

# Kalu Waterfall Trek | Pune

🕒 1 day

## Overview

The Kalu Waterfall trek is one of the most picturesque treks in Maharashtra during the monsoon season where you can enjoy a scenic trek through the lush green beauty of Malshej Ghat in the Sahyadri mountain ranges. This little known gem, located near Thitbi Village, is known for its majestic waterfall, valleys shrouded in mist, thick forests and pristine natural beauty that blooms in the rainy season.

The trail passes through the green meadows, forest track, muddy roads, running streams and rolling hills of the Western Ghats and offers a deep immersive experience for the trekkers. Enveloped by the peaceful surroundings and fresh mountain air, the ride is a great retreat from the busy city activity and a wonderful chance to get in touch with nature.

The Malshej Ghat is the highlight of the trek with the magnificent Kalu Waterfall, which is one of the tallest waterfalls in the area. The waterfall is a magnificent spectacle during the monsoon season, as it crashes down from a sheer, imposing cliff, amidst misty mountains and verdant green valleys. It is a popular place for photographers, nature enthusiasts and adventurers alike, thanks to its breathtaking panoramic views.

The Kalu Waterfall Trek is recommended for beginners with a fair level of fitness, and for more advanced trekkers, and is a perfect weekend holiday from Mumbai and Pune. Every step along the way is rewarding with a cool breeze, seasonal waterfalls and dramatic landscapes.

From exploring the stunning scenery to enjoying a serene hike through the woods, the Kalu Waterfall Trek is an experience you won't want to miss out on. It is one of the most beautiful

and lesser known trekking spots in Maharashtra due to its combination of scenic beauty, refreshing trails and spectacular views of waterfalls.

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## Why Kalu Waterfall Trek is Famous:

The Kalu Waterfall Trek is famous for its breathtaking monsoon scenery, towering waterfall, lush green valleys, and peaceful trekking trails through the Sahyadri mountains. It is considered one of the most beautiful waterfall treks near Pune and Mumbai, especially during the rainy season when the landscape is covered in mist, clouds, and flowing streams.

The trek is especially popular for:

- Spectacular views of the massive Kalu Waterfall
- Scenic trekking trails through Malshej Ghat
- Lush green valleys and mist-covered mountains
- Beautiful monsoon landscapes and seasonal waterfalls
- Peaceful and less-crowded trekking experience
- Stunning viewpoints overlooking the Sahyadri ranges
- Nature photography and landscape photography opportunities
- Refreshing weather and untouched natural surroundings
- Ideal weekend getaway from Pune and Mumbai
- One of the best monsoon treks in Maharashtra

The combination of adventure, scenic beauty, waterfalls, and serene mountain landscapes makes the Kalu Waterfall Trek a favorite destination among trekkers, photographers, and nature enthusiasts looking to explore the hidden beauty of the Western Ghats.

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## Kalu Waterfall Trek Quick Information:

- **Trek Trail:** Nature trail
- **Base Village:** Thitbi
- **Trek Difficulty:** Moderate
- **Trek Endurance:** Medium / Average
- **Trek Duration:** Approx. 3 - 4 hours (both sides)
- **Region:** Malshej Ghat, Maharashtra

🕒 Batches

- **July 2026:** 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 31
- **August 2026:** 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29
- **September 2026:** 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26

## Inclusions

- Private bus transportation from Pune
- Breakfast and tea
- Unlimited vegetarian lunch
- Trek leader charges
- Forest entry permits
- Trek expertise charges
- Basic first aid support

## Exclusions

- Travel till pickup points
- 5% GST on booking amount
- Personal expenses
- Extra snacks and beverages
- Emergency evacuation expenses
- Insurance
- Expenses caused due to weather or road conditions

📍 Route Map

**Thitbi Village → Forest Trail → Stream Crossings → Open Plateau → Valley Viewpoints → Kalu Waterfall**

## Highlights

- Witness the majestic Kalu Waterfall from the viewpoint
- Trek through the scenic valleys of Malshej Ghat

- Walk through dense forests and lush green trails
- Experience mist-covered mountains and monsoon landscapes
- Cross streams and explore untouched natural terrain
- Enjoy breathtaking views of the Sahyadri mountain ranges
- Capture stunning waterfall and landscape photography
- Perfect monsoon weekend trek from Pune and Mumbai
- Ideal for nature lovers and adventure seekers
- One of the most beautiful waterfall treks in Maharashtra

## Itinerary

### Day 1:

**05.00 AM:** Report at Fergusson College Main Gate (<https://maps.app.goo.gl/SB69psEWQif4bFtd6> )

**05:15 AM:** Pickup from Bremen Chowk, Aundh ( <https://goo.gl/maps/2VYKwdMHj2fvRUq48> )

**05:30 AM:** Pickup from Shivar Garden, Pimple Saudagar ( <https://goo.gl/maps/jc9QLde4H2jUg1Dc7> )

**05.40 AM:** Pickup from Nasik Phata, Kasarwadi ( <https://maps.app.goo.gl/1nsE6kBkCoVbtUes8> )

**05:55 AM:** Pickup from Moshi Chowk

**08:30 AM:** Reach Base Village Arrive at Thitbi village and freshen up before starting the trek.

**09:30 AM:** Breakfast Enjoy breakfast and tea before the trekking briefing.

**10:30 AM:** Start Trek towards Kalu Waterfall Begin the scenic nature trail after a detailed briefing by the trek leader. The route passes through forest sections, streams, open valleys, and monsoon landscapes.

