

HOW TO GET TO OSEL LING MONASTERY.

Information on prices etc is relevant in August 2017.

Osel Ling is situated on the top of a hill overlooking Swayambhu Stupa on the other side of the ring road from Swayambhu Stupa and Buddha Park.

The postal address is
Tergar Osel Ling Monastery
Chokkdhoh Heights
Swayambhu
Nagarjun 44600

<https://goo.gl/maps/dFhjc8CD6kt>

The general area is locally known as Sitapaila.

The monastery can be accessed by car and taxi but not by bus. There are also walking routes which will take around 20 to 30 minutes.

From the airport

Osel Ling is approximately a one hour journey from the Tribhuvan airport in Kathmandu. Taxi fares are approximately 1200 Nepalese rupees one way. Ask for Swayambhu Buddha Park and direct the driver to Karkhana Chowk just off the ring road. Osel Ling is well signposted but some drivers do not like to go up there, particularly in a full car because the road is very steep and uneven in places. Telephone numbers of taxi drivers who know how to get to Osel Ling are listed along with a map of directions from the ring road.

From Swayambhu

Taxis: A number of taxis wait at the ring road end of Karkhana Chowk. Most know Osel Ling and are generally happy to take no more than two people in older cars but the newer models can take more. The drivers will advise. The cost is 300 NPR per taxi. While the road to Tergar is well signposted, drivers sometimes take the turning to Lekshe Ling. Make sure you are clear that you want to go all the way to the top!!!

Walking: There are two routes. You can walk from the Nunnery directly opposite Buddha Park (shorter and steeper but well signposted) and there are many steps to climb. You can also walk from Karkhana Chowk via Lekshe Ling Monastery which is a gentler but longer climb. Walking routes are appended.

From Boudha

Buses These are generally mini buses and can get quite crowded. Fares are no more than 30 Nepalese rupees one way. Wait at the opposite side of the road from Boudha Gate and ask for Swayambhu. You will be dropped off at Buddha Park on the ring road. Karkhana Chowk and the nunnery are just opposite, Karkhana Chowk is the road to the left and the Nunnery

directly opposite. From here, you can either walk or take a taxi to Osel Ling.. Buses will take you back to Boudha from the ring road at the Nunnery opposite Buddha Park.

Taxis: Many taxis are available around Boudha Gate and drivers need clear directions to get to Osel Ling from Swayambhu and Karkhana Chowk. Fares vary, from 800 npr but over 1000 is excessive.

From Thamel

Buses These are generally crowded minibuses. Fares are no more than 20 nepalese rupees one way. You can pick up a minibus to Swayambhu at a number of points on the main road in and out of Thamel. For the return journey, buses generally wait just off the ring road to the right of Buddha Park (facing it).

Taxis There are many taxis in Thamel but again drivers need clear directions to get to Osel Ling from Swayambhu. Fares vary from 600 nprs to 800 nprs.

TAXI DRIVERS RECOMMENDED BY PARTICIPANTS

If calling from outside Nepal international dialling code is +977

Krishna: 984 144 6423

Jita: 986 023 8662

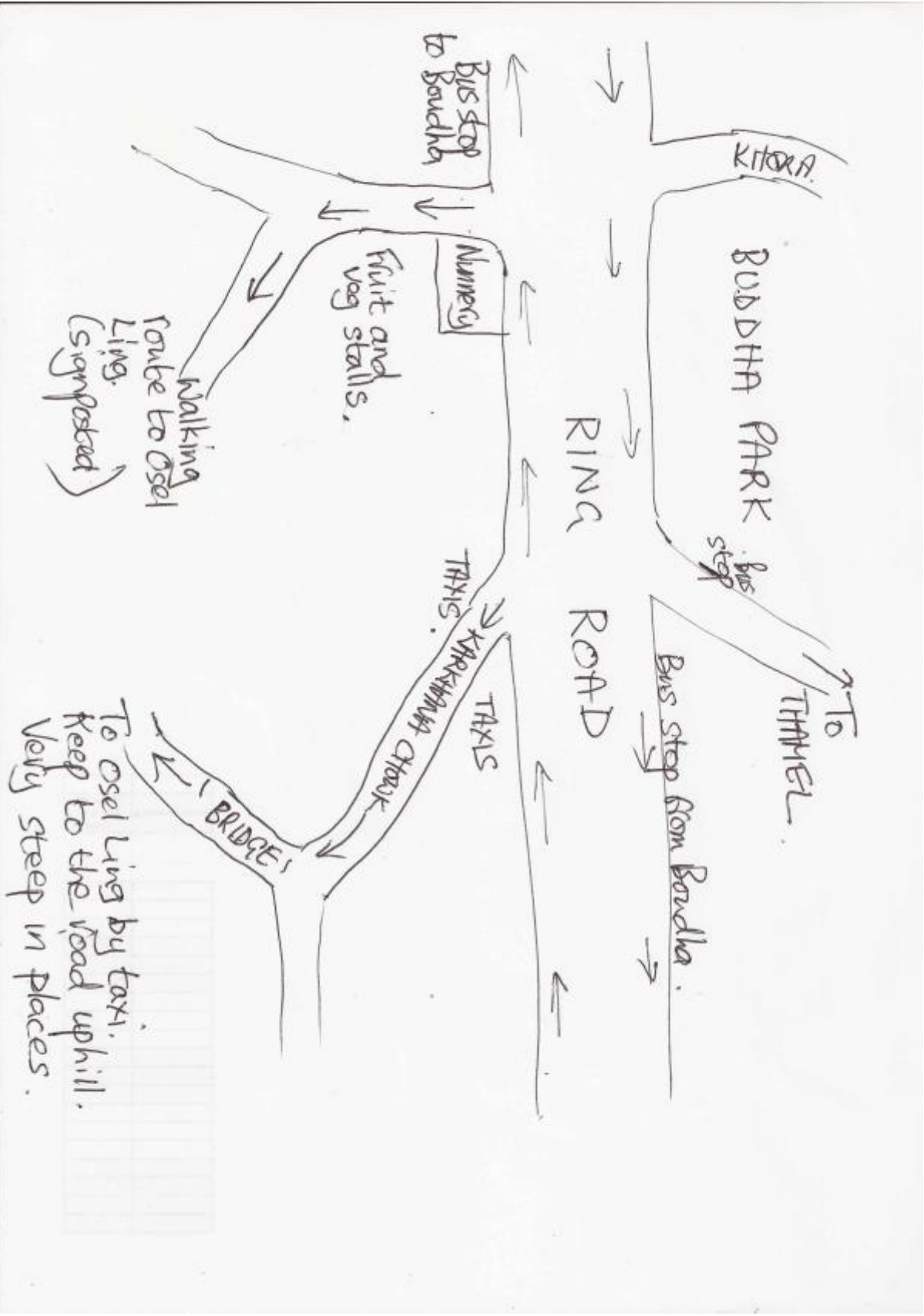
Vishnu: [980 300 9378](tel:9803009378)

Tikki: [984 292 2704](tel:9842922704)

Rajesh Lama: [984 332 4750](tel:9843324750)

Haku: [980 812 5328](tel:9808125328)

Tsundru [981-355-2665](tel:981-355-2665)



Bus stop to Boudha
 Nuning
 fruit and veg stalls.
 Walking route to Osel Ling. (signposted)

To Osel Ling by taxi.
 Keep to the road uphill.
 Very steep in places.