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## About Yercaud

Yercaud, a Jewel of the south is a paradise spread on the Shevaroy Hills of Tamil Nadu, is a hill station in the Eastern Ghats which is located about 4,970 feet above sea level in the northern region of Tamil Nadu. Yercaud is surrounded by abundant trees & plants which obscure the sun which is located near Yercaud Lake, thus the locals started calling as Yeri-Kaadu, meaning "Lake Forest" and later the name was changed to Yercaud.

Nestled amidst this beautiful setting of Shevaroy Hills, you'll come across Shevaroy's Resort, Yercaud. It is known for its orchards of pears and oranges trees and acres of coffee and spice plantations.

There is also a reserve forest, which has the woods and wildlife in the original unexploited state. The forests of Yercaud have an abundance of royal woods like sandal, teak and silver oaks. From wild animals like bison, deer, foxes, mongooses, snakes, squirrels to birds like bulbuls, kites, sparrows and swallows can be found in these forests.

Though Yercaud is a hill station, it never gets extreme temperatures which making it easier for the tourists to enjoy the beauty of nature at any time of the year. Apart from sightseeing, tourists can enjoy trekking around Yercaud, and if visiting during the month of May the Summer Festival is a must see which is spectacle with local fairs, boat races, flower blooms and dog shows.

It is located at a distance of about 30 kms from Salem and 195 kms from Coimbatore. The closest airport is 40 kms Tiruchirappalli International Airport, Bangalore 228 kms, Chennai 365 kms away. In Yercaud the average temperature swings between 11°C to 29°C.







South India is littered with hundreds of exotic tourist destinations. And a lot of them are located along the wide span of the Ghats. Yercaud in Kerala's Salem district is one such place overloaded with nature's awesomeness. Consider the top activities and some of the fascinating places to visit in Yercaud and you are in for an exciting treat.

Look beyond the cliched images of South India, there is a stunning world of Yercaud awaiting you in its calm and cozy unspoiled surroundings. The plantation of spice, coffee, and orange make Yercaud a travelers' dream destination in Tamil Nadu in South India. There are quite a few activities and places to visit that you might want to check out!

## How To Reach Yercaud?

Danishpet (DSPT) Railway Station is the nearest station to Yercaud. Though, Salem (SA) Railway Station is the main terminus 22 km nearby Yercaud. The Salem Airport is 38 km from Yercaud; hence it is the neighboring one as well. You can also opt for Tiruchirappalli International Airport as it is 168 km from Yercaud.

Buses are obtainable from most neighboring towns and cities to Yercaud. If you are willing to self-drive through the 32 km loop road; it would be fun.

- By Air- Yercaud itself does not have an airport, due to its remote location within the state of Tamil Nadu. It is, however, fairly close to a few airports that

boast a decent level of connectivity. Yercaud's nearest airport is the Salem Airport, situated about 38 km from Yercaud itself, while the second closest is in Trichirapalli or Trichy, some 165 km away.

While Salem Airport only has flights to and from Chennai, the airport in Trichy offers quite a few more options both nationally and internationally, such as Bangalore, Colombo and Kuala Lumpur. It would take a little over an hour to make your way to it from the airport in Salem, while it may take as long as 4 hours to reach Yercaud from Trichy airport. There are plenty of cabs available from the airports themselves, however, so it should be a largely painless process.

- By Train- Once again, Salem functions as a hub

for those looking to make their way over to Yercaud. There is no direct train that connects to Yercaud due to its lack of a railway station, but Salem Junction is the nearest railway station to Yercaud which is only 35 km away from here. Additionally, Salem Junction is part of a vast network of trains, a lot of which run on a daily basis, connecting Yercaud to cities all over the country. Trains going to or coming from Mumbai, Coimbatore, Thiruvananthapuram, Chennai, Mangalore, Mysore and so many other cities have a stop at Salem Junction on their route, giving you plenty of options in terms of how to reach Yercaud.

- By Road- Quite a few of the major cities of Tamil Nadu and its neighbouring states are connected to Yercaud via a robust system of road. Salem once again is the closest town to Yercaud, standing at around 36 km and more likely than not, you may have to pass through it when making your way to Yercaud from further away. Coimbatore is approximately 195 km away, Chennai is approximately 355 km away and Bangalore is about 220 km away, while places like Trichy, Madurai and Mettur are within 80 to 280 km from it. All in all, Yercaud boasts a decent level of road connectivity, with a number of buses and taxis available to take you to it. Should you choose to make the trip over yourself, with your own two or four-wheeler, the scenery that will accompany you on

this winding route is quite a treat.

