



### We like...

- The challenge of climbing one of the most difficult mountains of the world
- The great mixed climbing on rock and ice, more technically demanding than Mt Everest
- An amazing summit day which includes the famous bottleneck
- The trek through the huge and beautiful Baltoro glacier
- The largest concentration of the highest peaks anywhere on earth with four 8,000 m peaks within 20 km

### Trip Facts

Elevation:	8,611 m / 28,251 ft
Location:	Pakistan, Northwestern, Karakoram
Climbing season:	Jul - Aug
Group Size:	3 – 10 people
Route	South East Ridge
Type of climb:	Snow / Ice / Rock







### Rating

Steepness	▲▲▲▲▲
Fitness	▲▲▲▲▲
Risk	▲▲▲▲▲



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## Why climbing K2 with World Sherpas?

	The combined experience of clients and leading mountain guides into a single company – Climb with experienced K2 summiters
	A priority given to safety with detailed procedures, training of the team and best gear in the market (avalanche beacon, radio, Garmin InReach)
	A real sharing of mountaineering experience with our Sherpas and local Pakistani guides throughout the expedition on climbing technique, physiology and effort management
	The use of Garmin InReach satellite systems for your family and friends to follow your progression every 10 minutes
	A very comfortable set-up at Base Camp
	The production of beautiful photos and videos to always remember an extraordinary expedition



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### Price

38,900 US\$

- Deposit: 30% at booking
- Balance: 70% two months before the departure date

<i>Included</i>	<i>Excluded</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All arrival and departure transfer services to and from airport (both domestic and international)</li> <li>• Return domestic flight tickets Islamabad / Skardu</li> <li>• Transport of up to 2 duffle bags of a maximum total weight of 40 kgs during the trek to Base Camp and on domestic flights</li> <li>• 4 nights' accommodation at a good quality hotel in Islamabad on B/B basis on a double basis (single option at extra cost)</li> <li>• Accommodation in tents during the trek</li> <li>• Accommodation in spacious individual tents at Base Camp with foam mattress, carpets, light and storage space</li> <li>• On High Camps, accommodation in shared expedition tents</li> <li>• Qualified support team including experienced guides, cooks and porters</li> <li>• Three meals a day (breakfast, lunch and dinner with tea or coffee)</li> <li>• Climbing permit and all fees and deposits required by the local regulations (e.g. line fixing, garbage deposit)</li> <li>• <b>1:1 Experienced climbing Sherpa per client on summit day (K2 Summiteer - IFMGA Guide/Aspirant Guide)</b></li> </ul> <p>.../...</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast, Lunch and dinner in Islamabad</li> <li>• Extras hotel charge at Islamabad (bar bills, laundry, additional nights)</li> <li>• Personal expenses in lodges during the trek such as battery charging (cameras, phone, laptops), showers, laundry, beverages, bottled water and snacks</li> <li>• Additional nights during the trek not planned by us</li> <li>• Internet access during the trek and at Base Camp (we can arrange a Pakistani SIM card and top-up card for you at Islamabad for calls and internet)</li> <li>• Personal trekking and climbing equipment (see gear list)</li> <li>• Personal medical, travel &amp; evacuation insurance (mandatory)</li> <li>• International airfare</li> <li>• Pakistan entry visa fee</li> <li>• Standard tips/bonus to climbing Sherpa and all staff</li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 oxygen bottles with a Summit mask and regulator (Climbing guides will also be on oxygen to ensure a maximum safety)</li> <li>• First aid medical kit</li> <li>• Satellite phone at Base Camp (available to members as a paying service)</li> <li>• <b>Radio set for communication with Base Camp during climbing</b></li> <li>• <b>Garmin OutReach two-way satellite messaging system with satellite subscription</b></li> <li>• Solar panel/generator for light and battery charger at Base Camp</li> <li>• Avalanche Beacon</li> <li>• 2 x World Sherpas Duffle bags</li> <li>• World Sherpas T-Shirt</li> <li>• Set of quality photos / films taken by our guides</li> </ul>	



