West Bengal's Durga Puja is on UNESCO's list of intangible heritage

Kolkata's puja was added in 2021. The state also has three World Heritage Sites, from the Sundarbans to the Darjeeling railway.



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UNESCO World Heritage Sites

Capital	**Kolkata**
Official language	**Bengali and English**
Area	**88,752 km², 13th largest of 28**
UNESCO World Heritage Sites	**3**
Tiger reserves	**2**
Highest point	**Sandakphu, 3,636 m**

★ Capital ◆ UNESCO site ▲ Tiger reserve
● Town or sight

Tiger reserves: Sundarbans, Buxa.

WHAT TO EAT

Rosogolla
Sandesh
Luchi
Chutney

WHAT TO TAKE HOME

Darjeeling tea
Banglar rosogolla
Joynagar moa

All have a GI tag

PLAN AROUND

Durga Puja

6 to 8 October 2027

STATE ANIMAL	STATE BIRD	STATE FLOWER	STATE TREE
Fishing cat	White-throated kingfisher	Night jasmine (shiuli)	Chhatim

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