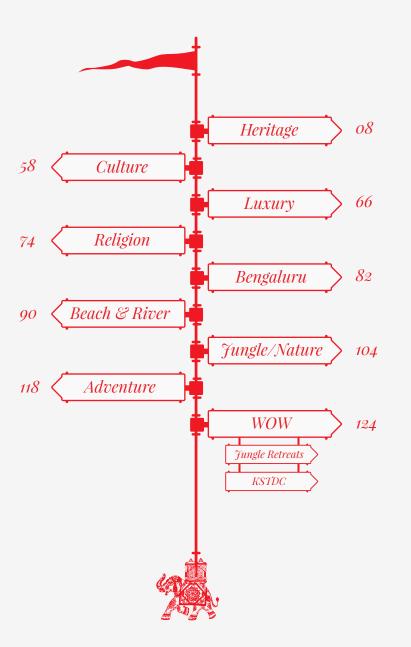




Step into Karnataka and you step into a land that inspires wonder at every turn. Almost lyrical in its natural beauty, Karnataka is an amazing mix of hills, plains, rivers, waterfalls, beaches and forests teeming with wildlife. With different dynasties leaving their imprint on the land, it is also a treasure house of historic, religious and heritage monuments. Karnataka's culture has been moulded by diverse influences over centuries and is a unique mosaic of colours, sounds, tastes and more.

In Karnataka, there's something for everyone.