## Best time to visit Yercaud places

The best time to visit Yercaud is from October to June because of the cool weather. However, Yercaud provides serene surroundings and breathtaking views all year long.

Yercaud is an esteemed tourist destination for its rich nature and pleasant climate. Though the weather remains favourable to visit throughout the year yet, summer is reckoned to be the ideal season to visit the town. However, touring Yercaud in winter is another good option as the town, during this time, too witnesses favourable weather.

**SUMMER**- Summer is the best season to explore Yercaud. The month of March signifies the start of summer season in Yercaud and the weather remains relatively cool with the maximum temperature of 29°C. The season ends in May.

**MONSOON**- Yercaud experiences the monsoon season from June to September and receives moderate rainfall. During these months, Yercaud glows with lush greenery along with fresh ambiance. One can also visit the place during this season after checking the weather forecast of the town.

**WINTER**- Another best season to visit, winter experiences pleasant and favourable weather to

explore the town with the temperature ranging from 13°C to 25°C. The month of November is the onset of the winter season in Yercaud which lasts until February.

## History of Yercaud

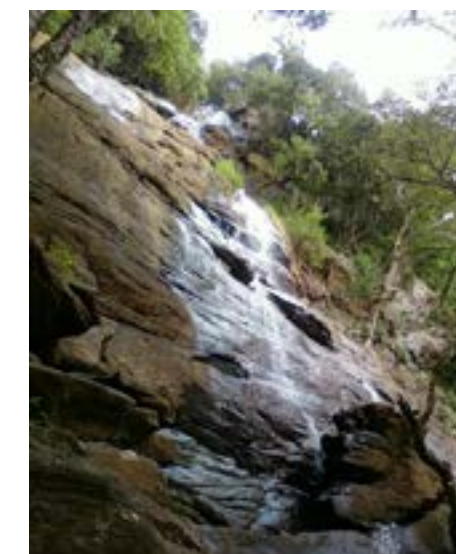
- It was proven that history of Yercaud originated from ancient period by the Stone Age implement founded in ancient temple located at 5km from Yercaud

- In 1842, Sir Thomas Munroe governor of Madras Presidency identified this place

- During the period of 1820 and 1829, Salem district collector David Cockburn has developed this place. He was called "Father of Yercaud".

- David Cockburn developed Yercaud by cultivating crops like Tea, Coffee, Pears and Apple.

- The pleasant weather attracted many tourists and outsiders from all over the world. Also the suitable weather condition gave way for starting up schools by Christian missionaries.





# 16 Best Places to visit in Yercaud and things to do

Yercaud is one of the best places to visit for those who enjoy the outdoors, trekking, and adventure because of its clean and unspoilt natural beauty. Located in the state of Tamil Nadu, Yercaud is a hill station town. It is situated in the Shevaroy Hills, which are well-known for its orange trees, coffee, and spices. Kurinji flowers are another local speciality.

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## Yercaud Lake / Emerald Lake

Yercaud Lake, also known as Emerald Lake, is a vast natural lake which is surrounded by sky-touching hills, and lush green gardens on its banks. Unquestionably, Yercaud Lake is among the top sites to visit in Yercaud since it offers breath-taking, panoramic views. The lake has a floating fountain and the best boating facility is available in Yercaud because of the beautiful features and attractive surroundings.

This area, which is in the centre of Yercaud, is well-known for its stores and restaurants that provide the authentic taste of Tamil Nadu. As a result, Yercaud Lake is also becoming a popular gastronomic destination.

At a distance of 1 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, Big Lake or Yercaud Lake is a natural lake situated in the town of Yercaud in Tamilnadu state. Popularly known as Emerald Lake, this lake is the only natural lake among all the hill station lakes in South India and also one of the top Yercaud places to visit.

Flanked by lofty hills and natural shoals, the Emerald Lake is a wonderful site and looks stunning with a beautiful garden along its banks. There is a floating fountain in the lake which increases the appeal of the garden. Tourists can also enjoy boating facilities at the lake as part of Yercaud packages. Tamil Nadu Tourism Department manages the boathouse. Visitors have to pay a caution deposit for boats. The 20 minutes boat ride in the cool waters is a memorable experience.

The Deer Park and Leisure Park located on the banks of the Big Lake also attract many tourists to enjoy some peaceful moments in serenity. There are 3 deers, some swans, peacocks, and hamsters in cages in the Deer Park. It will be closed by 5 pm.

