

CROSS COUNTRY TREKKING

Kibungan, Benguet to Sugpon, Ilocos Sur

September 13 to 18 2011

Kibungan is popularly known as the **Switzerland of Benguet** because of its Alps-like and rocky mountains. Deep ravines and cliffs separate and isolate many *sitios* of some barangays. Although some plateaus, hills, and small valleys can be seen in the locality, Kibungan is dominantly mountainous.

The municipality is within a cool highland mountainous zone with elevations of more than 2500 meters above sea level. During its coolest months of December and January, Barangay Madaymen experiences chilling temperature of 0 degrees centigrade (0 °C) causing the famous **Snow of Madaymen**.

- 50 KMS Cross-country trek east to west via high cliffs
- Approximately seven mountain to cross
- 100% pure bonding, camping, trekking and adventure

What to Expect:

- Mountain, River, Sea
- Steep, Long, Technical
- Chill, Heat, Wet
- Culture, Landscape, Camaraderie
- Cinnamon-like Mountains
- Majestic Boulders and Rock Face
- Tacadang and Les-Eng Rice Terraces
- Les-Eng Canyon and Valley
- Bond with Kankanai Tribes of Igorot
- Optional: Beach / Surf at La Union

Budget: P2885 Total **ESTIMATED** Budget

Inclusive of:

P1300 Guide fees, Climb Arrangements, and DENR Baguio Permits

P450 Manila to Baguio

P400 Rented Jeep Baguio to Kibungan: P 6,000.00/minimum of 15 pax

P50 Registration (estimate)

P235 Rented Jeepney Sugpon to Bangar: P 3,500.00/minimum of 15 pax

P450 San Fernando, La union to Manila

Note:

- Limited to 15 to 20 slots only (first come, first serve)
- **STRICTLY** no pre-climb, no climb
- Pre-climb meeting will also serve as tune-up climb
- September 3 to 4 2011, Mt. Ugu tune-up climb
- Please bring or deposit P1750 on pre-climb meeting for bus reservations, climb permits, and guide fees/arrangements.

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CLIMB/SIDE TRIP ITINERARY

DAY 0 September 13 2011 (Tuesday)

22:00 Assembly

DAY 1 September 14 2011 (Wednesday)

03:30 ETA Baguio Bus Station

04:00 Breakfast at Baguio

06:00 ETD Dangwa Bus to Kibungan.

11:00 ETA Kibungan 1235 MASL

11:30 Start trek (Mababang Paaralan ng Kibungan to Mayo's Creek)

13:00 ETA Mayo's Creek (740 MASL)

Hanging Bridge

Late lunch

14:00 Start trek (steep ascent/ridge)

17:30 ETA Camp 1, Light socials 1

- **Yeto Campsite** at 1500 MASL

- Temperature at 1830H is 17°C or below

- Water source available

DAY 2 September 15 2011 (Thursday)

04:30 Wake-up call

Temperature at 14°C to 9°C

Prepare breakfast and pack lunch

07:00 Start trek (mossy forest and rock face segment)

08:30 Atop of Boulders/Pine forest

10:00 Little New Zealand

12:00 ETA Lunch break at Tacadang

13:30 Resume trek

Descend Les-Eng Canyon

19:00 ETA Les-Eng Day Care Center, light socials 2

- **Les-Eng Valley** at 830 MASL

- Temperature 17°C

- Water source available at Les-Eng

DAY 3 September 16 2011 (Friday)

05:00 Wake-up call

Temperature at 14°C or below

Breakfast

Prepare pack-lunch

Break camp

07:30 Start trek (Les-Eng Rice Terraces ascent)

12:00 ETA Lunch break Likongan (Ilocos Sur side)

- Water source available

13:30 Start hike (steep via Ferrata Waterfalls Trail)

14:30 Peak / Descend to Amburayan River

16:00 Amburayan River at 120 MASL

17:30 Set camp (3) anywhere at this time

- e-Camp sa Amburayan River (pwede na mag-socials ng swabe)

- Water available

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DAY 4 September 17 2011 (Saturday)

04:30 Wake-up call
Temperature at 23°C
Breakfast
Prepare pack-lunch
Break camp

07:30 Start trek (river trekking, crossing currents, stone jumping, bridge crossing)

09:00 ETA Danac, Ilocos Sur

12:00 Lunch break at Amburayan River
Refresh, take a dip

16:00 Sugpon, Ilocos Sur (**END OF TREK**) cold soda for sure!
- Log out registration at PNP
- Secure Jeepney to Bangar, La Union
- Side trip to any beach at La Union

16:30 ETD Sugpon to Bangar Ilocos Sur (**END OF CLIMB PROPER**)

17:30 ETA Bangar, La union
- side trip at La union
- Prepare for send-off party
- Market Time
- Beach party, karaoke
- Drink, drink!
- Surf / Super Ligo
- Post-climb

Note:

- Side-trip is optional. Should you decide to go home, ETA to Manila is 10:00 PM
- Possible side-trip is beachineering in Ilocos Sur or La Union or surfing in San Juan, La Union (depends on the outcome of the pre-climb meeting)

Day 5 September 18 2011 (Sunday)

12:00 Pack-up
14:00 ETA San Fernando, La Union
14:30 ETD San Fernando to Manila
21:00 ETA Manila

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