*Camping on the Baltoro Glacier*

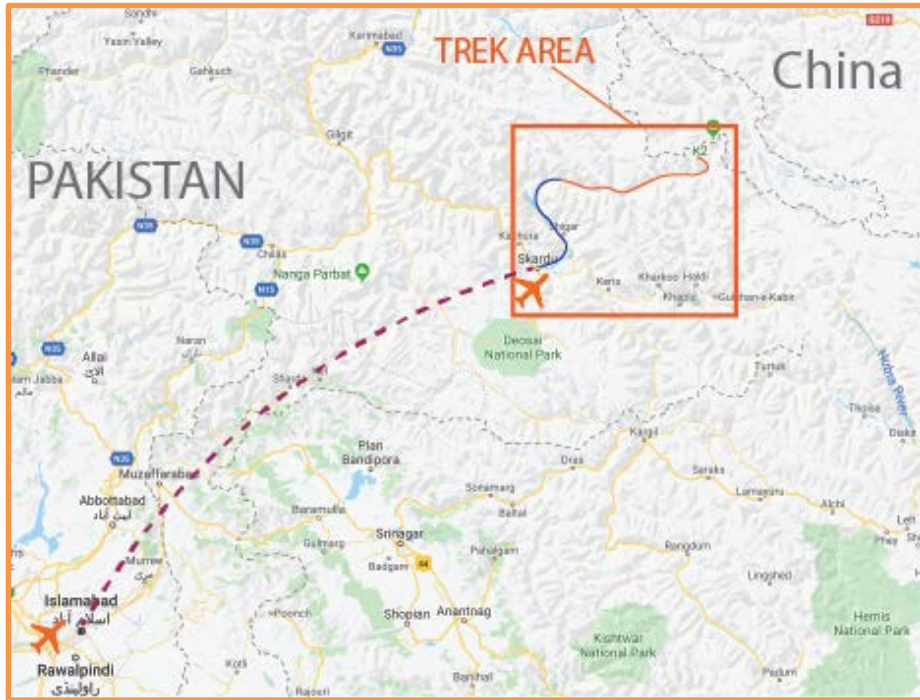
## Expedition Itinerary

Day	Date	Program
1	15 Jun	Arrival to Islamabad and transfer to hotel
2	16 Jun	Preparation day and welcome reception at Alpine club of Pakistan
3	17 Jun	Fly to Skardu (2,228 m / 7,309 ft) weather permitting. If flight is cancelled due to bad weather, then we drive to Chilas that day). Overnight in hotel
4	18 Jun	Rest day in Skardu. Final preparations and formalities. Overnight in hotel
5	19 Jun	Travel by jeep to Askole (3,000 m / 9,842 ft)
6	20 Jun	Trek to Jhola (3,200 m / 10,498 ft)
7	21 Jun	Trek to Paiyu (3,600 m / 11,811 ft)
8	22 Jun	Rest day in Paiyu
9	23 Jun	Trek to Urdukas (4,200 m / 13,779 ft)
10	24 Jun	Trek to Goro 2 (4,500 m / 14,763 ft)
11	25 Jun	Trek to Concordia (4,691 m / 15,390 ft)
12	26 Jun	Trek to K2 Base camp (5,100 m / 16,732 ft)
13 -44	27 Jun – 30 Jul	Climbing Period on K2 (see detail next page)
45	31 Jul	Trek to Goro 2
46	1 Aug	Trek to Khuburche
47	2 Aug	Trek to Jhola
48	3 Aug	Trek to Askole
49	4 Aug	Drive by jeep to Skardu
50	5 Aug	Fly to Islamabad (If flight is cancelled due to bad weather, then we drive to Chilas that day).
51	6 Aug	Day of leisure in Islamabad & Farewell meeting (de-briefing) at Alpine Club of Pakistan
52	7 Aug	Departure to home
53	8 Aug	Contingency day for flight cancellation (From Islamabad to Skardu)
54	9 Aug	Contingency day for flight cancellation (From Skardu to Islamabad)

*The itinerary is indicative and is subject to changes according to weather and mountain conditions as well as other circumstances that the climbing guide will deem necessary for the safety and / or success of the expedition.*