## KARNATAKA MIND MAP

Capital city - Bengaluru / Bangalore

**Emblem** - Gandaberunda, the Royal insignia of erstwhile Mysuru Kingdom

State Language - Kannada

Widely spoken languages - Kannada, English, Hindi

**State Dance** - Yakshagana

**State Animal** - Asian Elephant

**State Bird** - Indian Roller

**State Flower** - Lotus

State Tree - Sandalwood

## LEGENDS

A Chalukyan Architecture

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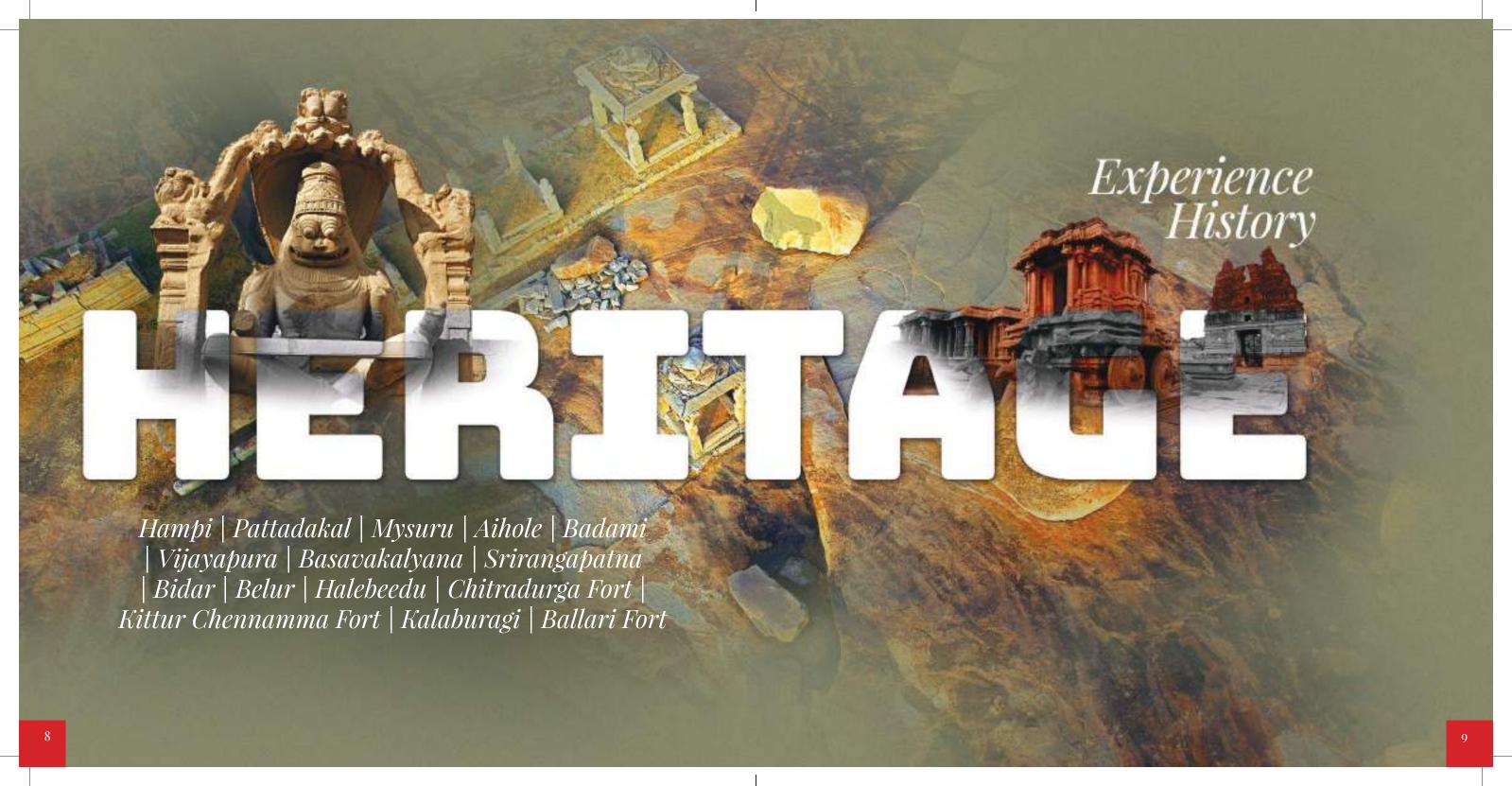
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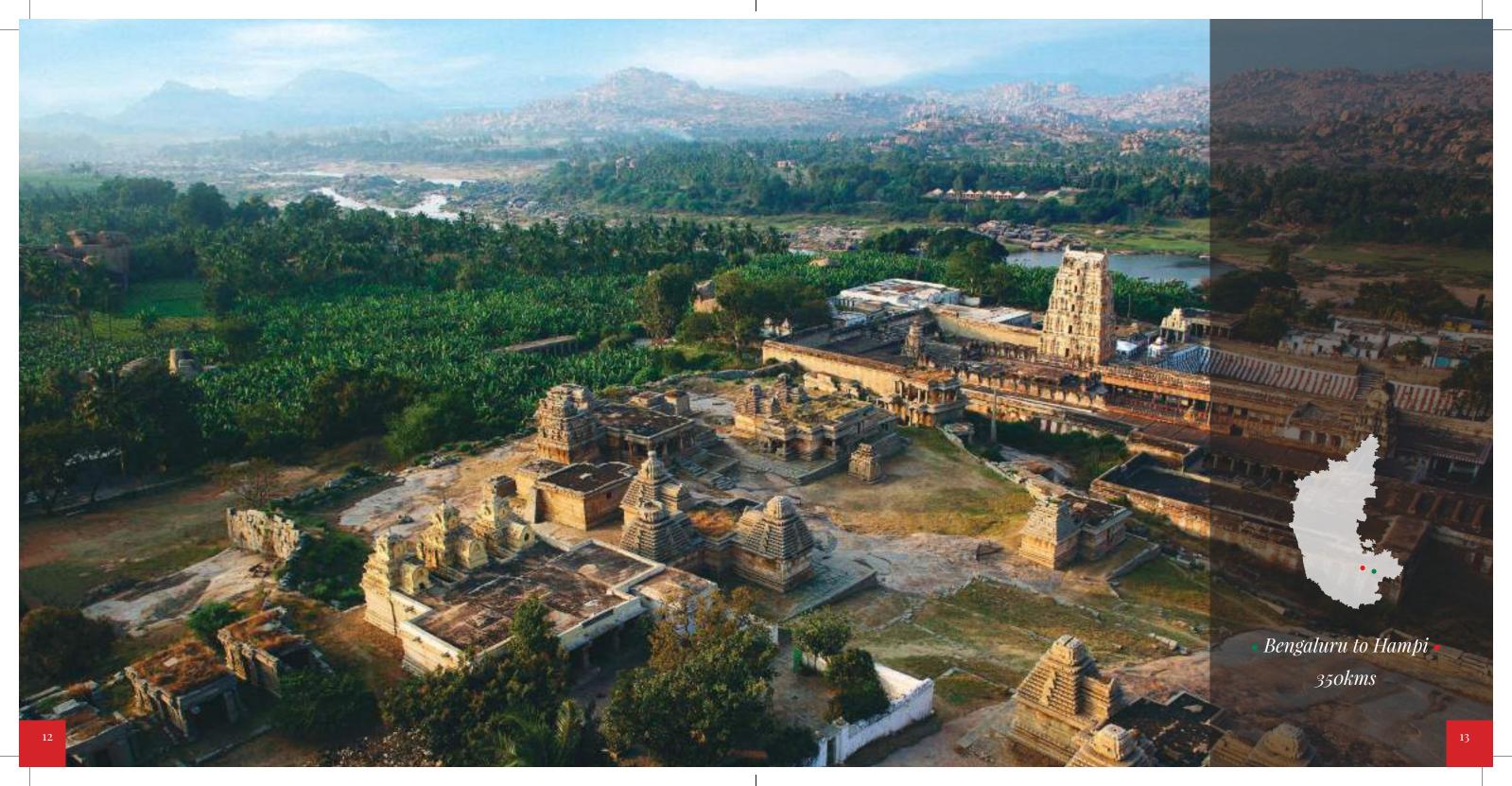
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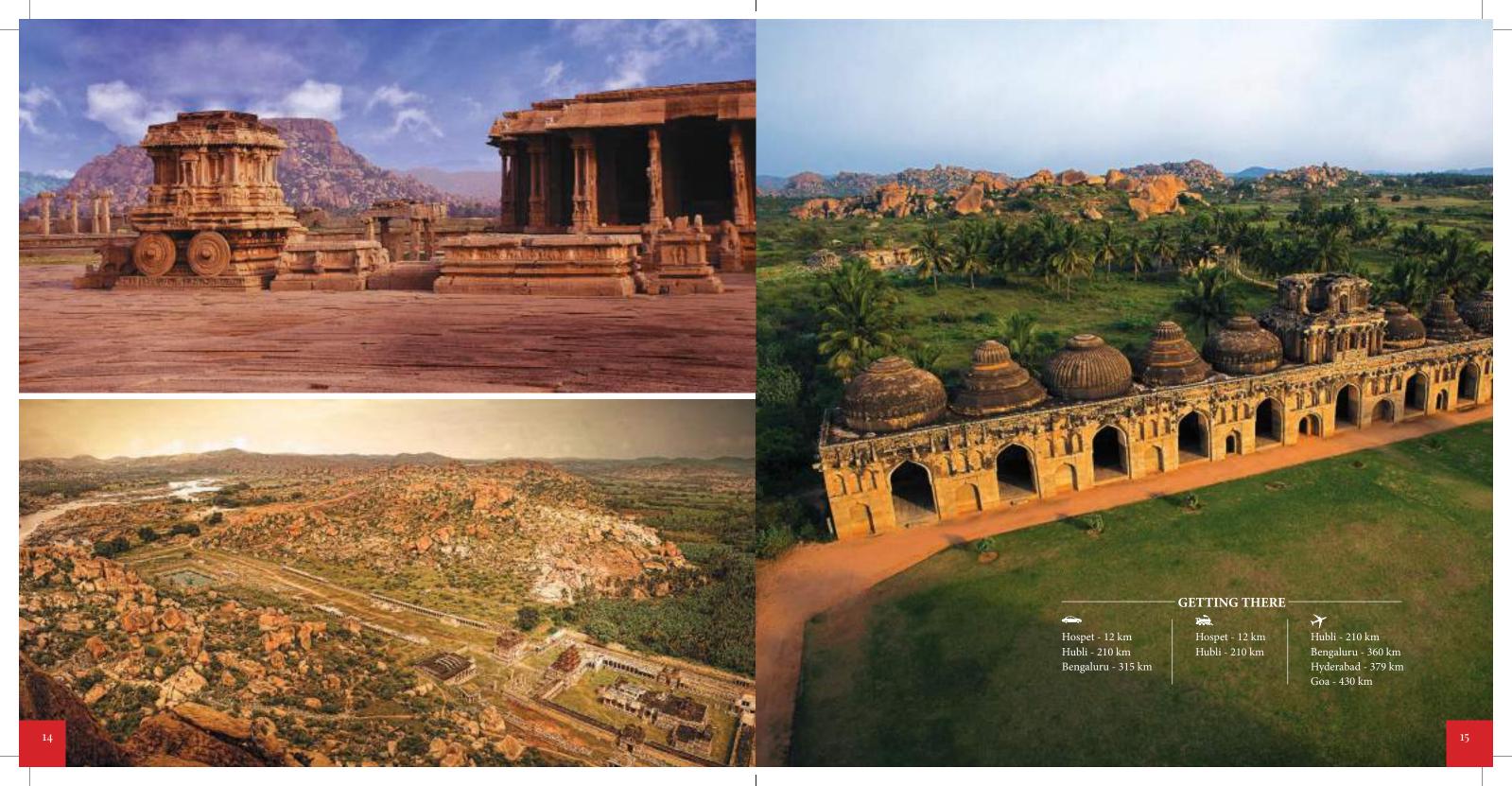
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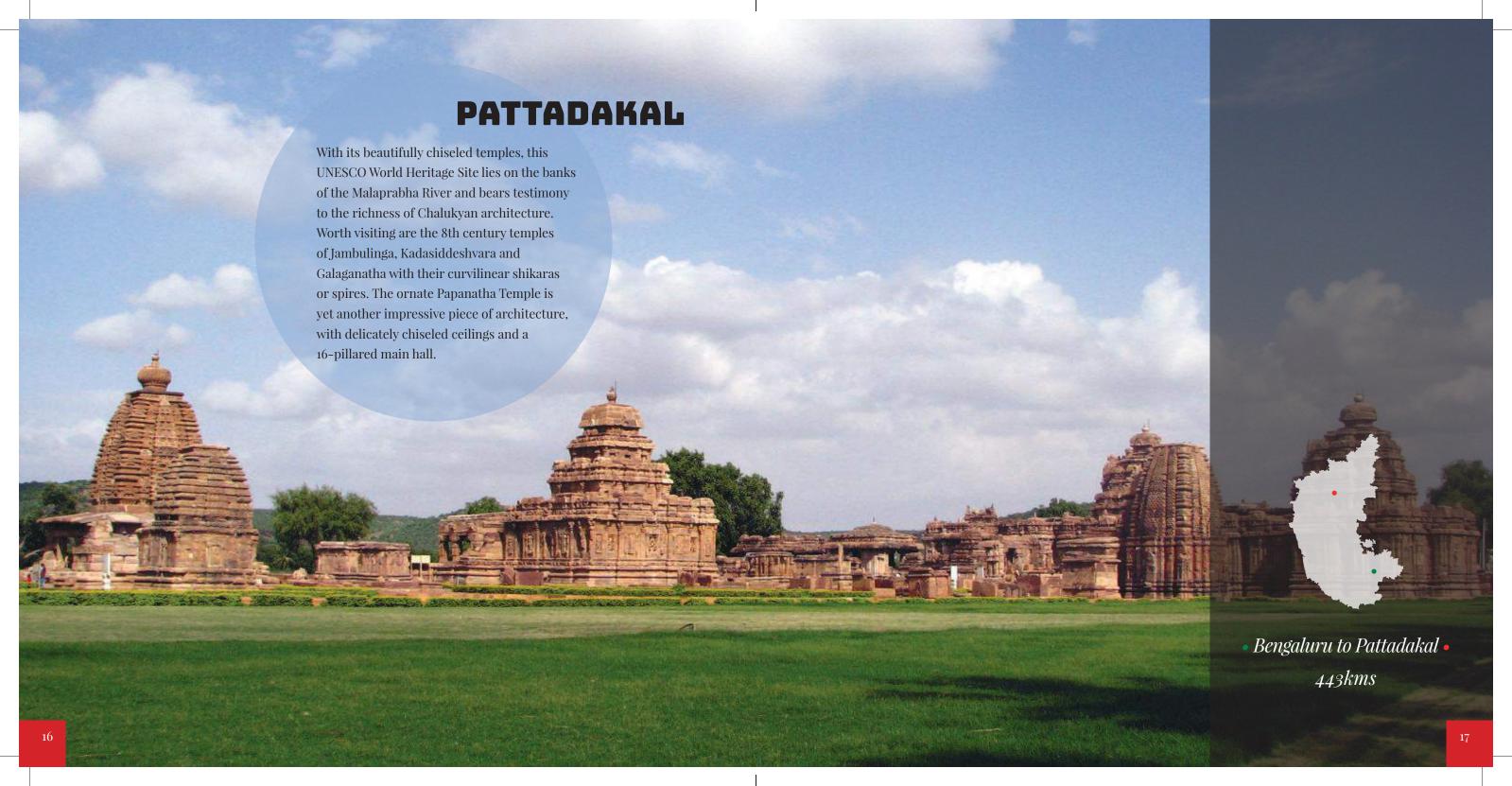
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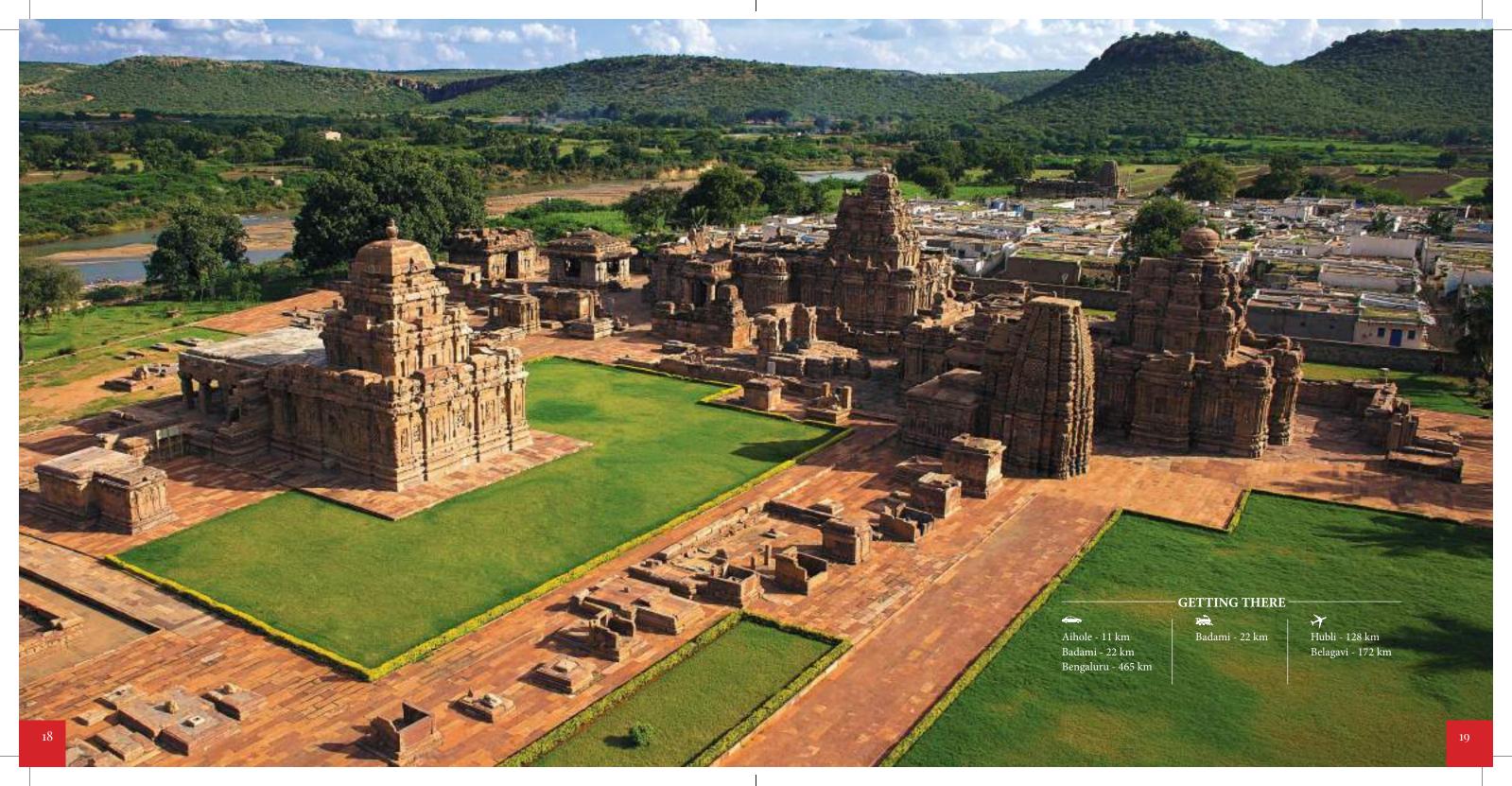




