

CHAUPI ORCO (6044M)



Chaupi Orco range

HIGHEST IN THE APOLOBAMBA



Chaupi Orco (6044m) is the highest mountain in the Cordillera Apolobamba mountain range which is located north east of Lake Titicaca near Peruvian Border. Chaupi Orco is rarely climbing and also has one of the largest glaciers in Bolivia. This is still a very remote area of Bolivia, it is beautiful, and life continues in a traditional way with the area largely being untouched by modern society, which makes for a memorable experience.



PROGRAM DETAILS

Type of activity: Technical Climbing with ropes, trekking up to high camp (5200m)

Difficulty: 3 – moderate fitness

Experience required: 2 – 3 – basic climbing skills / some experience

Grade of climb: II/AD 45°

Number of days: 6 days, 5 nights

Tour starts in La Paz

Tour ends in La Paz

Best time of year: May to September

Season: Dry season: days are mild and nights are cold

Highlights: Reaching the summit of the highest in Apolobamba, Visiting the village of Pelechuco, visiting the Ulla Ulla vicuna reserve.



Driving out to base camp

CHAUPI ORCO



PROGRAM

Day 1: La Paz (3600m) – Pelechuco (3600m)

Today we travel from La Paz up to El Alto and across the Altiplano, passing through the Area Protegida Apolobamba before arriving in the colonial village of Pelechuco, where the main economic activity is gold mining. We will spend the night here in Pelechuco.

8 – 9 hours of driving (LD) Hostel

Day 2: Pelechuco – Lago Soral (4120m)

First part of the day is Ascending by 4x4 to Paso Sanches (4840m) and continuing steeply downhill until we reach a river. Then it's back uphill over another pass and eventually on the other side of this pass we will reach the large and sedimented Lago Soral (4120m). We have time in the afternoon to make a small walk in the area.

2 – 3 hours by 4x4 (BLD) camping

Day 3: Lago Soral (Base camp) – High camp (5200m)

We will start the day by following the animal tracks up the old glacial valley. Later we meet a moraine ridge which takes us to high camp. After walking along this ridge we will drop down to walk along the glacier, as far up as we can. here we will make high camp next to a lake.

5 – 7 hours (BLD) camping

Day 4: High camp – Summit (6044m) – High camp – Base camp Lago Soral

Today is our summit day. We will take the East Ridge Route which will take us first through a crevasse field, then to a ridge which will lead us up to various false summits and then eventually the true summit. We will climb the same way back down, stopping at high camp to meet the Llamas and then continue down to Lago Soral, where we will camp for the night.

12 – 18 hours (BLD) camping

Day 5: Base camp – Pelechuco

We can take a walk over a very steep pass. On this walk we pass some mines and miners. At the pass we have great views of the area and Chaupi Orco. Once over the pass we will meet the road on the other side. Here we meet up with the driver and continue on to Pelechuco by 4x4. We will stop for the night in Pelechuco.

4 – 6 hours (BLD) Hostel

Summit of
Chaupi Orco



Day 6: Pelechuco - La Paz

We drive back same way to La Paz. Along the way we can make some small stops to visit the Ulla Ulla vicuna reserve and dome houses in the area near Ulla Ulla.

8 - 9 hours driving (BL)

END of SERVICES



PRICES

Prices include:

Professional English speaking mountain guide, guide ratio 2 clients to 1 guide
Meals as mentioned, including drinks at camp meals (B - breakfast, L - lunch, D - dinner)
All private transport
Llamas, up to high camp and back down
Full camp, includes: tents, kitchen equipment, chairs, tables, dinning tent etc
Cook
Equipment for the mountain, ropes and protection

Not include:

Personal gear
Personal insurance
Rescues at clients cost
Extra services not mentioned in the program
Tips

Prices:

1 person \$ 2325 US
2 people \$ 1280 US each
3 people \$ 1205 US each
4 people \$ 1135 US each

Prices with spanish speaking guide:

1 person \$ 2010 US
2 people \$ 1120 US each
3 people \$ 1095 US each
4 people \$ 1075 US each



Walk up to
high camp

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