

Kolkata to Farakka Upstream
MV GANGA VILAS
Kolkata – Kalna – Matuari – Murshidabad – Farakka – Kolkata
05 nights / 06 days Cruise

Day 1

ARRIVE KOLKATA (L/D)

EMBARKATION: 12:00 PM

Arrival in Kolkata and transfer to the jetty for embarkation. Lunch onboard. Thereafter Panoramic Tour of Dalhousie Square's heritage buildings; St. John's Church, Victoria Memorial, and Mother Teresa's Home. Return to ship overnight. Enjoy cultural performance onboard.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 2

KOLKATA – KALNA (B/L/D)

After breakfast, visit the Flower Market, where you can see artists creating a variety of garlands, ornaments, and other items made of flowers and leaves for temples, weddings, and other uses. Thereafter, visit Kumartuli, a traditional potters' quarter renowned for its sculpting prowess. Return to the ship for lunch and start sailing upstream, passing below the Howrah Bridge and seeing various colonial buildings along the Ganges River.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 3

KALNA – MATIARI (B/L/D)

After breakfast ride e-rickshaws through the town of Kalna to visit the enchanting Rajbari Temple complex. The Nabakailas Temple contains 108 eight-slope-roofed shrines dedicated to Lord Shiva. Other temples in the complex feature diverse architecture and terracotta plaques depict themes of Hindu epics and various aspects of day-to-day life in the region. Return to the ship walking through the local vegetable market. Begin sail towards the shore-side village of Matuari, while having lunch onboard.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 4

MATIARI – MURSHIDABAD (B/L/D)

Early this morning walk in the village to see and experience the craftsmen at work. These master craftsmen utilize recycled copper to create exquisite pots, platters, and more from their workshops in the village. Return to ship for breakfast and sail full day towards Murshidabad, a hidden architectural gem with dramatic whitewashed colonial era structures. Lunch onboard.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 5

MURSHIDABAD – JANGIPUR (B/L/D)

After breakfast ride the Toto (e-rickshaw) through the countryside to the Katra mosque, which has distinctive minarets. Thereafter visit the Hazarduari Palace, which dominates the waterfront. Built by an English architect, McLeod Duncan, in the Greek "Doric" style, the palace has more than a

thousand real and false doors in the vast corridors and is filled with colonial-era antiques. Return to the ship for lunch and sail towards Jangipur.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 6

JANGIPUR – FARAKKA – KOLKATA (B)

DISSEMBARKATION: 08:00 AM

Sailing in the morning we arrive at Farakka. Disembark after breakfast and transfer to the train station to board a day train to Kolkata. Upon arrival in Kolkata transfer to the airport for your onward journey.

Present train options (subject to change):

- 1) Train # 13162, Tebhaga Express, 08:44 hrs – 14:15 hrs
- 2) Train # 12042, Shatabdi Express, 09:23 hrs – 13:45 hrs

Important Note:

- The itinerary may be readjusted due to local conditions and days of the week, to avoid closure of monuments/museums. Last-minute sailing adjustments may also occur. The onboard tour staff will announce or post the exact time for each activity.
- The letters in parentheses indicate the included meal of the day B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner.

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