

## SHRI VAISHNO DEVI TEMPLE

### Katra, Jammu and Kashmir, India

Goddess

Mata Vaishno Devi is the main deity of this temple, who is an incarnation of Goddess Shakti. Here Goddess is in the form of a five and half feet tall rock with three Pindies or heads. The holy Shrine of Mata Vaishno Devi Ji is unique as it contains the holiest of holy Pindis manifesting Mata in her three forms i.e. Maha Kali, Maha Lakshmi, Maha Saraswati. Each form represents a particular attribute.

#### Interesting Facts

It is said that a stream of Ganga flows through the cave. The devotees wash themselves with this water before heading to the temple.

It is believed that the late Sikh Guru, Guru Gobind Singh himself visited Vaishno Devi in his lifetime.

#### Best Season To Visit

The best season to visit the temple is Summer season. The best months to visit are May to July and September to October.

#### Weather

Highest - April to June (21°C during day and 19°C during night)Average - May (24°C during the day and 20°C during night)Lowest - December to February (14°C during day and 8°C during night)Monsoon season - August to October

#### Dress Code

For men the dress code is Shirt & Trouser, Dhoti or Pyjamas with upper cloth.

For women the preferred dress code is saree or half-saree with blouse or chudidhar with pyjama and upper cloth.

Shorts, mini-skirts, middies, sleeveless tops, low-waist jeans and short-length T-shirts are not allowed.

The weather is cold throughout the year. Rainfalls and snowfalls often occur there. one should wear proper winter clothes with mufflers and gloves. An umbrella is also a must to carry.

### Do's & Dont's

Do bathe and wear clean clothes before you enter the temple.

Do respect ancient customs and co-pilgrims while at temple.

Smoking and drinking is prohibited in this temple.

Chewing betel leaves, tobacco, gutka and spitting inside temple is strictly prohibited.

transport connections

Name  
Distance  
Contact Number

Katra Bus Stand

14.9 KM  
0191-2577475

Katra Railway Station

16 KM  
139

Katra Helipad  
17.5 KM  
1991-233135

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