

11. SOMANATHA TEMPLE

Place – Hulgeri

District : Koppal
Taluk : Kushtagi
Locality : Hulgeri

Geo – Coordinates:
Lat : 15.95384 °N
Long : 76.054752°E



History

The ground plan of the temple consists of a garbhagriha, an antarala and an open sabhamantapa. In the garbhagriha is black stone Siva linga of about 1 m. The entrance doorway of the garbhagriha has three sakhas of padma and creeper pilasters, scrolls patterns. In the lalatabimba is the image of Gajalakshmi and on top of it a projected pattika. The antarala has simple decoration like padma, pilasters and three rows of Jalandras, the doorframe has padma pattikas.

The sabhamantapa has four in the centre pillars having square bottoms, circular tops and bell shaped in the middle, the remaining pillars set on the kakshasana, have square, octagonal, circular, octagonal and square from bottom to top respectively. The uttranga of the sabhamantapa contains four niches, these niches are modeled after dravida and vesara sikhars.

Temple stands on a adhistana of about 1m high, having upana, jagati, tripattakamuda and padma. The roof sabhamantapa's is surrounded by kapota. The sikhara on top of garbhagriha is in kadamba nagara style

3D Point Cloud