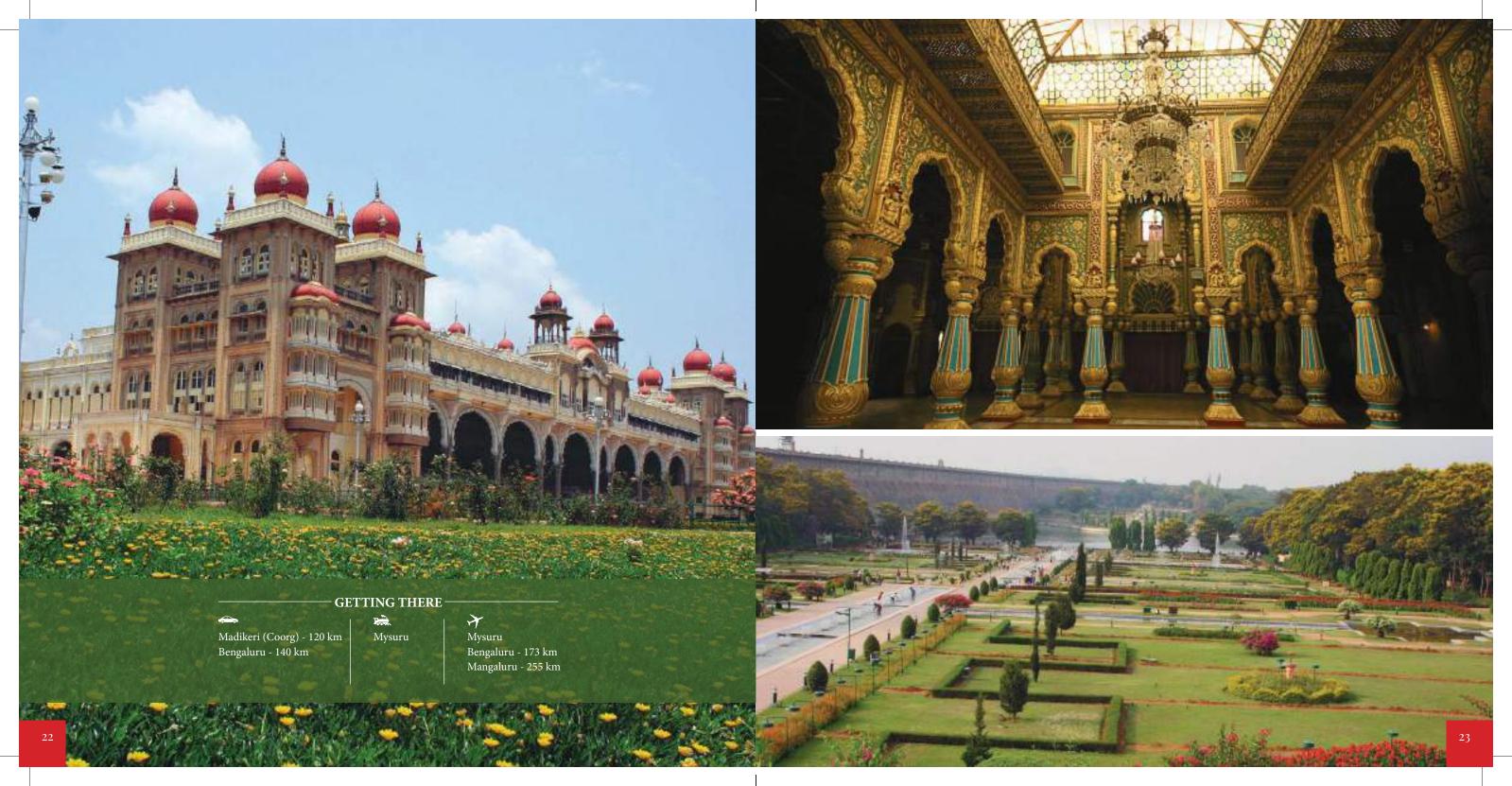




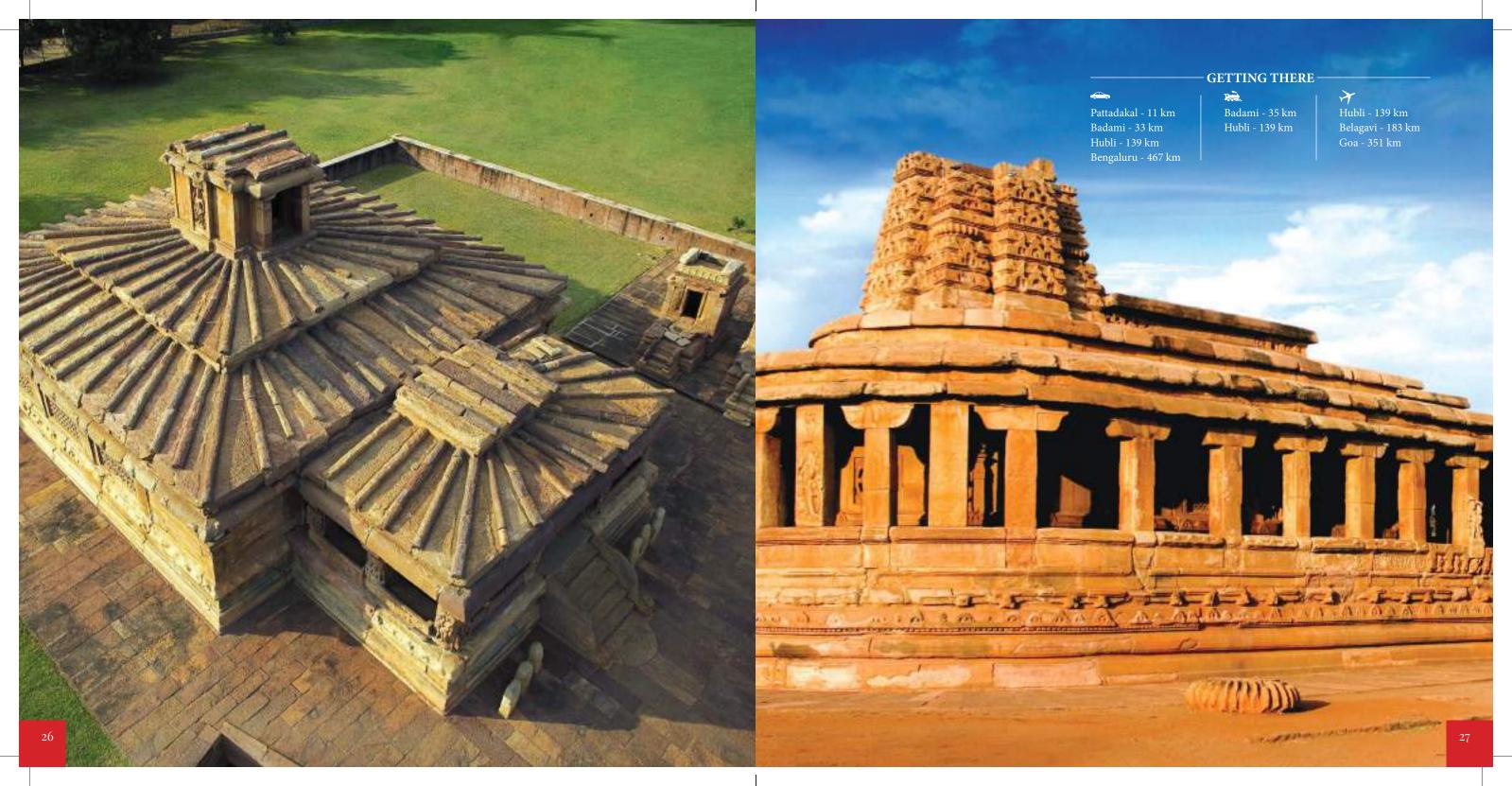


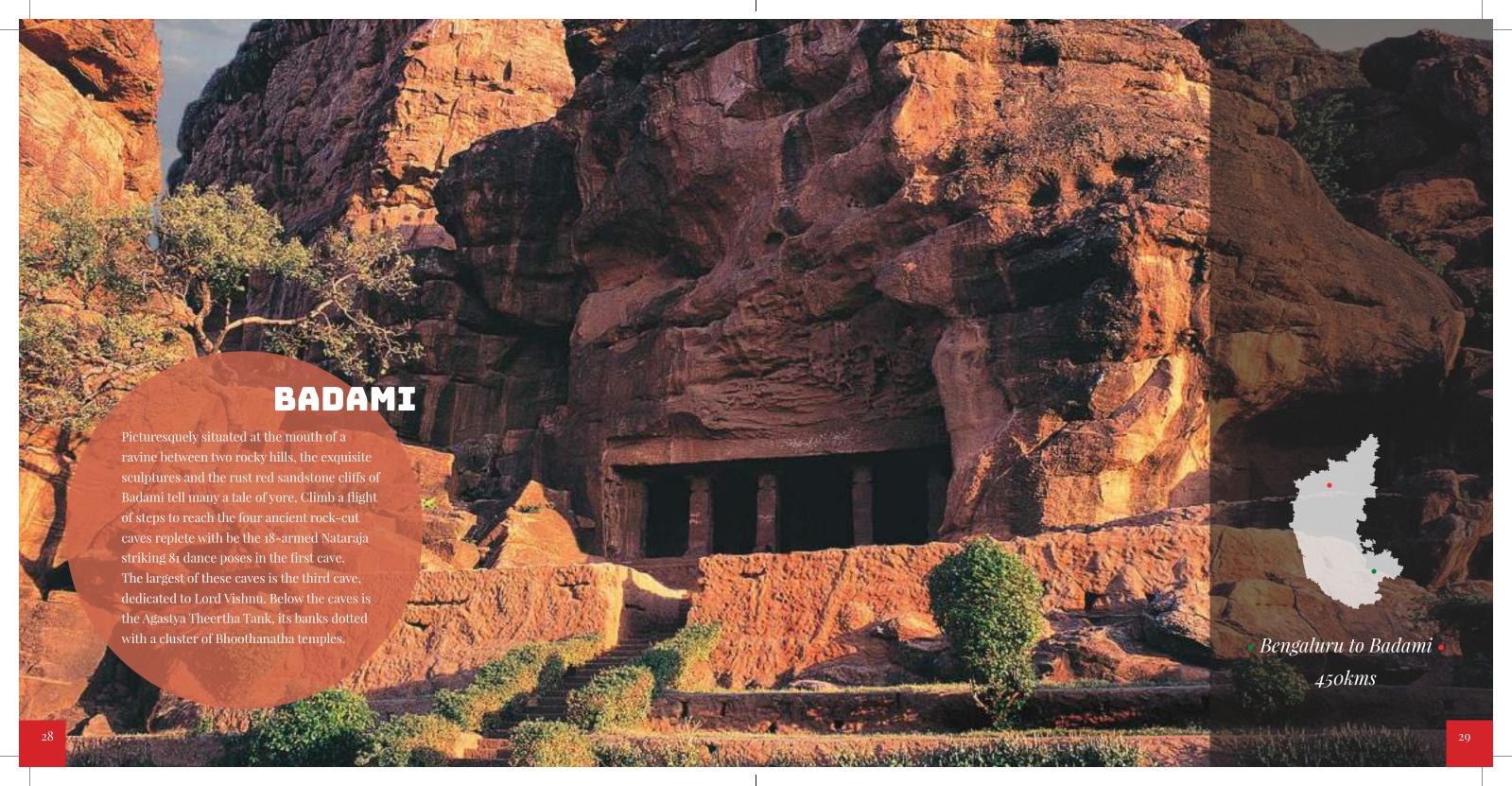








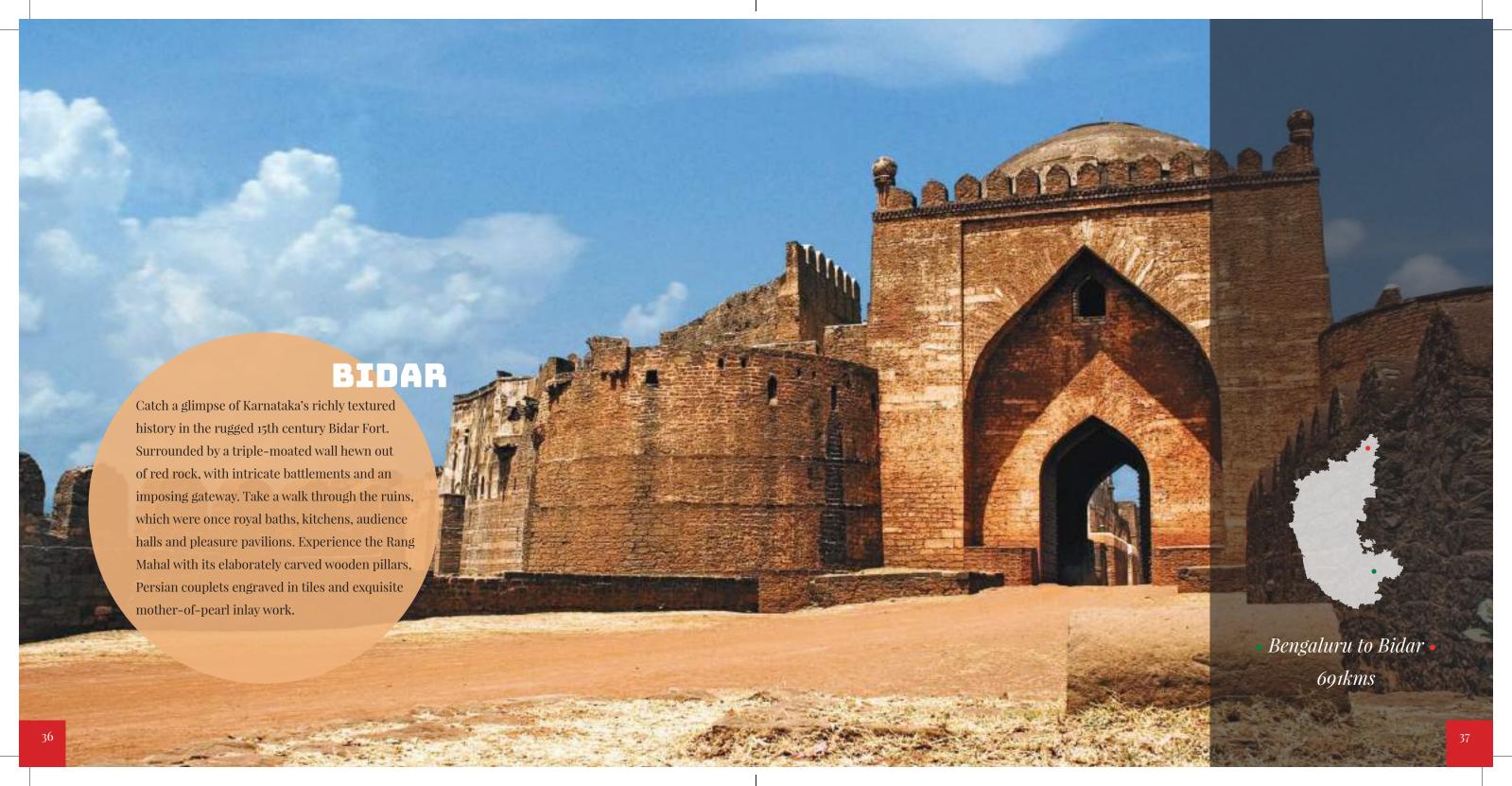










