

UTTARAKHAND · CHAMOLI · HIMALAYA

Kuari Pass Trek

6 days · 5 nights · Easy – Moderate · summit at 3,815 m

₹9,400

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

DURATION

6 days

GRADE

Easy – Moderate

HIGHEST POINT

3,815 m 12,516 ft

TREK DISTANCE

35 km

ABOUT THE TREK

Kuari Pass **at a glance**

Trek fee per person

₹9,400

+ 5% GST ₹470

₹9,870 all-in

EMI available at checkout

Book at

trekkaro.com/trek/kuari-pass-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

Count them from the top. Kedarnath, Chaukhamba, Kamet, Nanda Devi – and ten more summits around them, fourteen peaks in all, spread in a single 180° arc across the Garhwal Himalayas. That is the view that waits at Kuari Pass, 3,815 m up, at the end of a trail graded easy to moderate. In winter you walk to it through oak and rhododendron forest standing deep in snow, and no technical climbing stands between you and it.

The Kuari Pass trek is a journey from Garhwali village to snowline. It begins among the terraced fields of Dhak and Tugasi, climbs into forests of oak, rhododendron and deodar, crosses the open alpine meadows of Khullara and ends on a high ridge looking out at Nanda Devi, Kamet, Dronagiri, Trishul, Bertholi, Hathi Ghodi Parvat, Mana and Neelkanth. Snow-covered trails, dense forest, wide meadows and Himalayan hamlets – it is...

TEMPERATURE IN THE SEASONS THIS TREK RUNS

Winter (Dec-Feb)

Day 8°C to 14°C, Night -14°C to -8°C

Spring (Mar-Apr)

Day 13°C to 17°C, Night around 0°C

Autumn (Oct-Nov)

Day 10°C to 15°C, Night around 0°C

The itinerary

1 DAY 1

Arrival at Pipalkoti (1,883 m / 6,175 ft)

215 km drive from Rishikesh, 9 hrs

Day 1 is a road day.

2 DAY 2

Drive Pipalkoti to Dhak (2,050 m / 6,750 ft), trek to Gulling (2,900 m / 9,600 ft)

15 km drive, 40–45 min; 6 km trek, 5–6 hrs

Day 2 is your first day on foot.

3 DAY 3

Gulling (2,900 m / 9,600 ft) to Khullara (3,350 m / 11,000 ft)

5 km, 4 hrs

Day 3 is short and gentle, and it does important work. You gain about 450 m (1,400 ft) over 5 km, in around 4 hours.

4 DAY 4

Khullara (3,350 m / 11,000 ft) to Kuari Pass (3,815 m / 12,516 ft) and back

13 km, 8–9 hrs

Summit day is the hardest and the best day of the Kuari Pass Trek. You start early and go prepared for snow, icy streams and strong wind.

5 DAY 5

Khullara (3,350 m / 11,000 ft) to Dhak (2,050 m / 6,750 ft), drive to Pipalkoti (1,883 m / 6,175 ft)

11 km trek, 6–7 hrs; 15 km drive

Day 5 is the long walk down.

6 DAY 6

Pipalkoti (1,883 m / 6,175 ft) to Rishikesh

215 km drive, 8–10 hrs

The last day is a long drive back to the plains. Leave Pipalkoti early, preferably before 6:30 AM, because the road can take 8 to 10 hours depending on conditions.

