

UTTARAKHAND · UTTARKASHI · HIMALAYA

Kedartal Trek

6 days · 5 nights · Moderate – Difficult · summit at 4,912 m

₹15,750

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

DURATION

6 days

GRADE

Moderate – Difficult

HIGHEST POINT

4,912 m 16,116 ft

TREK DISTANCE

38 km

Kedartal at a glance

Trek fee per person

₹15,750

+ 5% GST ₹788

₹16,538 all-in

EMI available at checkout

Book at

trekkaro.com/trek/kedartal-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

Above Gangotri, the Kedar Ganga thunders down a steep gorge. Follow it upstream for three days, through birch forest, over the tree line and across fields of loose boulder, and you reach the place where it begins: a still glacial lake at 4,912 m, held in a ring of rock and snow beneath Thalay Sagar. In our view, few walks in the Garhwal Himalayas lead so directly from a temple town to the feet of mountains this big. And in our experience, the moment that lake comes into view repays every hard step it took to get there.

The Kedartal trek takes you to Kedartal, also known as Shiva's Lake, a turquoise glacial lake at 4,912 m (16,116 ft). Three snow-clad peaks stand around it: Thalay Sagar (6,904 m), Bhagirath (6,772 m) and Meru (6,672 m). Fed by the melting snow of these mountains, Kedartal is the origin of the sacred Kedar Ganga River....

The itinerary

1 DAY 1

Arrival at Gangotri (3,065 m / 10,050 ft)

241 km drive from Dehradun, 10–11 hrs

Day 1 is a long road day, and it sets you up for everything that follows.

2 DAY 2

Gangotri (3,065 m / 10,050 ft) to Bhoj Kharak (3,780 m / 12,402 ft)

8 km, 5–6 hrs

Day 2 is the first walking day, and it does not ease you in.

3 DAY 3

Bhoj Kharak (3,780 m / 12,402 ft) to Kedar Kharak (4,267 m / 14,000 ft)

7 km, 6–7 hrs

Day 3 starts hard and then settles.

4 DAY 4

Kedar Kharak (4,267 m / 14,000 ft) to Kedartal (4,912 m / 16,116 ft) and back

8 km, 7–8 hrs

Day 4 is the hardest and the most rewarding day of the Kedartal Trek. You climb about 645 m to the lake and come back down the same way to Kedar Kharak.

5 DAY 5

Kedar Kharak (4,267 m / 14,000 ft) to Gangotri (3,065 m / 10,050 ft)

15 km, 7–8 hrs

Day 5 is the last day on the trail and the longest in distance.

6 DAY 6

Gangotri (3,065 m / 10,050 ft) to Dehradun

241 km drive, 10–11 hrs

The last day is a long drive back to the plains. We recommend leaving Gangotri around 6:30 AM so you reach Dehradun by evening without delays.

PICK YOUR DATES

Upcoming departures

OCT 2026 17 – 22 Sat to Thu · 6 days Dussehra	OCT 2026 24 – 29 Sat to Thu · 6 days	MAY 2027 8 – 13 Sat to Thu · 6 days	MAY 2027 9 – 14 Sun to Fri · 6 days
MAY 2027 15 – 20 Sat to Thu · 6 days Buddha Purnima	MAY 2027 16 – 21 Sun to Fri · 6 days Buddha Purnima	MAY 2027 22 – 27 Sat to Thu · 6 days	MAY 2027 23 – 28 Sun to Fri · 6 days
MAY 2027 29 – 3 Jun Sat to Thu · 6 days	MAY 2027 30 – 4 Jun Sun to Fri · 6 days	JUN 2027 5 – 10 Sat to Thu · 6 days	JUN 2027 6 – 11 Sun to Fri · 6 days
JUN 2027 12 – 17 Sat to Thu · 6 days	JUN 2027 13 – 18 Sun to Fri · 6 days	JUN 2027 19 – 24 Sat to Thu · 6 days	JUN 2027 20 – 25 Sun to Fri · 6 days
JUN 2027 26 – 1 Jul Sat to Thu · 6 days	JUN 2027 27 – 2 Jul Sun to Fri · 6 days	SEP 2027 18 – 23 Sat to Thu · 6 days	SEP 2027 19 – 24 Sun to Fri · 6 days
SEP 2027 25 – 30 Sat to Thu · 6 days	SEP 2027 26 – 1 Oct Sun to Fri · 6 days		