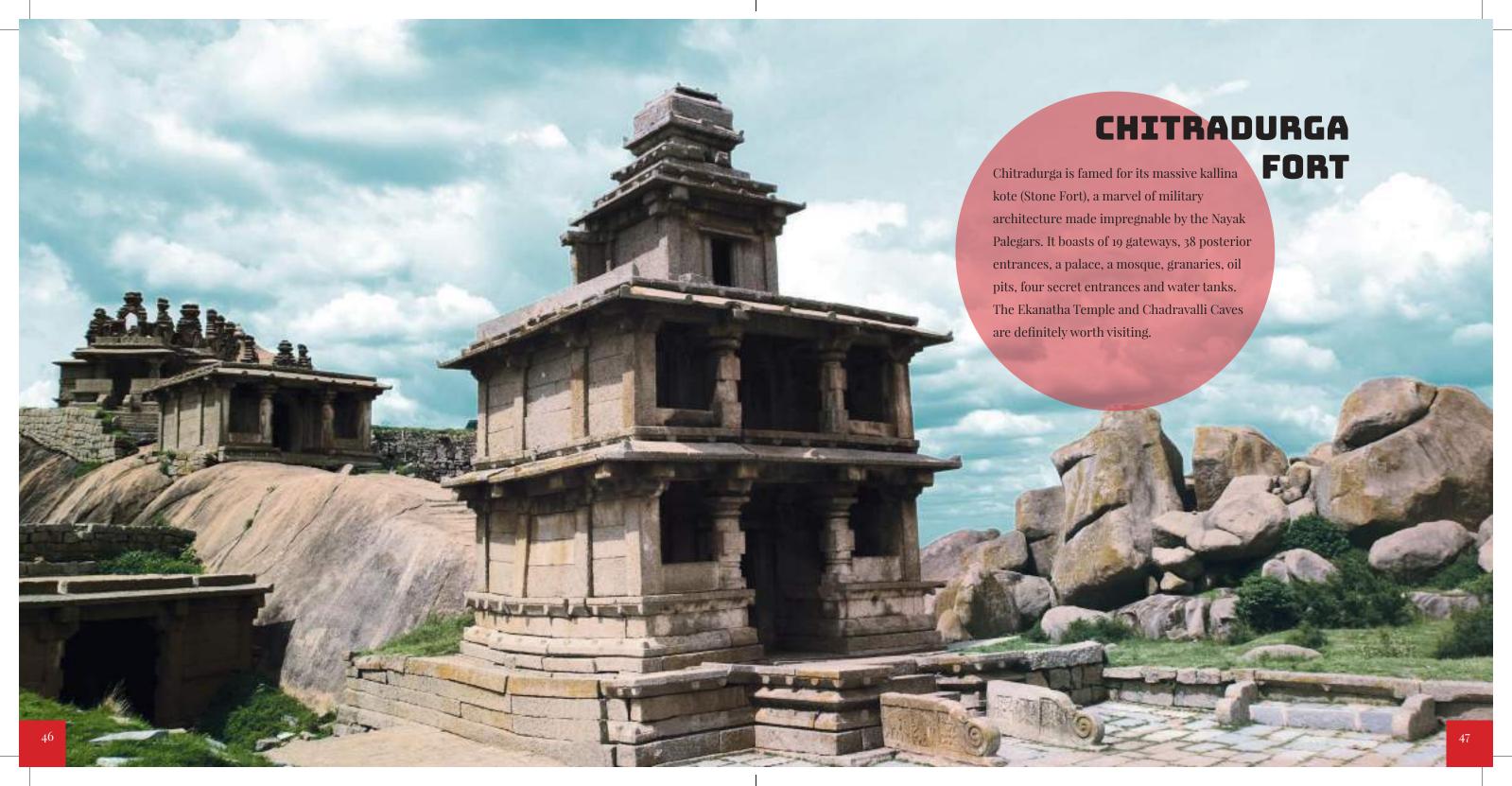


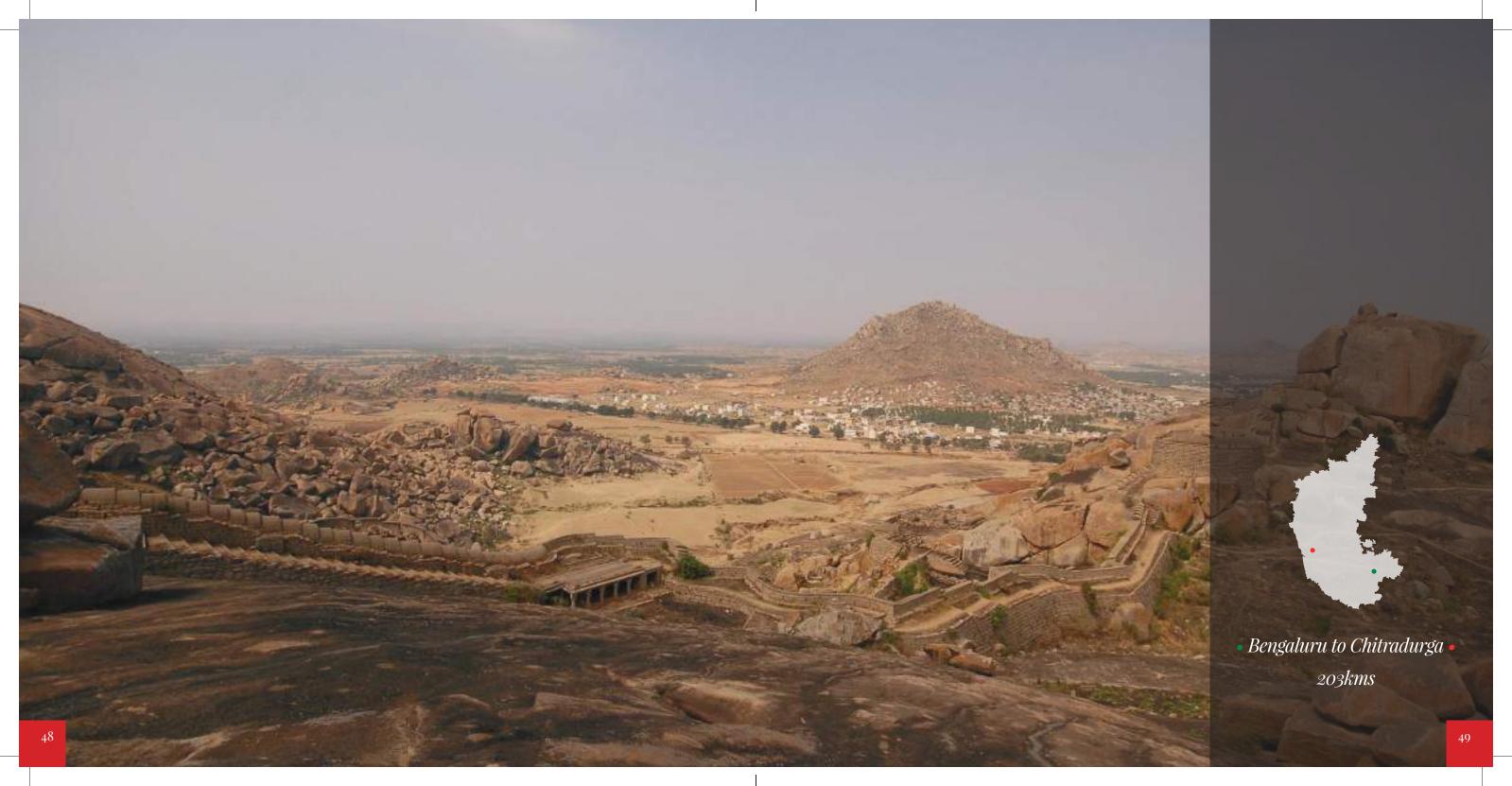


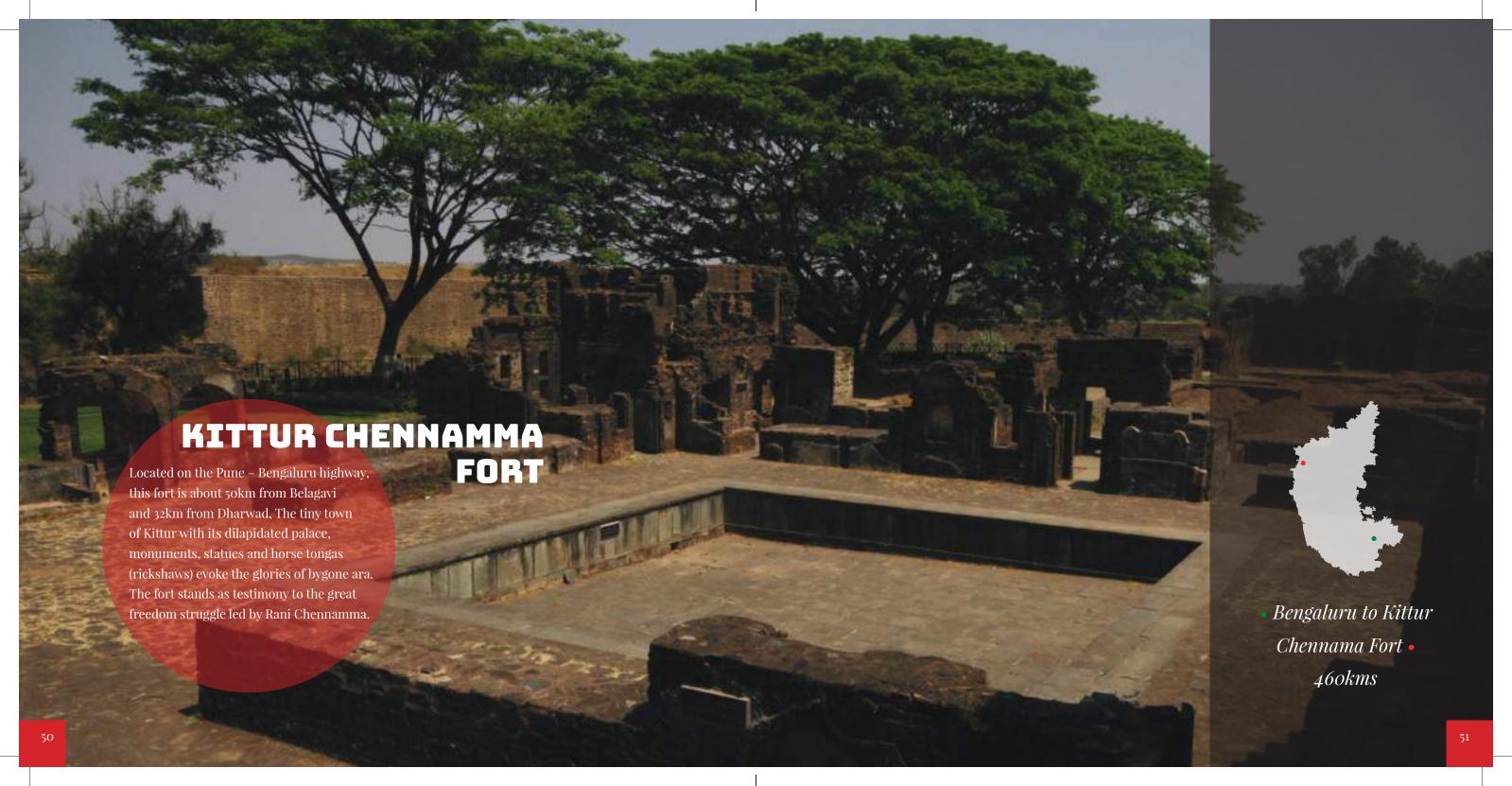


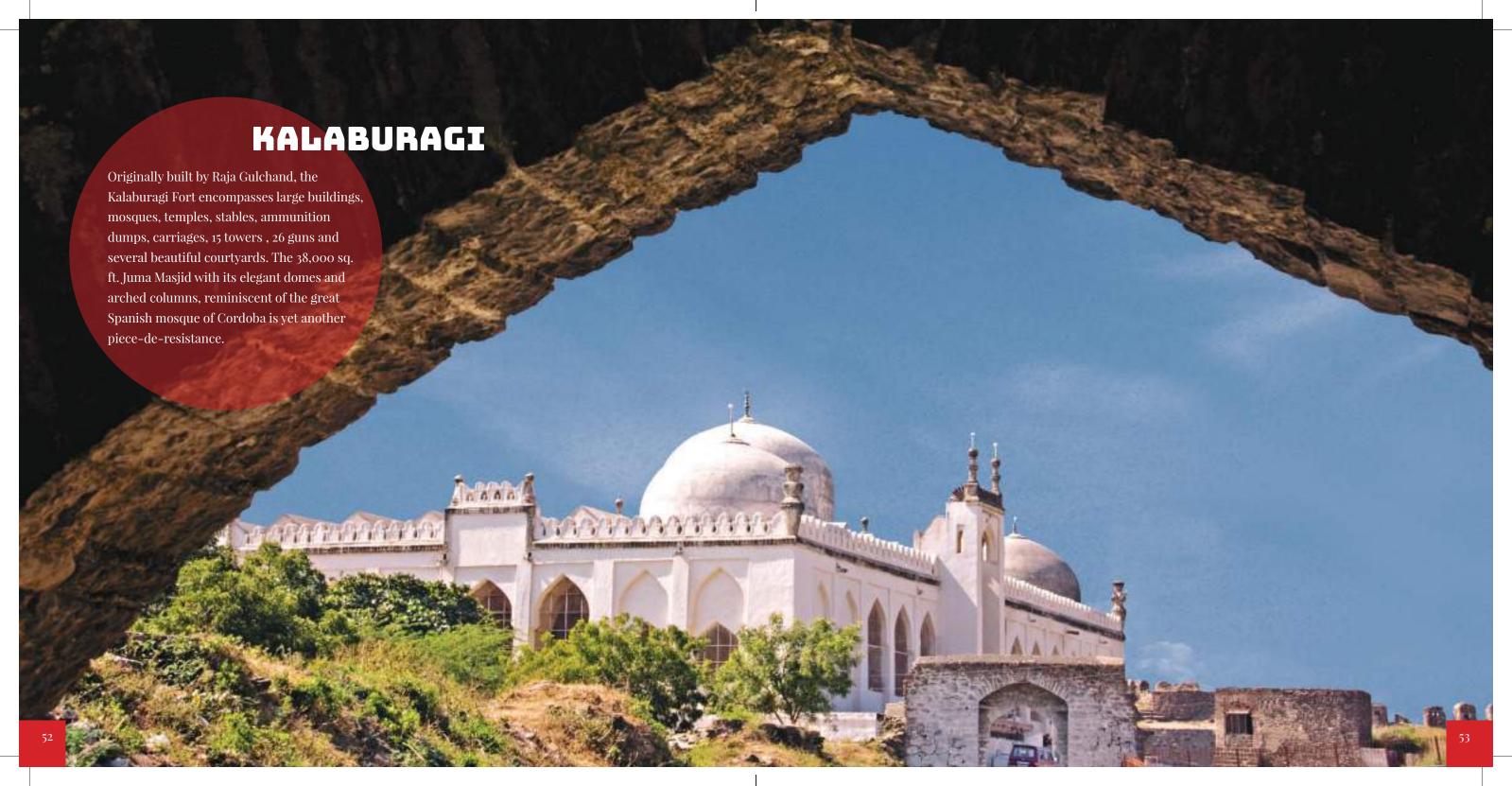




