

Farakka to Kolkata Downstream
MV GANGA VILAS
Kolkata – Farakka – Murshidabad – Matuari – Kalna – Kolkata
5 nights / 6 days Cruise

Day 1: KOLKATA – FARAKKA – JANGIPUR (L/D)

EMBARKATION: 13:30 Hrs

Board an early morning train in Kolkata to arrive at Farakka by midday.

Present Train Option (subject to change)

- 1) Train # 13175, Kanchanjunga Express, 06:50 hrs – 12:50 hrs

Transfer from the train station to the jetty for embarkation. Late lunch onboard while the ship sails on the Hooghly River, the lower Ganges towards Jangipur.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 2: JANGIPUR – MURSHIDABAD (B/L/D)

We sail full day towards Murshidabad enjoying breakfast and lunch onboard. We arrive in Murshidabad by the evening. Murshidabad is a hidden architectural gem with dramatic whitewashed colonial era structures.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 3: MURSHIDABAD – MATIARI (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 the shore-side village of Matuari

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 4: MATIARI – KALNA

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 onward to Kalna. We arrive in Kalna by the evening.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 5: KALNA – KOLKATA (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 Kolkata and arrive by the evening. Enjoy cultural performance onboard.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 6: KOLKATA DISEMBARKATION (B/L)
DISEMBARKATION: 15:00 Hrs

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 ship for lunch. Thereafter Panoramic Tour of Dalhousie Square's heritage buildings; St. John's Church, Victoria Memorial, and Mother Teresa's Home.

Return to the ship for lunch. Thereafter disembark the ship and transfer for your onward journey.

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.
- Train timings are subject to change.
- The letters in parentheses indicate the included meal of the day B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner.

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