

Artush Hut (2170m) – Kulikalon (2870m)

Distance: 6km

Ascent: 720m

Descent: 20m

Trail: moderate – clear trail

Accommodation

Camping

The grounds around Kulikalon Lakes are fantastic for camping. There are many spots to pitch your tent. You might want to pitch your tent on the south eastern end of the lake as the stream that drains into the inlet of the lake is cleaner than the lake itself. That said, do filter, purify or boil the water for consumption.

Stage 5 is a short one for two reasons. First, there is quite a jump in altitude, from 2170m to 2870m. This allows for better acclimatisation before tackling the Alaudin Pass in the next stage. Second, Kulikalon Lake is an absolutely brilliant place to camp with jaw dropping views of the main mountain massif of the Fann Mountains, Chimtarga. And in the summer there's a lot of summer settlements, a great way to see what pastoral life in this part of the world is about.