**Kagbhusandi Lake Trek**

An odyssey in the Garhwal Himalaya that takes away the agony of a strenuous walk and brings forth a fairy world, the Kagbhusandi Lake Trek in the Garhwal Himalayan region is one such pick. Located at an elevation of 5,300 meters approximately, the Kagbhusandi Lake is one of the high altitude lakes in the Indian Himalayan region that encircles a wild profusion of colourful flowers and is surrounded by barren mounds in the lap of myriad snow clad peaks. The Hathi Parvat at an elevation of 6,730 meters is the most prominent one out of all the 6thousanders peeking at the horizon. The journey also allows you to get enchanted by the majestic view of the Neelkanth, Chaukhamba, and Nar-Narayan peaks. Further, one can even get acquainted with the tribal villagers who are tucked in the mountains and are living a nomadic lifestyle. Embellished by sprawling green meadows, gushing streams and alpine forest, the trek to Kagbhusandi Lake is simply a treat to the eyes. As the journey passes through some crazy, rocky and narrow path deep in the Garhwal Himalaya, it is still less explored by normal trekkers and is also considered as one of the toughest treks in the Garhwal Himalayan region.  
  
There are two trekking routes to reach the vicinity of the Kagbhusandi Lake. Both the treks are very popular and provide a panoramic view of the Garhwal Himalaya. One from near Vishnu Prayag via Painka village and another from Govind Ghat via Bhyundar Village, en route to the World Heritage site "The Valley of Flowers". The trek bifurcates at Bhyundar Village and the left one creep towards The Valley of Flowers and the right one towards the Kagbhusandi Tal along with the right flank of river Karnkul Ganga that originates from a glacier near to Raj Khark. There are many beautiful meadows en route to Kagbhushundi from Bhyundar. Kargila, Semartoli, Bankbara, Dang Khark, and Raj Khark are the most beautiful campsites for shepherds and for the trekkers. As areas near the National Park do not allow grazing, so the whole grazing activities are now shifted towards Kagbhushundi valley. So, the livestock of nearby villages use this area as pasturelands.  
**Itinerary:**  
  
**Day 1)** Delhi- Rishikesh  
  
**Day 2)** Rishikesh- Joshimath  
  
**Day 3)**  Joshimath- Govindghat - Bhyundar Village - RoopDhungi (12 Km.)  
  
**Day 2)**  RoopDhungi - Samartoli - Raj Kharak (14 km.)  
  
**Day 3)** Raj Kharak - kagbhusandi (6 km.)  
  
**Day 4)**  KagBhusandi - Panch Vinayak - Brahmakund/ bhains tal (8 Km.)  
  
**Day 5)**  Brahamkund - Farswan Vinayak - Painka (15 Km.)  
  
**Day 6)**  Painka village to Road Head (2.5 km.)