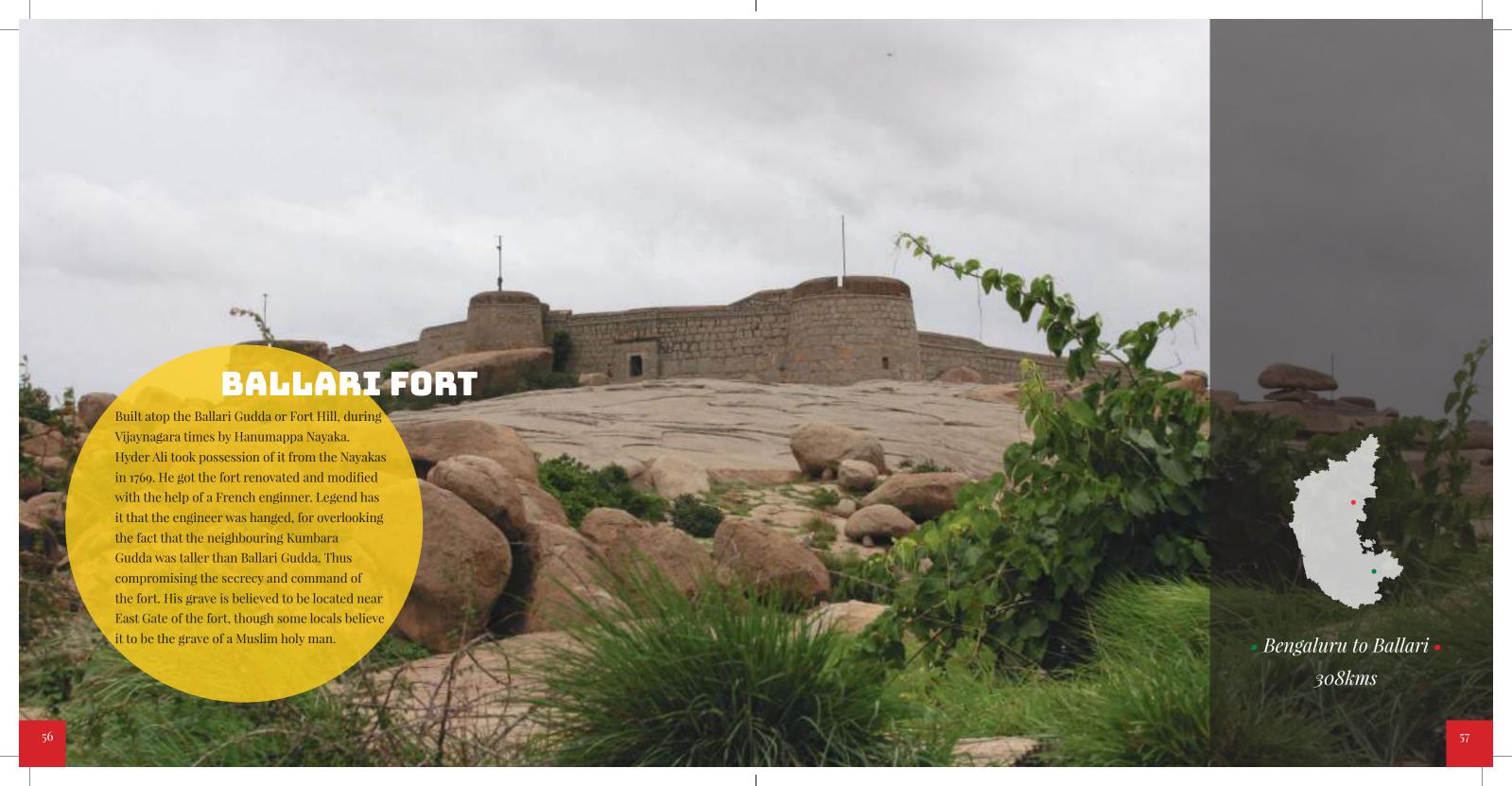


















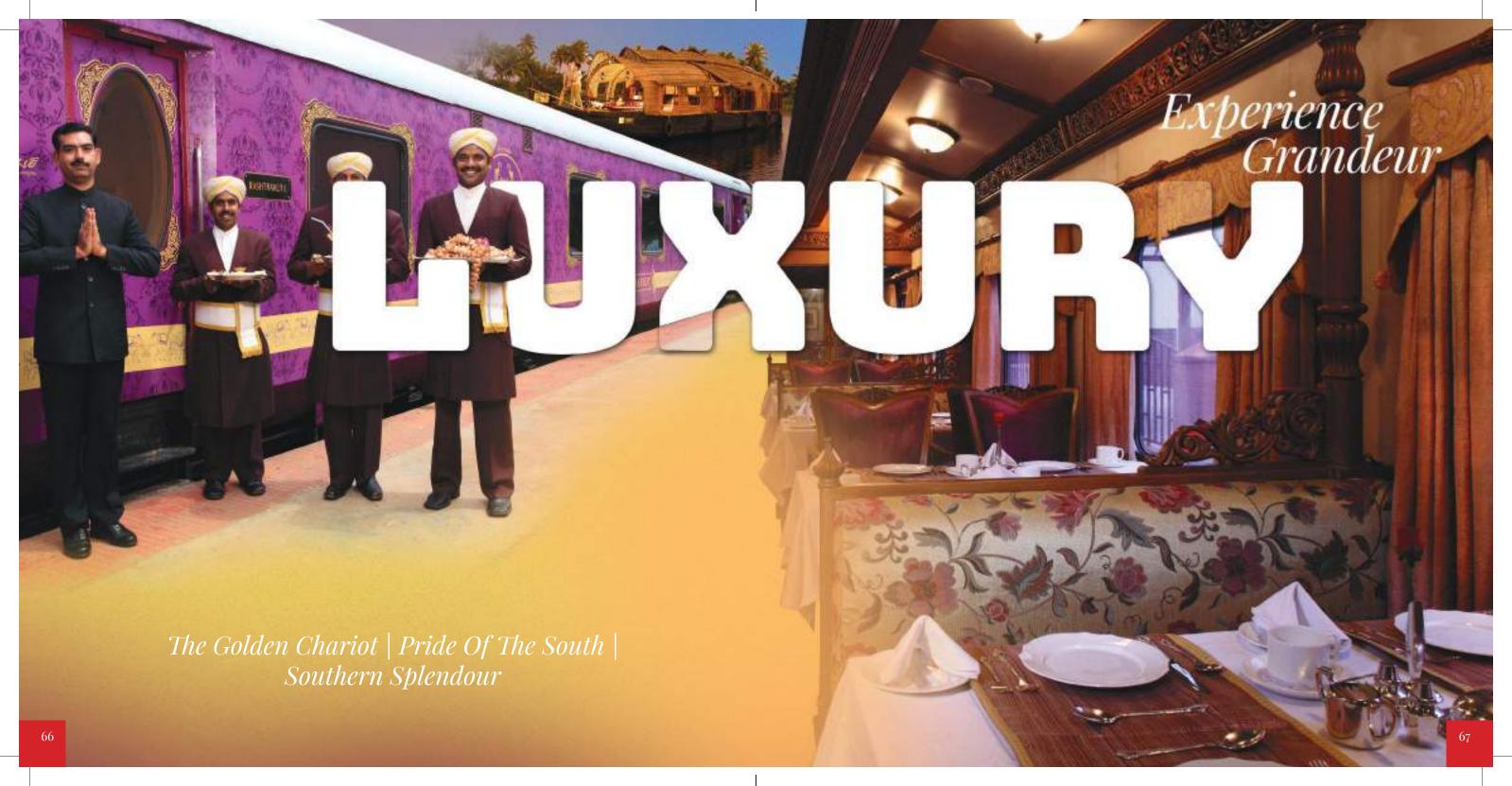


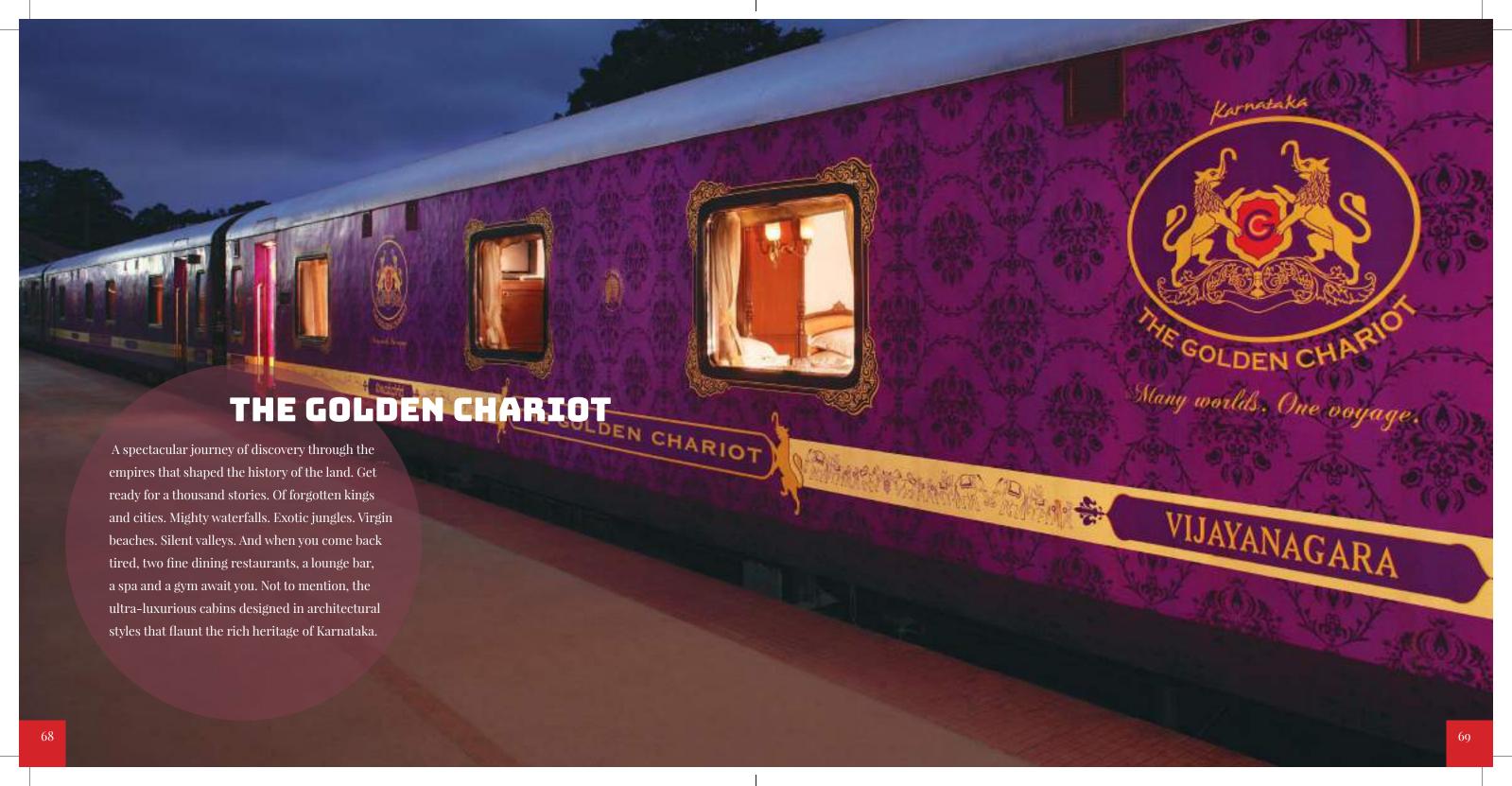
