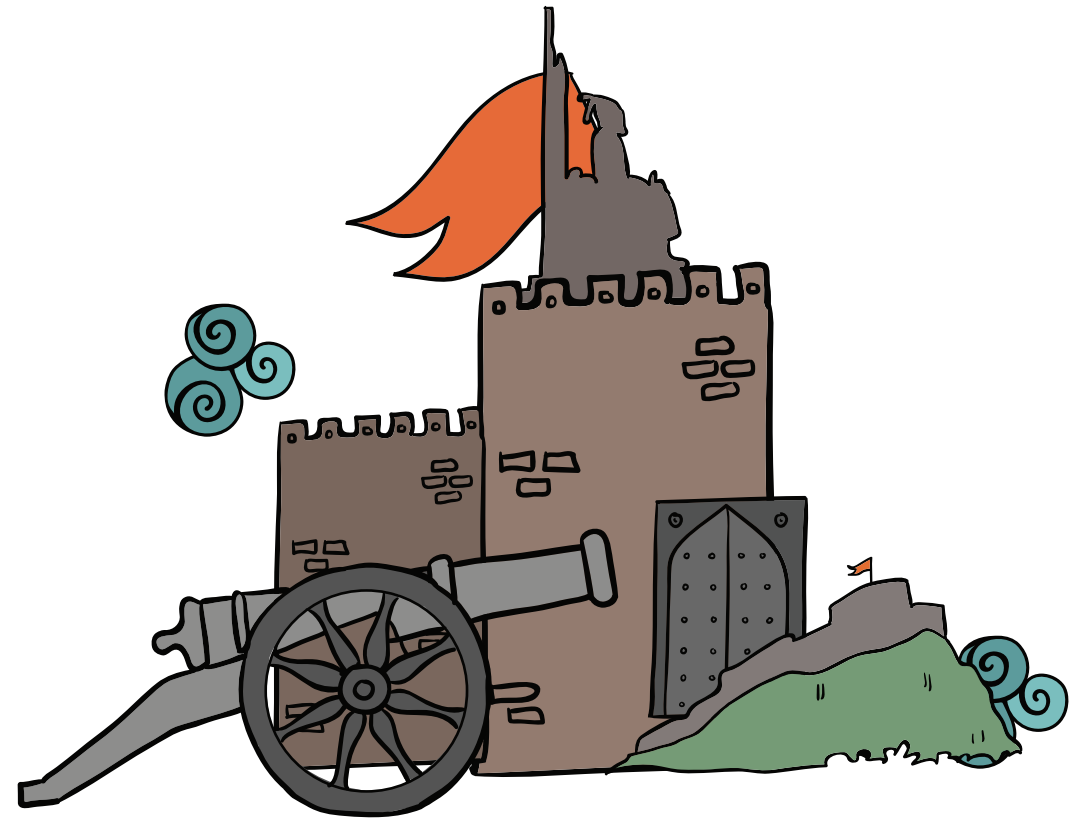


Locales in this category have hosted shoots of prominent films such as

**Jane Tu Ya Jaane Na,
Dil Chahta Hain, Wanted, Aashiqui,
Talaash, Chance Pe Dance,
Ladies v/s Ricky Bahl, Josh,
Khamoshi, Aag, Toofan, AK 47,
Ghatak, Kick, Ahista Ahista,
Diary of a Butterfly,
Cycle, Hi Porgi Konachi and Killa**

'Hymn for the Weekend',
a famous number by British band
Coldplay was also shot in one of the
locales in this category

Forts



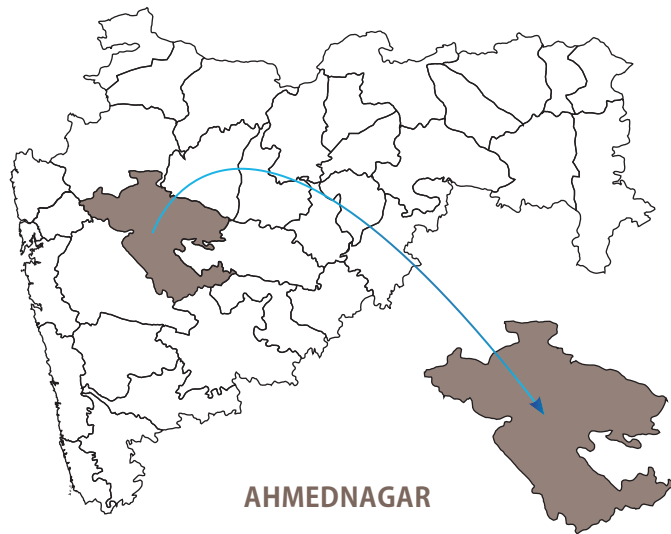


AHMEDNAGAR FORT – ONE OF THE BEST-DESIGNED FORTS

Ahmednagar Fort, also known as Kot Bagh Nizam, is one of the oldest forts of India. Built in 16th century CE (Common Era), the fort served as the headquarters of the Ahmednagar Sultanate. Initially it was built in 1490 CE by Ahmed Nizam Shah and thereafter renovated with stone masonry and a moat in 1553-1565 CE by Hussein Nizam Shah.

