

MOUNTAINEERING, SKI

KARAKORAM ALPINE SCHOOL

Mountaineering expedition to Drifika
(6.447mts), Pakistan



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22-day training expedition in Pakistan's Karakoram with IFMGA guide Jordi Tosas. Master logistics, acclimatization, and technical alpinism in Charakusa/Masherbrum, summiting Drifika (6,447 m) with views of Masherbrum, K2, and K7. Book now!

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RECOMMENDED MONTHS

OCTOBER



PRICE

From 4.250€ /person

Group discounts

Mountaineering

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Highlights

- PREPARE YOURSELF FOR BIGGER ALPINE CHALLENGES.
- TOP MOUNTAIN GUIDES WITH 8K EXPERIENCE (JORDI TOSAS).
- PURE ALPINE STYLE – NOT A TYPICAL COMMERCIAL EXPEDITION.
- CLIMB RARELY ASCENDED PEAKS & VIRGIN MOUNTAINS.

Private groups

100% customizable

From (People)	Category	Availability	N° days	Price per pers.
✕ No private group options available, only open groups				

Travel only with your family or friends.

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Open groups

Share the experience with other travelers

Program	Dates	Nº days	Seats available	Starting point	Price
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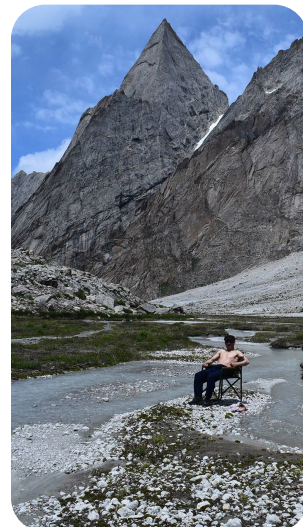


Included

- Private transfers to and from the airport.
- Hotel accommodations in Islamabad, Skardu, and Hushe with breakfast included. (Shared rooms).
- Air transport from Islamabad to Skardu. (In case of bad weather, ground transport by private vehicle will be provided).
- Private jeep transport from Skardu to Hushe.
- Accommodation, meals, and drinks throughout the expedition.
- Base camp during the ascent, including tents, food, cook, and kitchen assistant.
- UIAGM guide to coordinate and support all activities. (Jordi Tosas).
- Three fixed meals per day (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) recommended by the local guide throughout the trip.
- Climbing permits and fees, including national park fees.
- Porters for round trip to base camp (one porter for every 2 people). Each porter carries a maximum of 20 kg total, though a maximum of 8–10 kg per person is recommended.

Not Included

- High-altitude sherpas or porters (not provided, can be hired individually).
- Food, tents, and technical equipment for high camps.
- Laundry, phone calls, medical insurance, and emergency evacuation if necessary.
- All personal expenses.
- Additional costs due to roadblocks, landslides, natural disasters, or strikes.
- Round-trip flight to Islamabad. (We can arrange it).
- Pakistan entry visa.
- Travel/cancellation insurance: optional but recommended. (We can arrange it).
- Tips. (Optional).



Itinerary

DAY 1 : Arrival to 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 1-hour flight to Skardu. In case of bad weather, ground transportation by jeep to Chila will be provided.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 3 : Skardu Free day

Free day in Skardu or drive from Chilas to Skardu (8–10 h). In case of bad weather and flight cancellation, we'll drive along the famous Karakoram Highway. A scenic two-day journey covering the 700 km between Islamabad and Skardu.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 4 : Drive to Hushe

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

Accommodation: Tea house

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 5-6 : Trek to Base Camp

Today we will hike to our base camp. After a comfortable 6–7 hour trek, we will reach Charakuza base camp. Here, we'll set up for the coming days with individual tents, a dining area, kitchen, and toilets...

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 7-17 : Expedition and activities at altitude

We will climb this mountain in true alpine style, without the help of porters and carrying only what's necessary, as proper acclimatization is essential. We will do various activities to gradually and comfortably gain altitude until we are fully ready for the final push to Drifika (6,447 m). We have enough time to climb, and there's no need to rush—the journey itself is essential and what brings us to that magical place: the summit.

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 18 : Trekking back to Hushe

Today we will hike for 5 to 6 hours back to Hushe, the last village in the valley.

Accommodation: Tea house

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 19 : Jeep from Hushe to Skardu

Private jeep transfer from Hushe to Skardu. In the afternoon, we can shop for traditional products in Skardu.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 20 : Skardu Islamabad Flight

In the morning, we'll fly back to Islamabad. In case of bad weather, we'll return by road. Arrival in Islamabad and transfer to the hotel.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 21 : Islamabad

Reserve day in Islamabad in case weather prevents the flight from Skardu and we have to return by road via KHW. We'll take the opportunity to visit the cultural highlights such as the Grand Bazaar of Rawalpindi and the main mosque in Islamabad.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: breakfast + lunch + dinner

DAY 22 : Flight back home

Transfer to the airport and return flight from Islamabad to your home city. We hope you enjoyed this great adventure.

Meals: breakfast.

Payment and cancellation policy

Initial reservation: To secure your spot, a 30% deposit of the total trip cost is required at the time of booking.

Final payment: The remaining 70% must be paid no later than 90 days before the departure date.

Extras: Additional travel costs such as insurance, flights, and other optional services must be paid in full at the time of booking.

Cancellation insurance: Clients may purchase cancellation insurance to receive a full refund of the amount paid (subject to policy conditions).

