

GC13YXJ	<b><u>Waterfall on top of the world</u></b>	 Earthcache	Not chosen	4.0/4.0	studlyone	N 28°23.572' E 083°49.623'
		 04/13/2008			06/27/2007	
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GC1353G	<b><u>Thamel TB Hotel</u></b>	 Traditional	 Regular	1.0/1.5	KVOM	N 27°42.896' E 085°18.632'
		 06/19/2008			05/25/2007	
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GC128RN	<b><u>Rock Doctor #3 ABC</u></b>	 Earthcache	Not chosen	5.0/5.0	Webby962	N 28°31.877' E 083°52.639'
		 04/07/2008			04/18/2007	
<i>Hint:</i>						
GCQZ8B	<b><u>Tilicho Lake - Pearl of Nepal</u></b>	 Traditional	 Micro	1.0/4.5	RaRoch	N 28°40.656' E 083°51.866'
					10/02/2005	
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GCNZQ2	<b><u>Peace Cache</u></b>	 Traditional	 Regular	4.5/4.0	geo(FF)cacher	N 28°12.408' E 083°56.824'
		 05/27/2008			05/09/2005	
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GCN3KA	<b><u>Kathmandu - North by Northwest!</u></b>	 Traditional	 Small	1.0/2.0	Minnesota Dave	N 27°44.071' E 085°17.975'
		 01/10/2008			03/13/2005	
<i>Hint:</i> .seert oobmab eht dniheb tsuj llaw eht ni eloh a ni neddih si ehcac ehT						
GCMBEQ	<b><u>Annapurna Base Camp</u></b>	 Virtual	Virtual	5.0/5.0	Damo & Agyllian	N 28°31.848' E 083°52.607'
		 05/26/2008			12/02/2004	
<i>Hint:</i>						
GCG58G	<b><u>Kala Pattar</u></b>	 Virtual	Virtual	1.0/4.5	Boxi	N 27°59.475' E 086°49.800'
		 05/25/2008			05/23/2003	
<i>Hint:</i>						



## Waterfall on top of the world

N 28°23.572' E 083°49.623'

**[GC13YXJ]**

Owner: **studlyone** | Hidden:

**06/27/2007**

Type: **Earthcache** | Size: **Not chosen**

Difficulty: **4.0** /5 | Terrain : **4.0** /5



Having trekked up the Annapurna trail, you are almost at the birthplace of sedimentary bedrock. Here you can witness the process that creates rock sediments and transports them hundreds and thousands of miles, to form bedrock in marine basins.

Because the Himalayas are so young (approximately 40 million years) they are still a huge mountain range. Most of the world's largest mountains are in this belt, weighing in at over 8000 meters above sea level. When the Indian continental plate collided with the Asian plate, the collision zone was forced upwards, crumpling like a rucked carpet, pushing the crust into the sky and forming the mountains. But with the summit of these peaks 5 miles up, in the jet stream, they undergo severe weathering and erosion.

The rivers that form from melt water and runoff desperately want to find equilibrium, and cut downwards at an alarming rate. They form steep-sided incised valleys, and some of the deepest gorges in the world. The rivers and streams cut hanging valleys and waterfalls, as they flow fast and hard carrying the rocks and boulders that have fallen from the peaks in frost shattering events. The rivers join, and flow downwards towards low lying land until they find equilibrium at sea level. As the power drops, the bigger boulders cease being carried, but the smaller sediments are carried out to sea, where they finally drop from suspension, and settle on the basin floor. Here they are compacted into new continental bedrock on the edge of the continent.

To claim this cache you need to:

1. Take a picture of you and your GPS in front of the waterfall.
2. Answer the following two questions: What is the name of the main river carrying the sediments down, which the new bridge crossed and which this waterfall joins? What direction is it flowing?

*Hint (Read from behind):*

yellav desicni a otni gnisicni llafretaW

😊 04/13/2008: **shaka1** (Found: 37)

Thanks for this cache ! Happen to pass it when trekking from Chhomrong to Landruk.

River = Modi Khola and it is flowing South.

😊 04/08/2008: **einart** (Found: 732)

Over the New Bridge on the way back from ABC, we found the waterfall close to a nice lodge. Picture will be added later.

