon. (noon)

**Transportation:**

Car

**Duration:**

20 minutes

**Food:**

Breakfast

## Trip Includes

- An airport picks up and drops off by car/van/ bus.
- Highly experienced, helpful, and friendly climbing guide and porters.
- Three times of meals a day ( Breakfast, Lunch, and dinner)
- Accommodation during the trip.
- Annapurna Conservation Area Entry Permit.
- Peak climbing Permit.
- TIMS card.
- Guide and Porter.
- Government taxes
- Necessary ground transportation.
- Per person one trip map.
- Pokhara Hotel 2 nights in B/B plan.
- A pair of hiking poles. ( Returnable)
- Duffel Bag
- Climbing certificate.
- Necessary climbing equipment.

## Trip Excludes

- Travel insurance
- Donation and tips
- Sightseeing entry fees.
- climbing [gears and equipment](#).

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Where is Chulu West Peak?

In western Nepal, Chulu West Peak lies above the Manang Valley in the Annapurna region. In the Gandaki province, Chulu West Peak is on the outskirts of the Annapurna Circuit Trekking trail within the Annapurna Conservation area. At the North of the Annapurna range, Chulu West is a part of the Damodar Himal. The peak connects Meso Kanta La Pass at the South and Thorong La at the North.

### What is the cost of Chulu West Peak climbing?

The cost of climbing Chulu West Peak is subjective, and various factors affect it. The duration of an expedition, itinerary customization, and special preferences vary the cost of climbing Chulu West Peak. Similarly, the size of a group also affects the price; the more people in a group, the more chances there are to get a discount.

## **What are the highlights of Chulu West Peak climbing?**

- The stunning panorama of the Annapurna and Dhaulagiri range and the thrill of getting to the higher elevation of 6419m are the prominent highlights of the Chulu West Peak climbing. Other highlights include:
- Trekking through the Annapurna Circuit via varied landscapes, from lush valleys to arid highlands.
- Passing the world's highest pass, Thorong La.
- Trekking through stunning glacial and snow-covered landscapes.
- Likewise, interactions with local communities and Spotting unique Himalayan wildlife and diverse flora are other highlights of a climb.

## **Which season is ideal for the Chulu West Peak climbing expedition?**

Pre-monsoon (Spring) and post-monsoon (Autumn) are ideal for the Chulu West Peak Climbing expedition. Spring, from March to May, has mild and stable weather conditions, with moderate temperatures during the day and cold at night. The clear sky and blossoming flowers make it ideal for climbing in Chulu West. Likewise, autumn, from September to November, comes with stable weather, clear skies, and comfortable temperatures, making the climb in Chulu West ideal.

## **What are the required permits for Chulu West Peak climbing?**

Annapurna Conservation Area Permit (ACAP), Trekkers' Information Management System (TIMS) card, and Climbing Permit are the required permits if you are going to climb in Chulu West. Climbers are legally allowed to climb in Chulu West after obtaining those permits. The checkpoints of the Annapurna area check those permits, but without them, one can't continue their climb. However, Boundless Adventure manages all the required permits on their client's behalf.

## **Is Chulu West Peak a less-crowded area?**

Yes it is, Compared to various famous trekking and climbing destinations in Nepal, Chulu West Peak is less crowded. Due to its less-crowded trail, Chulu West provides a peaceful and tranquil climbing experience in the Annapurna region. Chulu West Peak climbing is an ideal destination for those seeking solitude and wanting to connect with nature deeply.

## **What is the itinerary for Chulu West Peak climbing?**

The itinerary for a Chulu West Peak Climbing is 16 days. The first day and sixteen days include arrival and departure, and the remaining 14 days are for immersion in an expedition of Chulu West. On the second day, the expedition begins with a scenic drive to Chame from Kathmandu. On the third day, the trekking journey begins towards Pisang. On the fourth day, climbers get to Manang village, and the fifth day is for acclimatization at Manang.

