

### **PAKISTAN**



Journey to Laila Peak and the Gondogoro La in Pakistan's Karakoram. Valleys, glaciers, and viewpoints over giants like K2. A demanding adventure for experienced hikers, with stunning scenery and cultural encounters with local communities.

View Web Program

https://b4experience.com/laila-peak-and-gondogoro-trek



### **RECOMMENDED MONTHS**

JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER



### **PRICE**

From 1.580€ /person

**Group discounts** 



# Highlights

- LAILA PEAK, THE MOST BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAIN
- GONDOGORO LA (5,585M)
- SEE K2 AND EXPLORE KARAKORUM
- TREKKING IN SMALL PRIVATE GROUPS

# Private groups

#### 100% customizable

From (People)	Category	Availability	N° days	Price per pers.
5	Standard	01 Jun 2026 - 15 Sep 2026	15	1.580€
3	Standard	01 Jun 2026 - 15 Sep 2026	15	1.880€
2	Standard	01 Jun 2026 - 15 Sep 2026	15	2.140€

Travel only with your family or friends.

<sup>\*</sup>Confirm availability at info@b4experience.com / +34 613 03 77 00 / www.b4experience.com

## Open groups

#### Share the experience with other travelers

Program	Dates	N° days	Seats available	Starting point	Price			
➤ No open group events available, only private groups								

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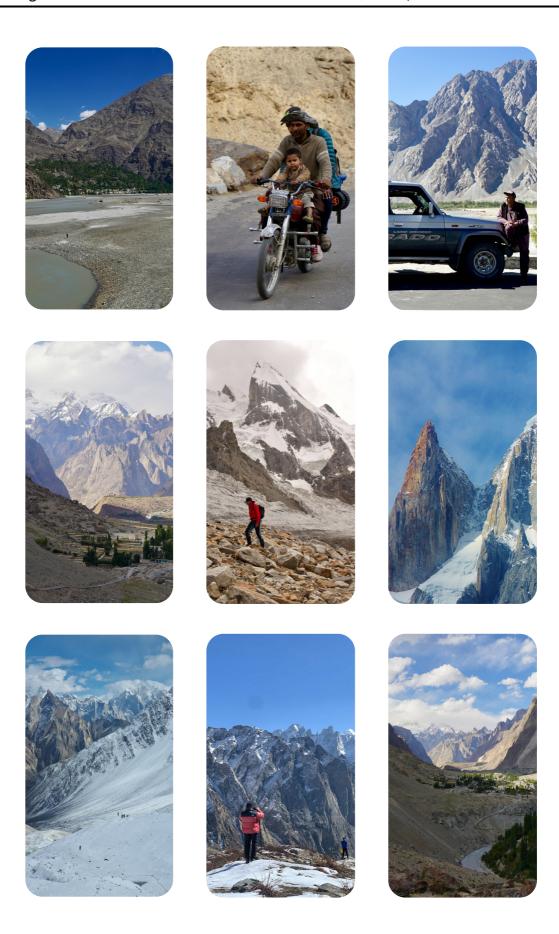
### Included

- 2 nights hotel in Islamabad (breakfast, lunch, and dinner)
- 1 night at Chilas hotel (breakfast, lunch, and dinner)
- 2 nights in Skardu (breakfast, lunch, and dinner)
- Group pickup upon arrival and transfer to the airport upon group departure
- Air-conditioned van from Islamabad –
   Skardu Gilgit Islamabad
- Flight tickets Islamabad-Skardu
- Transport organization for briefing and information sessions
- Sightseeing tour of the capital Islamabad
- · Jeeps from Skardu to Hushe
- Meals (during the trek we will serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner)
- Carry personal member equipment, food, and camping gear, etc.