The fort is oval in form, 1.70 km in circumference and strengthened by 24 bastions. Originally it had two entrances – one on the west side for automobiles and the other on the east for foot passengers in the form of a sally port (exit point) and a suspension bridge. It is a well-planned and strongly-built fort with stone walls rising about 30 ft from the bottom of the moat.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India, wrote his famous book *Discovery of India* while imprisoned here in 1944.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Ahmednagar Fort is located near Ahmednagar city in Ahmednagar district. Ahmednagar city has a population of ~3,50,859.
- The average maximum temperature is 40 degree Celsius while the minimum is 14 degree Celsius.
- The fort is connected by rail (Ahmednagar, 5 km), air (Pune, 120 km) and road (Mumbai, 300 km; Pune, 120 km).
- Nearby attractions include Shirdi Sai Baba Temple, Shri Siddhi Vinayak Temple, Siddheshwar Temple, Chandbibhi Mahal, Anand Dham, etc.
- Hotel and lodge options, although limited, are available in the city.
- Restaurants and catering facilities can be availed in Ahmednagar city.
- Medical facilities are also available in Ahmednagar city.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be sourced from Mumbai/ Pune.
- The fort is under the Army Armoured Corps and School and photography is not allowed.

PERMISSION AND FEE DETAILS

AUTHORITY

Commandant (ACC & S)

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FEE (INR)

No fees is charged by the Military Office. Only the purpose and date of the shooting needs to be mentioned. Decision is taken by the Army on a case to case basis.

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

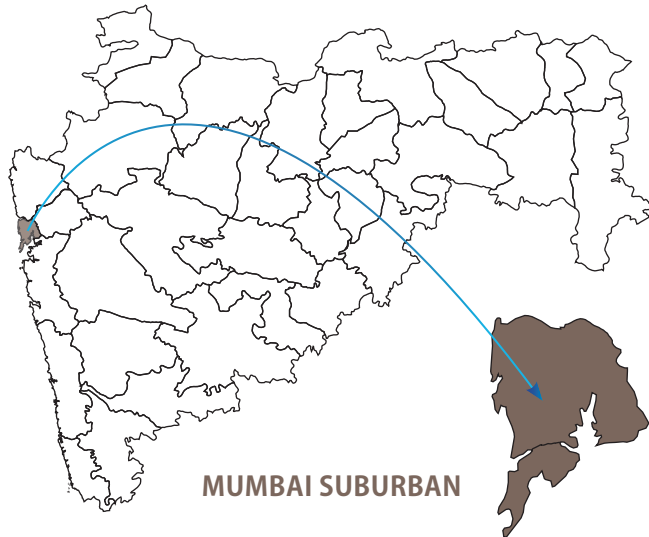
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BANDRA FORT – FORT ON THE WATERFRONT

Bandra Fort, also known as Castella de Aguada, is located in Bandra, a western suburb of Mumbai. It was built by the Portuguese in the year 1640 CE (Common Era) as a watchtower overlooking Mahim Bay, the Arabian Sea and the southern island of Mahim. The fort was partially destroyed by the British, as a precautionary measure, after the decline of the Portuguese in 18th century CE.

The fort is strategically located and offers an exquisite view of the Bandra-Worli Sea Link which has been featured in many films. Being close to Mehboob Studio, Bandra Fort has always been a popular location for shooting. An amphitheatre located right behind the fort hosts cultural programmes and musical concerts.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Located near Lands End, Bandra Fort is in Mumbai Suburban district.
- The average maximum temperature is 34 degree Celsius while the minimum is 18 degree Celsius.
- Mumbai is well-connected by road, rail and air. Bandra Fort is about 3.1 km from Bandra Railway Station and easily accessible by local city transport.
- Nearby attractions are Band Stand, Municipal Garden, Mount Mary Church, Bandra-Worli Sea Link, etc.
- Several star as well as budget category hotels are available in Mumbai.
- Mumbai being the hub of Indian cinema has ample support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc.
- Four different areas have been earmarked for shoots within the fort which remains open throughout the week from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Applications seeking permission to shoot has to be made to the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai as the gardens fall under its purview.
- *Jane Tu Ya Jaane Na, Dil Chahta Hain, Wanted, Aashiqui, Talaash, Chance Pe Dance, Ladies v/s Ricky Bahl*, are among the many films that have been shot here.

PERMISSION AND FEE DETAILS

AUTHORITY

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CONTACT DETAILS

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FEE (INR)

Category	Marathi (Per day)	Non Marathi (Per day)	Deposit
Mumbai	25,000	50,000	10,000

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

Application has to be made to the Trustees who decide the fee on the basis of area required. Generally, INR 40,000 is charged for each area.

AUTHORITY

Police Department

CONTACT DETAILS

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FEE (INR)

Police protection charges as applicable, depending on the number of personnel deployed

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

INR 65,140 (Non-Marathi) INR 25,240 (Marathi)

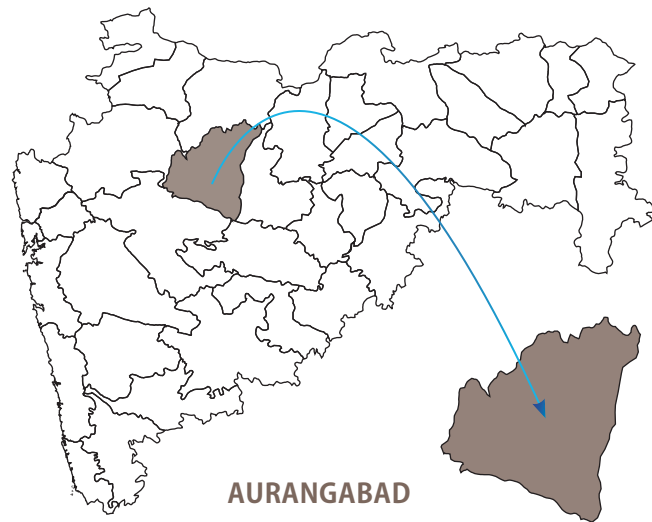




DAULATABAD FORT – THE CITY OF FORTUNE

Daulatabad Fort, once known as Devagiri, is a magnificent 12th century fortress that sits on a 200-metre-high conical hill. One of the most powerful forts during the medieval period, it is an architectural marvel with a moat and glacis running around the hill at the base and an extremely complex and intricate defence system. A series of trick defence and secret escape routes are the famous features of this fort. Fortifications comprise three encircling walls with bastions.

