10. Rameshwara temple Place - Chittur

District: Shivamogga

Taluk : Soraba
Locality : Chittur

Geo – Coordinates:

Lat : 14.311648 ° N Long : 75.246147 ° E





History

Rameshwara Temple is located at Chittur village in Soraba Taluk, Shivamogga district.

The temple consists of a *garbhagriha*, an *antarala*, a large *navaranga*, and a *mukhamantapa* consisting of (*kakshasanas*) with two short pillars on a rising from them to support the roof.

There is a linga in the *garbhagriha* and a small *Nandi* in the *navarnga*. On either side of the *sukanasa* doorway there are two *devakoshtas*, with Ganapati in the right and Durga in the left. Similar pairs of *devakoshtas* housing. Bhairava, *saptamatrika* Vishnu etc. are seen on the eastern, southern and northern walls. The *navaranga* pillars are square with a 16 sided mid-band. The *navaranga* and *garbhagriha* doorframes have *panchasakahas*.

The superstructure above the *garbhagriha* is interesting. It follows the *Nagara* principle of *bhadra* projections raising straight up to the top, but is in a stepped pyramidal form with reducing dimension of subsequent *talas*. The *sukanasa* projection of the superstructure carries the Hoysala emblem of Sala killing the lion.

3D Point Cloud

