

Your 3-day itinerary for Kolkata, the "City of Joy," is designed to immerse you in its rich culture, history, and vibrant modern life.

Kolkata: 3-Day Itinerary

Travel Dates: August 24-26, 2025

Weather Summary (August 24-26, 2025)

Expect warm and humid weather with an average temperature ranging from **27.4°C to 28.9°C**. The forecast indicates **patchy rain nearby** for all three days, so it's advisable to carry an umbrella or light raincoat.

Practical Tips for your Kolkata Trip:

- * **Clothing:** Pack light, breathable cotton clothing to stay comfortable in the humid weather.
- * **Footwear:** Comfortable walking shoes are a must, especially as you'll be exploring many sites on foot.
- * **Hydration:** Drink plenty of water to stay hydrated. Carry a reusable water bottle.
- * **Transportation:** Kolkata has an extensive public transport network including the Metro, local trains, buses, trams, taxis, and auto-rickshaws. App-based cab services like Uber and Ola are also widely available and convenient.
- * **Currency:** The local currency is the Indian Rupee (INR). The exchange rate is approximately **1 USD = 87.33 INR**.
- * **Safety:** Be aware of your surroundings, especially in crowded areas. Keep your belongings secure

Accommodation Suggestion:

For a central location with good connectivity to many attractions, consider:

- * **The Oberoi Grand** (15, Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Kolkata) High-end option.
- * **BAWA WALSON SPA O'TEL** (5-A Sudder Street, Kolkata) Mid-range option, close to major areas.
- * **JAMESON INN SHIRAZ** (56 Park Street, Kolkata) Mid-range, located on a popular street.

Day 1: Colonial Grandeur & Cultural Immersion

- **Morning (9:00 AM 1:00 PM): Victoria Memorial & Maidan**
- * Begin your day at the majestic **Victoria Memorial** (Rating: 4.6). This iconic white marble monument is a symbol of Kolkata's colonial past, housing a museum with a vast collection of artifacts. Allow ample time to explore the architecture and the surrounding gardens.

- * Afterwards, take a leisurely stroll through the **Maidan**, Kolkata's large urban park that surrounds the Victoria Memorial.
- * **Transport Note:** Reachable by taxi/cab.
- **Lunch (1:00 PM 2:30 PM): Park Street Delights**
- * Head to the famous Park Street area, known for its diverse culinary scene.
- * **Food Spot:** Consider **Hard Rock Cafe Kolkata** (Rating: 4.4, Price Level: 3) for a lively atmosphere and international menu, or explore numerous other restaurants offering local and global cuisines.
- * **Transport Note:** Park Street is a short ride from Victoria Memorial.
- **Afternoon (2:30 PM 5:30 PM): Birla Industrial & Technological Museum**
- * Visit the **Birla Industrial & Technological Museum** (Rating: 4.6), a pioneer in India's science museum movement. It offers interactive exhibits across various scientific disciplines, perfect for both adults and children.
- * **Transport Note:** The museum is reasonably close to Park Street.
- **Evening (6:00 PM onwards): Relaxation at Mohar Kunja & Local Dinner**
- * Enjoy a relaxing evening at **Mohar Kunja** (Rating: 4.4), a beautiful park with musical fountains, perfect for unwinding after a day of sightseeing.
- * **Dinner:** Explore local eateries around your accommodation or Park Street for authentic Bengali cuisine.
- * **Transport Note:** Mohar Kunja is also in the central area.

Day 2: Modern Marvels & Eco Adventures

- **Morning (10:00 AM 1:30 PM): Science City Exploration**
- * Dedicate your morning to **Science City** (Rating: 4.4), one of the largest science centers in Asia.
- * Explore its various sections like the **Science Exploration Hall** (Rating: 4.3) and **Dynamotion Hall** (Rating: 4.4), which offer engaging and educational experiences through interactive exhibits, a space theatre, and an Earth exploration hall.
- * **Transport Note:** Science City is located on the Eastern Metropolitan Bypass, a bit further east from central Kolkata, easily accessible by taxi/cab.
- **Lunch (1:30 PM 2:30 PM): Quick Bite near Science City**
- * **Food Spot:** Grab a quick and convenient lunch at the cafes or food stalls available within Science City or in the vicinity.
- **Afternoon (2:30 PM 6:00 PM): Eco Park & its Wonders**
- * Head to **Eco Park** (Rating: 4.5), a massive urban park with diverse themed zones.
- * Explore highlights like the **7 Wonders Eco Park** (Rating: 4.6), which features replicas of the world's seven wonders, and the serene **Japanese Forest** (Rating: 4.5). You can also enjoy boating or simply relax by the lake.

- * **Food Spot:** If you need a snack, **Nature's Café** (Rating: 4.2, Price Level: 2) is located within the park.
- * **Transport Note:** Eco Park is in Newtown, relatively close to Science City.
- **Evening (6:30 PM onwards): Rabindra Tirtha & Newtown Dining**
- * Visit **Rabindra Tirtha** (Rating: 4.5), a cultural complex dedicated to Rabindranath Tagore, featuring an exhibition, an archive, and a performance hall.
- * **Dinner:** Enjoy dinner at one of the many modern restaurants in the Newtown area.
- * **Transport Note:** Rabindra Tirtha is also in Newtown.

Day 3: Serenity, Local Life & Departure Prep

- **Morning (9:30 AM 12:30 PM): Green Spaces & Birding**
- * Choose a tranquil green space for your final morning.
- * Option 1: **Nature Park** (Rating: 4.0) or **Parnashree Vivekananda Kanan** (Rating: 4.4) for a peaceful start to the day.
- * Option 2: If you have an interest in nature and wildlife, explore **Birding 365** (Rating: 4.9) for local birdwatching opportunities (check specific opening hours and activities).
- * **Transport Note:** These parks are located in different parts of South/West Kolkata, plan your transport accordingly.
- **Lunch (12:30 PM 2:00 PM): Local Flavors**
- * **Food Spot:** Seek out a highly-rated local restaurant for an authentic Bengali meal, perhaps trying street food like Kathi Rolls or puchka (panipuri) from a reputable vendor.
- **Afternoon (2:00 PM 5:00 PM): Leisure or Cultural Deep Dive**
- * **Option 1 (Relaxation):** Consider a spa session at **House of Pepe** (Rating: 4.8) if you wish to unwind and rejuvenate.
- * **Option 2 (Culture):** If you're interested in art and culture, check for any ongoing exhibitions or events at the **Indian Council For Cultural Relations** (Rating: 4.6).
- * **Transport Note:** House of Pepe is in Minto Park, and ICCR is on Ho Chi Minh Sarani, both relatively central.
- **Evening (5:30 PM onwards): Last Minute Souvenirs & Farewell Dinner**
- * Spend your last hours picking up souvenirs from local markets.
- * Enjoy a farewell dinner at a restaurant of your choice, savoring the last tastes of Kolkata.

Budget Remarks (Rough Estimates per person per day):

- * **Food:** Approximately **INR 1750 (USD 20)** per day, assuming a mix of casual dining and one nicer meal. This can be significantly reduced by opting for more local street food.
- * **Activities:** Variable, but budget around **INR 500-1000** for entry tickets to museums and parks.

* **Transportation:** Approximately **INR 500-800** per day, depending on usage of taxis/cabs vs. public transport.

Total Estimated Daily Budget (excluding accommodation & flights): INR 2750 - 3550 (approx. USD 31 - 41)

Enjoy your trip to Kolkata!