Mohammed Bin Tughluq, the Sultan of Delhi, gave it the name Daulatabad or the City of Fortune. Jami Masjid, Bharatmata Mandir, Chand Minar, Elephant Tank and Chini Mahal or Chinese Palace are the important monuments inside the fort. Initially a stronghold of the Yadava dynasty, the fort later on came to be ruled by several dynasties.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Aurangabad city, near which Daulatabad Fort is located, is in Aurangabad district and has a population of ~11,75,116.
- The average maximum temperature is 40 degree Celsius and minimum is 14 degree Celsius.
- It is connected by rail (Aurangabad, 30 km), air (Aurangabad, 30 km) and road (Aurangabad-Mumbai, 330 km; Aurangabad-Pune, 230 km).
- Nearby attractions include Aurangabad Caves, Bibi Ka Maqbara, Ellora Caves, Ajanta Caves and Soneri Mahal.
- Star category hotels and resorts are available in the city, besides several budget hotel options.
- Restaurants and catering facilities are also adequate.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be sourced from Mumbai. Limited support is available in Aurangabad as well.

PERMISSION AND FEE DETAILS

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Category	Fee	Deposit
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FEE (INR)
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AUTHORITY
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FEE (INR)
Police protection charges as applicable, depending on the number of personnel deployed





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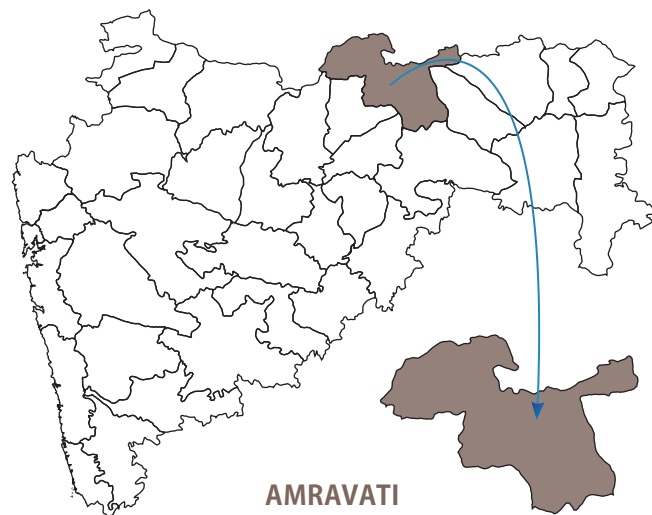
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GAWILGHUR FORT – STRONGHOLD OF THE MARATHA EMPIRE

Gawilghur (also Gawilgarh or Gawilgad) was once the well-fortified mountain stronghold of the Maratha Empire. Located in the north of the Deccan Plateau, in the vicinity of the Melghat Tiger Reserve, the fort is believed to be 300 years old.

Beautifully carved idols that date back to the period of the Nizams, when Elichpur was the capital, can be found here. Elephants, bulls, tigers, lions and scripts in Hindi, Urdu and Arabic comprise carvings on the walls. Ten cannons made of iron, copper and brass as well as idols of Lord Hanuman and Lord Shankar (Shiva) can be seen in the fort.

Said to have been built in the 12th-13th century CE (Common Era) by Gavlis, who were rulers of the shepherd community, the fort was later taken over by the Gond community who remained in charge until the Mughals seized control.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Gawilghur Fort is near Chikhaldara in Amravati district. Chikhaldara has a population of ~5,158.
- The average maximum temperature is 44 degree Celsius and the minimum is 13 degree Celsius.
- Gawilghur Fort is connected by rail (Amravati, 100 km), air (Nagpur, 230 km) and road (Mumbai, 663 km; Pune, 596 km).
- Nearby attractions include Melghat Tiger Reserve and Chikhaldara hill station.
- There are resorts and hotels available at Chikhaldara, three km away from Gawilghur Fort.
- Resorts and hotels have dedicated restaurants in their premises.
- Independent eateries and catering facilities are available in Chikhaldara.
- Medical facilities are available in Chikhaldara.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be either sourced locally or from Mumbai.
- Gawilghur Fort is open to tourists and visitors throughout the year.

PERMISSION AND FEE DETAILS

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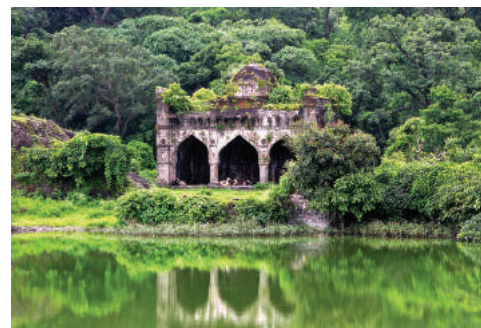
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Category	Fee	Deposit
B	50,000	10,000

AUTHORITY
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FEE (INR)
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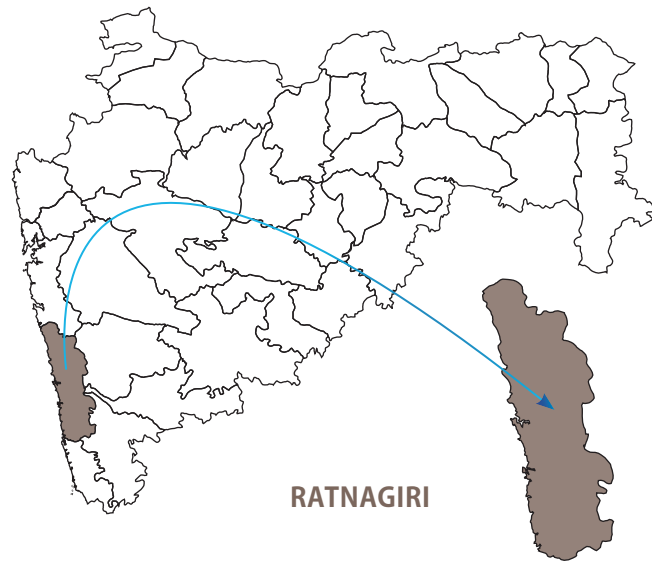




JAIGAD FORT – THE VICTORY FORT

Jaigad Fort is said to be almost 500 years old. First developed by the Bijapur Sultanate in the 14th century, it covers an area of nearly 4 acres. Jaigad, meaning ‘victory fort’, stands very close to the seashore, ~200 feet above sea level.