The trek continues towards Ledar from Manang on the sixth day, Chulu West Base Camp on the seventh day, and High Camp on the eighth day. Day nine is remarkable as it takes climbers to the summit of Chulu West. On the tenth day, trekkers descend to Phedi and get to Mustang via Thorong La pass on the eleventh day. The twelfth day takes to Kagbeni, the thirteenth to Jomsom, the fourteenth to fly back to Pokhara, and the fifteenth to Kathmandu.

## **Is a guide necessary for climbing at Chulu West Peak?**

Yes, the guide is mandatory for climbing Chulu West Peak. Along with the guide, a climbing Sherpa is also necessary for climbers' safety and smooth journey at Chulu West Peak Climbing. The trail to Chulu West Peak is adventurous and challenging to navigate; in such cases, a guide and a climbing Sherpa will help you navigate and reduce the risk of getting lost. Likewise, having a guide by your side ensures your safety and logistical support and provides cultural insight.

## **How difficult is it to climb Chulu West Peak?**

Climbing Chulu West Peak is adventurous. The area's unpredictable weather conditions, higher elevation, steep ascent and descent, and navigation of various landscapes make it difficult. However, with good physical fitness, prior climbing experience, and proper preparedness, one can complete the climb to Chulu West.

## **Is acclimatization necessary during Chulu West climbing?**

Yes, acclimatization is crucial when climbing to any high elevation, including Chulu West Peak. Acclimatization helps climbers adjust to a changed temperature and minimize the risk of altitude-related issues. Boundless Adventure's climbing package of Chulu West involves acclimatization at Manang Valley. If the climber has a problem while climbing, we are okay with adding another day for acclimatization based on the climber's requirement.

## **What are the accommodation points during the Chulu West Peak climbing?**

Tea houses and tents are the accommodation points during the Chulu West Peak climbing. From Pisang to Ledar, climbers stay at the local tea houses that offer basic amenities with twin-sharing beds. At Chulu West Camp and High Camp, tents are the accommodation points as there are no human settlements or tea houses. Our climbing crew will fix a tent for the climbers' night stay and prepare meals to satisfy the climbers' hunger.

## **How high is Chulu West Peak?**

Chulu West Peak is 6419m/ 21059ft above sea level, making it one of the adventurous climbs in the Annapurna region. Despite its adventurous climb, it is worth it and rewarding. The eye-catching sight of Mount Dhaulagiri (8167m), Mt. Annapurna I (8091m), Mount Nilgiri (7061m), Tukucho Peak (6920m), and other surrounding peaks from the summit of Chulu West peak makes it worth it of that adventurous climb. However, climbers should be aware of altitude-related issues. Thus, acclimatizing properly, being hydrated, and listening to your body is crucial.

## **Essential Information**

# Best Weather in Chulu west

The Chulu West Peak climbing area experiences four seasons, and the weather varies season-wise. The region experiences Spring, Summer, Autumn, and Winter. However, spring and Autumn provide delightful weather for Chulu West Peak climbing.

Spring from March to May offers favorable weather with temperatures ranging from 5°C to 15°C (41°F to 59°F) in the daytime and cold at night.

Summer, from June to August, is the hottest season, with the temperature ten °C to 20°C (50°F to 68°F) during the day and crisp at night.

Autumn from September to November is another pleasant season with temperatures of 5°C to 15°C (41°F to 59°F) at day and quite cold at night.

Winter from October to December is the coldest season, with freezing nights and temperatures between -5 °C and five °C (23°F and 41°F) during the day.

## Best season

Selecting the best season to climb Chulu West Peak is crucial. The season you choose will determine the level of challenge you face. Thus, if you want to face less difficulty during your climbing, be wise and choose a favorable time.

## Spring

Spring is one of the best seasons for climbing in the Chulu West. The season falls from March to May and offers pleasant weather conditions for climbing. The climbing activities are comfortable with moderate temperature. During the season, the skies are clear and provide a perfect view.