PICK YOUR DATES

Upcoming departures

OCT 2026 17 – 22 Sat to Thu · 6 days Dussehra	OCT 2026 18 – 23 Sun to Fri · 6 days Dussehra	OCT 2026 24 – 29 Sat to Thu · 6 days	OCT 2026 25 – 30 Sun to Fri · 6 days
OCT 2026 31 – 5 Nov Sat to Thu · 6 days	NOV 2026 1 – 6 Sun to Fri · 6 days	NOV 2026 7 – 12 Sat to Thu · 6 days Diwali	NOV 2026 8 – 13 Sun to Fri · 6 days Diwali
NOV 2026 14 – 19 Sat to Thu · 6 days	NOV 2026 15 – 20 Sun to Fri · 6 days	NOV 2026 21 – 26 Sat to Thu · 6 days Guru Nanak Jayanti	NOV 2026 22 – 27 Sun to Fri · 6 days Guru Nanak Jayanti
NOV 2026 28 – 3 Dec Sat to Thu · 6 days	NOV 2026 29 – 4 Dec Sun to Fri · 6 days	DEC 2026 5 – 10 Sat to Thu · 6 days	DEC 2026 6 – 11 Sun to Fri · 6 days
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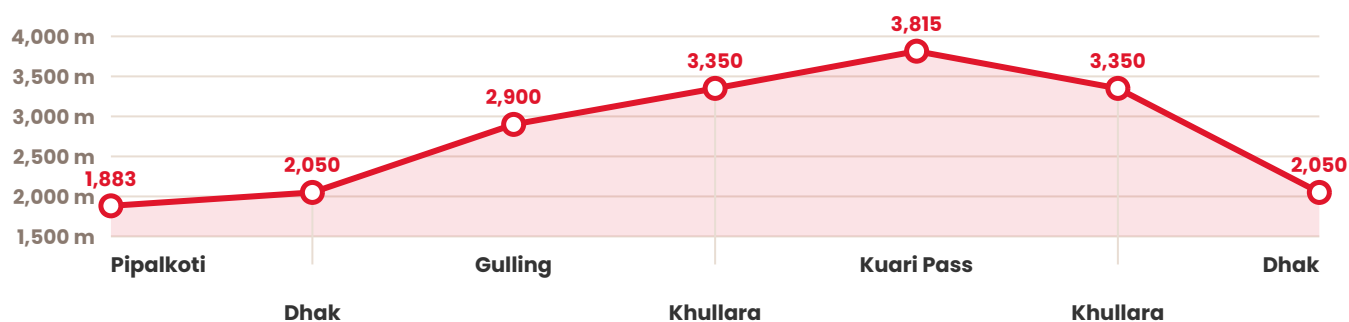
34 more dates, live seats and booking: trekkaro.com/trek/kuari-pass-trek · booking closes at 5 PM the day before departure · groups capped at 20 with one leader or guide for every 8 trekkers.

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 Pipalkoti 1,883 m
Day 1 · Base · Guesthouse night</p> <p>2 Dhak 2,050 m
Day 2 · Camp · reached by cab</p> <p>3 Gulling 2,900 m
Day 2 · Camp · Forest camp</p> <p>4 Khullara 3,350 m
Day 3 · Camp · Meadow camp below the pass</p> | <p>5 Kuari Pass 3,815 m
Day 4 · Pass</p> <p>6 Khullara (return) 3,350 m
Day 4 · Camp · Back to camp</p> <p>7 Dhak (trek end) 2,050 m
Day 5 · Base</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 Pipalkoti, on a triple/quad sharing basis. Day 2 to Day 4: camping in 3-person tents at Gulling and Khullara.
✓ Meals	All meals from Day 1 dinner to Day 5 dinner. Freshly prepared, simple vegetarian food. Tea, coffee, soups and snacks during the trek.
✓ Permits & Camping Fees	All necessary trekking permits and forest camping fees.
✓ Camping & Safety Equipment	Tents and sleeping bags. Large mess tents with tables. 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 local certified mountain guides.

OPTIONAL ADD-ONS

Single Tent Occupancy	₹2,000 + 5% GST for the whole trek
Backpack Offloading	₹1,800 + 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 (or Dehradun) to Pipalkoti and back. We help the group book shared cabs, paid directly to the driver and split among trekkers; a shared cab costs about ₹6,500 one way per 5–6 seat vehicle, split among the trekkers in it. Pickup from Dehradun Railway Station at 06:30 AM or Rishikesh (Jumping Heights, Tapovan) at 08:00 AM; the return cab drops at both. Travel to and from Dehradun or Rishikesh (flights, trains or buses), arranged by you.
✗ Food During Transit	Meals on the drive to and from Pipalkoti.
✗ Backpack Offloading (optional)	₹1,800 + 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 Pipalkoti.
✗ 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	If an item is not listed under inclusions, it is not part of the package; ask in advance if you are unsure.

Things to carry

Basic Gears

From December to March the Kuari Pass trail is under snow, and the rest of the season is cold, so grip and warmth come first.

- **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; a big help on snowy descents.
- **Microspikes and gaiters** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear, for snow and ice.
- **Backpack (50–60 L)** – with a rain cover, big enough for winter layers.
- **Day pack (20–30 L)** – needed if you offload your main backpack.
- **Two water bottles (1 L each)** – one insulated, so your water does not freeze.
- **Headlamp** – with spare batteries, for early starts and camp at night.
- **Lunch box** – reusable, for packed lunches on the trail.

