The **Mangaladevi Temple** is a [Hindu](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hindu) temple at [Bolara](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bolar_(Location)" \o "Bolar (Location)) in the city of [Mangalore](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mangalore) in the [South Indian](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_India) state of [Karnataka](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Karnataka), situated about three km southwest of the city centre. The temple is dedicated to Hindu god [Shakti](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shakti" \o "Shakti) in the form of [Mangaladevi](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mangaladevi" \o "Mangaladevi). The city of Mangalore is named after the presiding deity, Mangaladevi. The temple is of significant antiquity and is believed to have been built during the 9th century by Kundavarman, the most famous king of the [Alupa dynasty](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alupa_dynasty" \o "Alupa dynasty) during the 9th century under the aegies of [Matsyendranath](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Matsyendranath" \o "Matsyendranath). As per another legend, the temple is believed to have been built by [Parashurama](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Parashurama" \o "Parashurama), one of the ten [avatars](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Avatar) of Hindu god [Vishnu](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vishnu) and later expanded by Kundavarman.