K2 Base Camp Trek

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Embark on the ultimate high-altitude adventure with our expertly guided K2 Base Camp Trek Pakistan 2025, a once-in-a-lifetime expedition into the heart of the majestic Karakoram Range. This 21-day Pakistan trekking tour leads you through some of the most rugged, remote, and awe-inspiring landscapes on Earth, combining glacier crossings, rocky valleys, and surreal mountain panoramas. From the moment you touch down in Islamabad to the final step at K2 Base Camp (5,100m), every day of this K2 base camp itinerary is designed to challenge, inspire, and transform.

The journey begins in the lively town of Skardu before venturing deep into the wilderness via Askole village—the gateway to the Baltoro Glacier. This legendary glacier trek leads you to Concordia, famously known as the "Throne Room of the Mountain Gods," where you'll stand face-to-face with four towering 8,000-meter peaks: K2 (8,611m), Broad Peak (8,051m), Gasherbrum I, and Gasherbrum II. You'll traverse dramatic terrain, camp under star-studded skies, and connect with fellow adventurers in one of the most extraordinary trekking destinations in Asia.

Led by experienced local mountaineering guides, this guided K2 trek not only ensures safety and success but also immerses you in the rich Balti culture, glacier navigation, and the raw beauty of the Karakoram. Whether you're a seasoned hiker or an adventure-seeker aiming for a personal milestone, this is your chance to take on one of the most epic treks in the world.

K2 Base Camp Trek Cost is kept budget-friendly without compromising safety, comfort, or quality of experience. Choose from our fixed departure dates—20th July and 2nd August 2025—or customize your group tour.

Unlike Everest Base Camp, K2 Base Camp is wild, untamed, and free of commercial clutter. There's no village at base camp—just snow, rock, ice, and the soul-stirring sight of Earth's second-highest mountain towering above you.

Whether you're joining solo or with a group, our team ensures a seamless trekking experience from Islamabad to K2 and back, with contingency days built in for weather, safety, and altitude adjustment. Book your spot now and be part of the most unforgettable Karakoram trekking tour Pakistan has to offer. June to September is the best time to trek K2, and spots fill fast—don't miss out!

Tour Facts

Group Size:
Language:
12
English

Duration:
Tour Type:
continuous

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Islamabad

Arrive at Islamabad International Airport, where our representative will greet you with a warm welcome. You'll be transferred to your hotel in the city, allowing time to rest and recover from your journey. Our team will be available to assist with any needs and help you prepare for the adventure ahead. For guests arriving in the early hours, Islamabad's peaceful early morning ambiance offers a smooth arrival experience. Airport pickup will be easy to spot—our staff will be holding a signboard with your name and the company logo. The remainder of the day is free for you to relax or explore the local surroundings.

Day 2: Flight to Skardu & Acclimatization Hike

Begin your morning with a scenic flight from Islamabad to Skardu—soaring over the Himalayas and Karakoram ranges, weather permitting. Upon arrival, you'll be transferred to your hotel where you can settle in and prepare your trekking gear. Depending on your energy level, enjoy a light hike to Kharpocho Fort, which overlooks the Skardu Valley, or visit Upper Kachura Lake for a tranquil lakeside experience. This day also offers a chance to purchase or rent any last-minute gear from Skardu Bazaar. Overnight in Skardu.

Day 3 : Explore Skardu

Today is dedicated to exploring the local heritage and acclimatizing further to the altitude. Visit the ancient Kharpocho Fort, perched above the town, followed by a trip to Sadpara Lake, a stunning glacial body of water surrounded by mountains. You'll also have time to roam Skardu Bazaar, which offers a glimpse into Baltistan's vibrant culture. It's a good opportunity to pick up handcrafted souvenirs or trekking essentials. This slower day is essential for building your stamina before entering the more rugged terrain ahead.

Day 4: Jeep Safari to Askole Village (3,000 m)

Gear up for a 6-8 hour jeep journey into the remote wilderness. Departing from Skardu, you'll drive through the dramatic Shigar Valley alongside the Braldu River, heading toward Askole, the last

inhabited village en route to K2. The ride traverses rocky tracks and narrow gorges, offering glimpses of isolated hamlets and apricot orchards. Upon arrival, the camp will be set up in the village outskirts. This will be your final night before stepping into complete mountain isolation. The atmosphere here is charged with the energy of historic expeditions that began in this very place.

Day 5: Trek from Askole to Jhola (3,200 m)

Today marks the beginning of your trek as you leave civilization behind and begin the walk to Jhola Camp, covering about 20 km in 6–8 hours. The path follows the Braldu River, passing through barren terrain and dramatic cliffs. Along the way, you'll cross the Korofon River—a popular lunch stop—and navigate rocky trails. Views of the Biafo Glacier's snout and metamorphic rock formations accompany your journey. After crossing a footbridge, the trail leads downstream to your riverside campsite at Jhola. Tonight, you'll camp under a wide sky filled with stars, listening to the roar of the river.

Day 6 : Trek to Paiju (3,450 m)

This 19.8 km stretch takes 6-7 hours and follows the **Braldu Gorge**, climbing gradually toward Paiju Camp. The path offers stunning views of the **Trango Towers** and **Cathedral Peaks**, their granite faces glowing under the sun. Depending on the meltwater levels, you may need river-crossing shoes for stream crossings. The terrain shifts between rocky inclines and sandy riverbanks. On clear days, the snout of the **Baltoro Glacier** appears on the horizon. Paiju marks the final campsite with tree cover, and it's a key staging point for acclimatization before entering glaciated terrain.

