

Overview

Chulu West Peak is a popular trekking peak in Nepal, standing at an elevation of 6,419 meters (21,059 ft) above sea level. It is considered a technically moderate peak, but still presents some challenges to climbers due to its long climbing route, crevasses, and potential whiteout conditions.

Chulu West peak is located in the northeast of the Annapurna Himalayan range, specifically in the Damodar Himalayan range, in the Manang district and Manang village. The group of peaks is called Manang Himal, which includes Chulu East Peak, Chulu Far East Peak, and Chulu Central Peak, in addition to Chulu West Peak.

The first ascent of Chulu West Peak in Nepal was made by a Japanese expedition led by K. Sakaizawa in 1952. They climbed the peak via the Northeast Ridge, which is now considered the standard route for the ascent. Since then, Chulu West Peak has become a popular climbing destination for mountaineers and trekking enthusiasts alike, attracting numerous expeditions each year.

To reach Chulu West peak base camp, climbers should take a long but scenic bus ride from Kathmandu to Chame, through the busy Prithvi highway. The trail passes through numerous captivating villages, terraced farmlands, perennial rivers, waterfalls, sub-tropical forests, and finally, the track diverges to the Marsyangdi river valley. Our climbing trip kicks off at Chame village and heads towards the base camp, passing through yaks and horses summer grazing lands, ancient Tibetan villages, tea houses, spiritual Hindu temples, gompas, and mani walls with mesmerizing views. Especially, the snow-capped towering peaks of Annapurna Himalayan range One to Four, Gangapurana, Tilicho, and Dhaulagiri, and Manaslu are stunning.

Comparatively, Chulu West is a high-risk climb, but with the right preparation and a favorable weather forecast, we can make a safe and successful ascent. Participants must have a good level of physical fitness, mountaineering skills and experience, be well-acclimatized, and have proper equipment to reach the summit of Chulu West Peak. The climb typically takes around 20 to 25 days, including acclimatization and trekking days.

At Himalayan Diamond Adventure, we take the route to Tilicho Base Camp, one of the most beautiful places in the Annapurna area, for proper acclimatization and a breathtaking viewing experience before reaching the peak base camp. During the peak attempt, our team sets up base camp, high camp, and camp one for a safe, successful, and enjoyable climbing experience.

After successfully summiting Chulu West Peak, we will continue our trek to the beautiful Mustang and Kaligandaki River Valley. Once we have completed this unforgettable journey, we will take an aerial viewing flight back to the city of Pokhara, crossing over the high pass of Thorong La (5416 meters), which is the most popular pass in the region, and visit Muktimath, a sacred and revered shrine for both Hindus and Buddhists. Overall, the

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Chulu West Peak climbing journey not only presents sensational panoramic mountain views but also provides an opportunity to explore local culture, meet the people and experience their lifestyle, enjoy their warm hospitality, and to truly immerse oneself in nature.

Itinerary Details