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UTTARAKHAND · RUDRAPRAYAG · HIMALAYA

Kartik Swami Trek

2 days · 1 nights · Easy · summit at 3,050 m

₹3,800

per person + 5% GST · EMI available at checkout · Free Trekking Gear (refundable deposit)

DURATION	GRADE	HIGHEST POINT	TREK DISTANCE
2 days	**Easy**	**3,050 m** 10,007 ft	**7 km**

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ABOUT THE TREK

Kartik Swami at a glance

Trek fee per person	+ 5% GST ₹190	EMI available at checkout
₹3,800	**₹3,990 all-in**	**Book at trekkaro.com/trek/kartik-swami-trek**

Free Trekking Gear

Decathlon trekking shoes, a -10°C jacket, trekking poles, gaiters and microspikes come with your booking (₹3,000 refundable deposit + ₹200 washing charge). Tents and -20°C sleeping bags are part of the trek.

WHY TREK WITH TREKKARO

- ✓ World's only Free Trekking Gear company, since 2018
- ✓ Groups capped at 20 · one leader or guide for every 8
- ✓ Certified trek leaders, oximeter checks, first-aid kit
- ✓ Hot, fresh meals cooked at camp
- ✓ 4.7 on Google · 4.9 on Facebook
- ✓ Free rescheduling up to 8 days before

Some summits make you wait days for their view. Kartik Swami asks for one early alarm and about 3.5 km of forest path. Walk up in the dark from Kanakchauri, climb the last stone steps to a temple hung with hundreds of bells, and watch the first light touch Chaukhamba, the Kedarnath peaks, Neelkanth and Trishul in a single sweep of the horizon. By breakfast you are back in the village with the whole Garhwal skyline still in your eyes.

The Kartik Swami trek climbs to the Kartik Swami temple, a hilltop shrine to Kartikeya, the elder son of Lord Shiva, on a narrow ridge above the village of Kanakchauri in Rudraprayag district, Uttarakhand. Kanakchauri sits on the road between Rudraprayag and Pokhari, about 40 km from Rudraprayag town, and the trail starts right from the village. The temple stands at 3,050 m (10,007 ft), on top of a ridge...

TEMPERATURE IN THE SEASONS THIS TREK RUNS

Spring/Summer (Mar-Jun)	Day 12°C to 22°C, Night 3°C to 10°C
Autumn (Sep-Nov)	Day 10°C to 18°C, Night 0°C to 8°C
Winter (Dec-Feb)	Day 3°C to 10°C, Night -5°C to 1°C

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DAY BY DAY

The itinerary

1 DAY 1

Drive Rishikesh to Kanakchauri via Devprayag and Rudraprayag

about 175 km, 6-7 hrs. Night in a homestay

The day begins at Yog Nagari Rishikesh Railway Station, where the group meets at 06:30 AM and boards shared cabs for the drive into the Garhwal hills.

2 DAY 2

Kanakchauri to Kartik Swami Temple (3,050 m / 10,007 ft) and back

7 km, 4-5 hrs. Drive to Rishikesh, 6-7 hrs

The day starts at about 4:00 AM with a hot drink, and the group leaves Kanakchauri by headlamp at about 4:30 AM.

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PICK YOUR DATES

Upcoming departures

DEC 2026 **5 – 6** Sat to Sun · 2 days	DEC 2026 **12 – 13** Sat to Sun · 2 days	DEC 2026 **19 – 20** Sat to Sun · 2 days	DEC 2026 **26 – 27** Sat to Sun · 2 days
JAN 2027 **2 – 3** Sat to Sun · 2 days	JAN 2027 **9 – 10** Sat to Sun · 2 days	JAN 2027 **16 – 17** Sat to Sun · 2 days	JAN 2027 **23 – 24** Sat to Sun · 2 days
JAN 2027 **30 – 31** Sat to Sun · 2 days	FEB 2027 **6 – 7** Sat to Sun · 2 days	FEB 2027 **13 – 14** Sat to Sun · 2 days	FEB 2027 **20 – 21** Sat to Sun · 2 days
FEB 2027 **27 – 28** Sat to Sun · 2 days	MAR 2027 **6 – 7** Sat to Sun · 2 days	MAR 2027 **13 – 14** Sat to Sun · 2 days	MAR 2027 **20 – 21** Sat to Sun · 2 days
MAR 2027 **27 – 28** Sat to Sun · 2 days	APR 2027 **3 – 4** Sat to Sun · 2 days	APR 2027 **10 – 11** Sat to Sun · 2 days	APR 2027 **17 – 18** Sat to Sun · 2 days
APR 2027 **24 – 25** Sat to Sun · 2 days	MAY 2027 **1 – 2** Sat to Sun · 2 days	MAY 2027 **8 – 9** Sat to Sun · 2 days	MAY 2027 **15 – 16** Sat to Sun · 2 days