[This entry was edited by einart on Monday, April 14, 2008 at 12:33:26 PM.]

😊 01/11/2008: **carp-on-tier** (Found: 58)

Yes ! Found this beautiful place . My Garmin send me first on wrong side of the river but then I saw this nice waterfall ( less water in january ...)

Achim with guestcacher Vanessa from Baldham

Waterfall on top of the world [GC13YXJ]



## Thamel TB Hotel

N 27°42.896' E 085°18.632'

**[GC1353G]**

Owner: **KVOM** | Hidden: **05/25/2007**

Type: **Traditional Cache** | Size:

**Regular**

Difficulty: **1.0** /5 | Terrain : **1.5** /5



A secure TB Hotel in the heart of Thamel, Kathmandu

The cache is located in the offices of 'Ecological Treks and Tours' in Thamel, Kathmandu. This company is run by friends of mine, and I have trekked with them twice in Nepal. They have agreed to keep the container in their office and to give it to anyone who shows up and asks for "geocache". This gives any visiting geocacher the opportunity to log a Nepal cache, and to leave or take TBs.

It is often difficult to obtain an accurate GPS reading in the narrow streets of Thamel. However, I took the reading at a relatively open intersection and received 10m accuracy.

Thamel locations do not have street addresses, but if you are able to navigate near to the posted location, you will be able to find the office. Look for the ETT signpost, or for that of the Tashi Delek restaurant, which is on the ground floor. Go in the door and then up the stairs, then turn right. Office hours are approximately 09:00 to 18:00. English is spoken by almost everyone, and one of the owners speaks both German and Korean.

Across the street is a Kodak Express, Map Center, and Four Seasons Restaurant, if you are still disoriented.

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😊06/19/2008: **PlanetOdyssey** (Found: 41)

took bug

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😊05/26/2008: **gajanes** (Found: 185)

Found this after wandering in circles because of poor GPS reception in the Thamel tourist district.

T: Koniglich Bayerische geocoin

L: the3defaus' Traveling GeoElement Geocoin

TFTC

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😊05/26/2008: **duck&cover** (Found: 114)

Last few hours in Kathmandu before returning to the UK, after an expedition to Baruntse. Didn't have time to check the missions of the TBs currently in residence, so left them where they were.

TFTC

Thamel TB Hotel [GC1353G]

Owner: **Webby962** | Hidden:  
**04/18/2007**

Type: **Earthcache** | Size: **Not  
chosen**

Difficulty: **5.0** /5 | Terrain : **5.0** /5

## **Rock Doctor #3 ABC**

N 28°31.877' E 083°52.639'

**[GC128RN]**



The Annapurna Conservation Area is a geological masterpiece.

You should now be stood at the epoch of orogenic (mountain building) geology. All round you are the peaks of the Annapurna range.

The world's largest mountains lie in the Himalayas (8 of 10 of them), reaching up over 8000 meters. They resulted from a collision of Indian Subcontinent and Eurasia about 40 million years ago. The northward movement of the Indian tectonic plate is still ongoing today, with a movement in the region of a few mm per year. This results in an area of stress build-up, causing landslips and earthquakes. It also means that the peaks are still rising, some as much as an eighth of an inch per year! But because this region is so young, and the peaks are so tall, erosion takes place faster here than any other mountain belt. From this location you can see glaciers carving down into the valley below, glacial moraine deposited like domes along the valley floor. The rivers you passed on the way up here, carving downwards rapidly, attempting to find isostatic equilibrium, carrying huge boulders in their powerful grip. The Rocks here are metamorphic, clearly showing bands of colour, twisted and curved, folded like hot toffee.

In order to claim this cache, you must have a photo taken with your GPS and the Glacier in the back ground. If the weather is so bad that the glacier is not visible, then a photo by the monument will do.

You must also answer these questions by sending me an email (do not post the answers in your log).

1. Machhapuchhre can be seen from here, and it has a very distinctive shape. What is the shape of this mountain (or its English name).
2. In what direction does the glacial incised valley run?