As one enters through its gate, one finds steps to reach the fort’s fortifications. Situated in the middle of dense green forest, it has a beautiful view of the bay, the nearby power plant and the open sea. A jetty port Angrey and a lighthouse are located close to the fort. In the middle of the fort lies the palace of Kanhoji Angre, a Ganpati temple and wells.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Jaigad Fort is situated on the edge of Jaigad village in Ratnagiri district. The village has a population of ~2,200.
- The average maximum temperature is 34 degree Celsius while the minimum is 18 degree Celsius.
- It is connected by rail (Ratnagiri, 57 km), air (Mumbai, 330 km) and road (Mumbai, 310 km).
- Nearby attractions include Karhateshwar Temple and Jaigad Lighthouse.
- Accommodation options are limited near the fort. Ganpatiphule, Guhagar beach and Ratnagiri are the nearest stay options.
- Restaurants and catering facilities can be availed in the beach towns of Ganpatiphule/Guhagar/Ratnagiri.
- Medical facilities are available in Ratnagiri, ~60 km from the location.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be sourced from Mumbai/Pune.

PERMISSION AND FEE DETAILS

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FEE (INR)		
Category	Fee	Deposit
B	50,000	10,000

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FEE (INR)
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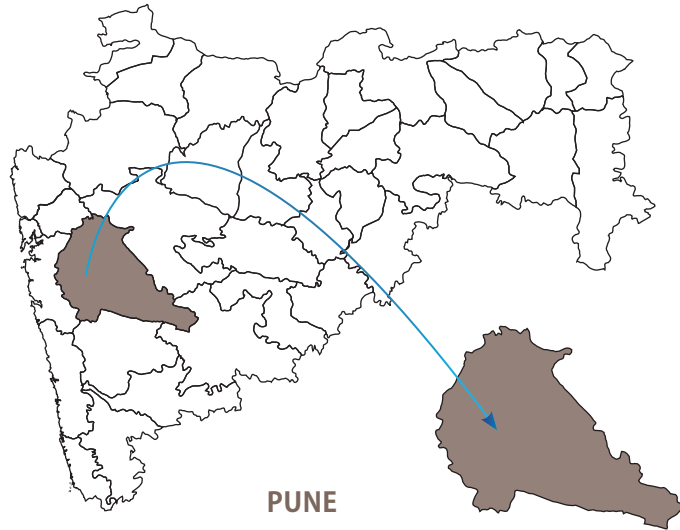




LOHAGAD FORT – IRON FORT AMIDST NATURE

Lohagad Fort, built at an altitude of more than 1,033 metres, is a fine destination for tourists interested in architecture, archaeology and history. Lohagad has a long history and was controlled by all the dynasties that ruled the Vidarbha and Maratha regions. Situated on a side range of the Sahyadris, it divides the basins of the Indrayani and Pavna and has the Visapur Fort located on its eastern side.

The fort is perfect as a backdrop for suspense and horror films. Its four well-preserved large gates and some sections provide excellent settings for bringing alive the imagination of writers and directors.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Lohagad Fort is near Lonavala in Pune district. Lonavala has a population of ~57,698.
- The average maximum temperature is 38 degree Celsius while the minimum is 12 degree Celsius.
- It is connected by rail (Mavali railway station, 6 km), air (Pune, 66 km; Mumbai, 106 km) and road (Mumbai, 99 km; Pune, 62 km). Train is the easiest mode of transport to reach Lohagad. A number of trains operate between Maval/Lonavala and Pune and Mumbai. Bhaje Gav, the base village of Lohagad, is about 6 km from Maval. Private taxis can also be hired to reach Lohagad Fort directly from Mumbai.
- Some of the nearby attractions are Visapur Fort, Tikona Fort, Lonavala, Khandala, etc.
- Lonavala and Pune are the closest options for availing all categories of accommodation.
- There is no motorable road and the only way is to trek up steps that lead to the fort. Cars can be parked at Lohagadwadi village which also acts as a base camp.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be sourced from Pune/Mumbai.

PERMISSION AND FEE DETAILS

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

Category	Fee	Deposit
B	50,000	10,000

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

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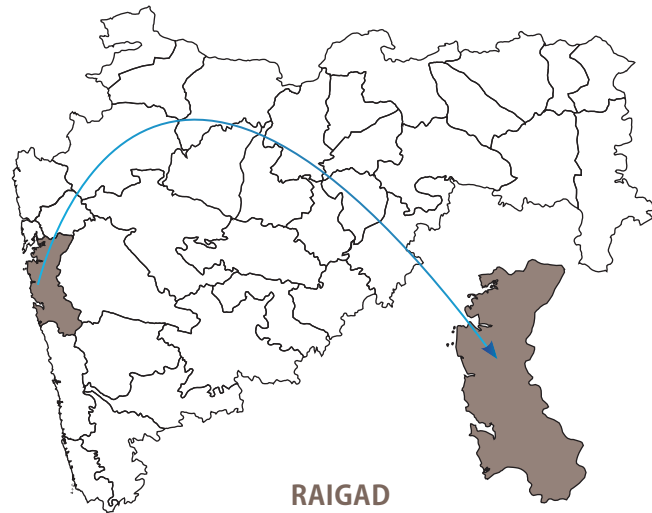




MURUD JANJIRA FORT – STRONGEST MARINE FORT

The Murud Janjira Island Fort, situated in the Arabian Sea, is an architectural marvel. Its walls stand strong and tall at a height of 40 ft, even at full tide. It is spread over 22 acres, has 19 towers and a number of turrets, each of which has a cannon installed on it.