10 more dates, live seats and booking: trekkaro.com/trek/kartik-swami-trek · booking closes at 5 PM the day before departure · groups capped at 20 with one leader or guide for every 8 trekkers.

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FEE COVERS

What is included

✓ **Free Trekking Gear (FTG)**	Decathlon trekking shoes. Decathlon jacket rated to -10°C. Trekking poles, gaiters and microspikes. No rental fee: ₹3,000 refundable deposit + ₹200 washing charge.
✓ **Accommodation**	Day 1: homestay or guesthouse in Kanakchauri, on twin or triple sharing.
✓ **Meals**	All meals from Day 1 dinner at Kanakchauri to Day 2 breakfast. Simple, freshly cooked vegetarian food. Tea, coffee, soup and snacks on the trail and at the homestay.
✓ **Permits & Camping Fees**	All forest permits and entry charges for the trek.
✓ **Safety Equipment**	First-aid kit on the trek. Pulse oximeter and blood-pressure checks during the trek.
✓ **Trek Team**	Trek leader and local guide throughout the 2-day trek. Cook, helpers and support staff.

OPTIONAL ADD-ONS

Backpack Offloading	**₹800** + 5% GST for the whole trek (max 9 kg)
FTG (100% Refundable*)	**₹3,000** refundable deposit, returned after the trek

What is not included

✕ **Transport**	Not included: Rishikesh to Kanakchauri and back. Transport is not included in the trek fee: we help the group book shared cabs, paid directly to the driver and split among trekkers. The fare is about ₹ 6,500 one way per 5–6 seat vehicle. Travel to and from Rishikesh, arranged by you.
✕ **Food During Transit**	Meals on the drive between Rishikesh and Kanakchauri.
✕ **Backpack Offloading (optional)**	₹800 + 5% GST for the entire trek. Maximum weight: 9 kg; no suitcases, trolleys or duffel bags.
✕ **Personal Equipment**	Your backpack, clothing and other personal gear (trekking shoes, jacket, poles, gaiters and microspikes come with Free Trekking Gear).
✕ **Trek Insurance**	Travel insurance is mandatory and not included. It must cover high-altitude trekking and emergency evacuation.
✕ **Anything Not Mentioned Under Inclusions**	Personal expenses and tips.

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PACKING LIST

Things to carry

Basic Gears

The Kartik Swami trek is short, but you start in the dark and wait for sunrise on an open, windy ridge at 3,050 m, so warm layers and a headlamp matter more than a big backpack.

- **Trekking shoes** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear (one refundable deposit of ₹3,000 + ₹200 washing charge covers the whole kit); your own broken-in pair with ankle support is welcome too.
- **Trekking poles** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear; they save your knees on the descents.
- **Microspikes and gaiters** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear, for the snow sections.
- **Backpack (30–40 L)** – with a rain cover.
- **Day pack (20–30 L)** – needed if you offload your main backpack; carries water and a warm layer.
- **Two water bottles (1 L each)** – an insulated one in the cold months.
- **Headlamp** – with spare batteries, for the pre-dawn start.

Clothes

Pre-dawn temperatures on the ridge are about 3°C to 10°C from March to June, 0°C to 8°C from September to November and -5°C to 1°C from December to February: carry 3 warm layers in spring and autumn and 4-5 in winter.