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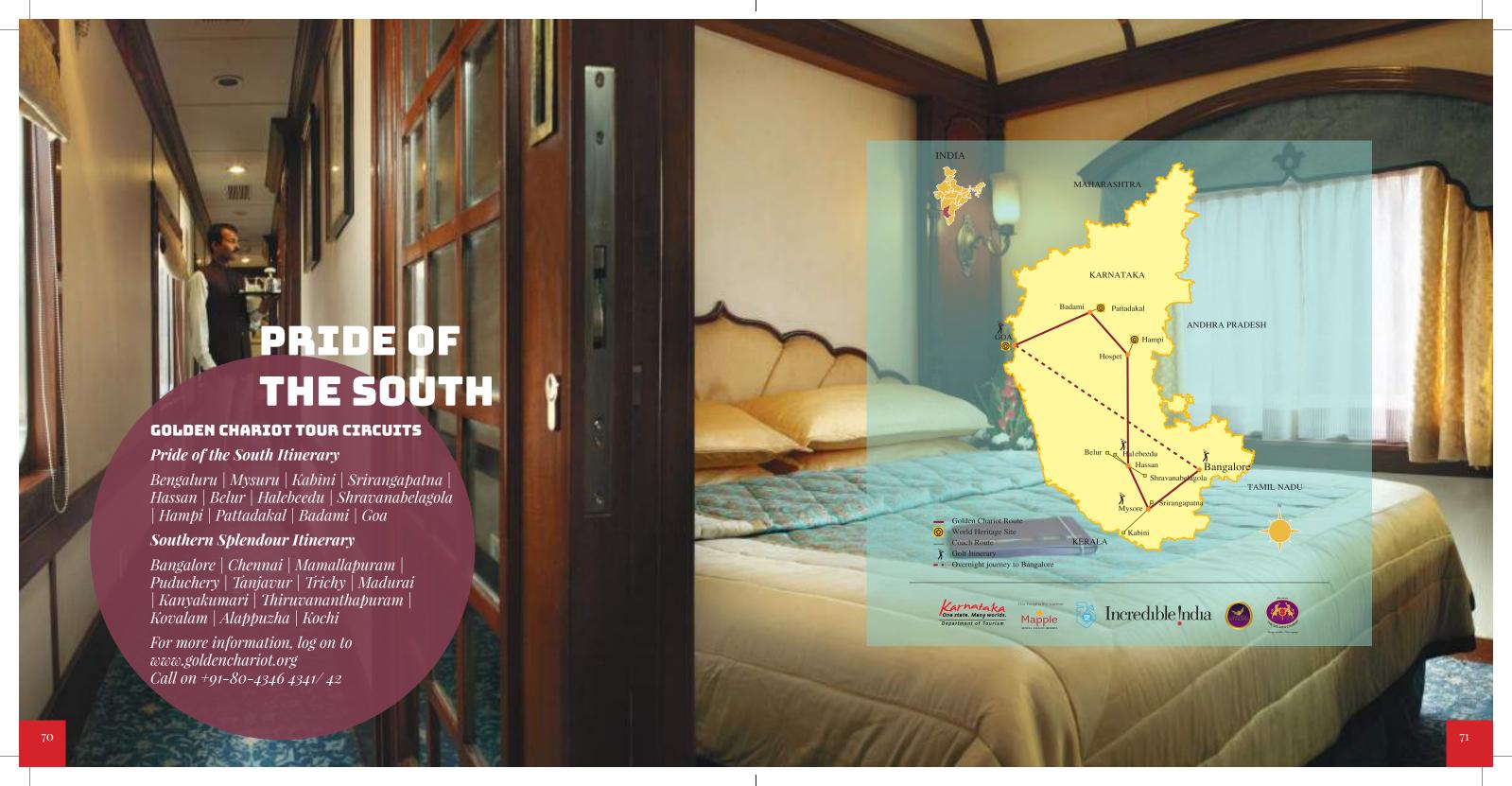
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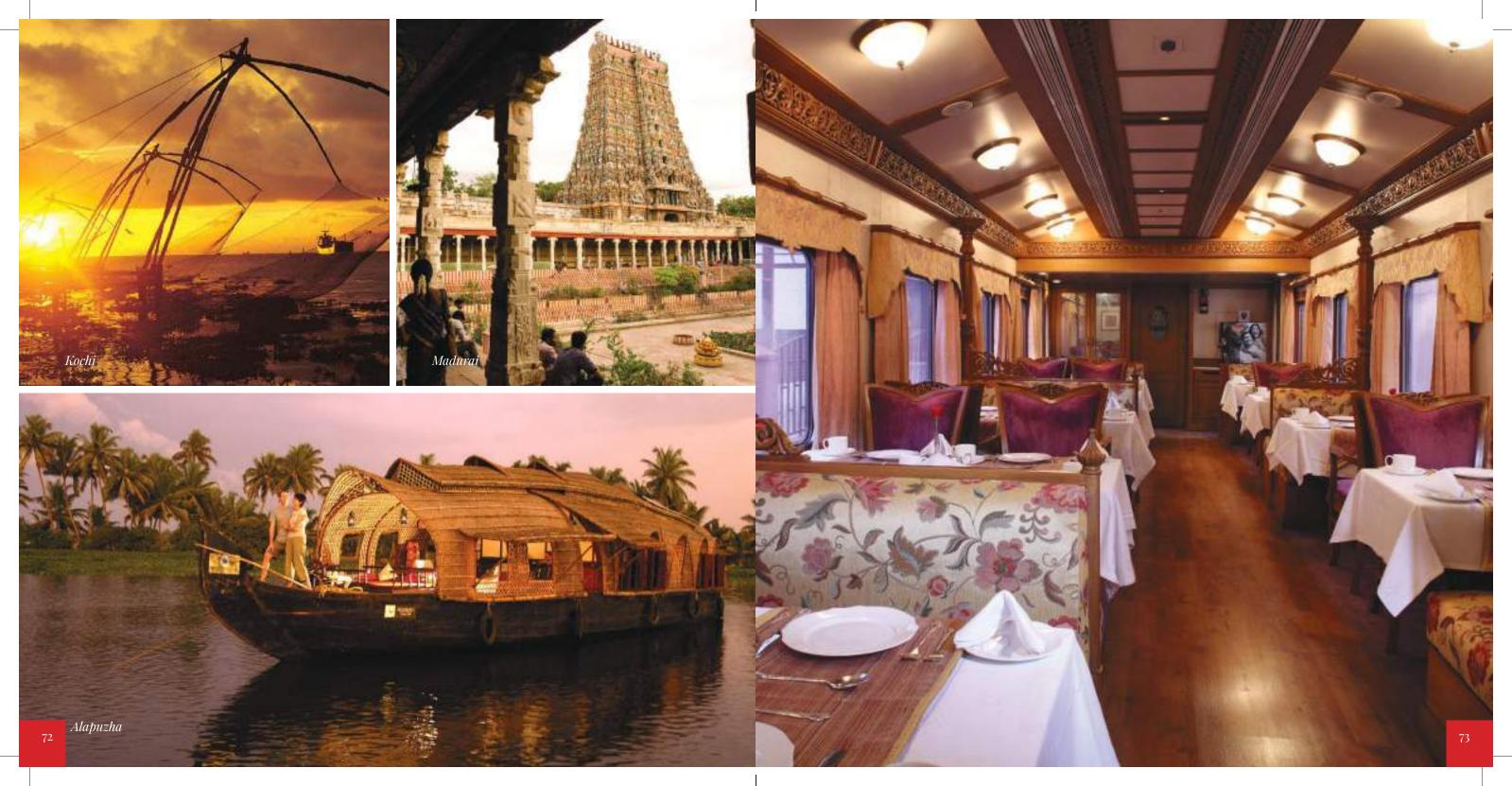