- Insurance for all porters
- Porter facilities for 16 kg for the member's personal equipment (Weights over 16 kg will be charged separately to the member on-site according to porter rate per kg)
- Guide, cook and assistant, cook's wages, camp food, transport, and insurance
- Dining tent, kitchen tent, toilet
- Sleeping mats for tents, chairs, tables
- Complete kitchen utensils (tableware)
- Tips for luggage handling at airports and hotels
- Fees: (CKNP, bridge crossings, cable crossings, campsites)
- Reconfirmation of international flight tickets
- Assistance with customs procedures

### **Not Included**

- International flight tickets
- Emergency helicopter rescue fees
- Climbing equipment for members
- Personal insurance for members
- Sleeping bag and all personal expenses such as phone calls, fax, email charges, liquor or soft drinks, room service, tips for personal services, purely personal items
- Any unforeseen expenses (such as route blockages, additional hotel stays, or if members stay extra days at the base camp) will be paid by members according to the number of base days
- Any service not mentioned in the "Included" section



# *Itinerary*

**DAY 1: Arrival in Islamabad** 

Arrival in Islamabad. Transfer to the hotel. Free afternoon.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: Dinner

DAY 2: Flight to Skardu

In the morning, transfer to the airport and a 1-hour flight to Skardu. In case of bad weather, ground transport to Chila by jeep will be provided.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

DAY 3: Free day in Skardu

Free day in Skardu or drive from Chilas to Skardu (8-10 hours)

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

DAY 4: Drive to Hushe

Jeep ride from Skardu to Hushe, 3,180 m (6 hours). The last settlement on our route.

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

DAY 5: Trek to Saicho

The trek from Hushe to Saicho takes you through stunning mountain landscapes, offering views of snow-capped peaks and lush valleys. Along the trail, hikers cross rocky terrain, glacier streams, and occasionally spot local wildlife. This relatively moderate section allows for gradual acclimatization while providing a rewarding nature experience.

Distance: 9.8 km / Elevation: +300 -200 / Duration: 4-5 hours

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

#### DAY 6: Trek to Laila Peak Base Camp

From Saicho to the Laila Peak base camp, the trek offers fascinating views as it passes through rocky landscapes and glacial terrain. The route ascends gradually, revealing stunning views of the snow-capped peaks surrounding Laila Peak.

Distance: 9 km / Elevation: +600 -300 / Duration: 5-7 h

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

#### DAY 7: Trek to Keuspaanga

The hike from Laila Peak Base Camp to Keuspaang offers some of the most spectacular views of Laila Peak, with its iconic needle-shaped summit standing out against the horizon. This route takes you through rugged alpine landscapes and offers a panoramic viewpoint to admire the stunning beauty of the Karakoram range. Keuspaang is known for providing the best viewpoint of Laila Peak.

Distance: 8 km / Elevation: +500 -200 / Duration: 4-6 hours

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

#### DAY 8: Climb Gondogoro La

The hike from Keuspaang to Gondogoro La and back offers one of the most challenging and rewarding sections of the trip. This high mountain pass provides breathtaking panoramic views of some of the highest peaks in the world, including K2, Broad Peak, and Gasherbrum I and II. The ascent is steep and technical, requiring both endurance and caution, especially when crossing glacial terrain and navigating exposed sections. Gondogoro La is the highlight of the hike, offering unmatched 360-degree views of the towering Karakoram range. It is an exhausting and technical route, recommended for experienced hikers due to the steep slopes, icy sections, and exposure.

Distance: 12 km / Elevation: +700 -700 / Duration: 8-9 hours

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

DAY 9: Rest day at Keuspaanga camp

A day to rest and enjoy the best views of Laila Peak, explore the nearby glaciers, or have a second chance to ascend Gondogoro La in case of bad weather or technical difficulties.