To visit Janjira Fort one has to reach the small village of Rajpuri, located 5 km from Murud town. Regular ferry boats ply from Rajpuri village to Janjira Fort, except during the rainy season.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Rajpuri village, from where ferries ply to the fort, is in Raigad district and has a population of ~4,304.
- Murud town has an average high temperature of 38 degree Celsius and a low of 12 degree Celsius.
- It is connected via rail (Alibaug, 50 km), air (Mumbai, 160 km) and road (Pune, 215 km).
- Nearby attractions include Korlai Fort and Kashid, Diveagar and Harihareshwar beaches.
- Several star category resorts and budget hotels are available in Murud town. Home stays and guest houses are also available near the location.
- Restaurant and eateries are available near the location but catering facilities are available in Alibaug and Murud towns.
- Authorised travel operators do not have bases in Murud town. Private taxis owned by individuals are available for hire.
- Best time for film shooting is between October and March.
- Murud and Alibaug are the closest points for availing medical facilities.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production, equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be sourced from Mumbai/Pune.
- Films such as *Toofan*, *AK 47*, *Ghatak* and more have been shot here.

PERMISSION AND FEE DETAILS

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

Category	Fee	Deposit
B	50,000	10,000

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

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AUTHORITY

Police Department

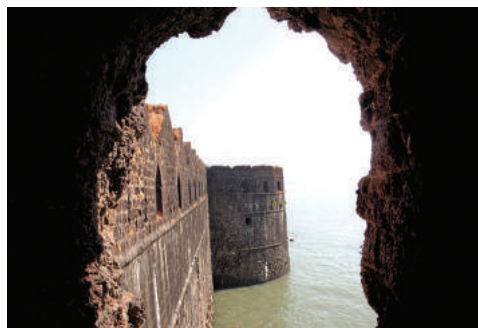
CONTACT DETAILS

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FEE (INR)

Police protection charges as applicable, depending on the number of personnel deployed

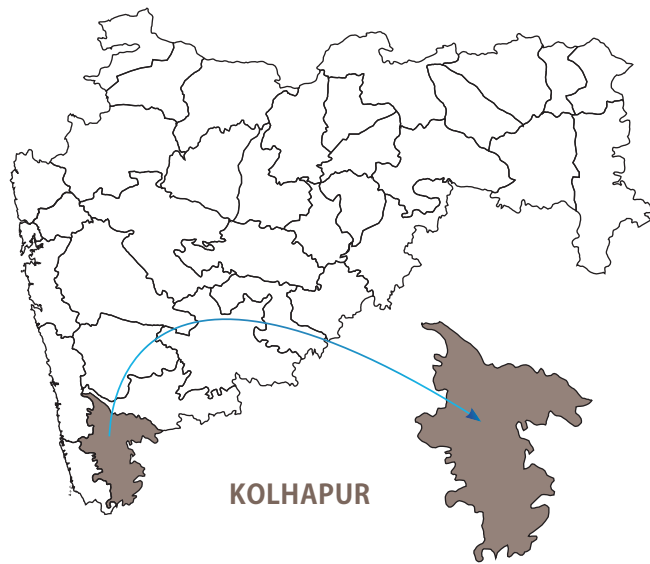




PANHALA FORT – LARGEST IN THE DECCAN

Besides occupying a prime place in the history of Maharashtra, Panhala Fort is also a hill station that is a favourite with tourists. Built by the Shilahara dynasty of Kolhapur in the 12th century, the fort witnessed many upheavals and battles. It was controlled by the Shilahara dynasty, the Yadava and Bahmani kingdoms, the Devagiri Yadavas, the Adilshahi dynasty of Bijapur, Chattrapati Shivaji and Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb over various periods of history. It was the Maratha state capital under Tarabai until 1782.

The most interesting view from Panhala is of the pass that connects the mainland of Maharashtra with its coastal areas. The fort can be visited during any season but it is during the monsoons that it becomes compelling, mysterious and exciting because of the fog and dense greenery.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Panhala Fort is located near Kolhapur city in Kolhapur district. Kolhapur city has a population of ~5,49,236.
- The average maximum temperature is 34 degree Celsius and minimum is 18 degree Celsius.
- The fort is connected via rail (Kolhapur, 20 km), air (Pune, 250 km) and road (Mumbai-Kolhapur, 373 km; Pune-Kolhapur, 230 km).
- Nearby attractions include Kopeshwar Temple, Vishalgad Fort, Radhanagari Dam, etc.
- Star category hotels are available in Kolhapur. Budget hotels with decent facilities are also available at Radhanagari.
- Restaurants and catering facilities are available in plenty in Kolhapur.
- Medical facilities are also easily available in Kolhapur.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. are available in the city as several Marathi movie shoots happen here.
- Kolhapur is also home to a film city that provides the necessary infrastructure for shooting.