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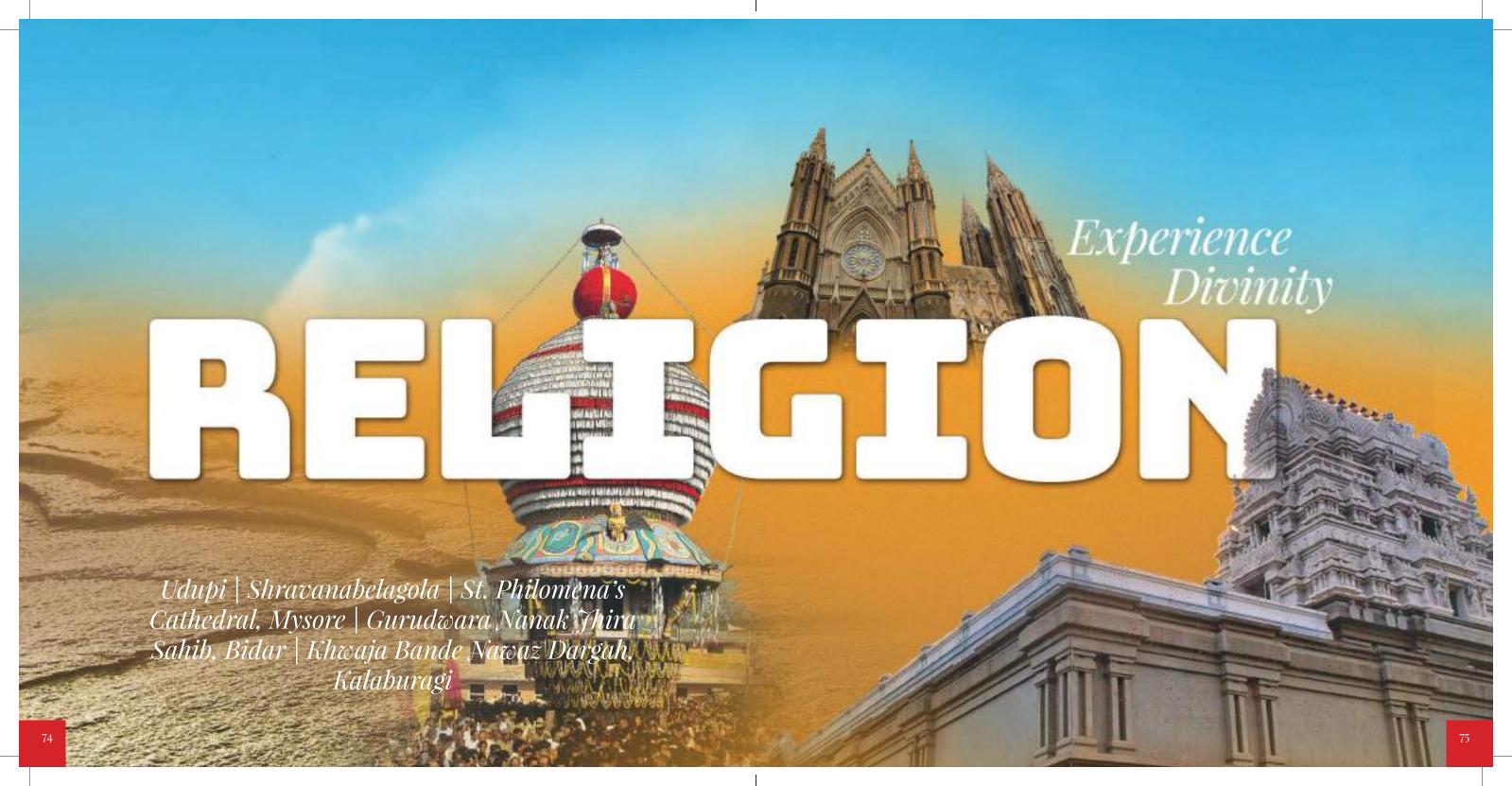
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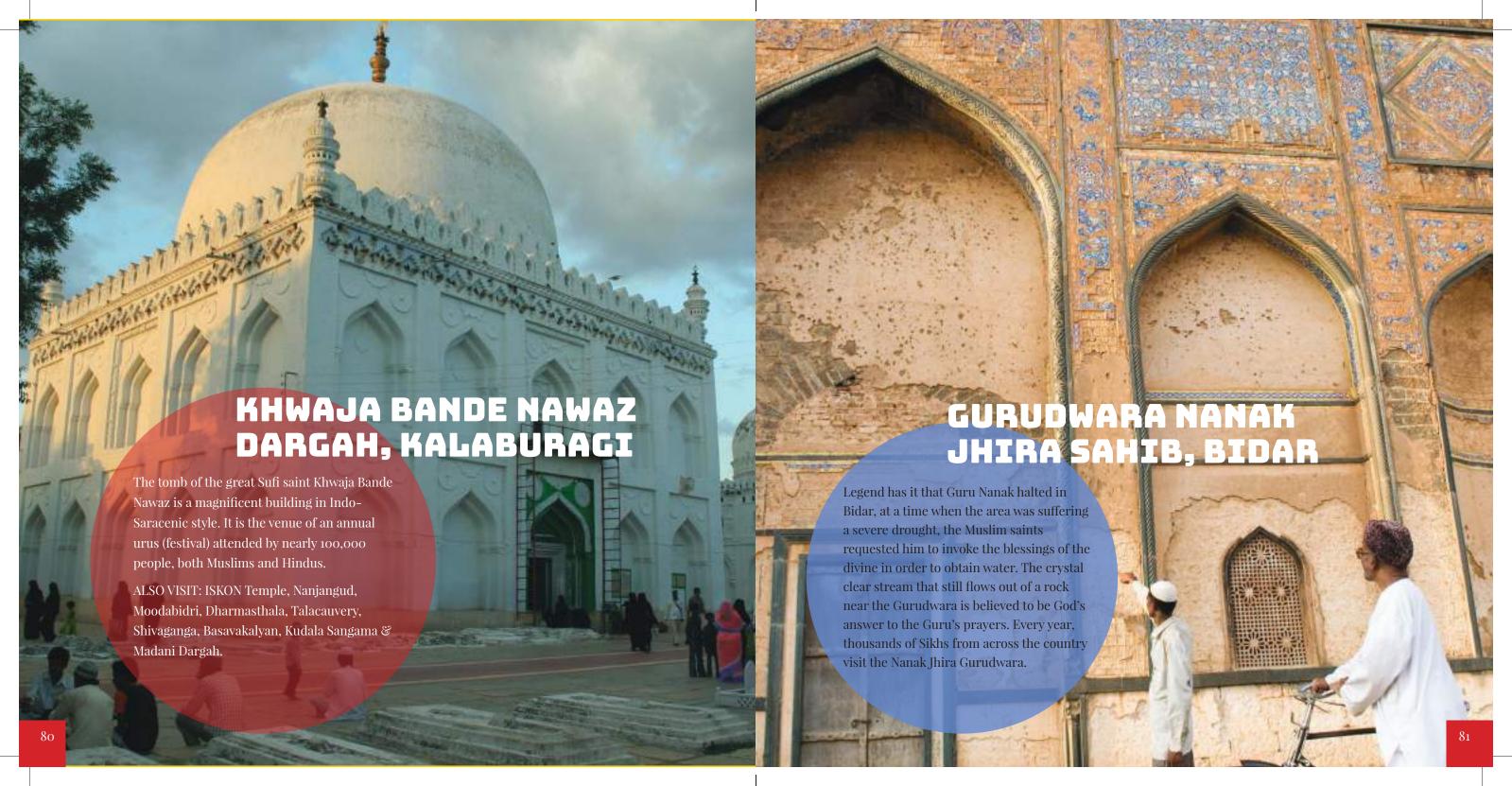