NOTE: This is a physically demanding trek, at altitude, in a potentially dangerous and geologically active environment.

😊04/07/2008: **einart** (Found: 732)  
Visited ABC. Picture will be added later.

😊01/07/2008: **ecpratt** (Found: 5)  
Amazing to see how vast the Glacier is in comparison to a person. I've uploaded a picture of myself and then a where's waldo of the glacier with 4 trekkers

😊01/05/2008: **Marmotte** (Found: 2834)  
Hey what a surprise, it seems we really got a FTF on Top of the World :D. Good opportunity to open a good bottle of Everest beer: Plop :P.  
We reached our lodge at M.B.C. on early afternoon, then we climbed up the last meters to the A.B.C. for some important pictures ;).  
Thanks a lot for that cache!  
Namaste  
Marmotte

Rock Doctor #3 ABC [GC128RN]



## Tilicho Lake - Pearl of Nepal

N 28°40.656' E 083°51.866'

[GCQZ8B]

Owner: **RaRoch** | Hidden:  
10/02/2005

Type: **Traditional Cache**

| Size: **Micro**

Difficulty: **1.0** /5 | Terrain :  
4.5 /5

Beautiful location, but difficult to reach, in case you do not use any aircraft, it takes You one week to get to the cache and one week to get back. It involves some major elevation gains. Although I did not check, I am sure this is one of the highest placed caches in the world (5027m/16493'), so learn more about high altitude sickness before You go, for example at:

<http://www.aafp.org/afp/980415ap/harris.html>

the cache is in one of the most beautiful areas in the world. You can fly to the town of Manang and from there it is a 2day walk in and a 2day walk out, but in this case you have to be extra careful about high altitude disease, because your elevation gain is much faster than if you walked from the bottom of the valley, which is the usual means to get to this place. No metter what sort of limited transportation options you choose, you will have to pay 2000nrs "conservation fee" to the Nepali government, because this is a national park, you might also have to pay 1200nrs to the Maoists, if you meet them(this year especially in the town of Ghorepani, which is at the bottom of the Mustang valley). From the cache site itself you can see a beautiful scenery of 6000 and 7000m mountains all around you, with,of course, the amazing blue brightness of the lake. Generally it is recomended to spent night at Tilicho Base Camp and hike up early in the morning (2.5hrs with light backpacks and good aclimatization, up to 5hrs. with heavy backpacks and/or poor aclimatization), when the weather conditions are best, but check with the locals before you go.

The cache itself is a small multivitamin tube placed in a clear/white plastic bag. The first one, please, take an extra plastic bag with You, so it is in two. I had two on me, but used the other one for trash I found around this beautiful place, which I think is a thing everyone could do. take another plastic bag and if you see any thrash up there or on your way up, please, do take it with you and dump it at the base camp, this way the mountains can stay beautiful for the others.

The signal is very strong at the top, so the GPS is very accurate, you should not have big problems finding the cache itself.

Inside: a logpaper, pen, 1 US cent, 2 Czech crowns

GOOD LUCK!

Small note on cache maintenance: Krishna Prasad Acharya and his fellow tour guides will act as cache guardians.

*Hint (Read from behind):*

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🗓️09/22/2007: **Lishac** (Found: 56)

We have reached Tilicho in nice sunny day. It was very beautiful, I consider this place the most beautiful of the whole trek. And the cache could be great award - one of the highest placed cache, so wonderful place, FTF and even founded by czech geocacher two years ago! But unfortunately, we weren't able to find it. Maybe it is lost, because we were searching on the right place and quite properly. It was the most miserable "didn't find" of my geocachers career... but the wonderful view of lake was a full satisfaction...

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🗓️10/19/2005: **erik88l-r** (Found: 2264)

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Tilicho Lake - Pearl of Nepal [GCQZ8B]



## Peace Cache

N 28°12.408' E 083°56.824'  
[GCNZQ2]

Owner: **geo(FF)cacher** | Hidden:  
**05/09/2005**

Type: **Traditional Cache** | Size: **Regular**  
Difficulty: **4.5** /5 | Terrain : **4.0** /5

Located in Pokhara on your way up to the Peace Pagoda. The cache is not far off a trail at an elevation of 833 meters.