PERMISSION AND FEE DETAILS

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

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B	50,000	10,000

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

Fee is decided on a case to case basis

AUTHORITY

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FEE (INR)

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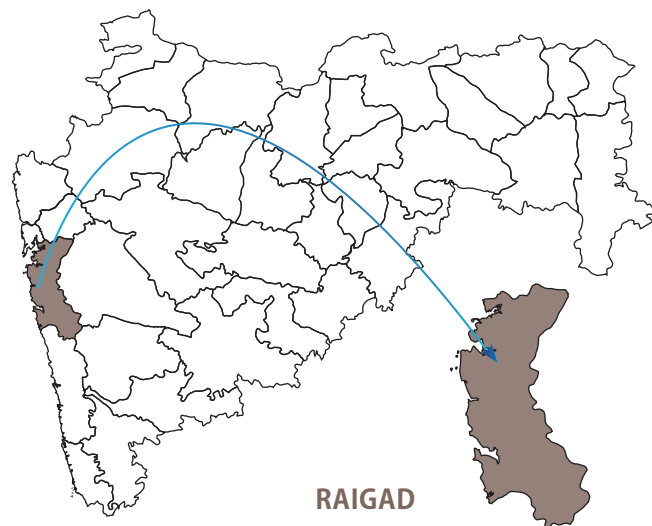


RAIGAD FORT – GIBRALTAR OF THE EAST

Raigad Fort was the capital of the most illustrious Maratha sovereign, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. Today, one no longer hears the sound of trumpets or clashing swords and shields, yet the monument stands as a silent reminder of Maharashtra's glorious past.

The British called the fort the 'Gibraltar of the East' since the well-fortified structure atop the hill could repeatedly defy attackers. The fort acquired stature much due to the valour, courage and patriotism of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

Rising 820 metres (2,700 ft) above sea level in the Sahayadri mountain range, the fort can be reached after a climb of approximately 1,737 steps. Nowadays, of course, with the operation of the Raigad Ropeway, an aerial tramway, the top of the fort can be reached in ten minutes.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Raigad Fort is situated near Pachad village in Raigad district. Pachad village has a population of ~812.
- The average high temperature is 38 degree Celsius and low is 12 degree Celsius.
- It is connected by rail (Veer, 35 km from Pachad village), air (Pune, 130 km) and road (Mumbai, 170 km).
- Nearby attractions are Gandharpale Buddhist Caves and Mahabaleshwar.
- Accommodation is available at the MTDC resort in the upper station of Raigad Ropeway. Small hotels and homestays are also available at Pachad village.
- The MTDC resort has a dedicated restaurant in its premises. Raigad Ropeway also has a restaurant in its lower station premises. Homestays and family operated food centres are available at the base of the fort.
- The best time for shooting films is during the monsoons.
- Mahad is the closest point for availing medical facilities.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc., can be sourced from Mumbai/Pune.

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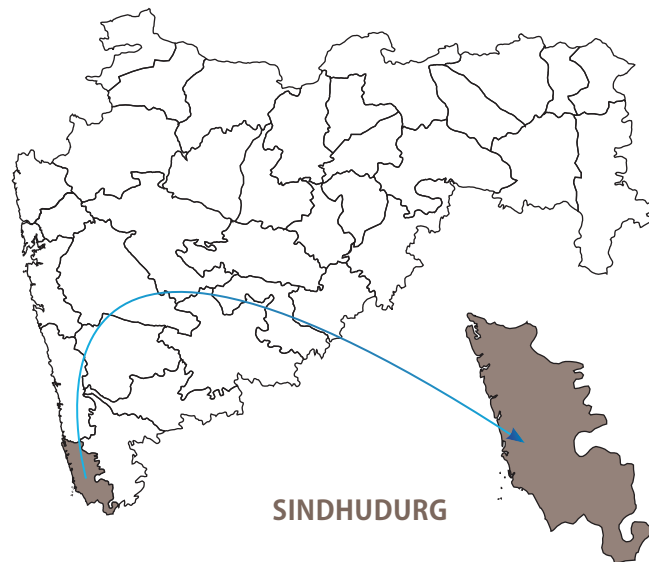


SINDHUDURG FORT – A SEASHORE DELIGHT

Built in 1664 CE (Common Era), Sindhudurg is one of the best preserved forts, occupying an islet in the Arabian Sea on the shore of Malvan in Sindhudurg district. It is spread over 48 acres, with a 3-km-long rampart with 42 bastions and walls that are 30 ft high and 12 ft thick. The main entrance is cleverly concealed and the fort houses three sweet water reservoirs, a hand and foot print of Maratha warrior king Chhtrapati Shivaji Maharaj, a temple, etc.

It is also home to the world's only coconut tree with branches that also bear fruits. The Sindhudurg Fort is surrounded by smaller forts such as Padmagad, Rajkot and Sarjekot which together were once the guardians of the region.

The fort can be approached from Malvan pier by boat, through a narrow navigable channel between the two small islands of Dhontara and Padmagad. It is completely cut off during the monsoons.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Sindhudurg Fort is located in Malvan in Sindhudurg district. Malvan has a population of ~18,648.
- Sindhudurg has an average maximum temperature of 34 degree Celsius and a minimum of 20 degree Celsius.
- It is connected by rail (Sindhudurg, 30 km), air (Goa, 80 km) and road (Mumbai, 490 km).
- Nearby attractions include Tarkarli Beach, Vijaydurg Fort, Amboli Ghat, Shiroda Beach, etc.
- Hotels and accommodation facilities, although limited, are available in Sindhudurg. Homestays and small guest houses are also available near the location.
- Limited restaurants and catering facilities are available in Malvan.
- Medical facilities can be availed in Malvan.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be sourced from Mumbai/Pune.
- The only mode of transport to the fort is by boat provided by the Sindhudurg Visitors' Welfare Association. Private boats can also be hired.
- Films such as *Kick*, *Ahista Ahista*, *Cycle* and *Hi Porgi Konachi* were shot here.