**12:30 PM:** Reach Kalu Waterfall Viewpoint Enjoy breathtaking views of the gigantic Kalu Waterfall from approximately 1.5 km distance. Relax, click photographs, and spend quality time amidst nature.

**01:30 PM:** Start Descending Begin the return trek towards the base village.

**03:00 PM:** Reach Base Village Freshen up and enjoy an unlimited vegetarian lunch.

**05:00 PM:** Return Journey Begins Start the journey back towards Pune.

**10:00 PM:** Reach Pune

Arrival timing may vary depending on traffic and weather conditions.

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## Why Trekkers choose Xplorers:

- Experienced trek leaders with proper safety protocols
- Professionally organized waterfall treks
- Large community of solo travelers and female travelers
- Comfortable transportation arrangements
- Verified trekking routes
- Friendly trekking environment
- Safety-first trekking approach
- Well-managed group coordination
- Our goal is to make every trek safe, exciting, and unforgettable

### ➡ Things To Carry

#### (Highly Required and Mandatory Things)

- Valid ID proof
- Waterproof backpack or rain cover
- Trekking shoes with strong grip
- Trekking pants
- Full sleeve T-shirts
- Raincoat or windcheater
- Water bottles (2–3 liters)
- Energy Bar and snacks and dry fruits.
- Torch or headlamp
- Personal medicines and first aid kit

#### (Required but Optional Things)

- Extra clothes for return journey
- Slippers or floaters
- Sweater or jacket
- Electrolyte or glucose powder
- Portable charger
- Sunglasses and sunscreen
- Toiletries and facewash
- Sanitizer and face mask

### ➡ Safety Guidelines

- Follow trek leader instructions.

- Avoid risky waterfall selfies.
- Wear proper trekking shoes.
- Do not litter in forest areas.
- Respect local customs and temples.
- Avoid alcohol and smoking during the trek.
- Carry rain protection during monsoon.

#### ➡ Important Notes

- Friday night departures are highly recommended to avoid weekend traffic.
- Minimum participant count is required to operate batches.
- Trek schedules may change depending on weather and safety conditions.

#### ➡ Cancellation Policy

**Cancellation requests must be submitted in writing via email or WhatsApp to the Xplorers Adventure team.**

- More than 30 days before departure: 25% cancellation charges
- 15–30 days before departure: 50% cancellation charges
- 07–14 days before departure: 75% cancellation charges
- Less than 03 days before departure: No refund
- If Trek gets canceled we will refund "Trek Amount" only
- No show: No refund

Refunds, if applicable, will be processed within 7–14 working days after cancellation confirmation.

Convenience fees, payment gateway charges, taxes, flight/train/safari/activity permits, and third-party bookings are non-refundable.

#### ➡ FAQs

##### **1. Where is Kalu Waterfall located?**

Kalu Waterfall is located near Thitbi Village in the Malshej Ghat region of Maharashtra

and is one of the tallest waterfalls in the Sahyadri mountain ranges.

**2. What is the difficulty level of Kalu Waterfall Trek?**

Kalu Waterfall Trek is considered an easy to moderate trek and is suitable for beginners with a reasonable fitness level.

**3. What is the total trek distance of Kalu Waterfall Trek?**

The total trekking distance is approximately 6–8 km depending on the route and starting point chosen for the trek.

**4. What is the best time to visit Kalu Waterfall?**

The best time to visit Kalu Waterfall is during the monsoon season from June to September when the waterfall is at its most spectacular.

**5. Why is Kalu Waterfall Trek famous?**

Kalu Waterfall Trek is famous for its massive waterfall, lush green valleys, mist-covered mountains, scenic forest trails, and breathtaking Malshej Ghat views.

**6. Is Kalu Waterfall Trek suitable for beginners?**

Yes, beginners with good fitness levels can comfortably complete the trek under proper guidance and supervision.

**7. How long does the Kalu Waterfall Trek take to complete?**

The trek usually takes around 4–6 hours including the ascent, waterfall viewpoint exploration, photography breaks, and return journey.

**8. What are the major attractions of Kalu Waterfall Trek?**

Major attractions include Kalu Waterfall, Malshej Ghat landscapes, dense forests, seasonal streams, mountain trails, and panoramic valley views.

**9. Is swimming allowed at Kalu Waterfall?**

Swimming is generally not recommended due to strong water currents, slippery rocks, and unpredictable water flow during the monsoon season.

**10. Are washrooms available during the trek?**

Basic washroom facilities may be available at the base village, but there are no washroom facilities on the trekking route.

**11. Is mobile network available on the Kalu Waterfall Trek route?**

Mobile connectivity is limited and may be unavailable in several sections of the trek, especially inside forested and valley areas.

**12. What should I carry for the Kalu Waterfall Trek?**

Carry trekking shoes, rainwear, a water bottle, snacks, extra clothes, sunscreen, a cap, personal medicines, and a waterproof backpack cover.

**13. Is prior trekking experience required for Kalu Waterfall Trek?**

No, prior trekking experience is not mandatory. However, basic fitness is recommended to enjoy the trek comfortably.

**14. Is parking available at the base village?**

Yes, parking facilities are generally available near the base village, subject to local arrangements and seasonal conditions.

**15. Are food and drinking water available during the trek?**

Basic meals and refreshments may be available at the base village, but trekkers should carry sufficient drinking water and snacks.

## Pickup point

[View on Google Maps →](#)