Clothes

Kuari Pass is a winter trek with freezing nights at camp, so carry 5 warm layers: thermal top and bottom, 2 fleece or woollen layers and a padded jacket.

- **-10°C padded jacket** – Provided free with Trekkaro's Free Trekking Gear; your main warm layer at camp and on the pass.
- **Thermal inners (top and bottom)** – 2 sets; keep one set dry for sleeping.
- **Fleece jackets or woollen sweaters x2** – light layers you can add or remove as you walk.
- **Waterproof jacket or poncho** – for snowfall, rain and wind.
- **Trek pants x2** – quick-dry, one to wear and one spare; no jeans.
- **Warm trousers** – fleece or woollen, for camp.
- **Quick-dry collared T-shirts x3** – full sleeves, worn under your layers.
- **Socks** – 3–4 pairs: cotton or sports socks for walking and woollen socks for the night.

Accessories

Snow glare and cold wind on the open meadows and the pass make these essential.

- **Woollen cap** – covering the ears.
- **Balaclava** – for cold, windy mornings on the snow.
- **Sun cap** – for bright afternoons.

- **Gloves** – a fleece or woollen pair plus a waterproof pair for snow.
- **UV sunglasses** – to prevent snow blindness.
- **Sunscreen SPF 50+ and lip balm** – sun on snow burns quickly.
- **Quick-dry towel and toiletries** – toothbrush, toothpaste, biodegradable soap, toilet paper and hand sanitiser; no wet wipes, as they are not biodegradable.
- **Plastic or ziploc bags** – to keep wet clothes apart from dry ones and to carry back your waste.

Others

Mobile signal is weak after Joshimath and mostly absent on the trail, and there is no ATM at Pipalkoti, so sort these out before you leave.

- **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, chocolate and electrolyte sachets.
- **Power bank** – cold drains phone batteries fast.
- **Cash** – there are no ATMs at the Pipalkoti base camp and machines on the way are scarce, so carry enough from Rishikesh, Dehradun or your home city.
- **Camp slippers or sandals** – light, for camp.
- **Extra luggage** – can be left free of charge at the base camp before the trek.

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), Dehradun, about 20–25 km / ~45 min from Rishikesh and about 25 km / 45–60 min from Dehradun city, with direct flights from Delhi and other metros. The taxis leave early in the morning, so fly in the day before.

From Rishikesh to Pipalkoti: 215 km, about 9 hrs by road. Transport is not included in the trek fee: we help the group book shared cabs from Dehradun Railway Station at 06:30 AM or from Rishikesh (Jumping Heights, Tapovan) at 08:00 AM to Pipalkoti and back, paid directly to the driver and split among trekkers. A shared cab costs about ₹6,500 one way per 5–6 seat vehicle, split among the trekkers in it.

Return: On the last day the shared cab from Pipalkoti is expected to reach Rishikesh (Jumping Heights, Tapovan) by 07:00 PM and Dehradun Railway Station by 9:00 PM. Book your flight home for the next day.

BY TRAIN

Nearest railway stations: Dehradun (DDN) for the 06:30 AM taxi, or Haridwar Junction, about 25–30 km (~1 hr) from Rishikesh, for the 08:00 AM taxi from Tapovan. Yog Nagari Rishikesh (YNRK) has only a few trains, so book early.

To Dehradun – the overnight Nanda Devi Express suits the early taxi; the Dehradun Shatabdi, Jan Shatabdi and Vande Bharat are day trains for the day before.

To Haridwar – the best-connected option from Delhi (Shatabdi, Jan Shatabdi and overnight trains), then about 1 hr by road to Rishikesh.

To Yog Nagari Rishikesh – a few direct trains such as the Yoga Express and the Kalinga Utkal Express; plan to arrive a day early. Check current timings before you book.

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BY BUS OR ROAD

By bus: Delhi ISBT Kashmere Gate to Rishikesh takes about 6–7 hrs by overnight Volvo and Uttarakhand Roadways buses; buses to Dehradun ISBT take about the same time. Choose government buses from inside the ISBT and avoid private buses that leave from outside it. From Rishikesh bus stand, an auto, shared three-wheeler or app cab takes you to Jumping Heights, Tapovan.

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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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