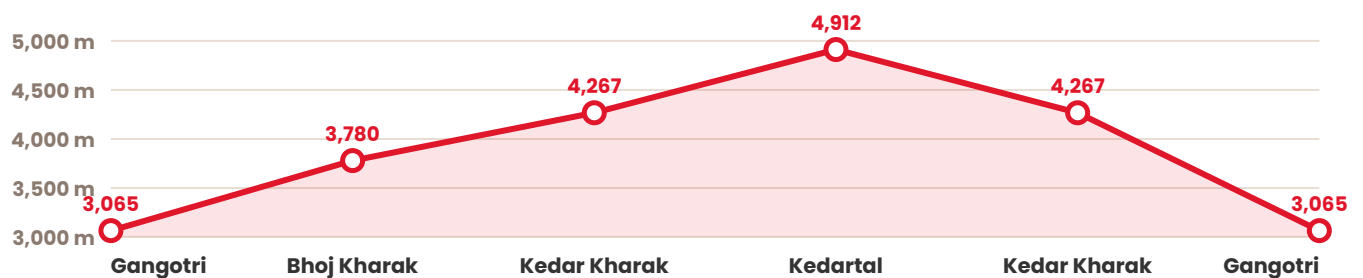
live seats and booking: trekkaro.com/trek/kedartal-trek · booking closes at 5 PM the day before departure · groups capped at 20 with one leader or guide for every 8 trekkers.

The route



Satellite view with the camps and the summit marked; the trek page has the same map with the trail walked day by day.

ALTITUDE PROFILE



ROUTE, STOP BY STOP

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| <p>1 Gangotri 3,065 m
Day 1 · Base · Temple town</p> <p>2 Bhoj Kharak 3,780 m
Day 2 · Camp · Birch camp</p> <p>3 Kedar Kharak 4,267 m
Day 3 · Camp · Meadow camp</p> | <p>4 Kedartal 4,912 m
Day 4 · Lake · Lake under Thalaysagar</p> <p>5 Kedar Kharak (return) 4,267 m
Day 4 · Camp · Back to camp</p> <p>6 Gangotri (trek end) 3,065 m
Day 5 · Base · Descent</p> |
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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 and Day 5: guesthouse or homestay in Gangotri, on a triple/quad sharing basis. Day 2 to Day 4: camping in 3-person tents at Bhoj Kharak and Kedar Kharak.
✓ Meals	All meals from Day 1 dinner to Day 5 dinner. Simple, freshly prepared vegetarian food. Tea, coffee, soups and snacks served regularly during the trek.
✓ Permits & Camping Fees	All necessary trekking permits and forest camping fees.
✓ Camping & Safety Equipment	Tents and sleeping bags. Large mess tents and tables at the campsites. All technical equipment needed on the trek, including ice axes, microspikes, gaiters and ropes. First-aid kit, medical support and oxygen cylinders at every camp. Stretchers at each campsite for emergency evacuation.
✓ Trek Team	Experienced trek leaders, supported by certified local mountain guides.

OPTIONAL ADD-ONS

Backpack Offloading	₹3,600 + 5% GST for the whole trek (max 9 kg)
Single Tent Occupancy	₹2,000 + 5% GST for the whole trek
FTG (100% Refundable*)	₹3,000 refundable deposit, returned after the trek

What is not included

✗ Transport	Not included: Dehradun to Gangotri and back. Trekkaro helps the group book a shared cab, approximately ₹8,000 one way per 5–6 seat vehicle, paid directly to the driver and split among the trekkers in it. Travel to and from Dehradun, arranged by you.
✗ Food During Transit	Meals on the drive between Dehradun and Gangotri.
✗ Backpack Offloading (optional)	₹3,600 + 5% GST for the entire trek. Maximum weight: 9 kg; no suitcases, trolleys or duffel bags. Charges may be higher for last-minute requests made at Gangotri.
✗ Single Tent Occupancy (optional)	₹2,000 + 5% GST per tent for the entire trek.
✗ 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	Anything not listed under inclusions is not part of the package; ask in advance if you have any questions.

Things to carry

Basic Gears

Kedartal climbs to 4,912 m on steep, rocky trail, with snow possible on the higher sections, so good grip and poles matter.

