

Bengaluru 2-Day Itinerary

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Fun Facts

City of Lakes

Home to over 25 lakes, Madiwala, Hebbal, and Ulsoor lakes being the popular ones.

Birthplace of the Rava Idli

During WWII, there was a shortage of rice, leading to a search for an alternative.

Pub Capital of India

The city is known for its happening nightlife and is home to 800 pubs & nightclubs.

Bengaluru, the capital of Karnataka, also known as the "Silicon Valley of India," is more than just its thriving IT industry and lively nightlife. The city also offers a tranquil, vibrant side waiting to be discovered.





Day 1

Bengaluru Palace

A magnificent piece of architecture that embodies the former grandeur of royalty. It was purchased in 1873 by Chamarajendra Wadiyar's British guardians from Rev. J. Garret and boasts a stunning Tudorstule design.



- Timings: Tue to Sun, 10 AM to 5:30 PM (Monday Closed)
- Average time to explore: 2 to 3 hours
- **Entry**: ₹230 (Adult)

Measuring 45,000 square feet, it blends Tudor and Scottish Gothic styles, featuring a wooden structure with intricate carvings, showcasing royal heritage.

Best way to reach: Cab

Mavalli Tiffin Room

MTR is a South Indian restaurant chain established in 1924, renowned for inventing Rava idli and dosa. With a simple and traditional ambiance, it is considered one of the best venues to experience authentic South Indian cuisine.

- Timings: Tue to Sun, 6:30 to 11 AM | 12:30 to 8:30 PM (Monday Closed)
- Average wait time: 30 mins
- Cost: ₹250 (Unlimited servings for Thali)

Best way to reach: Cab







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Lalbagh Botanical Garden

Established in the late 1800s, is one of the oldest in India and renowned globally. With over 1,800 species of plants and trees, including rare and exotic varieties, it is a haven of greenery and tranquility in the midst of a bustling city. Visitors must visit the impressive glasshouse and Kempegowda Tower. The garden offers a peaceful retreat for nature enthusiasts and is an oasis of serenity.

- **Timings**: Mon to Sun, 6 AM to 7 PM
- Average time to explore: 2 to 3 hours
- Entry: ₹25 (Adult)

Best way to reach: 7 mins walk from MTR

Day 2

Cubbon Park

Known as the "Lung", Cubbon Park is a sprawling public park established in the late 1800s. This 300 acres park is known for its well-manicured lawns, serene lakes, and diverse range of flora and fauna. It is also home to several historic monuments, including the State Library and the Sheshadri lyer Memorial Hall.

- Timings: Tue to Sun, 10 AM to 5:30 PM (Monday Closed)
- Average time to explore: 1 to 2 hours
- Entry: ₹230 (Adult)

Best way to reach: Cab



Vidhana Soudha

Vidhana Soudha, the legislative assembly building of the Indian state of Karnataka, is a highly recognizable and popular tourist destination. Its unique Indo-Saracenic style, built in the 1950s, makes it stand out. As one of the largest legislative buildings in India, it represents the ideals of democracy and good governance in Karnataka.

- Timings: Mon to Fri, 9 AM to 5 PM (Weekend Closed)
- Average time to explore: 1 to 2 hours
- Entry: Free

Best way to reach (from Cubbon Park): 7-10 mins walk

Tipu Sultan Summer Palace

Built in the late 18th century, showcases the beauty of Indo-Islamic architecture with its teak wood construction and intricate carvings.

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Its elegant arches and stunning design make it a picturesque landmark. Learn about local culture and history through the museum dedicated to the legendary warrior king Tipu Sultan and his kingdom of Mysore.

- Timings: Mon to Sun, 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM
- Average time to explore: 1 to 2 hours
- Entry: ₹15 (Adult)

Best way to reach (from Vidhana Soudha) : Metro (KR Market)

ISKCON Temple

Established in 1997, the temple boasts intricate architecture and stunning shrines. With its peaceful atmosphere, the temple provides a sanctuary for rejuvenation and reflection.

- **Shrine Timings**: Mon to Fri, 4:15pm to 8:00pm
- Average time to explore: 30 mins to 1 hour
- Entry: Free

Best way to reach (from Summer Palace): Metro (Mahalakshmi)

Day trip worthy

Nandi Hills

- 61 km (1 hr 40 minutes)
- Easy trek, Hill top view and Historic ruins



Kokkare Bellur Bird Sanctuary

- 87 km (1 hr 40 minutes)
- Bird watching, scenic and wild Pelicans

Must-visit Restaurants & Pubs

Toit Brewpub

Recommended: Beer, Nachos & Lemon Chicken

Drunkling Sizzlers & Pub

Recommended: Sangria, Sizzlers & Caramel Custard

Echoes

Recommended: Momos, Nachos & Green apple Mojitos

KAARA By The Lake

Recommended: Coffee, Risotto & Key lime pie







How to Enjoy Bengaluru to the Most

Bengaluru is a bustling metropolis that can be quite overwhelming at times, but don't let that stress you out!

Our advice is to slow down and savor the sights along the way. Take a leisurely walk through a park, or unwind with a delicious cup of filter coffee at a lakeside café. Trust us, you won't regret taking a moment to relax and soak in the citu's charm.

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