

This multi-day trek in the Fann Mountains of northwest Tajikistan is notable for views of pointy mountain peaks and glacially fed lakes. A 5-day itinerary allows for an excellent tour of the area.

Day 1. Artuch to Bibijonat Lake. Starting from Artuch base camp at 2150m we will gain about 750m over 7.5km as we ascend to Bibijanot Lake. The walk takes about 4.5 hours allowing us a leisurely break at Kulikalon Lake where we can enjoy the dramatic scenery including snow-covered Dushaha Peak. We will arrive at Bibijonat Lake early enough to allow you to explore the meadows and streams surrounding the lake or relax in your tent near the lake. This lake is popular enough with visitors that there are usually some drinks (soft and hard) and fresh fried fish for sale at a small shop near the lake.



Day 2. Bibijonat Lake to Alauddin Lake. We will start early so that we cross Alauddin Pass before it is hot and have time to enjoy Alauddin Lake in the afternoon. We will cover a similar distance to the previous day, but it will take a bit longer as we gain more than 1000m to cross the pass at 3780m. The pass is a very scenic viewpoint from which you will see many snow-covered peaks in the Fann Mountains. We will then enjoy a descent to Alauddin Lake and have the afternoon to relax and explore.

Day 3. Alauddin Lake to Mutnyi Lake. We will have breakfast early enough so that we can begin walking by 7:30am to ascend more than 700m up a steep-walled valley to Mutnyi Lake at 3524m. The 5.6km walk will take us about 4.5 hours as we pass red, sharp rocky mountains on the left side of the valley and the small crystal clear Piyola Lake. We will arrive at our camp site early enough for you to explore and relax.



Day 4. Chimtarga Pass. We will have breakfast very early, at 5:30am, so that we can make the difficult ascent to the top of Chimtarga Pass at 4736m. Our efforts will be rewarded with amazing views of the peaks. We will picnic up high so that we can enjoy the views longer before returning to our camp at Mutnyi Lake and some well-deserved rest.

Day 5. Mutnyi Lake to Alauddin Base. On our final day we will have an easy downhill walk to Alauddin Lake and then beyond another 3km to road access from where we will begin our car journey onward towards Iskanderkul Lake.



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