The end user may cancel the booked trip and is entitled to a refund of the amounts paid, except for the indicated penalties, but must also satisfy the Agency the amounts indicated below once the trip is confirmed. If the trip is not carried out due to the minimum number of participants not being reached, the client may keep the credit for future trips or request a full refund of the booking.

Cancellation policy 4:

FULL REFUND UP TO 24 HOURS AFTER PURCHASE

Up to 90 days before the trip, 100% refund of the trip cost.

Up to 60 days before the trip, 50% refund of the trip cost.

For shorter periods than those described in the cancellation policy, no refund of the amount already paid will be made.

*Management fees of €350 apply.

*No cancellation fees will be reimbursed on already issued bookings. If there are other non-refundable expenses already issued, these will also not be refunded and will be deducted from the amount to be paid.

*The cost of canceling issued flights is 100%.

Packing List

The packing list and all expedition materials will be worked on together before the expedition as part of the training process.

FAQs

What is the style of the expedition?

The expedition is carried out in an alpine and self-sufficient style, without the use of high-altitude sherpas or fixed ropes on the mountain. However, the transport of heavy equipment to base camp is covered by local porters, allowing participants to conserve energy for the technical part. From base camp onwards, each participant is responsible for their own gear. If additional support is needed, high-altitude guides can be hired as an extra. Jordi Tosas will also be on the ground, overseeing the overall development and assisting each group in planning and executing their own objectives, adapting to each participant's level and motivation. It is a formative, demanding, and personalized experience.

How do you manage weather changes?

The mountain demands flexibility and preparation. That's why the expedition has real-time support from a European weather service, allowing daily access to updated and accurate forecasts. In addition, the team uses satellite phones for communication, ensuring coordination and safety even in remote areas without coverage. The guides, led by Jordi Tosas, adapt the pace, itinerary, and strategy according to weather conditions, evaluating with each group the best weather windows to move forward or go for the summit. This dynamic management is part of learning the alpine style and ensures that every decision is made with sound judgment and maximum safety.

What fitness level is required?

The expedition requires a good overall fitness level, as participants will hike with loads at altitude and sleep in mountain conditions. Prior experience in winter mountaineering or high-altitude trekking is recommended, although not strictly necessary to have summited major peaks. Beyond physical performance, this is a learning-focused expedition, where the goal is not just to reach the summit of Drifka, but to expand your mountain comfort zone, improve autonomy, actively participate in decision-making, and live in a real expedition environment. The aim is for each participant to leave with the tools and confidence to dream big and face more ambitious challenges in the future. The process matters as much as the summit.

What gear should I bring?

Before the expedition, you'll receive a complete and detailed list of the required gear, both technical and personal, tailored to the conditions of the Karakoram. One of the most important and essential items is a good pair of high-altitude mountaineering boots, suitable for walking on snow and ice for long days. You'll also need a sleeping bag rated for -10°C or lower; if you don't have one, rental is available upon request. Technical gear (harness, crampons, helmet, ice axe, etc.) must be personal and already tested before the trip. As for high-altitude bivouacs, tents are usually pre-arranged at altitude camps to ease logistics on the most demanding days. The team will guide you to bring only what's necessary, avoiding excess weight.

Who leads the expedition?

The expedition is led by Jordi Tosas, a renowned UIAGM/IFMGA mountain guide with over 35 years of experience in the world of mountaineering. Jordi has climbed and opened routes in some of the planet's most extreme environments, including the Karakoram, Himalayas, Greenland, Patagonia, Andes, Hindu Kush, and the Arctic, as well as on many of the great 8,000-meter peaks. His approach combines technical training, mountain autonomy, and an ethical vision of alpinism—guiding with deep respect for the environment and fostering each participant's personal growth. Throughout the expedition, he works closely with a highly experienced local Pakistani team that provides logistics, terrain knowledge, and cultural support. Having Jordi as your guide ensures safety, inspiration, and deep learning at every step.

Is it suitable for me if I have no experience on 6,000 or 7,000 meter peaks?

Yes, this expedition is designed precisely for those who want to take the leap toward more ambitious projects. It's a true alpine-style training program, ideal for mountaineers who have already summited in the Alps, the Atlas, the Andes, or any other 4,000 to 5,000-meter range, and are now looking to prepare for higher altitudes. You don't need to have climbed a 6,000-meter peak before, but you should have a solid foundation in using crampons, ropes, bivouacking, or traversing high-mountain terrain. This expedition is a key intermediate step before tackling a technical 6,000 or a 7,000 or 8,000-meter peak under real conditions. Here, it's not just about reaching the summit — it's about learning to move with autonomy and judgment, adapting to altitude, and becoming part of a team that dreams bigger.

What is the Alpineschool format?

This expedition is part of our Alpineschool concept, an exclusive B4Experience format designed to train autonomous mountaineers in real high mountain environments. It's not just a guided trip — it's an experience where you learn to plan, make decisions, live in extreme conditions, and progress in alpine style. This model has been successfully implemented in several editions in the Himalayas and Karakoram, with dozens of participants who not only reached their goals but often return year after year. Alpineschool doesn't just take you to the summit — it prepares you to dream bigger, with judgment, safety, and long-term vision.

How far in advance should I apply for the 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 within a few weeks, the process often includes variable review times, document verification, or additional requirements. Applying in advance helps avoid unforeseen issues and ensures the visa is ready in time for the trip.



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