

## **BALLIGAVI KEDARESHVARA TEMPLE**

**Balligavi, Shimoga, Karnataka, India**

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### **Best Season To Visit**

The best season to visit this temple is Winter season. The best months to visit are September to February.

### **Weather**

Highest - April to June (38°C during day and 26°C during night)  
Average - May (37°C during the day and 21°C during night)  
Lowest - October to February (27°C during day and 18°C during night)  
Monsoon season - August to September

### **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.

These rules are applicable for foreigners also. Shorts, mini-skirts, middies, sleeveless tops, low-waist jeans and short-length T-shirts are not allowed.

Pilgrims/visitors will not be allowed inside the temple if dress code is not followed.

## 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 is strictly prohibited inside the temple premises.

## transport connections

Name

Distance

Contact Number

Shiralkoppa Bus Stand

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9449596666

Adderi Railway Station

34.2 KM

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Shivamogga Airport

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