## Summer

Summer from June to August coexists with the monsoon season but comes with warmer temperatures. Due to the monsoon season, the trails are wet and muddy during the summer, creating difficulties during Chulu West peak climbing. The risk of landslides is higher in the summer. However, besides its challenges, the season provides unique visual attractions with lush greenery and blooming flowers.

## Autumn

Autumn is the most preferred climbing season in Chulu West. It falls between September and November, after a heavy monsoon season. The stable weather and moderate temperature make Autumn ideal for climbing. As the season comes after the monsoon season, the trail is dry during Autumn, which provides fewer difficulties during the climb.

## Winter

The Winter from December to February brings the coldest temperatures. Snow and ice cover the trekking trail during this season, making it difficult to climb in Chulu West. However, the season offers a clear and unobstructed view, providing the finest opportunity to witness the region's beauty.

Spring and autumn's moderate temperatures and stable weather make them the best seasons for climbing in Chulu West. On the contrary, Summer's heavy rains and winter's extreme cold present some

challenges during the climb. Thus, we suggest choosing either Spring or Autumn for your climbing expedition to Chulu West.

## **Climbing Info:**

### **Ground Transportation**

Boundless Adventure's climbing package to Chulu West covers all the expenses regarding ground transportation. We provide a comfortable option for our client's drive:

1. We provide you with the facility by car/van/tourist bus (as per your group size) from Tribhuvan International Airport and take it to your hotel in Kathmandu.
2. To reach Chame, we took a bus from Kathmandu to Besisahar and shared a jeep from Besisahar to Chame. Likewise, we organize a comfortable tourist bus to drive to Kathmandu from Pokhara during the return journey.
3. We drop off at the airport for our client during the departure.

### **Climbing equipment**

One of the essential elements for the climb to Chulu West Peak is having the right equipment. The Chulu West trekkers need more than just trekking equipment; they also need technical climbing equipment. Some of the essential equipment required for the Chulu West Peak climbing includes:

#### **Clothing:**

- Base Layer: Moisture-wicking thermal tops and bottoms
- Insulating Layer: Fleece jacket and Insulated pants
- Outer Layer: Waterproof and windproof jacket and pants
- Cooten trouser
- Shirt and Tshirts
- Sleeping Bag
- Headwear: woolen hat, Sun hat, and neck gaiter
- Handwear: Insulated and lightweight glove
- Footwear: Mountaineering boots, Gaiters, and Warm socks

#### **Technical climbing equipment**

- Ice Axe
- Crampons
- Climbing Harness
- Climbing Helmet
- Rope
- Carabiners
- Ascenders

#### **Personal Items**

- Backpack
- Water bottle
- Navigation tool

- Headlight
- First Aid box
- Sunglasses with UV protection
- Sunscreen
- lip balm
- Personal hygiene items
- Trekking Poles
- Energy giving food
- Toiletries

### **Climbing crew**

For the safety of the climbers, Boundless Adventure provides experienced and highly skilled climbing crew members for Chulu West Peak climbing. The climbing crew includes a guide, porter, climbing Sherpa, and cook during camping. If there are more than eight people in a group, we provide two guides; otherwise, there will be only one guide.

Our all-climbing crew has all the traits that a reasonable member should possess. Here are some of the qualities that our climbing crew possesses:

- They have strength, constancy, flexibility, and stamina to navigate and guide you in the demanding terrains.
- They have skills in using technical equipment and help you to navigate challenges that you face using technical equipment.
- Our climbing crew is focused and concentrated and can make decisions quickly.
- They are calm and handle all the unexpected challenges.
- They work in teamwork.
- They are highly experienced and have all the necessary knowledge regarding the climbing route.
- They keep your safety as a priority.
- Our climbing crew supports and motivates you at each step.