*Boating Timings: 8. 30 AM to 5. 30 PM*

*Motor Boat: Rs. 70 for 2 seating & Rs. 95 for 4 seating*

*Row Boat: Rs. 75 for 3 seating & Rs. 100 for 5 seating*





## Lady's Seat

A stunning view of Salem town and Mettur Dam can be seen from Lady's Seat, which overlooks the twisting ghat road. Lady's Seat is a rock that has been shaped into a seat. This Lady's Seat, which offers amazing views of the cloud, and surrounding vegetation, used to be one of the favourite hangouts for British women who lived in Yercaud. Moreover, the location has a viewing tower with a telescope so visitors can enjoy the scenic beauty.

At a distance of 2 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, Lady's Seat is a cluster of rocks in the form of a seat on the South West of Shevaroy hills in Yercaud town of Tamil Nadu state. The Lady's Seat is one of the prime attractions of Yercaud.

The Lady's Seat has derived its name from a set of rocks made naturally. The natives believe that a white English lady used to spend the evenings watching the panoramic view from this rock. The viewpoint offers panoramic views of Salem

town and Ghat Road. It is a nice place to watch the sunset.

There is a watch tower equipped with telescope so as to enjoy the beautiful view of Mettur Dam and Salem town. This viewing tower is open for visitors only during the day time. On the right of Lady's Seat are Sterling Resorts, Gent's Seat and Children's Seat. There is a mini park and it is a breath taking spot for a picnic. The view from Lady's Seat is more spectacular at night with thousands of light twinkling in Salem town.

It is a very pleasant place and visitors can either travel to Lady's Seat by a private vehicle or just walk their way to the place. Though the place is well-connected via all means of local transportation, walking will enhance your trip. It is a must visit place for nature lovers.

*Timings: 7 AM - 7 PM*



## Rose Garden

Rose Garden and Silk Farm are located a short distance from the Lady's seat. Your vacation to Yercaud will be magical because of the vibrant rose garden. The various kinds of flowers, their fragrant glee, and the sights of the garden provide a wonderful experience.

For aspiring and experienced horticulture aficionados alike, the garden is one of the most ideal Yercaud places to visit. For young people, especially history enthusiasts who are interested in learning more about Tamil Nadu, a trip to the silk farm is guaranteed to be a wonderful and interesting experience. Visitors can view the life cycle of the silkworm and how silk is spun.

At a distance of 2 km from Yercaud Bus Stand and 3 km from Yercaud Lake, the Rose Garden is situated on Lady's Seat road in Yercaud. Maintained by southern circle of Botanical Survey of India, Rose Garden is one of the top attractions in Yercaud.

Housing various exotic species of flowers and plants, the Garden is a major places to visit in Yercaud. The Rose Garden is divided in to different sections like foliage garden, topiary garden, bonsai garden, butterfly garden, herbal garden, rock

garden, water garden and sensory garden. It is a must visit place for all nature lovers as one can come across the most beautiful, colorful and rare variety of plants.

The garden houses the Orchidarium and the green house. There are 3000 trees and 1800 shrubs grown in Orchidarium. The Orchidarium is home to about 30 endangered species of orchids. It has a large collection of native orchids. A rare tree Shevaroy's Bombax which was reported on one of the private estates has also been identified and multiplied in this farm.

Apart from orchids, there is also an amazing range of rare plants and flowers in the garden. Many endangered species of plants are also preserved here. Yercaud is also famous for the beautiful Kurinji flower that blooms once in every twelve years and the Botanical Garden houses plenty of these flowers along with lady's slipper orchid and vernonia shevaroyensis.

*Timings: 8 AM - 6 PM*

*Entry Fee: Rs. 15 for Adults*



## Pagoda Point

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At a distance of 4.5 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, Pagoda Point is a viewpoint located on the eastern part of Yercaud Hills.

Also known as Pyramid Point, the place has got its name due to the presence of four piles of stones that have been arranged in

the shape of a pyramid which resembles the temple towers and is said to be built by the local tribes. Away from the bustling life of Yercaud, the Pagoda Point is the perfect getaway to embrace the mind with solace and tranquility.

There is a Sri Rama Temple situated near the Pagodas which is an important pilgrimage site for local people and tribes. Apart from attracting the devotees, Pagoda Point is also known for the heavenly beauty and wonderful surroundings, where one can relax and enjoy the beauty of the nature. The Pagoda Point offers amazing sunrise and sunset views.

Tourists can enjoy beautiful views of the town of Salem along with Kakambadi village. It is advised to visit the place in the morning or evening time, as the weather is pleasant with an extremely peaceful ambience.

