Overview

Chitwan National Park (CNP) situated in lower plains of Nepal is one of the famous tourist destinations in Nepal. This national park that once acknowledged as Royal National Park is the first of its kind in Nepal established with a noble mission of protecting wildlife. This beauty and pride of Nepal encompasses thick green forests, grasslands and remarkable vegetations. Apart from that, this place is home to rare creatures like one horned rhinoceros, tiger, elephants, crocodile etcetera. Tour to Chitwan National Park will provide you the best memories of your life as you can engage in many activities like Elephant ride, jungle safari etcetera, let alone the diversity of flora and fauna you will witness here.

Chitwan National Park is a famous destination for wildlife lovers out there. Not only this, the natural views, diverse vegetations, unique culture of locals, opportunity to be in close vicinity of the wildlife, attracts thousands of voyagers to Chitwan and Sauraha every year. Through this incredible tour, you will come to a fair conclusion that though, mountains like the majestic Mt. Everest are huge part of Nepal, there is so much more to Nepal than it. This place is an ultimate destination for adventure, animal and Safari lovers

Chitwan National Park encompasses many wildlife. The green forests covering about 70 % of the land here provides with many activities that will indulge you while completely captivating your attention and keeping you from boredom. The extensive vegetations like the crawlers for instance- King Cobra, Rock python, tortoise, crocodiles and many fish species have found their home in this huge national park. Other mammals like Bengal Tiger, clouded leopards, one horned rhinoceros, elephants, Bengal foxes, wild boars, Sambar deer, hog deer etcetera are found here.

How to reach Chitwan National Park?

You can get to Chitwan National Park via different ways. Chitwan National Park (CNP) is located in south central Nepal - Nawalpur, Parsa, Chitwan and Makwanpur districts in the subtropical Inner Terai Lowlands. The airport nearest to Chitwan National park is 10 Kilometers away in Bharatpur. If you are going through a travel agency, how will you travel from Kathmandu to Chitwan National park will depend on you trekking package. Here, we provide some options on the well acknowledged travelling method to Chitwan National Park.

One way you can get to Chitwan National Park is via a tourist bus which will take you approximately 6 hours from Kathmandu. You will be sharing the tourist bus with other traveling members. This is an optimal and economical way to reach there that requires less expense.

Travelers can reach Chitwan National Parks by privately booked transport means like jeep or car.

You can reach there via flight. Find out more about Kathmandu to Chitwan flight price by

Chitwan National Park contacting us.

You can also opt for Mini- Vans to reach Sauraha from which you can take a bus or taxi to best resorts in Chitwan or Sauraha close or Chitwan National Park.

About Sauraha

Located adjacent to Chitwan National Park, Sauraha is a small town/village that can be regarded as the eastern gateway to Chitwan National Park. It is near Rapti river and provides visitors with eclectic options for accommodations, Chitwan hotels, restaurants and resorts in close vicinity of Chitwan National Park.

Sauraha is where you want to be for mid-priced or even relatively cheap 3-4-star hotels. You can find Jungle Safari Lodge, Affordable Chitwan National Park Safari here with so much more. You will witness many mud huts and houses with Tharu settlements in Sauraha Chitwan of Nepal. Accommodations in Sauraha are much cheaper than accommodations in Chitwan National Park.

History of Chitwan National Park

Chitwan National Park is the very first National Park in Nepal established in 1973. Before hosting this National Park, Chitwan was one of the sought-after hunting grounds for ruling class of Nepal mainly during cool winter seasons. At that time Chitwan used to be home too hundreds of tigers, leopards, rhinoceros and other animals.

The forests and grasslands of Chitwan were eventually encroached by the farmers and these areas were afterward opened for settlements. This was followed by extensive poaching and hunting of wildlife. Up to 70% of the forest in Chitwan was cleared followed by the rampant poaching and hence sharp decline of the Rhino population.

As this situation got worse and many animals that were abundant before were in verge of annihilation in Nepal, Chitwan National Park was established with the mission to protect and breed the endangered animals. The establishment of this National Park that was before known as Royal Chitwan National Park also ceased the rapid encroachment of the forests in the neighboring region in Lower Nepal.

Chitwan National Park Nepal Became a member of World Heritage Site in 1984. When it was established in 1973, the area of Chitwan National Park was 544 square kilometers. Later in 1977, other contiguous areas were also encompassed making up the area of 932 square kilometers which is current Chitwan National Park area.

Chitwan National Park Weather

As Chitwan National Park is located on lower Nepal, climate here is highly humid throughout the year except few months on winter. The Spring, Summer and Autumn weather are more or less similar except for few fundamental differences. The temperature

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during Spring can rage between 30 to 40 degrees. There can be sporadic rainfall which is not that likely. The Autumn weather condition is very similar to that to Spring.

If you decide to travel to Chitwan National Park during June, July, August and September, you are likely to be hit by heavy rainfall as this time marks Monsoon/Summer in Nepal and in Chitwan National Park. During Summer, the weather or climatic condition is very hot due to the soaring temperature that can reach as high as 43 degree Celsius.

The months from October to February is when winter prevails in Chitwan National Park. You will experience the coldest weather in the Chitwan National Park vicinity during this January when temperature can drop a low as 7 degrees. On the positive light, even during January days, the temperature can reach up to 20 degrees during afternoon.

What is the Best time to visit Chitwan?

To enjoy every second in Chitwan National Park, it's very important that you decide the best time possible. Though Chitwan National Park is open throughout the year, the extremely hot and humid environment during the Summer season can make the visit extremely uncomfortable for you. While coming here make sure that, you arriving on the time when most of the wildlife will be visible and when the forest is as luxuriant as possible, and the weather comfortable.

One of the most favourable time to visit Chitwan National Park is during Winter (October to February). The clear skies, comfortable weather, the dry environment makes this season perfect for visiting Chitwan National Park. Moreover, you are likely to meet many wildlife during this season. Another, plus point is the tall Phanta grass is cut by the locals here from January to March, making the animals visible.

Summer (March to May) can get extremely hot and uncomfortable for you due to increasing temperature and humidity. Also, the Monsoon (June to September) season is not a good time keeping animals' visibility in mind. To make matter even worse, the persistent leeches might get to you during this season.

Best time to spot a tiger

Though you will see evidence of existence of Chitwan National Park tigers, you are unlikely to see one. Don't get sad yet, many other things that Chitwan National Park will make up for it.

The best time to spot tiger in Chitwan National Park is April and May as Tigers are probable to come out of their den and roam around watering holes and rivers during these dry months. If you are bend onto spotting tiger , we suggest you this time of the year.

What is Chitwan National Park famous for? / Activities to look forward to on Chitwan National Park

Chitwan National Park of Nepal will reveal to you the secrets of nature. You will see rare

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animals like one horned rhinoceros, Bengal tiger etcetera here. On top of that, there is much more you can do here than view these rare animals in Chitwan National Park area. Following we have listed out some things to do at Chitwan National Park Nepal:

- 1. Chitwan National Park Jungle safari
- 2. Chitwan National Park Jeep Safari
- 3. Elephant ride and safari
- 4. Visit Elephant Breeding Center
- 5. River boating and Canoeing at Rapti River
- 6. Washing Elephant
- 7. Visit Bis Hazari tal
- 8. Visit Tharu Village in Sauraha
- 9. Explore the local /Tharu culture
- 10. National Trust Nature Conservation

Itinerary Details