

Overview

Our **special, spiritual Lumbini Pilgrimage Tour** takes you to the birthplace of Lord Buddha. Born into a royal family, Siddhartha Gautam spent the first 29 years of his life in the Lumbini area before renouncing his luxurious life and leaving to live a life of asceticism. **Over 2,600 years ago**, it is said that his mother, **Maya Devi, gave birth to Buddha** under a Sal tree near the **Maya Devi Temple** on the evening of a full moon.

As the **birthplace of Lord Buddha**, Lumbini is one of four major sacred sites for **Buddhist devotees**. Their others are in India: **Bodh Gaya (site of Buddha's enlightenment)**, Sarnath (a site where Buddha gave his first teaching), and Kushinagar (a site where Buddha attained Nirvana). As such, the famous **Maya Devi Temple** was marked by the **Indian Emperor Ashoka** around the 3rd **century CE**.

Though Nepal is a Hindu-majority country. **Buddhism is alive and well, especially in Lumbini**. There is a large zone surrounding the temple in which only monasteries can be built. On our **Lumbini Pilgrimage Tour**, Visiting the monasteries, you can hear chanting and see monks go about their daily lives.

The Lumbini Pilgrimage Tour kicks off in **Kathmandu** with an **unforgettable flight** through the mountains, where we see some of the world's highest peak Mt. Everest and all the beautiful Himalaya. The same day, we embark on a **sightseeing tour of Kathmandu's** most beloved places (which are all **UNESCO World Heritage sites**). After this, our **Lumbini Pilgrimage Tour begins**. An 8-hour drive leads us to the city, which lies near the **Indian border**. The first day, we take it easy and check out the **World Peace Pagoda or the Lumbini Crane Sanctuary** (a favorite of bird lovers!).

The famous **Maya Devi Temple** and other notable spots are the highlights of the tour. However, it is simply the feeling of being in a sacred place that is so **powerful and memorable**. Even if you are not a Buddhist yourself, you will find great pleasure in this tour. We not only cover the **religious significance** of the area, but we also learn about how the culture has changed over the years, and we will be **surrounded by natural beauty** throughout.

Our Lumbini Pilgrimage Tour is **guided by a specialist and has extensive knowledge of Buddhism** the history of the area. Come learn about one of the world's main religions in the place where it all began!

Take our **Lumbini Pilgrimage Tour at any time of the year**. Just be aware of the climate of Nepal (i.e. hot and rainy during the monsoon season). **Breeze Adventure takes care** of all the logistics involved in this tour package. If you would like to **change the package to leave from Pokhara** or elsewhere, that is possible. Also, if you would prefer to fly instead of drive, we can manage that as well. Please do not hesitate to **contact us** if you have any questions about the Lumbini Pilgrimage Tour. **We are happy** to answer them!

What can we see on our Lumbini Pilgrimage Tour?

Birth Place of Buddha.

Maya Devi Temple.

Peaceful and beautiful Monasteries.

All the historical places where Buddha spent his 29 years.

Ever Candle lighting house

Local Nepali Peoples and their Lifestyle.

Buddhist people and their lifestyles.

An unforgettable view of Mt. Everest and other beautiful Himalayan views from Mountain Flight.

Highlights

See where Buddhism first began! Visit the famous Maya Devi Temple.

Pray for peace at the World Peace Pagoda.

The scenic drive from Kathmandu to Lumbini and back.

A full day of sightseeing in Kathmandu, including UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Get up-close views of the Himalayas during the mountain flight.

Outline Itinerary

Cost Includes

Transportation to and from Tribhuvan Airport.

Three nights in a 3-star hotel in Kathmandu, breakfast included.

Three nights in a 2-3 star hotel in Lumbini, breakfast included.

All transportation for the Lumbini Pilgrimage tour.

All tour activities (mountain flight, all sightseeing, etc.)

All Heritage site entrance fees.

Nepal Government-authorized experienced Tour guides.

Maps of the Tour.

Service charge and government taxes.

Farewell dinner in Kathmandu at the end of the Lumbini Pilgrimage tour.

Cost Excludes

International airfare.

Meals during the tour (besides breakfast)

Your personal expenses, shopping, etc.

Alcoholic drinks, chocolates, tea, and coffee.

Tips for guide and driver.