*Timings: 7 AM - 7 PM*



## Kiliyur Falls

A well-liked tourist destination close to Salem, the Kiliyur Falls plunge from 300 feet to the ground. These waterfalls are a part of the Eastern Ghats Servarayan hill range. You can also explore swimming and boating opportunities nearby. It offers a beautiful and soothing experience. During the monsoon season, the water levels are at their highest.

Monsoon is the ideal time to visit Kiliyur Waterfalls to experience its spectacular view. However, because the area will become slippery, tread cautiously.

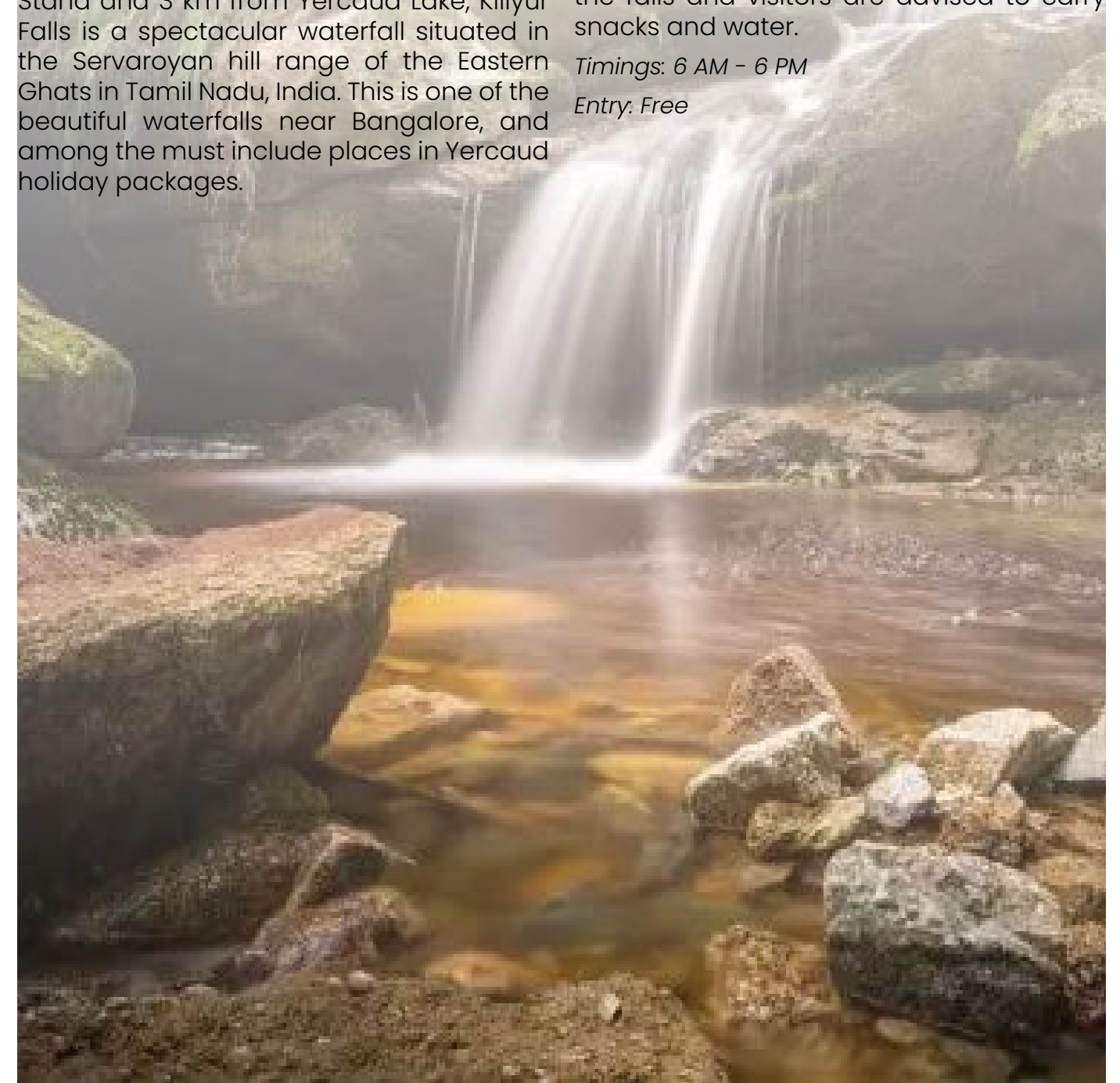
At a distance of 4 km from Yercaud Bus Stand and 3 km from Yercaud Lake, Kiliyur Falls is a spectacular waterfall situated in the Servaroyan hill range of the Eastern Ghats in Tamil Nadu, India. This is one of the beautiful waterfalls near Bangalore, and among the must include places in Yercaud holiday packages.

