

TREK · GILGIT-BALTISTAN

Rakaposhi Base Camp Trek

Seven days from Islamabad to the foot of the 7,788 m wall of Rakaposhi — the finest short trek in the Karakoram.

DURATION

7 Days

6 Nights

SEASON

Jun–Sep

Summer

MAX ALTITUDE

3,300 m

Highest point

GRADE

Moderate

On foot

FROM

\$980

per person

The Journey

The Rakaposhi Base Camp Trek is the finest short adventure in the Karakoram — a 7-day journey from Islamabad up into the Hunza-Nagar valley and on to the green meadow of Tagaphari (around 3,300m), face to face with the 7,788m wall of Rakaposhi. It is a moderate walk with no glacier crossings and no technical climbing, which makes it the perfect first Karakoram trek for newcomers and families. You acclimatize among the apricot orchards and old forts of Hunza, climb from pine forest into raw alpine ice in a single morning, and stand on the famous high “cricket ground” beneath one of the greatest unbroken mountain walls on Earth. Guided start to finish by a local Balti and Burushaski-speaking team, with a sat phone in camp and a rescue plan that actually exists. Local hands, real safety, fair price.

Day-by-Day

- 1
DAY

2,500 m

Islamabad to Hunza

Fly to Gilgit (weather permitting) or drive the legendary Karakoram Highway, then on to Karimabad in Hunza. Settle in beneath Rakaposhi and Ultar Sar.
- 2
DAY

2,800 m

Hunza Acclimatization & Forts

An easy acclimatization day: sunrise at Eagle's Nest, the 700-year-old Baltit and Altit forts, and the turquoise of Attabad Lake. Light walking to ready the legs.
- 3
DAY

2,000 m

Drive to Minapin

A short drive across to Minapin village in Nagar, the trailhead. Meet your trek crew, check kit, and take an orientation walk through the apricot orchards.
- 4
DAY

2,800 m

Trek: Minapin to Hapakun

The trek begins. Climb steadily through pine and juniper forest — the steepest, sweatiest stretch, about 3 hours and 800m of ascent to the grassy shelf of Hapakun. Camp as the Hunza-Nagar valleys open up below.
- 5
DAY

3,300 m

Hapakun to Rakaposhi Base Camp (Tagaphari)

A shorter, kinder 2–3 hour climb to Tagaphari — the broad meadow everyone calls Rakaposhi Base Camp. Rakaposhi (7,788m) rears up ahead, Diran Peak (7,266m) to the right, the Minapin Glacier grinding below. Afternoon on the famous high “cricket ground.”

6
DAY

2,000 m

Sunrise, then descend to Hunza

Watch first light burn across the wall of Rakaposhi, then descend to Minapin and drive back to Hunza for a hot shower and a proper bed. Celebrate the summit view with the crew.

7
DAY

1,500 m

Hunza to Islamabad

Return — fly from Gilgit or drive the Karakoram Highway back toward Islamabad. The trip ends with the mountain still in your eyes.

What's Included

Included

- Domestic flights or Karakoram Highway transport, and all ground transport in the north.
- Hotels in Hunza (twin-share) and full camping setup on the trek.
- All meals on the trek plus hotel breakfasts; English/Balti-speaking guide, porters, all park and permit fees, and a satellite phone in camp.

Not Included

- International flights and the Pakistan visa fee.
- Lunches and dinners in town, personal trekking gear, tips, travel insurance, and anything not listed under Services Included.

Pricing

Fixed-departure group price is \$980 per person, all-inclusive of the services above. Private groups are priced by size — discounts apply automatically as your group grows.

Solo 1 Person

\$2,150

per person

2–3 Persons

\$1,490

per person

4–6 Persons

\$1,180

per person

7–12 Persons

\$980

best value · per person

Good to Know

Booking & Payment

- A deposit of \$150 per person confirms your spot. Full balance due 30 days before departure.
- Book via our website, an authorized agent, or directly on WhatsApp.

Cancellation Policy

- Cancel 30+ days before departure: deposit held as credit, balance refunded.
- Cancel 15–29 days before: 50% of the trip cost is refundable.
- Cancel under 15 days before: non-refundable. If weather closes the route, we help you rebook.

Permits & Documentation

- Rakaposhi sits in an open trekking zone, so it generally needs no special NOC.
- You need a valid Pakistan tourist visa and your passport (bring copies).

Health & Fitness

- A moderate trek: roughly 1,300m of total ascent with one steep forest section. No glacier travel and no technical skills required.
- Suitable for fit beginners and families (minimum age 12). Travel insurance with helicopter-evacuation cover is required.

Ready to go?

Local hands · Real safety · Fair price · WhatsApp us for 2026 dates

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