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CHITLANG

The beauty of nature



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In between long walks under the dusty sun and bus rides with songs from all kinds of culture, we reached a place which had so much to offer - more than we had ever expected. We got to visit places with great historical significance, try out freshly made goat cheese, visit temples with other worldly stories and above all mingle with diverse people with amazing experience during our interview sessions.

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Although tiring, it all felt rewarding as soon as the crisp wind of the hills hit us. Contemporary, Rejuvenating, ... ALIVE!! All along the way the best things were not just the views and newness of it all but also the same old people we had only been sharing classes with till now. Conversations, songs, accompanied by the silence of the wilderness and rivers, here, we truly became a family. All of us belonged.





HOW WELL DO WE KNOW CHITLANG ?

Chitlang is a scenic and culturally rich village located in the Makwanpur district of Nepal. Nestled in the foothills of the Himalayas, Chitlang is renowned for its natural beauty, lush landscapes, and historical significance. It is a popular destination for tourists seeking tranquility, adventure, and a glimpse into the traditional rural lifestyle of Nepal.

Chitlang holds immense historical importance as it lies on the ancient trade route between Nepal and India. The village was once a significant transit point for traders traveling between the two countries, and remnants of this historical significance can still be seen in the form of old stone inscriptions, temples, and pathways.

The village is known for its terraced farmlands, which add to its picturesque charm. The fertile soil of Chitlang supports the cultivation of various crops, including corn, wheat, barley, and vegetables. The locals are primarily engaged in agriculture and animal husbandry, and you can witness their traditional farming practices during your visit.

Chitlang is also famous for its organic goat cheese production. The cheese, made from the milk of locally reared goats, is highly regarded for its quality and taste. Visitors have the opportunity to learn about the cheese-making process and even indulge in tasting sessions.

One of the main attractions in Chitlang is the ancient and revered temple of Bajrayogini, situated atop a hill. This temple is dedicated to the Hindu goddess Bajrayogini and offers a panoramic view of the surrounding hills and valleys. The temple attracts both pilgrims and tourists alike, who come to seek blessings and admire the architectural beauty.

For adventure enthusiasts, Chitlang offers exciting trekking and hiking opportunities. You can embark on trails that lead to nearby destinations like Kulekhani, Markhu, and Chandragiri Hills. These treks allow you to immerse yourself in the natural beauty of the region, with breathtaking views of mountains, forests, and water bodies.

Accommodation options in Chitlang range from homestays to small resorts that offer a rustic experience and an opportunity to interact closely with the locals. You can savor authentic Nepali cuisine, experience the warmth of Nepali hospitality, and participate in cultural activities organized by the villagers.

Chitlang, with its blend of natural beauty, historical significance, and cultural heritage, offers a unique and memorable experience for visitors. Whether you seek relaxation, adventure, or a deeper understanding of Nepal's rural lifestyle, Chitlang is a destination that captivates the senses and leaves a lasting impression.



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