Kiliyur Falls is formed by the overflowing waters of Yercaud Lake, one of the most prominent Yercaud tourist places. The waterfalls drop into the Kiliyur Valley from a height of 300 feet (91 m). The view of the falls is breathtaking, especially in monsoon season. This is a seasonal waterfall and the best time to visit this place is immediately after the monsoons. It is an ideal place to spend a weekend away from the busy life.

The 2 km trek to the falls is a bit tough and may not be suitable for kids and elderly tourists. There are about 200 steep steps on the path towards the falls. It takes about an hour from the nearest road point to the bottom of the falls. There are no shops near the falls and visitors are advised to carry snacks and water.

*Timings: 6 AM - 6 PM*

*Entry: Free*





## Shevaroy Hills

The Shevaroy Hills, which are close to the Salem district of Tamil Nadu, are at the height of 1620 metres. The hills were formerly known as Servarayan Hills, which eventually became "Shevaroy," and they boast wonderful vistas of beautiful green fields, tall trees, and huge cliffs. The Solaikaradu summit, the highest peak and viewpoint in the southern Eastern Ghats, is also located in Shevaroy Hills.

Many people visit the area because of its extensive coffee estates and plantations. Apart from enjoying the beautiful scenery, you can also engage in activities like hiking and trekking.

The Shevaroy temple, which is primarily dedicated to Lord Shevaroyan, is located on the highest point of the Shevaroy hills. The temple is constructed out of a perfect, airtight black cave. It is filled with the statues of Lord Shevaroyan and Goddess Kaveri. Every year in the month of May, many local tribal members gather in this temple to celebrate their festival.

At a distance of 7 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, Shevaroyan Temple is a hill temple situated atop Shevaroyan hill in Yercaud town of Tamil Nadu. Situated at an altitude of 5326 feet, this is the highest point in Yercaud Hills, and among the must-visit places during Yercaud trip.



### Shevaroy Temple Viewpoint

The Shevaroyan temple is a cave temple. The main deity of Shevaroy temple is Lord Shevaroyan, worshiped by tribal people of the region. This temple can be best described as narrow and dark caves which are adorned by idols of Goddess Kaveri and Lord Shevaroyan. The male deity is believed to be the god of Servaroyan hills while the female deity is considered as the goddess of River Cauvery. It is a common belief among people residing in the area that Goddess Kaveri is believed to be the guardian deity of the 67 villages located around Yercaud.

This cave temple is believed to be 2000 years old as per the locals. The cave extends beyond the temple and the locals say it extends all the way to the Kaveri River in Karnataka, a distance of 480 km. Tippu Sultan was supposed to have hidden in this cave during a war. There is a wishing well near the temple. The locals believe if they are able to throw at least one stone,

from three picked up from the temple, inside the well, with their backs to the well, they will succeed in whatever they plan to do. The native tribes come in hundreds and celebrate their annual festival in the premises of this temple during the month of May every year with great pomp.

The temple also acts as a vantage point from where one can enjoy the scenic beauty of the surrounded hills and picturesque town of Yercaud. A good view of Yercaud town and Nagalur can be obtained from this hill. It is one of the best Yercaud attractions, especially for nature lovers, and peace seekers.

*Timings: 8. 30 AM to 5 PM*





## Annamalaiyar Temple View Point

At a distance of 7 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, Annamalaiyar Temple Viewpoint is situated in the village of Thalai Cholai in Salem district of Tamilnadu. This is one of the best vantage points in Yercaud hills and also one of the top places of sightseeing in Yercaud.

Annamalaiyar Temple is a beautiful Shiva Temple with a single tower sculpted with colorful idols. The temple is located at a height of 1400 m above the sea level and offers a panoramic view of the hills along with the Servaroyan temple, coffee plantations, spice gardens and orange groves. The temple is also a simple yet beautiful structure with one small and moderate towers decorated with idols and painted in various colors.

There is also one pyramid like lamp tower which is painted with bright red color. It is spectacular to see the lighted lamp tower during the evenings of full moon days. Hence, these full moon days are considered as the best time to visit this view point as one can enjoy by the exciting views of the ritual flames as well. To get better views of the valley, climb up this lamp tower. There is also a pretty well on one corner of the viewpoint with great scenery at background. The way up to the temple or viewpoint is enveloped by quite green coffee and cardamom estates.

