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**A Voyage
To
The Source
Of
The Ganga:
Gangotri - Gaumukh**

Trek to the source of the Ganges: Gangotri - Gaumukh



The Ganges- one of the world's most revered rivers- flows across the sweltering plains of northern India to the Bay of Bengal. Its source is high in the Himalayas, amongst the snows and glaciers close to the Tibetan border.

You begin your journey to the source of the holy Ganges from Rishikesh a quaint little town of great religious significance before continuing by road to **Gangotri**.

This trek begins at **Gangotri**, one of the four 'Dhams' or pilgrimage sites in the Garhwal Himalayas *which is bustling with Sages and Sadhus ((Holy men, re-nunciate) who have journeyed here to pay homage to the source of that holiest of holy rivers: the Ganga.*

The spiritual intensity of Gangotri, one of India's most sacred pilgrimage sites, is palpable as you witness the daily puja at the temple, and the Hindu devotees bathing at the water's edge.



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We follow a well-used trail through rhododendron forests and alpine pastures to **Gaumukh**, the 'Cow's Snout'. This is the physical source of the Ganges, where it emerges from the gray-blue ice of the Gangotri glacier. Shrouded in legend and folklore and flanked by an impressive concentration of 6000m peaks, it is here that the holy river Ganges begins its long journey to the sea.

From Gaumukh by traversing the glacier you can reach the high altitude meadows of Tapovan (4463m) and Nandanvan (4500m), which provide panoramic views of the Chaukhamba, Bhagirathi, Shivling peaks and the confluence of the Chaturangi and Raktavan Glaciers.

This spectacular trek gives you a perfect blend of cultural interest and physical challenge. Dramatic canyons, majestic mountains, cascading waterfalls, pine and birch trees, together with the holy waters of India's most sacred river make the Source of the Ganges a feast for the soul and senses.

ITINERARY: Trek to Gaumukh

Date	From	To	Trek (approx)	Altitude	Drive	Accommodation
23.4.11	Delhi	Rishikesh		335 mtrs		Hotel
24.4.11	Rishikesh	Maneri		1300 mtrs	204 km	Luxury Tents
25.4.11	Maneri	Dharali		2745 mtrs	60 km	Luxury Tents
26.4.11	Dharali	Gangotri		3042 mtrs	22km	
	Gangotri	Bhojbhasa	14 km	3792 mtrs		Alpine Tents
27.4.11	Bhojbhasa - Gaumukh - Bhojbhasa		8 km	3898 mtrs		Alpine Tents
28.4.11	Bhojbhasa	Gangotri	14 km	3042 mtrs		
	Gangotri	Maneri	-	1300 mtrs	82 km	Luxury Tents
29.4.11	Maneri	Hardwar		3690 mtrs	210 km	Luxury Tents
30.4.11	Hardwar	Delhi				departure

Tour Cost:

Double Occupancy: Rs.41250/- + Govt. Service Taxes per person.

Single Occupancy: Rs.50600/- + Govt. service taxes per person



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The above rates include:

- Camping in Alpine tents on twin sharing at Bhojbhasa, on full board basis as per the above itinerary.
- Portage for luggage from Gangotri to Gangotri up to 1 bag per person max 15kgs.
- Services of guides and camp crew.
- Camping & Eco fees
- Accommodation at Maneri, Dharali & Hardwar in luxury tents on twin sharing on full board basis.
- Accommodation in a standard hotel at Rishikesh on twin sharing on full board basis.
- Transportation from Hardwar/Rishkesh to Gangotri and back to Hardwar/Rishkesh by non a/c vehicles.

Does Not Include:

1. All that is not mentioned in “Cost Includes”
2. Food other than as specified in the Itinerary.
3. Room service, Mineral Water and Liquor and any other item of personal nature.
4. Ponies or palanquins during treks.
5. Delhi - Hardwar - Delhi train fare.
6. Camera charges and other personal items.

Note:

1. **Package Rates are subject to change without prior notice.**
2. **Accommodation/Package subject to availability.**
3. **Strict cancellation rules apply after reconfirmation.**
4. **The minimum number of people required for the tour to be operated is 15 pax.**
Adventure India Reserves the right to cancel the tour if this minimum number is not fulfilled.

Travel and Adventure Sports in the Himalayas: WARNING

Every participant must accept and acknowledge that Travel and participation in Adventure Sports like Trekking and Camping, White Water Rafting, Rock Climbing, Wild Life Safaris etc in the Himalayas are by their nature likely to involve actual risk and danger to life as a consequence of (but not limited to) the hazards of traveling in mountainous terrain, accident or illness in remote areas (lacking proper medical facilities), animal attacks, the forces of nature and the like. Such serious perils may endanger your life. You are urged to consider personal risks to your health and safety before accepting to participate in the tour.

The Camp @ Maneri





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Luxury Tents



Alpine Tent