Alojamiento: Tienda de campaña

Comida: Desayuno + Almuerzo + Cena

#### DAY 10: Trek to Shaicho

The descent from Keuspaang to Saicho takes you through various terrains, from rocky slopes to glacial moraines, as you gradually leave behind the imposing views of Laila Peak and the high Karakoram. This section is less technical but still requires steady footing as the trail can be rocky and uneven. The journey to Saicho offers beautiful views of the surrounding valleys, and the drop in altitude makes breathing easier, enhancing the enjoyment of this panoramic hike to Saicho (3350 m). This campsite, located next to a glacial river at the meeting point of the Charakusa and Gondogoro valleys, offers a refreshing "oxygen-rich" change of air and views of K7, ensuring a peaceful night's rest. The difficulty level is moderate; suitable for hikers with basic experience, although the rocky terrain requires caution.

Distance: 16 km / Elevation: +500 -1250 / Time: 6-8 h

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

DAY 11: Trek to Hushe and drive to Skardu

After breakfast, we will depart along the left bank of the Hushe River on an easy trail for our last day of trekking, a triumphant walk to the village of Hushe. Upon arrival, we will camp near the fields, surrounded by children who will welcome us with smiles and hand claps. This joyful arrival marks the memorable end of our adventure through the Karakoram mountains, an experience we will carry with us for years.

Distance: 9.3 km / Elevation: +100 -320 / Time: 3-4 h

We will be picked up by jeeps and drive along the Hushe and Shyok rivers. This scenic route takes us through small farmlands and mountain villages, finally reaching the suspension bridge over the Shyok River. From Khaplu, the path becomes gentler, allowing us to gain speed as we follow the Shyok River to its confluence with the Indus. We arrive at our partner hotel in Skardu, where a hot shower and a hearty meal await us—our first comforts in over two weeks. A free afternoon gives us time to relax and reflect on the unforgettable trek to the K2 base camp.

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

DAY 12: Contingency day

For such a long route, it is necessary to reserve a day for unforeseen events. This way, if we need to stop and rest for a day or if we encounter bad weather, we can complete the route without issues. Rest day in Skardu.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

DAY 13: Flight to Islamabad or drive to Chilas.

Flight to Islamabad. In case of bad weather, early morning departure to Chilas. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel and check-in. Overnight at the hotel in Chilas.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

#### DAY 14: Contingency day

Contingency day for flight cancellations. In case of flight cancellation: After breakfast, we will depart from Chilas to Islamabad via Babusar Pass. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel and accommodation at the hotel in Islamabad.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner

DAY 15: Flight back home

Transfer to the airport and return flight Islamabad-Home City. We hope you have enjoyed this great adventure.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: Breakfast

#### Payment and cancellation policy

#### Payment method

30% upon booking and 70% 60 days before the start of the trip. Flights, insurance, and extras must be paid in full at the time of booking.

#### Cancellation policy

The client may purchase travel cancellation insurance to obtain a full refund of the amount paid (according to the insurer's terms and conditions).

The final user may withdraw from the booked trip and has the right to a refund of the amounts paid, except for the penalties indicated. However, once the trip is confirmed, the user must also compensate the agency with the amounts listed below. If the trip is canceled due to not reaching the minimum required number of participants, the client may keep the credit for future trips or request a full refund of the reservation.

#### Cancellation policy 3

Full refund available up to 24 hours after purchase

Up to 60 days before the trip: 100% refund of the trip cost

For cancellations made after the periods mentioned above, no refund will be issued

<sup>\*€250</sup> management fee applies

<sup>\*</sup>Cancellation fees will not be refunded for bookings already issued

<sup>\*</sup>Any other non-refundable costs already incurred will also not be refunded and will be deducted from the total refund amount

<sup>\*</sup>The cancellation cost for issued flight tickets is 100% of the total amount

#### **Packing List**

#### **FUNCTIONAL CLOTHING**

- Gore-Tex or waterproof and breathable jacket
- Waterproof rain pants
- Warm jacket: down or preferably Primaloft (as it resists moisture better)
- Lightweight fleece
- Short-sleeve breathable and quick-drying shirts
- Stretch pants, slightly thicker, for colder days or nights
- Trekking pants
- Shorts
- Thermal base layer (top and bottom)
- Underwear (preferably not cotton)
- Swimwear