The calm and serene surroundings make this view point a preferred picnic spot. The more adventurous can explore



the numerous trails by walking through the coffee and cardamom estates nearby.

*Timings: 9 AM – 6 PM*

## Raja Rajeswari Temple

At a distance of 4 km from Yercaud Bus Stand and 3 km from Shevaroy Temple, Sri Raja Rajeswari Temple is located in a scenic valley on the way to Shevaroy Temple in Yercaud. This is one of the popular temples in Yercaud and also one of the best pilgrimage places to visit in Yercaud.

This temple is dedicated to Goddess Raja Rajeswari, a form of Goddess Shakti. This temple was established in the year 1983, by Tirukovilur Thapovanam Srila Sri Gnananada Giri Swami Parampara, follower of Swami Poornanda Giri. The temple is currently managed by V Sri, son of the founder.

The massive Raja Rajeswari idol is to be found in a sitting posture, and it is 4.5 feet tall. The deity of this temple is said to be the goddess of all gods in the Hindu Pantheon. The idol of the main goddess is encircled by the idols of other Hindu Gods



such as Rudra, Vishnu, Lakshmi, Brahma and Saraswathi. It is believed that by worshipping the goddess in the shrine, one can attain wealth and prosperity along with spirituality.

*Timings: 9 AM – 7 PM*

## Tipperary View Point

At a distance of 2 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, Tipperary Viewpoint is the southernmost viewpoint in Yercaud and can be reached by driving along Tipperary Road. It is one of the top tourist places in Yercaud and the journey to the viewpoint also offers magnificent views.

This spectacular southern spot is the most stunning point to view the elegance of the woodlands, greeneries and steep rocky peaks of the Yercaud hills.

This is a popular tourist spot to experience the aerial beauty and scenic charm of the location. From this viewpoint one can see the Elephant Tooth Rocks.

The Estate adjoining this viewpoint known as Tipperary Estate was once a posh hotel catering to the elite of British India from 1930 to 1940 AD. The night view of Salem from this spot is really fantastic. Trekking is one of the major adventurous entertainments seen organized in this area. This destination is also known for its beautiful rocks and caves that are ideal for exploration.

*Timings: 7 AM – 7 PM*

## Montfort School

At a distance of 500 m from Yercaud Bus Stand, the Montfort is a secondary school for boys and girls run by the Montfort Brothers of St. Gabriel in the town of Yercaud, near Salem in Tamil Nadu, India. It is one of the well-established residential schools located within the destination and



also one of the best tourist places to visit in Yercaud

Montfort School was established in 1917 by Brother Denis. Initially, it was a European school founded during the First World War. The school was named after the founder of the Order of St. Gabriel, St. Louis Marie Grignoin de Montfort.

This Anglo – Indian secondary school is run by the Montfort Brothers of St. Gabriel and the motto of the school is 'Virtue and Labour.'

The school aims at teaching its students the value of moral education. Higher secondary classes were commenced in 1975 after 'Mayfield' was purchased by the school and some new buildings were put up.

Apart from sightseeing, tourists can enjoy trekking around Yercaud, and if visiting during the month of May the Summer Festival is a must see which is spectacle with local fairs, boat races, flower blooms and dog shows. Montfort has produced numerous personalities in all walks of life.

Entrance of the school, which represents three stalwarts who laid the foundation of this school. The school also has beautiful architectural buildings, gardens and playground along with swimming pool. The school also has a zoo, which is open for visitors only on Sundays.

*Timings: 9 AM – 7 PM*





## Karadiyoor / Karadiyur View Point

At a distance of 12 km from Yercaud and 41 km from Salem, Karadiyur View point is a natural view point situated near Karadiyur village. Karadiyoor was so named because of the large number of sloth bears found in this region earlier.

This is a fantastic viewpoint with wonderful views of the valleys in Yercaud region. The mesmerizing view from the Karadiyur viewpoint is one of the prime attractions in Yercaud. The view of sunrise as well as sunset from this location is a unique attraction.

There is a newly built watch tower. Visitors can camp at this spot overnight and make an attempt for rock climbing. Karadiyur view point is accessible by one km trek from the nearest road point.

The best time to visit the Karadiyur view point would be from November to March. Though it can be visited during any time of the day, Sunset time offers the best view.



## White Elephant Tooth Rocks

At a distance of 16 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, White Elephant Tooth Rocks are two white rocks located near Yercaud in Salem district of Tamil. The spectacular rocks are believed to be the leftovers of a meteorite fallen to the earth centuries ago. Unlike the black granite seen in this hillside, the rocks are purely white in color and look charming.

