



### CLIMBING TO KORONA PEAK 4800 m

<b>Location</b>	<i>Kyrgyzstan, Tien-Shan, Kirgizski Range</i>
<b>Starting and ending points</b>	<i>Bishkek city</i>
<b>Duration</b>	<i>5 days, 4 nights</i>
<b>Season</b>	<i>Whole Year</i>
<b>Altitude</b>	<i>2100 - 4800 m</i>
<b>Walking</b>	<i>about 40 km</i>
<b>Automobile</b>	<i>about 100 km</i>

National Park Ala-Archa - is one of the most beautiful places in Kyrgyzstan. Here, on a small area you can see many interesting natural sites - forests, grasslands, rivers, waterfalls, glaciers, rock walls, as well as not frightened wild animals. Also Ala-Archa is one of the best mountaineering areas. There are hundreds of routes of varying difficulty for everyone.

Crown Peak - is one of the most beautiful peaks, being the visiting card of Ala-Archa area. This is a large massif, consisting of six rocky towers with a maximum height of 4860 meters. There are dozens of routes with varying difficulty of them. For the beginning we can offer you the easiest one - upon Corona glacier to the second tower. Route has 2A category of difficulty based on the conventional classification in the CIS countries (from 1 to 6).

To pass this route you need basic skills to work with the rope and the ability to move on crampons on ice up to 45 degrees. If you often go to the mountains, but have never tried technical climbing, we suggest taking trainings before. We can combine main tour with climbing courses by adding several more days to the program. If you are newbie to the mountains, it is suggested to start with simple ascents, on Uchitel (Teacher) peak.

## PROGRAM

### Day 1. Bishkek City - Ala-Archa National Park – Ratsek hut

*Automobile 50 km, 1 hour*

*Walking 7 km, 5-7 hours*

*Altitude 800-2100-3300 m*

Transfer from Bishkek city to National Park Ala-Archa (2100m). Then walk along the picturesque gorge of Ak-Sai to Ratseka hut (3300 m). Accommodation in a mountain hut or in own tents on the territory of Ratseka Hut. There we will have short acclimatization treks around the neighborhood.

### Day 2. Acclimatization-training day

*Walking 5 km*

*Altitude 3300-3650-3300 m*

After the breakfast we prepare equipment and go to Ak-Sai icefall. We practice on ice routes, working with rope and ice equipment. Overnight in the Ratsek Hut.

### Day 3. Ratsek Hut - Corona Hut

*Trek 5 km, difference in altitude 600 m, 3-5 hours*

*Altitude 3350-3950 m*

After the breakfast we pack our stuff and go upon moraine along the left side of icefall to plateau of Ak-Sai glacier. Further our way lies over the glacier; here we need harnesses, ropes and ice axes. Upon arrival to the hut we have a rest, then there would be trainings on working with rope and equipment. Overnight in Corona hut.

### Day 4. Ascent to Korona Peak (4800 m)

*Trek 6 km, 8-10 hours*

*Altitude 3950-4800-3950 m*

We leave after early breakfast. We put on harnesses, helmets and crampons in the cabin and do not take off it for all day. After the first steep climb we will make rope teams because there are cracks along the path. In complex parts we go by turns. The entire route is ice-snow surface and only the last 20 meters is rock part. Panorama from here is great - this is one of the highest peaks of the Kyrgyz ridge. Descend by the same way. Overnight in the Korona hut.

### Day 7. Descent to Ala Archa National Park, transfer to Bishkek

*Trek 12 km, 6-7 hours*

*Altitude 3950-2100-800m*

After breakfast, we pack our stuff and go down to the alpine camp Ala-Archa, by already familiar route. Transfer to Bishkek city.

**Necessary equipment:**

- sleeping bag 3-4 seasons
- alpine boot
- harness
- crampons
- ice ax
- jumar
- helmet
- carabines 3pc.
- windproof jacket and pants
- warm jacket and pants
- warm gloves and a hat
- sunglasses
- sunscreen
- backpack 60-80 liters
- water tank or thermos
- flashlight

**It is recommended to bring:**

- insulated jacket
- hiking poles

**For econom package you also need:**

- equipment for cooking;
- food
- rope and ice screws.

**Important:**

You should have insurance coverage for 30,000 US Dollars. The insurance should cover injured transportation.

Current price please find on website: <http://mountainskytravel.com>

### **All inclusive**

### **Economic**

#### **Price Included:**

- Pick-up at the hotel in Bishkek;
- All transfers according to the program;
- Accommodation in the Mountain hut;
- Full board;
- Mountain guide during the whole program;
- Rope and team equipment;
- All permits and entrance fees according to the program.

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- Personal equipment;
- Change program;
- Porters;
- Insurance.

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