This cache is not far off a trail, but is pretty well hidden, so look hard! The cache box is a medium sized plastic jar with an orange screw-on lid. In it are goodies for trekkers. Please leave a message in the notebook!

Small note on cache maintenance: This cache is being looked over by the Three Sisters Trekking Company in Lakeside, Pokhara, Nepal. They take many geocachers on trips through the area and will tell them the cache is nearby.

*Hint (Read from behind):*

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🤔05/27/2008: **PlanetOdyssey** (Found: 41)

T4TC

Left Coin

🤔04/10/2008: **einart** (Found: 732)

At election day, all transportation was closed down except canoing over the lake. Found it after some searching at the height in the hint, just hidden under some leaves. This is a filthy place in a steep sandy hillside, so the cache better be relocated to some nicer place. It was also wet and needs to be restored.

🤔04/06/2008: **shaka1** (Found: 37)

Tried to find this cache while staying in Lakeside Pokhara. Without any luck. Wonder if it is still there ???

Peace Cache [GCNZQ2]

 **Kathmandu - North by****Northwest!**

N 27°44.071' E 085°17.975'

**[GCN3KA]**Owner: **Minnesota Dave**| Hidden: **03/13/2005**Type: **Traditional Cache**| Size: **Small**Difficulty: **1.0** /5 | Terrain : **2.0**

/5



The cache hiding spot is in a tree just uphill from the pathway.

It is amazing that the one Asian city which has plenty of western tourists with backpacks and hiking boots and GPS units has had no geocache - until now that is!

Just step out of your hotel and follow the arrow on the GPS. You can always catch a cab if time is limited but beware prices have gone up on those. Otherwise the walk will take you through a nice forgettable part of ordinary Kathmandu, with the highlight en route being the not too romantic river. The cache spot is in a nice quiet scenic public area, but you must pay... brace yourself... five rupees to get in! That is approximately ten US cents. And another five for your camera.

The main challenge will not be finding it but doing so without muggles seeing you. They do not hang around this area, but the problem is they can come down the paths from either direction quite suddenly, and may see you there. So you need to keep a lookout when accessing and re-hiding the cache. It is better to go to this cache on a weekday; on weekends the park is more crowded.

*Hint (Read from behind):*

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 04/18/2008: **shaka1** (Found: 37)

Found the park and the bamboos quite easily. But with 2 weddings going on - the amount of muggers was huge. Kids thought it was more fun to watch us than joy in their own festivities.

Didn't find it so wonder if it was still there. Father was CONVINCED it was on the other side of the wall. But we didn't check that out.

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 03/25/2008: **jimafe** (Found: 6)

We found the Water garden easily and the bamboo trees but the hole where the cache was most likely hidden was empty. Jimafe

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 03/07/2008: **carp-on-tier** (Found: 58)

Now we - no, it was Vanessa - placed a small Cache at the given location.

We will see what happens.

Good luck !

Kathmandu - North by Northwest! [GCN3KA]



## Annapurna Base Camp

N 28°31.848' E 083°52.607'

[GCMBEQ]

Owner: **Damo & Agyllian** | Hidden:

12/02/2004

Type: **Virtual Cache** | Size: **Virtual**

Difficulty: **5.0** /5 | Terrain : **5.0** /5



An easy to find Virtual in the Himalayas. However it requires a 5 day walk to reach it, at the risk of Acute Altitude Sickness, avalanches, sunburn, and exhaustion!

This cache is in the middle of the Annapurna Conservation Area at the end of the "ABC", Annapurna Base Camp trek at an altitude of 4126m. It is in a valley surrounded by some of the highest mountains on earth.

This trek takes 8-10 days to complete and I would advise a reasonable level of fitness although Agyllian and I were able to complete it with only a little bit of complaining! (OK, maybe a lot from Agyllian.)

Good Trekking shoes and a warm sleeping bag required. Pokhara is the starting point for Trekking in this area and there is plenty of information available before you start out.

All that is required to log this cache, is to take a picture of yourself with the monument behind ABC. Write your log and post your picture once you get back to "Civilisation".

Google satellite photo of the area!

