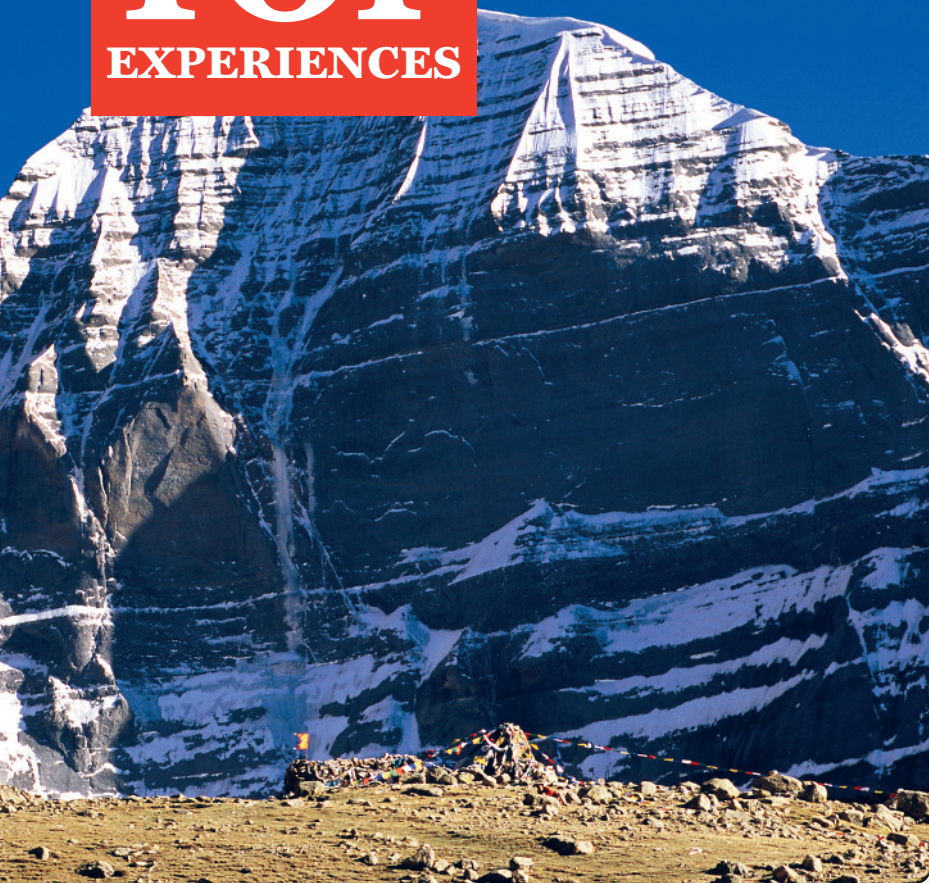


20 TOP EXPERIENCES



Mt Kailash, Western Tibet

1 Worshipped by more than a billion Buddhists and Hindus, Asia's most sacred mountain (p175) rises from the Barkha plain like a giant four-sided 6714m chörten. Throw in the stunning nearby Lake Manasarovar and a basin that forms the source of four of Asia's greatest rivers, and who's to say this place really isn't the centre of the world? Travel here to one of the world's most beautiful and remote corners brings an added bonus: the three-day pilgrim path around the mountain erases the sins of a lifetime.

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