Day 7: Acclimatization Day at Paiju

A full rest and acclimatization day is crucial here. You'll stay at Paiju while your porters prepare for the coming days by baking bread and resupplying on the glacier. For those feeling energetic, a side hike to the base of **Paiju Peak** offers beautiful views and helps with altitude adjustment. You'll also have time to stretch, hydrate, and prepare your gear for glacier trekking. Spend the evening relaxing at camp, with panoramic views of the snow-dusted Karakoram foothills surrounding you.

Day 8 : Trek to Khoburtse (3,930 m)

Today's route takes you across the mighty **Baltoro Glacier** for the first time. The 14.7 km trek, spanning 5–7 hours, starts with a climb along the glacier's snout. The trail alternates between glacial boulders and rugged moraine paths. Marvel at iconic spires like **Uli Biaho** and **Trango Towers** rising above the glacier. After crossing to **Liligo**, you'll follow a rocky path along the edge of the glacier to **Khoburtse**, where the campsite is nestled beside icy formations. Though the trail is non-technical, caution is advised on loose surfaces.

Day 9: Trek to Urdukas (4,130 m)

After a cold but restful night, a shorter yet steeper 6.4 km trek (4-6 hours) leads you to **Urdukas**, one of the most scenic campsites en route. You'll cross several small tributary glaciers and finally reach a

grassy plateau beside **Urdukas Cliffs**, offering close-up views of **Trango Towers** and distant views of **Gasherbrum IV**. This site is one of the few non-glacial camps and offers breathtaking evening light. There's an army checkpoint here, and the landscape begins to feel increasingly remote.

Day 10 : Trek to Goro II (4,350 m)

Your first full day on the **Baltoro Glacier**, today's 12 km trek (6–8 hours) winds past towering ice formations and jagged granite. You'll be surrounded by giants like **Masherbrum** (7,821m) and Muztagh Tower, their reflections often visible in glacial pools. The camp at **Goro II** is icy and windswept, located directly on the glacier with no vegetation. Tents are pitched on frozen ground amid surreal mountain backdrops. At sunset, the red-orange glow over **Masherbrum** is unforgettable.

Day 11: Trek to Concordia (4,500 m)

This is the crown jewel of the trek—a 11.7 km journey (5-7 hours) to **Concordia**, where the Baltoro and Godwin-Austen Glaciers converge. The approach reveals the colossal **Broad Peak (8,051 m)** and **Crystal Peak**, with **K2** slowly emerging from behind distant ridges. The sensation of reaching Concordia is unparalleled. You'll be surrounded by **10 of the 30 highest mountains on earth**, including **Gasherbrum I**, **Gasherbrum II**, and **Mitre Peak**. Tonight, you'll camp on glacial moraine with 360-degree views of raw alpine power.

Day 12: K2 Base Camp and Broad Peak Base Camp (5,100 m)

Today is your chance to stand beneath K2, the "Savage Mountain." Begin early for a round trip to Broad Peak Base Camp and onward to K2 Base Camp. You'll walk along Godwin-Austen Glacier, navigating crevasses, icy streams, and rock fields. At Broad Peak BC, enjoy panoramic views of Mitre Peak, Bride Peak, and of course K2 (8,611 m). If time permits, visit the Gilkey Memorial, honoring climbers who perished attempting K2. Return to Concordia the same day for overnight camping.

Day 13: Trek Back to Goro I

Retrace your steps from Concordia to **Goro I**, covering approximately 12 km. The descent feels easier as oxygen levels gradually rise and your muscles adapt. The scenery is no less spectacular the second time.

Day 14: Trek to Khoburtse

Continue descending the glacier and exit toward **Khoburtse**, passing familiar landmarks like **Liligo** and **Uli Biaho**. The day is easier on your knees, and the campsite feels warmer and more familiar.

Day 15: Trek to Paiju

Descend further into greener territory. You'll pass the final viewpoints of the Baltoro Glacier, eventually

reaching Paiju, where trees and grass welcome you back.

Day 16: Trek to Jhola

Leave the high alpine terrain and hike toward **Jhola**, where the terrain becomes softer and more riverine. This penultimate day offers reflection on the journey behind you.

Day 17: Trek to Askole & Drive to Skardu

Complete your trek by hiking back to **Askole**. From here, jeeps will take you through **Shigar Valley** back to **Skardu**. After days of isolation, hot water and a real bed will feel well-earned.

Day 18: Rest Day / Contingency

Enjoy a free day to rest, shower, shop, or explore Skardu. This buffer day is useful in case of weather or trek-related delays.

Day 19: Fly to Islamabad

Catch a morning flight to Islamabad (weather permitting). If flights are canceled, you'll travel overland to Chilas by private vehicle.

Day 20 : Flight Buffer / Overland Arrival

If you flew on Day 19, this is a free day for sightseeing. If your flight was canceled, this will be your drive day to Islamabad from Chilas, spanning 10 hours through winding mountain roads.

Day 21: Departure

After breakfast, we'll transfer you to **Islamabad International Airport** for your return flight home. Your journey to K2 Base Camp may end—but the memories will stay with you forever.