For a Google Earth waypoint click [HERE!](#) Don't forget to enable terrain.

Small note regarding this cache: I have been in touch via mail with the Nepalese guide I went trekking with to the site of this Virtual Cache. I told him about the sport while we were trekking and he agreed with me that there shouldn't be a physical cache allowed in the conservation area. (even bottles of water are not able to be purchased there because they cause a rubbish problem. Have to carry your own bottles to be refilled.) He did agree that if the Virtual is allowed he would watch the monument for me as he visits the site frequently during the trekking season and I am in contact with him via email. In the slim chance the monument was destroyed by an avalanche or there are accessibility problems he will notify me.

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😊05/26/2008: **Discovery Team** (Found: 311)

We log this cache as a back in time cache with permission of the owner - Damo. We were in Annapurna Base Camp few years before beginning of geocaching. We have reached A.B.C. on October the 2nd 1995 after a very long trip in the mountains. Some 200 kilometers during two weeks and this point was just before the end of our trekking. After visiting the A.B.C. we have returned back to Pokhara and then travelled to India. We spent in India and Nepal almost 2 months and the Himalaya trekking around Annapurnas was the best part of our travel. So, thanks for this cache in a beautiful place on the top of the world which I want to visit one more time in my life. P.S.: we slept one night in the Paradise Garden Hotel in A.B.C., does it still exist ?

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😊04/07/2008: **einart** (Found: 732)

Found the place 100m above ABC camp. It had been heavy snowing and we were stuck in MBC for a half day until other people made a track. In the afternoon it became clearer and we went up. Now back in Pokhara after 10m days trekking. Picture will be supplied later.

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😊01/07/2008: **ecpratt** (Found: 5)

Wonderful view of Annapurna range, Glacier and Fishtail. Forgot to take picture with monument in view, but had a wonderful fresh coat of snow to wake up to in the AM.

Annapurna Base Camp [GCMBEQ]



## Kala Pattar

N 27°59.475' E 086°49.800'

**[GCG58G]**

Owner: **Boxi** | Hidden: **05/23/2003**

Type: **Virtual Cache** | Size:

**Virtual**

Difficulty: **1.0** /5 | Terrain : **4.5** /5

### Kala Pattar (5545 meters)

On May 29, 1953, Edmund Hillary from New Zealand and Tenzing Norgay from Nepal became the first human beings to reach the top of Chomolungma (8848 meters) - called Mount Everest by the rest of the world.

This was about 50 years ago. In March 2001 we - Andi and me - did the 'Classic Everest Trek' from Jiri to Kala Pattar. This picture was taken a view hundred meters north of the summit of Kala Pattar. In the background you can see the Everest with its typical cloud.

To log this virtual cache you just have to enclose a similar picture to your posting. It should show you with the Everest in the background and if it is possible your GPS with your position. Maybe you could tell something about your hike, when you were there, how long it took you to get there, the route and so on.

Certainly I also accept all logs with pictures taken on the way from the basecamp to the summit of Mount Everest.

Enjoy your visit to beautiful Nepal.

Boxi

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😊05/25/2008: **globetrotter-dm** (Found: 14)

now only some photos

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😊05/24/2008: **gajanes** (Found: 185)

My son and I just returned from a fabulous trip to Nepal and trek to Everest Base Camp. On May 20, we hiked to Gorak Shep, then on to Everest Base Camp, and returned to Gorak Shep that evening. We left Gorak Shep on the morning of Wednesday, May 21 at 5:25 for the summit of Kala Patthar, which we reached at 7:37 AM, just after the sunrise came over the mountains to the east and bathed in the summit in the morning sunshine. We were very thankful for an absolutely gorgeous, crystal clear morning, with clouds just starting to creep up the valley from far below. This is a phenomenal place to visit. TFTC. [This entry was edited by gajanes on Monday, June 02, 2008 at 3:09:02 PM.]

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😊05/21/2008: **J Anderson** (Found: 1)

Made it to Kala Patthar at 7 am May 21st, 2008. Almost 2 hours from Gorak Shep. GAJANES was it you we met on the top?

Kala Pattar [GCG58G]

