#### April 7: Arrive in Kathmandu

Most international flights arrive in Kathmandu in the afternoon. Our guide will meet you outside the customs area at the airport. They will answer any questions and brief you about the immediate arrangements. The trip guide will hold a short briefing at the hotel regarding the trek arrangement and general orientation—overnight in Hotel in Kathmandu.

Accommodation: Hotel Transportation: 30-minute private van transfer Meals: Dinner

#### April 8: Fly to Pokhara & Trek the Landurung. (5134 ft)

Drive about 2 hours from Pokhara to Kumi which is the trail head of our trek. From here we hike about 20 minutes and cross Modhi Khola bridge. After crossing this the bridge, we will hike uphill trail about one hours before we reach Landurung village. This is a beautiful Gurung village. We will stay overnight in local lodge.

Accommodation: Lodge in Landurung (5134 ft) Activity: 2-3 hours/3-5 miles hiking Transportation: 25-minute flight, 2-hour private van transfer and 2 hours hike Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### April 9: Trek from Landurung to Tolka (5577 ft)

After breakfast we will hike on straight trail and through small villages. We will hike on gradual uphill about 30 minutes before reaching beautiful village Tolka. We will stay overnight in local guest house.

Accommodation: Lodge in Tolka (5577 ft) Activity: 2-3 hours/2-3 miles hiking Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### April 10: Trek from Tolka to Deurali (6889 ft)

After breakfast we will hike on straight trail about 30 minutes and then we will hike uphill trail about one hour and reach at Deurali. Deurail is in the forest and this place is very quiet and peaceful.

#### Accommodation: Lodge in Deurali Activity: 2-3 hours/3-5 miles hiking

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## April 11: Trek to Kade

We will hike through beautiful trail and reach at Australian Camp. After lunch we will hike to Kade and drive back to Pokhara.

### Accommodation: Hotel

Activity: 3-4 hours/ 4-5 miles hiking Transportation: 1-hour private van transfer Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

# April 12: Wildlife Exploration in Chitwan National Park

Drive on to Chitwan National Park, the jewel of Nepal's wildlife parks since its inception in 1973. The main highlights of your wildlife activities will be the jeep rides to see rare one-horned rhinos, sloth bears, four species of deer, a dazzling array of tropical birds, and perhaps a leopard or tiger. While rhinos and deer are frequently sighted, it's worth noting that the chances of seeing a leopard or tiger are remote. The birdlife is genuinely fantastic, with some 530 species having been sighted within the park. Seek out the fauna via jeep and on foot and take wooden boat rides into the watery realm of crocodiles and waterfowl. Plus, you'll have the chance to observe elephants in their natural habitat.

#### Accommodation: Lodge

Activity: Wildlife watching in Chitwan National Park Transportation: 6-hour private van transfer Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### **April 13: Explore Chitwan National Park**

Your wildlife adventure continues today with more opportunities to view elephants, rare one-horned rhinos, and endangered tigers in Nepal's most famous national park. Enjoy the final night at your comfortable jungle lodge on the park's edge.

#### Accommodation: Lodge

**Activity:** Wildlife watching in Chitwan National Park **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### April 14: Fly to Kathmandu

After breakfast, we will drive to Bharatpur for a 25-minute flight back to Kathmandu. Upon arrival at Kathmandu domestic airport, we will transfer to your hotel and spend the afternoon resting or exploring the city. Your guides can suggest local eateries outside the hotel if you want an authentic experience.

### Accommodation: Hotel

Transportation: 25-minute flight, 1-hour private van transfer Meals: Breakfast

#### April 15: Explore Kathmandu & Ancient Bhaktapur/ optional Heli-Tour.

Today we can experience the sights of Kathmandu, the capital of Nepal and one of three former medieval city-states in the valley along with Bhaktapur and Patan. Take a morning tour of UNESCOlisted Bhaktapur, a wonderfully preserved example of ancient Nepalese town life. In the afternoon, you'll have time to explore Durbar Square, with its temples and intricate Sun Dhoka ("Golden Gate"), at your leisure. Cap off your adventure with a farewell dinner with your group at a local restaurant.

#### Accommodation: Hotel

**Activity:** Half-day cultural touring **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### April 16: Depart from Kathmandu

We will escort you from your hotel to the airport for completion of your once in lifetime journey to Himalaya and depart on homeward-bound flights. Or extend your explorations by combining this trip with another SMA adventure in Asia! You can add Bhutan or see more of Nepal.