#### **HEAD**

- Lightweight running cap
- Wool beanie
- Neck gaiter or buff
- Sunglasses

#### **HANDS**

- Thin fleece gloves and thick waterproof gloves
- Trekking poles (recommended)

#### **FEET**

- Thin socks (non-cotton)
- Thick and warm socks (non-cotton)
- Lightweight trail shoes and hiking boots (ideally bring both)
- Hiking sandals with heel strap (optional)

#### **BACKPACKS**

- 20–35L hiking backpack
- Rain cover for backpack
- Small travel pouch (for documents and wallet)
- Duffle bag (better than a suitcase)

#### **SLEEPING GEAR**

- 3-season sleeping bag
- Silk sleeping bag liner (optional)
- Earplugs

#### TECHNICAL MOUNTAINEERING GEAR

- Ice axe
- Crampons
- Climbing harness
- 2 screw-lock carabiners
- Climbing helmet
- Sling (120 cm)

#### **ACCESSORIES**

- Headlamp and spare battery/batteries
- · Sunscreen, lip balm and after sun
- Mosquito repellent

#### FOOD / DRINK

- Minimum 1L hydration system (camelbak, canteen or soft bottle)
- Thermos (optional)
- Snacks, nuts, gels, hydration, energy and protein bars, trail mix, magnesium tablets and recovery supplements

#### TRAVEL GEAR

- Casual clothes
- Passport, visa, cash, travel insurance documents, vaccination card
- Microfiber towel
- First aid kit and personal medication
- Thermal blanket
- Phone and GPS watch with route tracking
- Powerbank, camera, charging cables, headphones, selfie stick

# FAQs

#### What physical and technical level is required?

A minimum level is required that allows hiking a mountain route with 1000 m elevation gain in one day. It is a demanding route. Some days include short walks or rest periods to ensure good acclimatization and recovery from trekking days. During the trek, we can carry a small backpack with the items we will use during the day. Porters will carry our backpacks to the next camp. We will cross glacier terrain, snowy passes, and sleep in tents.

### What is the difficulty level of the Gondogoro La pass, at what altitude is it located, and what views does it offer?

Gondogoro La is a technical and demanding pass, with an altitude of 5,585 m (reaching up to 5,618 m in some sections) that requires experience in glacier terrain, use of crampons, and fixed ropes. In return for the effort, it offers one of the most spectacular views of the Karakoram, with panoramas of K2, Broad Peak, Gasherbrum I and II, Masherbrum, and the iconic Laila Peak.

#### Where does the trek start?

The route starts with your arrival in Islamabad, followed by a flight to Skardu and several days of trekking from Hushe to the Laila Peak base camp.

#### Are rest days included?

Yes, a day is reserved in Keuspaanga to rest, explore glaciers, or re-ascend Gondogoro La in case of bad weather.

#### How far in advance should I apply for a visa to travel to Pakistan?

It is recommended to apply for the visa at least 2 to 3 months before departure. Although in some cases it can be issued in a few weeks, the process often includes variable review times, document verification, or additional requirements. Applying early helps avoid unexpected issues and ensures the visa is ready in time for the trip.

#### What meals are included?

All breakfasts, lunches, and dinners are included throughout the trek and hotel stays, except on the last day when only breakfast is included.

#### What are the passport and visa requirements?

It is important to have a valid passport with at least 6 months of validity. To enter Pakistan, a VISA is required which must be applied for online before arrival. We recommend applying for the VISA 3 months in advance to ensure no issues.

#### Where will we stay?

The first and last night we will stay in Islamabad. The other nights will be spent in various lodges along the trekking route. During the trek, accommodation is in tents. The program offers shared rooms (Hotels). If you want a single room, please indicate it at the time of booking.



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