### **Difficulty Level**

Chulu West peak climbing is an adventure in the Annapurna region. Here are some of the aspects that make the Chulu West one of the adventurous peak climbs:

#### **High Elevation**

The climb to Chulu West takes trekkers to a higher elevation. The highest point on the excursion is 6419m at the Summit of Chulu. Trekking at such a high level requires prior climbing experiences. The chances of altitude issues are higher at higher elevations, making climbing one of the most challenging. Proper acclimatization and hydration are crucial to reduce the chances of problems regarding altitude sickness.

#### **Unpredictable weather**

The weather in higher elevations changes drastically, making climbing more difficult. We recommend keeping updated with each day's weather forecast and preparing yourself for sudden changes in weather, such as snowfall, winds, and cold temperatures.



## **Technical Sections**

The climb to Chulu West requires technical skills. Climbers should be able to use crampons, ice axes, and rope. Thus, climbers need to learn how to use such equipment to succeed. Navigating the technical sections creates the difficulty of climbing Chulu West Peak.

## **Altitude**

The altitude varies throughout the expedition to Chulu West Peak climbing. As the trek begins, the altitude continuously increases until it reaches the Summit of Chulu West. The journey starts from Kathmandu (1400m) to Chame (1425), and the elevation rises continuously. The highest altitude during the excursion is 6419m at Chulu West Summit. Likewise, the second highest altitude is the High Camp of Chulu at 5530. Similarly, the third highest is 5416 at the world's highest pass, Thorong la. Here are some prominent area's altitude levels that trekkers pass during the expedition to Chulu West.

- Kathmandu: 1400m/ 4593 ft
- Chame: 1425m/ 4675 ft
- Pisang: 3300m/ 10826 ft
- Manang: 3540m/ 11614 ft
- Ledar: 4200m/ 13779 ft
- Chulu West Base Camp: 4900m/ 16076 ft
- High Camp: 5530m/ 18143 ft
- Chulu West Summit: 6419m/ 21059 ft
- Pedi: 4450m/ 145600 ft
- Thorong La: 5416m/ 18425 ft
- Muktinath: 3800m/ 12468 ft
- Kagbeni: 2800m/ 9186 ft
- Jomsom: 2715m/ 8907 ft
- Pokhara: 830m/ 2723 ft

## **Accommodation**

The cost of the Chulu West peak climbing package covers the accommodation throughout the journey. Boundless Adventure provides accommodation at a clean and hygienic tea house during the excursion. However, there is no accessibility of tea houses from Chulu West Base camp to Summit. Thus we'll provide you with accommodation at a tent camp during those climbing times. Our climbing crew will fix a tent for you and our cook will prepare food for you. However, consider carrying a sleeping bag for comfortable sleep in the tent.

## **Food**

Boundless Adventures is responsible for providing three meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) during the journey to Chulu West Peak climbing. Until you stay at the tea house, you can get food in the tea houses. However, as you go above, there are no tea houses. During that time, you'll have food that our cook will prepare. And on the higher elevation, we provide food that supports in the high altitude.

## **Tent**

There is no accessibility to tea houses as the trail goes above towards Chulu Summit. Thus, climbers must spend their nights at Chulu West Base Camp and High Camp tent camps. However, Boundless Adventure

arranges camp during this time without causing any trouble to climbers.

## **Permits**

Every climbing destination requires permits for the excursion in Nepal. So does the Chulu West Peak climbing. With the necessary permits, climbers can legally climb to the Summit of Chulu West. For the climb of Chulu West, two permits are mandatory:

### **Annapurna Conservation Area Permit (ACAP)**

The climb to Chulu West takes place within an area of Annapurna conservation; thus, obtaining the ACAP is mandatory for the climb to Chulu West. ACAP aims to conserve the area's natural beauty, maintaining the beauty of the Annapurna region.

### **Chulu West Peak climbing Permit.**

Specific permission is necessary to climb Chulu West Peak. Thus, the Chulu Westpeak climbing is the one climber must obtain for their climb. The Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA) introduced the Permit to control climbing activities in Chulu West.

Boundless Adventure is a registered climbing agency in Nepal. Thus, we can provide all the necessary permits without causing climbers trouble. Contact us for more information and a suitable time.

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