

CATCH THE FIRST SUNRISE OF 2020

It is the start of a new decade and what better way than to welcome it with a sunny twist?

Lalbagh

The city's stunning lung space is spread over 240 acres and has an artificial lake too. The first rays of the sun rising against the lake that has a fringe of palm trees on one end, makes for a compelling visual like no other. With the air quality pristine at that time and the warm rays of the majestic sun reflecting on the lake, you will see a fantastic explosion of colours. Interestingly if you are lucky, you can see a peach-hued sky that also changes the colour of the lake in the morning. The lush environs of Lalbagh offer several sunrise spots as well. In fact, you can get some good snaps of the sunrise with rays filtering through the thick canopy of trees.



Hebbal Lake

Located amid a bustling skyline where skyscrapers jostle for space among the old trees, Hebbal Lake is a small oasis. Usually seen when you make your way to the airport, the lake is located off the Outer Ring Road and was constructed in 1537 by Kempe Gowda. Covering an area of 150 acres, it also has a park. With several walking paths under tree canopies, several lawns and the beautiful lake itself, there is no dearth of places from where you can see the sunrise. The lake also attracts many species of birds and ducks, herons, coots and egrets are typically sighted here. The expanse of water that merges seamlessly with the shore makes for a beautiful sight that is perfect for photos of the sunrise. Please note that the park has an entry charge as well as a parking fee.



Kanva Dam

Located about 60 km from Bengaluru, the Kanva Reservoir is an artificial lake that is nestled amid a lush rural landscape. There are several trees growing in the middle of the water that also attract several migratory birds. Several cormorants perch atop the trees here, plus birds such as bulbul, kingfisher and barbet take shelter too. So keep your cameras ready for the silhouette of the birds against the sunrise. The lake is bordered by a thick line of coconut palms and the hillocks of Ramanagara make for a perfect picture frame too. So to sum it up – The reservoir is a great place to visit at sunrise as it is calm and serene and thinly crowded.



Nandi Hills

There is something magical about seeing the sunrise from atop a hill and this is exactly what you can witness when you head to Nandi Hills, located about 60 km from Bengaluru. A bikers' paradise, the hills are home to the famed Nandi Temple, which is located on the highest point of the slope and is surrounded by a garden. The first rays of the sun give a mellow glow to the entire landscape and bring the entire place alive with hues of warm yellow and orange. The sunrise above the canopy of clouds framed by the many trees is a sight to behold and one that is popular with many people, so make sure you reach on time for a vantage spot. A grill built on the edge of the hills is a favourite background to capture the sunrise especially as a silhouette. There are a few outcrops that are other favourite spaces to capture the sunrise but make sure you are careful as the place gets quite crowded.

MUST LISTEN



Funny guys

Monday's are heavy to deal with. We know it. And so, it's a good time to check out a standup comedy show. Good for you, as Bangalore Comedy Club has the perfect plan to beat your Monday blues away. They are hosting Prasad Bhat, Rupen Paul, Arun Kiran and Navin Kumar in a standup comedy show.

WHERE: The Beer Cafe, 4th Block, Koramangala

WHEN: 8.30pm, December 30

ENTRY: ₹150, insider in

MUST WATCH



Saree central

Over the years, Central Cottage Industries Emporium has become India's window to the world for Indian handloom and handicraft products. One of its most recurring endeavours is Cottage Utsav, an exhibition-cum-sale of handwoven sarees such as Chanderi, Kota, Bengal cotton, Maheshwari, tie & dye, printed cotton, Andhra/Oriasa Ikat, Kantha, and Kalamkari.

WHERE: White Houzz, Sector 4, HSR Layout

WHEN: All day, till January 3

PLAN AHEAD



The stage is set

In the very first weekend of 2020, SmaranniK will be hosting a theatre festival, which will bring together actors such as Debsankar Halder, Anirban Bhattacharya, Chaiti Ghoshal and Anirban Chakrabarti. Together they will stage plays such as *Othello*, *A Doll's House*, and *Aadhe Aadhure*.

WHERE: MLR Convention Centre, JP Nagar

WHEN: 3.30pm & 7.30pm, January 4-5

ENTRY: ₹300, bookmyshow.com

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