Global Map



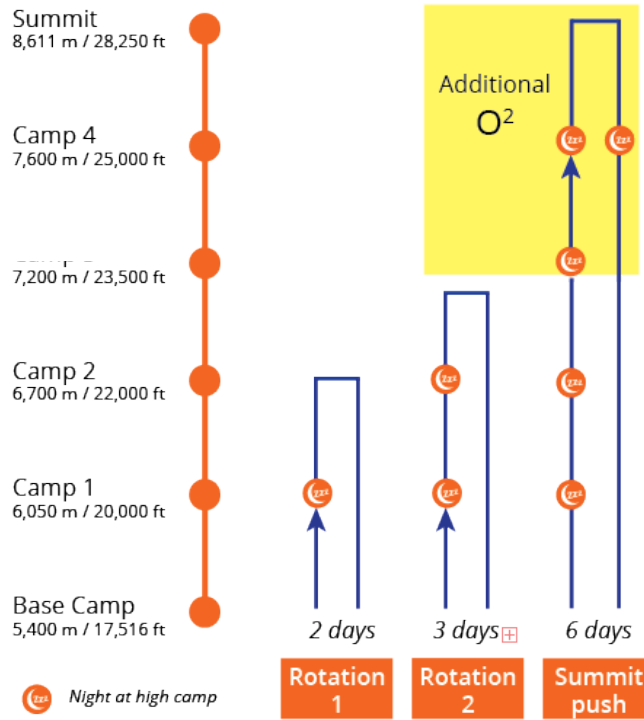
Trekking map



## Rotations provisional plan



Camp 4



Climbing towards Camp 1

## K2 Abruzzi Spur Climbing Route

<p>Base Camp 5,400 m / 17,716 ft</p> <p>▼</p> <p>Camp 1 6,050 m / 20,000 ft</p>	<p>We start climbing K2 by making our way on loose scree towards crampon point. Once here, we start the climbing as the angle of the slopes begin to get steep. We stay close to the rock walls on the left avoiding the snow slopes where avalanches are frequent. There can be a lot of rock fall at this section from Camp 1 and above. As we move closer to Camp 1, the angle of the slope is approximately 70 degrees. Camp 1 is an exposed camp but little avalanche danger</p>
<p>Camp 1 6,050 m / 20,000 ft</p> <p>▼</p> <p>Camp 2 6,700 m / 22,000 ft</p>	<p>From Camp 1, we climb through some rock buttresses while there is a steep snow gully on the right of us. We move higher towards the house chimney and angle becomes even steeper at approximately 90 degrees. The rock can be loose for both your handholds and crampon placements. House Chimney is a 50m off width crack in a wall. There is a small rock climber ladder that people use as an aid to climb this section. The rock walls of the Chimney itself are about 3 ft wide making this one of the more famous and difficult parts of climbing K2</p>
<p>Camp 2 6,700 m / 22,000 ft</p> <p>▼</p> <p>Camp 3 7,200 m / 23,500 ft</p>	<p>Climbing to Camp 3 is the most technical part of the climb. The main obstacle is the black pyramid. This is a near vertical wall of mixed climbing on rock and ice (400 m). There can be a lot of loose rock in this section. There is also extreme exposure on the black Pyramid. The location of Camp 3 will depend on the conditions of the mountain. As we move higher, we come to the shoulder where the Cessen route meets the Abruzzi spur</p>





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<p>Camp 3 7,200 m / 23,500 ft</p> <p>▼ ▲</p> <p>Camp 4 7,600 m / 25,000 ft</p>	<p>Once we leave camp 3, we start the long walk on snow fields up the shoulder approximately 30-degree slopes. This is one of the less steep parts of K2 and typically no fixed line is required. We move as fast as possible in this section due to the risk of avalanches. There can also be high winds in this section funneling between Broad peak and K2. Although the climbing is not difficult in this section, weather and mountains conditions must be in our favour at this section.</p>
<p>Camp 4 7,600 m / 25,000 ft</p> <p>▼ ▲</p> <p>Summit 8,611 m / 28,250 ft</p>	<p>After some rest at Camp 4, we will leave for summit between 10pm and 1am. As we get closer to the bottleneck, one of the most famous and dangerous parts of climbing K2, the huge ice serac looms above us. The bottleneck is a 100m narrow couloir that is between 80-90 degrees. The couloir can be very challenging and hard ice climbing. Once at the top of the bottleneck, and under the base of the serac, we make our way across the traverse. When we finish the traverse, we start ascending again on easier terrain as the ice/snow slope becomes less steep. One hour later and you are on summit of K2.</p>

Climbing route



## Base Camp set-up

- Individual spacious tents with mattress, pillow, and light
- Toilet tent
- Shower tent (with hot water available on request)
- Mess tent for meals with table, chairs and cutlery
- Snacks / tea / coffee available during the day
- Heating of mess tent during dinner
- Film projection after dinner

## Communications

- Cell phone network (Pakistani Sim) is usually available until Base Camp but the service is patchy
- Internet is also available at Base camp and more or less reliable depending on the day
- Company satellite phone is for emergency situations but is available for fee at Base Camp
- We will provide you with Garmin In Reach device for the Expedition so you can message you family, friends and supporters.



*Summit of K2*



*The top of the black pyramid*