

HIGH-ALTITUDE TREK · KARAKORAM

Great Karakoram Traverse Trek

DURATION

32 Days
31 Nights

SEASON

Jun-Sep
Summer

MAX ALTITUDE

5,150 m
Highest point

GRADE

Strenuous
High altitude

FROM

\$3,800
per person

The Journey

The Great Karakoram Traverse Trek is the most ambitious trekking expedition in Pakistan — a 32-day end-to-end crossing of the entire Karakoram Range from Hushe Valley in the east to Hunza Valley in the west, combining the greatest elements of Pakistan's three finest treks into one continuous expedition. The Complete Route

Hushe to Gondogoro La (5,585m): Begin with the technical Gondogoro La Pass crossing — the only point where four 8,000m peaks are visible simultaneously.

Baltoro Glacier to K2 Base Camp: Descend onto the Baltoro and trek to Concordia and K2 Base Camp (5,150m).

Biafo Glacier & Snow Lake (4,800m): Cross the vast glacial basin of Snow Lake — the world's largest non-polar

Day-by-Day

- 1** **500 m**
Arrive Islamabad
Arrive in Islamabad for the expedition briefing with our team.
- 2** **2,230 m**
To Skardu
Travel to Skardu (2,230m), our base before the great traverse.
- 3** **2,230 m**
Skardu Prep
Permits, NOC and final gear checks before we head to Hushe.
- 4** **3,050 m**
Drive to Hushe
By jeep to Hushe (3,050m), the trailhead in the shadow of Masherbrum.
- 5** **3,400 m**
Hushe to Shaicho
Trek up the valley to Shaicho camp (3,400m).
- 6** **4,200 m**
Onto Gondogoro
Continue to Dalsampa (4,200m) as the Gondogoro Glacier opens out.
- 7** **4,650 m**
Below the Pass
Climb to Khuspang (4,650m), high camp below the Gondogoro La.
- 8** **4,650 m**
Pass Prep
Rest and prepare for the pre-dawn crossing of the high pass.
- 9** **4,600 m**
Cross Gondogoro La
Cross Gondogoro La (5,585m) at dawn and descend to Concordia.
- 10** **4,600 m**
Rest at Concordia
Acclimatise at Concordia (4,600m), surrounded by K2 and Broad Peak.
- 11** **5,150 m**
K2 Base Camp
Trek to K2 Base Camp (5,150m) and return to Concordia.
- 12** **4,380 m**
To Goro II
Begin the Baltoro descent to Goro II (4,380m).

13

4,050 m

Goro II to Urdukas

Continue down the glacier to Urdukas (4,050m).

14

3,450 m

Urdukas to Paiju

Leave the ice and return to Paiju (3,450m).

15

3,200 m

Paiju to Jhola

Trek down the valley to Jhola (3,200m).

16

3,000 m

Jhola to Askole

Reach Askole (3,000m), the trailhead village.

17

3,000 m

Rest at Askole

A resupply and rest day before the second glacier system.

18

3,500 m

Onto the Biafo

Step onto the Biafo Glacier and camp at Namla (3,500m).

19

3,900 m

Namla to Baintha

Trek up the Biafo to the Baintha oasis (3,900m).

20

3,900 m

Rest at Baintha

An acclimatisation day before pushing for Snow Lake.

21

4,300 m

Baintha to Marpogo

Continue deeper to Marpogo (4,300m).

22

4,800 m

Snow Lake

Reach Lukpe Lawo, the Snow Lake (4,800m).

23

4,800 m

Snow Lake Basin

A day to explore and acclimatise in the great ice basin.

24

5,000 m

Hispar La Camp

Climb to high camp below Hispar La (5,000m).

25

4,600 m

Cross Hispar La

Cross Hispar La (5,151m) and descend to Khani Basa (4,600m).

26

4,200 m

Khani Basa to Yutmaru

Trek down the Hispar Glacier to Yutmaru (4,200m).

27

4,000 m

Yutmaru to Bitanmal

Continue along the glacier to Bitanmal (4,000m).

28

3,200 m

Down to Hispar

Leave the ice for Hispar village (3,200m).

29

2,400 m

Hispar to Hunza

Drive through Nagar to Hunza (2,400m).

30

2,400 m

Rest in Hunza

A recovery day in Hunza, held also as weather margin.

31

500 m

Toward Islamabad

Begin the long drive south toward Islamabad.

32

500 m

Departure

Final transfer to the airport for your flight home.

What's Included

Included

- Local Balti guides and porters, all camping and kitchen crew.
- All meals on trek, tents, mess and toilet tents, cooking gear.
- Skardu transfers by 4x4 jeep, hotel nights in town, permits and NOC fees.
- Satellite phone in camp and an emergency rescue plan with established helicopter contacts.

Not Included

- International flights and Pakistan visa fees.
- Personal trekking gear (boots, sleeping bag, down jacket).
- Travel and rescue insurance.
- Tips for crew, and any cost arising from early descent, weather delays or evacuation.

Pricing

Fixed-departure group price is \$3,800 per person, all-inclusive of the services above. Private groups are priced by size — discounts apply automatically as your group grows.

Solo 1 Person

\$7,500
per person

2-3 Persons

\$5,400
per person

4-6 Persons

\$4,200
per person

7-10 Persons

\$3,800
best value · per person



Good to Know

Booking & Payment

- A 25% deposit confirms your seat on a fixed departure; the balance is due 30 days before the trek starts.
- Payment by bank transfer or Wise. Card payment can be arranged on request.
- Your seat is held only once the deposit clears.

Cancellation Policy

- More than 45 days out: deposit refunded less bank charges.
- 30–45 days: 50% of total retained.
- Under 30 days: no refund — the permit, porters and logistics are already committed.
- We strongly recommend trip-cancellation and high-altitude rescue insurance.

Permits & Documentation

- This trek enters a restricted glacier zone and requires a Trekking & Mountaineering visa (not a tourist visa) plus an NOC — we guide you through both.
- A valid passport (6+ months) and trekking insurance covering high altitude and helicopter rescue are mandatory.
- We handle the GB permit and NOC paperwork; you provide passport copies and photos in advance.

Health & Fitness

- This is a long, cold, high-altitude glacier trek — you must be fit and comfortable with multi-day walking on moraine and ice.
- No technical climbing skills are needed, but good cardio fitness and prior multi-day trekking are expected.
- A doctor's clearance is advised if you have any heart, lung or blood-pressure condition.

Ready to go?

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

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