

Kappatagudda Wildlife Sanctuary

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Recently, the High Court of Karnataka has directed the State government to issue a further notification to include the left-out areas of the Kappatagudda reserve forest as part of the Kappatagudda Wildlife Sanctuary.

About Kappatagudda Wildlife Sanctuary

- **Location:** It is located in the **state of Karnataka**.
- The sanctuary features diverse habitats—**dry deciduous forests, grasslands, scrublands, and riverine zones**—earning it the nickname “Western Ghats of North Karnataka”.
- The sanctuary’s **historical significance traces back centuries**, evident in the remnants of ancient temples and ruins that dot the hillsides.
- These structures are adorned with intricate carvings and tell tales of dynasties that once ruled the land, such as the **Chalukyas and Rashtrakutas**.
 - It mainly consists of architectural marvels strewn across Kappatagudda, such as the **Kappatagudda Jain Basadi, Brahma Jinalaya, Trikuteshwara Temple**, and the Dambala Temple, stand testament

to the craftsmanship and religious diversity of the region.

- The Sanctuary forms the major **catchment for the River Tungabhadra** in the district.
- **Vegetation:** The sanctuary supports diverse vegetation typical of **dry-scrub and deciduous ecosystems**.
- **Flora:** The forest has about 400 medicinal plant species.
- **Fauna:** Leopards, Hyenas, Wolves, Foxes, Jackals, Four Horned Antelopes, Blackbucks, Monitor Lizards, Jungle Cats and various reptiles and birds.

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