The bigger rock is located on the southern part of Shevaroy hill side near Gundur and the other one is in the east overlooking the Ghat road, above the 60 feet bridge. The larger one next to Gundur has two rocks about 120 feet high and consists of pure white quartz. These are visible from Tipperary Viewpoint. Easy to climb up but hard to climb down as the material is soft and crumbles beneath your feet.

The bigger rock can be reached by trekking from near road point close to Gundur village which would take about 2 hours to visit and from there another 1 hour to the ghat road, from which one could catch a bus to Yercaud or Salem. The Smaller one can be reached from 60 feet bridge from Tipperary Estate which would take about 1-2 hours' time.

## The Grange

At a distance of 2 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, the Grange is an ancient castle situated in Yercaud, Tamil Nadu. This is one of the oldest buildings in Yercaud and among the must-visit sightseeing places in Yercaud.

The Grange was built in the year 1820 CE by a British collector M.D. Cockburn, who is well known as the father of Yercaud. This mansion is one of the oldest architectural monuments in Yercaud. It was also the first commercial plantation area for coffee, oranges, and apples.

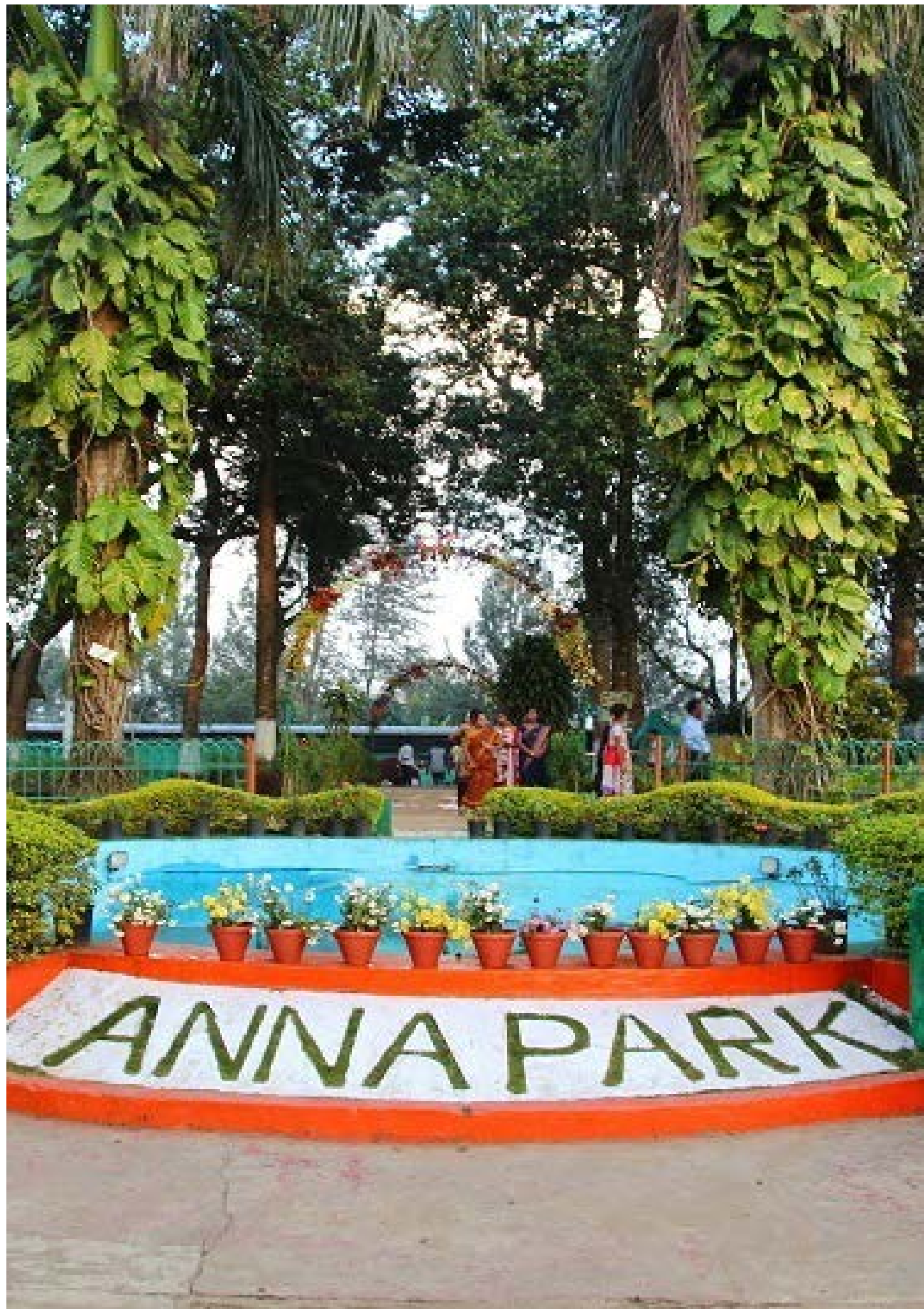
It is said that the coffee plant was brought from Africa to Yercaud. The other coffee plantations in Tamil Nadu are said to have originated from this humble beginning. Jack Fruit, Berry, Orange, Guava, and spices like Pepper, Cardamom, etc. are the other crops cultivated in the Estate. Sandalwood, Teak, and Silver Oak are also seen abundantly growing in this region.