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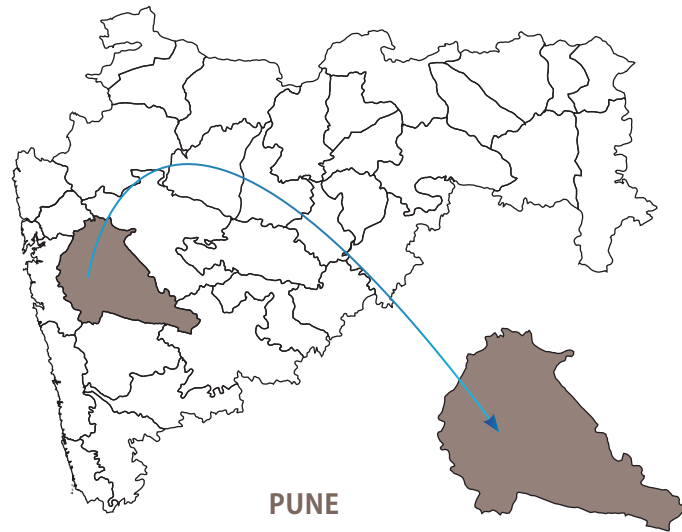




SINHAGAD FORT – THE LION’S FORT

Sinhagad stands as a testimony to the bravery of Maratha warriors under the leadership of Tanaji Malusare, the general of warrior king Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. Initially known as Kondhana, the fort was later renamed as Sinhagad by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, as an ode to Tanaji. The fort which is perched on a cut-off cliff of the Bhuleshwar range in the Sahyadri mountains stands 800 metres above the surrounding area, at an altitude of 1,312 metres above sea level.

The chief features of the fort are steep slopes, huge walls and bastions and two entrances – the Pune Darwaza in the north-east and the Kalyan Darwaza in the south-east. The fort’s fortification stands testimony to its architectural grandeur and craftsmanship.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Sinhagad Fort is located near Pune city in Pune district. The population of Pune city is ~31,00,000.
- The average maximum temperature is 38 degree Celsius while the minimum is 12 degree Celsius.
- The fort is connected by rail (Pune, 30 km), air (Pune, 35 km) and road (Mumbai, 213 km).
- Some nearby attractions are Shaniwar Wada, Lal Mahal, Aga Khan Palace, etc.
- Pune is a major metropolitan city and has several star and budget category hotels and resorts.
- Catering facilities and several multi-cuisine restaurants are available in Pune.
- Pune also has good medical facilities as well as speciality hospitals.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be either sourced locally or from Mumbai.

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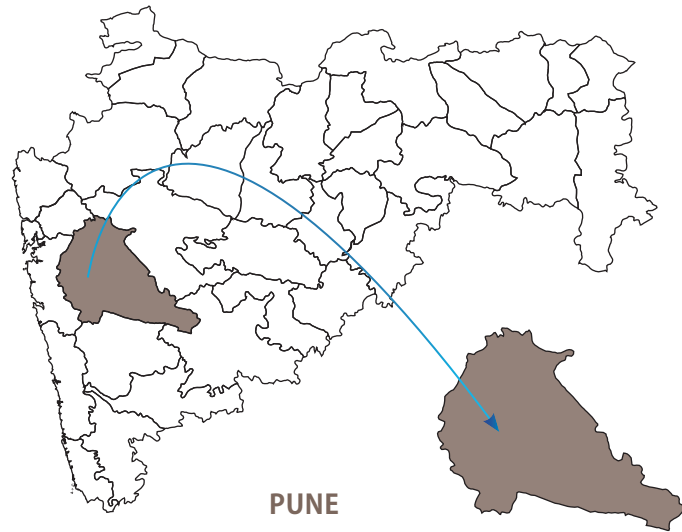




TORNA FORT – EAGLE’S NEST

Torna Fort was first won by warrior king Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj at the age of 16 and later renamed Prachandagad. It is a popular destination for trekkers as one can see Raigad, Lingana, Rajgad, Purandar and Sinhagad from the fort. To the south of Torna is the river of Velvandi and to the north is the valley of the Kanad River.

The Mughals took over the fort after Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj’s assassination for a short time before the Marathas regained control due to the efforts of Shankaraji Narayan Sachiv. In 1704 CE (Common Era), Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb captured the fort and named it “Futulgaib”, meaning Divine Victory. However, within four years, Sarnobat Nagoji Kokate was able to re-establish Maratha control. In the Treaty of Purandar, Torna remained with Shivaji Maharaj. An important historical fact is that it is the only fort that Emperor Aurangzeb won by fighting a real war.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Velhe, the village at the base of the fort, is situated south-east of Pune towards Phaltan and falls under Jejuri Municipal Corporation in Pune district. Jejuri Municipal Corporation has a population of ~14,515.
- Pune has an average maximum temperature of 38 degree Celsius and a minimum of 12 degree Celsius.
- The fort is connected via rail (Pune, 30 km), air (Pune, 35 km) and road (Mumbai, 213 km).
- Nearby attractions include Sinhagad Fort, Rajgad Fort, Lal Mahal, Shaniwar Wada, etc.
- Pune, a major city, has several star and budget category hotels and resorts.
- Ample catering facilities and restaurants offering multiple cuisines are available in Pune.
- The city also has excellent medical facilities and speciality hospitals.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be either sourced locally or from Mumbai.
- Parking facility is available at the base village.

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VASAI FORT – THE BASSEIN FORT

Vasai Fort also known as Fort of Saint Sebastian of Vasai is located ~55 km from Mumbai. The main gate of this large fort leads to a small courtyard, from where one can climb on to the ramparts to take a look at old structures, most of which are now in ruins. Despite the age and dilapidated condition of the fort, the remains of several of its edifices offer a glimpse of the brilliant architecture of the past.

Three chapels inside the fort have facades typical of 17th century CE (Common Era) Portuguese churches, with the southernmost even boasting of a well-preserved barrel-vaulted ceiling. Many watchtowers, with secure staircases, still stand strong.