- **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, waterproof pair with ankle support is welcome too.
- **Trekking poles** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear; needed for the steep ascents and descents.
- **Microspikes and gaiters** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear; the team also carries ice axes and ropes.
- **Backpack (50–60 L)** – with a rain cover.
- **Day pack (20–30 L)** – required if you offload your main backpack.
- **Two water bottles (1 L each)** – or a 1 L hydration bladder plus a bottle; an insulated one helps on cold mornings.
- **Headlamp** – with spare batteries.
- **Lunch box** – reusable, for packed lunches on the trail.

Clothes

Nights at the high camps are very cold even in May–June and September–October, so plan on 4 warm layers (thermals, 2 fleece or woollen layers and a padded jacket) plus rain protection.

- **–10°C padded jacket** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear; your main warm layer at camp.
- **Thermal inners (top and bottom)** – essential for the cold nights.
- **Fleece jackets or woollen sweaters x2** – light layers you can add or remove as you climb.
- **Rain jacket or poncho** – for unexpected showers.
- **Trek pants x2** – one to wear, one spare; no jeans.
- **Quick-dry collared T-shirts x3** – full sleeves protect from sun.
- **Socks** – 3–4 pairs: cotton or sports socks for walking and woollen socks for the night.

Accessories

At close to 5,000 m the sun, glare and cold are all strong, so pack these for the upper camps.

- **Sun cap** – wide brim or neck flap.
- **Woollen cap** – covering the ears.
- **Balaclava or buff** – for cold, windy mornings near the lake.
- **Gloves** – a fleece or woollen pair plus a waterproof pair for snow.

- **UV sunglasses** – to prevent snow blindness.
- **Sunscreen SPF 50+ and lip balm** – for strong high-altitude sun.
- **Quick-dry towel and toiletries** – toothbrush, toothpaste, biodegradable soap; no wet wipes, as they are not biodegradable.
- **Plastic or ziploc bags** – to keep wet or dirty clothes apart from dry ones and to carry back your waste.

Others

Mobile signal ends at Gangotri and there is no charging on the trail, so set yourself up before you leave the base.

- **Personal medical kit** – your regular and prescribed medicines plus a basic kit (blister plasters, pain relief, ORS); consult your doctor before the trek.
- **Snacks and ORS** – dry fruit, energy bars and electrolyte sachets for the long climbs.
- **Power bank** – to keep your phone and headlamp going for the whole trek.
- **Cash** – the last ATM is at Bhatwari, and Uttarkashi ATMs can run out of cash, so withdraw what you need in Dehradun, including your share of the cab fare.
- **Camp slippers or sandals** – light, for camp.
- **Extra luggage** – can be left free of charge at the base camp; do not keep valuables in it.

Mandatory Documents

- **Government photo ID** – original and a photocopy (passport, Aadhaar card, driving licence or voter ID).
- **Medical certificate** – signed by a registered doctor.
- **Travel insurance** – mandatory; the policy must cover high-altitude trekking and emergency evacuation.

How to reach

BY AIR

Nearest airport: Jolly Grant Airport (DED), about 25 km / 45–60 min from Dehradun city, with direct flights from Delhi and other metros. The drive to Gangotri takes most of a day, so fly in the day before.

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Return: On the last day the shared cab (not included in the trek fee, paid directly to the driver) leaves Gangotri at 06:30 AM and is expected at Dehradun Railway Station by 07:00 PM. Book your flight home for the next day.

BY TRAIN

Nearest railway station: Dehradun (DDN), with direct trains from Delhi. Book well in advance for the May–June and September–October peak season.

Nanda Devi Express – overnight from New Delhi, arriving early in the morning.

Dehradun Shatabdi, Jan Shatabdi and Vande Bharat – day trains; take them the day before the trek.

Check current timings before you book.

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BY BUS OR ROAD

By bus: Delhi ISBT Kashmere Gate to Dehradun ISBT takes about 6–7 hrs, with Uttarakhand Roadways Volvo and ordinary buses running through the night. Choose government buses from inside the ISBT and avoid private buses that leave from outside the ISBT premises. From Dehradun ISBT, an auto, shared three-wheeler or app cab takes you to Dehradun Railway Station for the 06:30 AM pickup.

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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

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