It is believed to have been the summer resort of Robert Clive, general of the East India Company in the late 19th century. The building also has a large storage capacity to hold huge quantities of provisions.

During the Sepoy Mutiny in 1857 CE, the building was very active, since it was fortified with ramparts, gun placements, and cannons. There is a well-planned and executed Resort alongside the Grange, set amidst coffee & Orange plantations and Silver Oak Trees.







## Anna Park

Anna Park is situated close to Yercaud Lake (Emerald Lake). A large variety of indigenous plants from the Eastern Ghats can be seen in the park. Children are drawn to Anna Park's swings and slides, while adults are drawn to the pleasant environment to spend some enjoyable time there. In the summer, flower shows are held in this park. A Japanese Park located on the premises of Anna Park exhibits the old and traditional horticultural practices of Japan.

At a distance of 1 km from Yercaud Bus Stand, Anna Park is located adjacent to the Big Lake in

Yercaud. Maintained by the Horticulture department, Anna Park is one of the major Yercaud tourist places.

Anna Park is a well preserved garden and is a combination of four small parks known as Lake Park, Deer Park, Gandhi Park and Children's Park. The park houses a wide collection of natural plants and trees around Shevaroy hills. Inside the Anna Park, there is also one Japanese park, in which plants are grown in Japanese style. The park also has a wonderful Horticulture Farm with a Rose Garden. The Rose Garden has various varieties of roses that include button rose to very big rose. One part of the park is seen decorated with

red grass which looks like a spectacular red colored carpet. The fountain in the park center splashes nicely enabling visitors to enjoy the thrill of sprinkling water.

The park is specially designed with slides in such a way to make children enjoy maximum. The slide is provided with a cage like ladder to climb up. It is really amazing to see children balancing in the slides and slipping down. They can play by riding see-saws and also indulge in various activities of their own interests. Tourists can relax by walking in the park and spend some amazing moments with their loved ones.





There is also one nursery in the park, where yellow, orange and red flowering plants, growing only in the hill region are available. Visitors can buy a variety of plants from here at modest rates. The ideal time to visit this park is during the summer months, especially in month of May, when annual Flower Show is held. The park has decorated with many colorful and captivating plants and flowers. One can enjoy the nature of Yercaud and aroma of the alluring flowers in this park.

*Entry Fee: Rs. 15 for Adults, Rs. 10 for Children, Rs. 25 for Camera & Rs. 50 for Video*

*Timings: 9. 30 AM to 5. 30 PM*

### Gent's Seat

At a distance of 2.5 km from Yercaud Bus Stand & 500m from Lady's Seat, Gent's Seat is a wonderful viewpoint in Yercaud town close to Lady's Seat. The Gent's Seat is one of the prime attractions of Yercaud visited along with Lady' Seat.

The viewpoint offers panoramic views of Salem town and Ghat Road. It is a nice place to watch the sunset.

There is a small watch tower near the point offering breathtaking view of the plains below. The view from Gent's Seat is

more spectacular at night with thousands of light twinkling in Salem town.

This is a cluster of rocks on the south westbof the yercaud hills overlooking the ghat road and the town of salem to the south. There is a natural rock formation in the form of a seat where reportedly a while english lady of yester years spent her evenings viewing the magnificent panaroma before one's eyes.

there is a sheer drop of about 200 feet at this point into a private estate in the valley below. There is a manmade viewing tower with telescopes. One can see the magnesite deposits on the plains and on clear days a view of mettur dam. One should not miss the night view of the salem town with millions of twinkling lights.

It is a very pleasant place and visitors can either travel by a private vehicle or just walk from Lady's Seat. It is a must visit place for nature lovers.

*Timings: 7 AM - 7 PM*



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