The fort which was built by the Sultan of Gujarat was ruled by the Portuguese and the Marathas before finally passing into the hands of the British. In 15th century CE, Bassein was a flourishing shipbuilding centre and Bassein stones were in great demand.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Vasai Fort falls under Palghar district's Vasai-Virar City Municipal Corporation which has a population of ~12,22,390.
- The average maximum temperature is 34 degree Celsius while the minimum is 18 degree Celsius.
- The fort is connected via rail (Vasai, 3 km), air (Mumbai, 55 km) and road (Mumbai, ~65 km; Pune, 197 km).
- Star category hotels are limited in the Vasai-Virar City Municipal Corporation area. Star and luxury hotels are however easily available in Mumbai city.
- Restaurants and catering facilities are available in the region although Mumbai is the nearest catchment for availing hotel, restaurant and catering facilities.
- The best time for film shooting is between August and February.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be sourced from Mumbai.
- Famous British band Coldplay shot their song *Hymn for the Weekend* in the premises of the fort. *Josh*, *Khamoshi*, *Aag* and *Diary of a Butterfly* are some of the films that have been shot here besides TV series *CID*.

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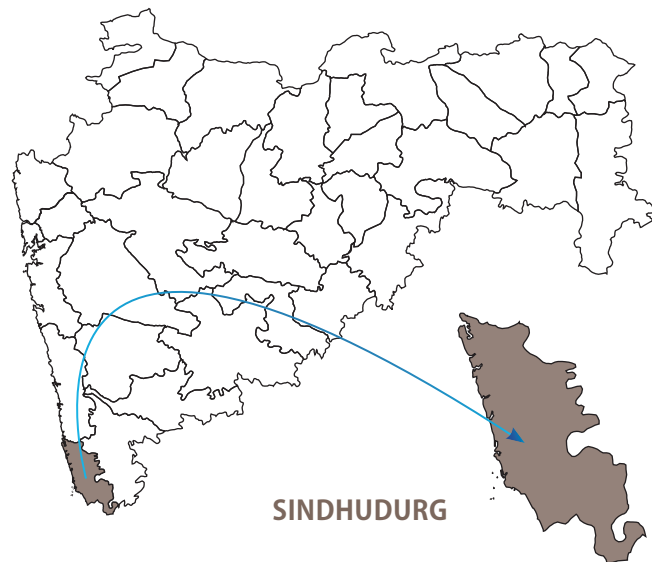




VIJAYDURG FORT – TESTIMONY OF MARATHA NAVAL PROWESS

Vijaydurg, the oldest fort on the Sindhudurg coast, was constructed during the regime of Raja Bhoja II of the Shilahara dynasty and later restructured by Maratha sovereign Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. The north-facing fort is situated in the mouth of the Vaghotan River that separates Ratnagiri and Sindhudurg districts. Built with laterite stones, it is the largest fort on the coast and comprises of 27 bastions, of which three are 3-storey structures.

The fort has two interesting underground routes and a 200-metre-long tunnel for emergency evacuation. There is also a spot called Sahebache Katte, a platform for the lord. It is from here that on August 18, 1868, British scientist Sir J. Norman Lankier, while observing a sun eclipse, noticed Helium gas around the sun in the form of yellow flames. This brought the fort into worldwide prominence and today, locals here celebrate the occasion as Helium Day.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Vijaydurg Fort is located in Malvan in Sindhudurg district. Malvan has a population of ~18,648.
- The average high temperature is 34 degree Celsius while the low is 20 degree Celsius.
- It is connected by rail (Nandgaon, 60 km, Kanakavali, 80 km), air (Goa, 207 km, Mumbai, 517 km, Pune, 365 km) and road (Mumbai, 517 km).
- Some of the nearby attractions are Devbag Beach, Malvan Beach, Ratnagiri, Devgad Fort, windmills, etc.
- Star category hotel options are limited. Devgad offers many budget hotels and lodge options. MTDC has a rest house adjacent to the fort.
- Restaurants and catering options are limited in the region.
- Medical facilities are available in Devgad.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. can be either sourced from Mumbai/Pune.
- The film *Killa* was shot here.

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VISHALGAD FORT – LEGACY OF THE MARATHA EMPIRE

Vishalgad Fort, also known as Khelna or Khilna Fort, was among the most prominent forts of warrior king Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. Vishalgad literally means massive fort (*vishal* meaning massive and *gad* meaning fort).

Vishalgad is located at a height of 1,130 metres (3,630 ft) from mean sea level on a mountain that divides the region into two parts – Amba Ghat and Anaskura Ghat. The fort is strategically located on the boundary of the Sahyadri mountain range and the Konkan region and offers a brilliant view of both regions.

The Panhala-Vishalgad Fort trek is a favourite among hikers.



LOCATION FACT FILE

- Gajapur village, located at the base of Vishalgad Fort, is in Kolhapur district and has a population of ~1,950.
- Kolhapur has an average maximum temperature of 34 degree Celsius and a minimum of 18 degree Celsius.
- Nearby attractions include Kopeshwar Temple, New Palace, Panhala Fort, Radhanagari Dam and Sanctuary, etc.
- It is connected by rail (Kolhapur, 76 km), air (Pune, 230 km) and road (Mumbai-Kolhapur, 380 km; Pune-Kolhapur, 230 km).
- Star and budget category hotels, although limited, are available in Kolhapur. Radhanagari also has budget hotels with decent facilities.
- Ample restaurants and catering facilities are available in Kolhapur.
- Medical facilities are also easily available in Kolhapur.
- Support infrastructure in terms of pre- and post-production equipment, artistes, technicians, etc. are available in the city as shoots of most Marathi movies happen in the region.
- Kolhapur is also home to a film city that provides infrastructure necessary for shooting.

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