- **-10°C padded jacket** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear; your main warm layer at the homestay and on the ridge.
- **Thermal inners (top and bottom)** – 1 set, for the night.
- **Fleece jackets or woollen sweaters** – 1 in the warmer months, 2 in the cold months.
- **Rain jacket or poncho** – for sudden showers or wet snow.
- **Trek pants x2** – quick-dry, no jeans.
- **Quick-dry collared T-shirts x2–3** – full sleeves protect from sun.
- **Socks** – 3–4 pairs: sports socks for walking and woollen socks for the night.

Accessories

Keep these handy for the bright open sections and the cold evenings.

- **Sun cap** – for the open ridges and meadows.
- **Woollen cap** – covering the ears.
- **Balaclava or buff** – a balaclava in winter, a buff or scarf in other months.
- **Gloves** – a woollen pair plus a waterproof pair (essential in snow).
- **UV sunglasses** – for sun and snow glare.

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- **Sunscreen SPF 50+ and lip balm** – for the exposed sections.
- **Quick-dry towel and toiletries** – small and light; no wet wipes, as they are not biodegradable.
- **Plastic or ziploc bags** – for wet clothes and to carry back your waste.

Others

- **Snacks** – dry fruits, energy bars and chocolates for the trail.
- **Power bank** – there is no charging point on the trail.
- **Personal medicines** – and a small first-aid pouch; tell the trek leader what you carry.
- **Cash in small notes** – cards are not accepted on the trail.

Mandatory Documents

- **Original government photo ID** – Aadhaar, passport, driving licence or voter ID, with a photocopy.
- **Medical certificate** – signed by a doctor; mandatory for every trekker. The form is in My Bookings.
- **Signed disclaimer form** – from your booking.

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GETTING THERE

How to reach

BY AIR

Nearest airport: Jolly Grant Airport (DED), Dehradun, about 20–25 km / around 45 min from Rishikesh, with direct flights from Delhi and other metros. The cab leaves Rishikesh at 06:30 AM, so fly in the day before and stay in Rishikesh.

From Rishikesh to Kanakchauri: about 175 km, 6–7 hrs by road via Devprayag, Srinagar and Rudraprayag. Transport is not included in the trek fee: we help the group book shared cabs from Yog Nagari Rishikesh Railway Station at 06:30 AM, paid directly to the driver and split among trekkers. The fare is about ₹6,500 one way per 5–6 seat vehicle.

Return: After the sunrise climb and breakfast on Day 2, the cab takes 6–7 hrs and is expected in Rishikesh by evening. Book your flight home for the next day.

BY TRAIN

Nearest railway station: Yog Nagari Rishikesh (YNRK), which is also the pickup point. Haridwar (HW), about 25 km away, has many more trains from Delhi and the rest of India.

To Rishikesh: a few direct trains, including overnight services from Delhi; check current timings.

To Haridwar: Shatabdi, Jan Shatabdi, Vande Bharat and overnight express trains from Delhi; take a cab or auto on to Rishikesh, about 1 hr.

For a 06:30 AM pickup, arrive the evening before and stay near the station.

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Return: The cab reaches Rishikesh by evening on Day 2. Plan your train home for late night on Day 2 or the next day.

BY BUS OR ROAD

By bus: Overnight ordinary and Volvo buses run from Delhi ISBT Kashmere Gate to Rishikesh, about 6–7 hrs. Prefer Uttarakhand Roadways (government) buses from inside the ISBT. Arrive the evening before and stay in Rishikesh for the 06:30 AM pickup at Yog Nagari Rishikesh Railway Station.

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PLANS CHANGE — WE GET IT

Cancellation and rescheduling

UP TO 8 DAYS BEFORE

Free reschedule

Move to another batch once, transfer the booking, or take a 100% TrekCash voucher valid for one year.

CANCELLING

70% · 50%

70% refund 30 or more days before departure; 50% refund 15–29 days before.

8 TO 14 DAYS BEFORE

TrekCash

No cash refund, but a voucher for the full amount. Within 7 days: no refund. Full policy at trekkaro.com/terms#cancellation

If Trekkaro cancels a batch (low group size, trek leader unavailable, route closed, weather or government orders) you are told by e-mail and WhatsApp with the reason and get **100% of everything you paid**, however close to departure — as a TrekCash voucher valid 12 months, or a full refund if you prefer, or a free move to another batch.

OMI

Still have questions? Ask OMI anything

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ON THE TRAIL





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