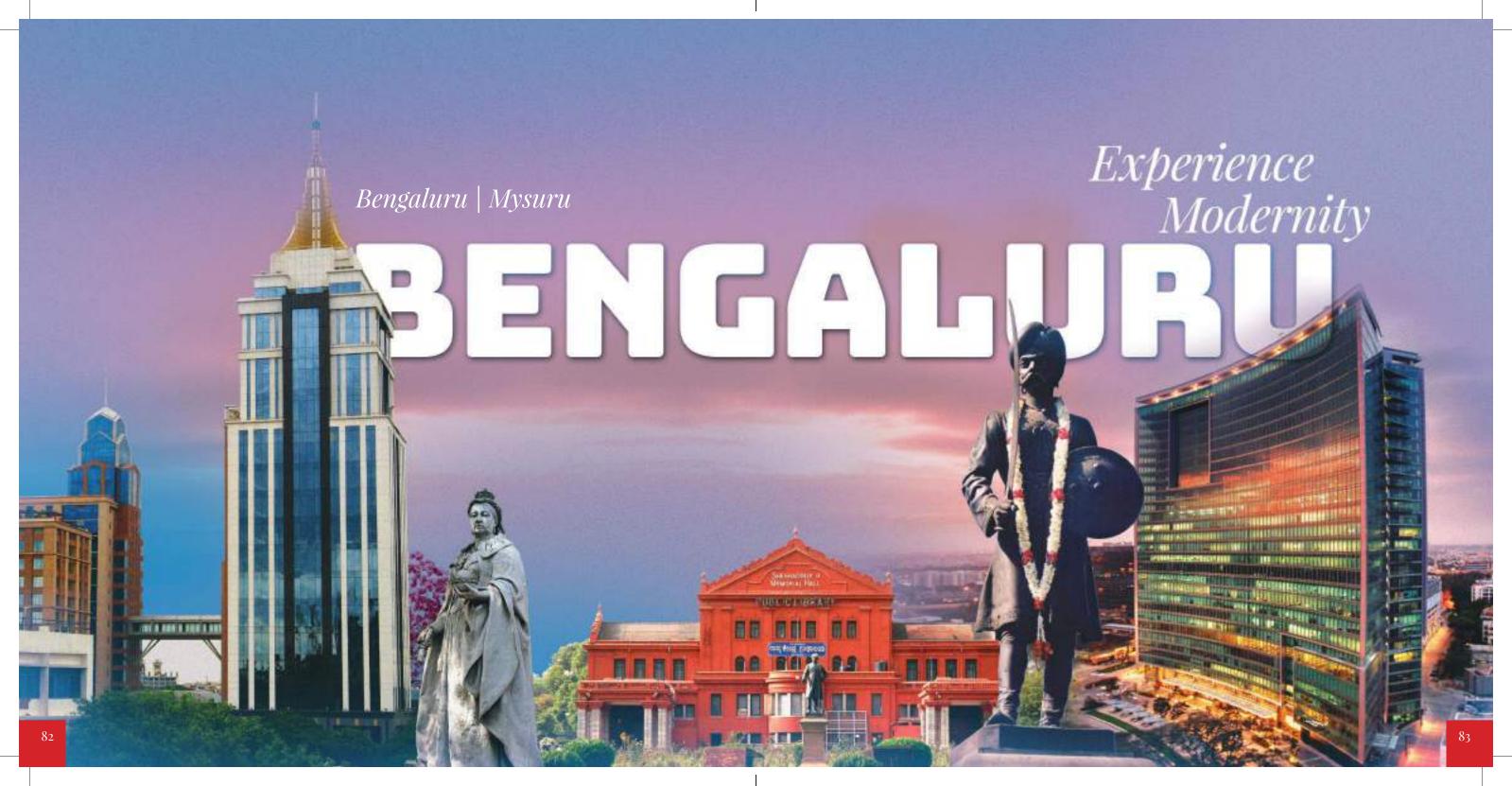


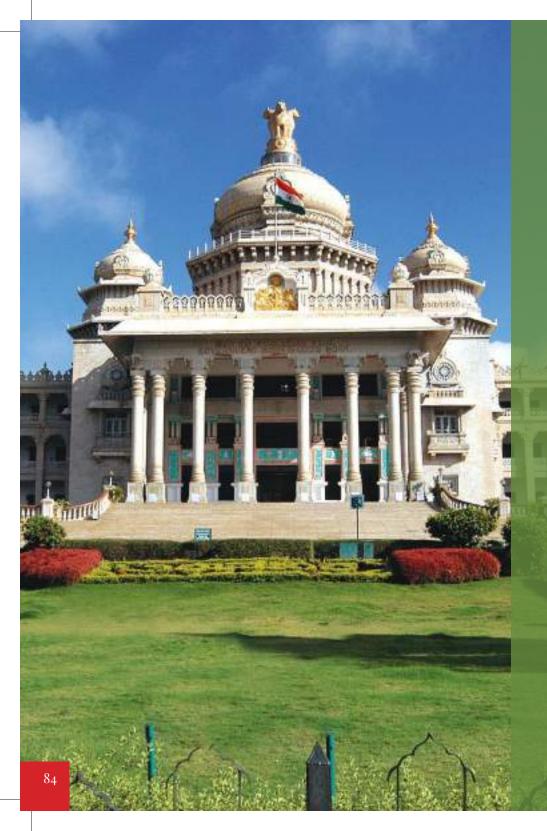












#### VIDHANA SOUDHA

An imposing edifice housing the State Legislature and the Secretariat of Karnataka, this is one of the best known landmarks of Bengaluru.

#### **ATTARA KACHERI**

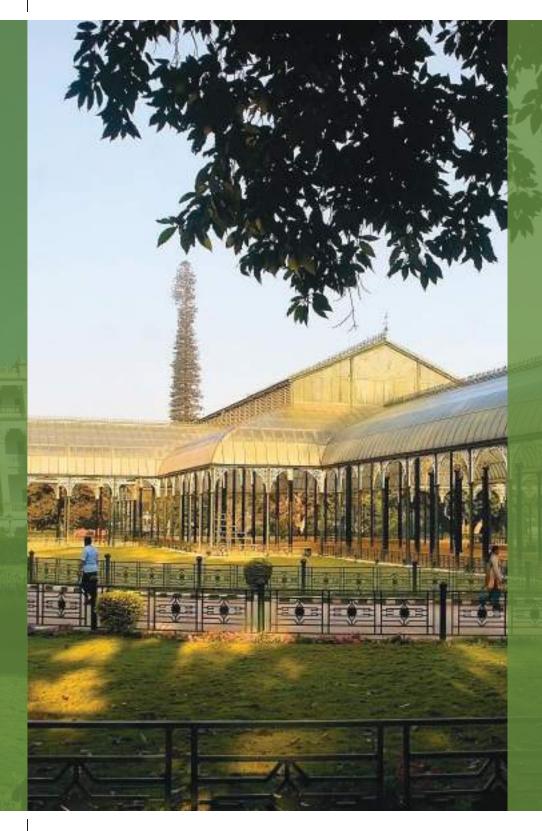
Overlooking Vidhana Soudha is this red brick and stone building in the Graeco-Roman style of architecture. It houses the state High Court.

#### TIPU'S PALACE

Built in 1791, Tipu Sultan's summer retreat is a two-storeyed, ornate wooden structure with fluted pillars, cusped arches and balconies. It now houses a museum that contains artefacts relating to the Hyder Ali-Tipu regime.

#### BENGALURU PALACE

Modelled on the lines of the Windsor Castle in England, the Bengaluru Palace flaunts turreted parapets, battlements, fortified towers, and arches.



#### LALBAGH GARDEN

Take a stroll in this 240-acre park, which is home to India's largest collection of rare tropical and subtropical plants, as well as many centuries-old trees. It contains one of Kempegowda's watch towers, a surreal lawn surrounded by Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs, an ornamental clock, a beautiful lake, a topiary park, a charming wooden bandstand and a glasshouse modelled on London's Crystal Palace.

#### **CUBBON PARK**

Cubbon Park provides Bengaluruans with over 300 acres of sprawling greenery in the heart of the city. The park houses the State Library - an impressive red Gothic structure, and is dotted with fountains, statues and flowering trees.

#### ULSOOR LAKE

Enjoy an idyllic afternoon at this lake, which is dotted with picturesque islets. Boating facilities also are available.

#### **SANKEY BOAT CLUB**

The ideal place for lazy boat rides and leisurely walks on breezy evenings.



#### INDIRA GANDHI MUSICAL FOUNTAIN

View the colourful swirling fountains dancing in tune to music.

## VISVESWARAYA INDUSTRIAL & TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM

This museum is dedicated to the memory of Sir M Visveswaraya, the architect of modern Karnataka. It provides a brief history of technological development in the country and houses many technical inventions.

#### **GOVERNMENT MUSEUM**

Acclaimed as one of the oldest museums in the country, it houses an amazing collection of archaeological items such as stone carvings, pottery, paintings, coins and inscriptions.

## HAL HERITAGE CENTRE AND AEROSPACE MUSEUM

Marvel at India's first and only aviation museum which has a large collection of aircraft models, photographs, fighter planes, and helicopters. There are also aircraft simulators, a mock air traffic control tower and an aero modeling club, besides a reference library, at this centre established by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited.



#### KARNATAKA CHITRAKALA PARISHATH

This is one of the premier fine arts institutions in the country. Its activities extend to dance performances, folk theatre, photography exhibitions, puppet shows and musical recitals. Chitrakala Parishath is a goldmine of paintings by famous artists including Roerich and houses five art galleries which are hired out to artists who wish to display their work. It houses the Chitrakala Vidyalaya, a college of fine arts offering courses in painting, sculpture, graphic art, applied art etc.

#### **UENKATAPPA ART GALLERY**

Houses the paintings and art materials of the eminent artist Venkatappa, as well as those of other renowned artists.

#### **BULL TEMPLE**

Built by Kempegowda in Basavanagudi, it is reminiscent of 16th century Dravidian style architecture. It has a huge granite monolith of Nandi.

#### JAWAHAR LAL NEHRU PLANETARIUM

The planetarium is perfect for star gazing. Watch "The Sky Theatre Show" unfold the marvels of the universe, planets and the solar system.



#### **DODDA GANESHA TEMPLE**

Just below the Bull Temple is the Ganesha Temple, with a huge monolith Ganesha idol 18ft. high and 16ft. wide.

# ISKCON TEMPLE (INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS)

Built in an ornate architectural style, the Krishna Temple is a blend of modern technology and spiritual harmony.

#### SHIVA TEMPLE

This temple has a 65ft. Shiva statue, an artificial pond resembling the Manasa Sarovar Lake, and caves. The replicas of Jyothirlingas are a major tourist attraction.

# GAVI GANGADHARESHWARA TEMPLE

Built during Kempegowda's reign, this unique cave temple contains a granite moon, sun-disc monoliths, a stone umbrella, a Shivalinga, and three cave passages. During Makara Sankranthi a ray of light passes precisely between the horns of the stone bull outside the temple, and illuminates the deity inside the cave.



#### **INFANT JESUS CHURCH**

Established in the year 1979 by Rev. Dr. Lourduswamy, the then Archbishop of Bengaluru, the church draws huge crowds on Thursday, the day dedicated to Infant Jesus.

### NATIONAL GALLERY OF MODERN ART

The museum houses paintings, sculptures and drawings from the late 18th century. It displays works by famous Indian artists like Raja Ravi Varma, Amritha Shergil, Ravindranath Tagore, Nandalal Bose, Jamini Roy and also works of other international artists.

#### RAGI GUDDA SRI PRASANNA ANJENAYA SWAMI TEMPLE

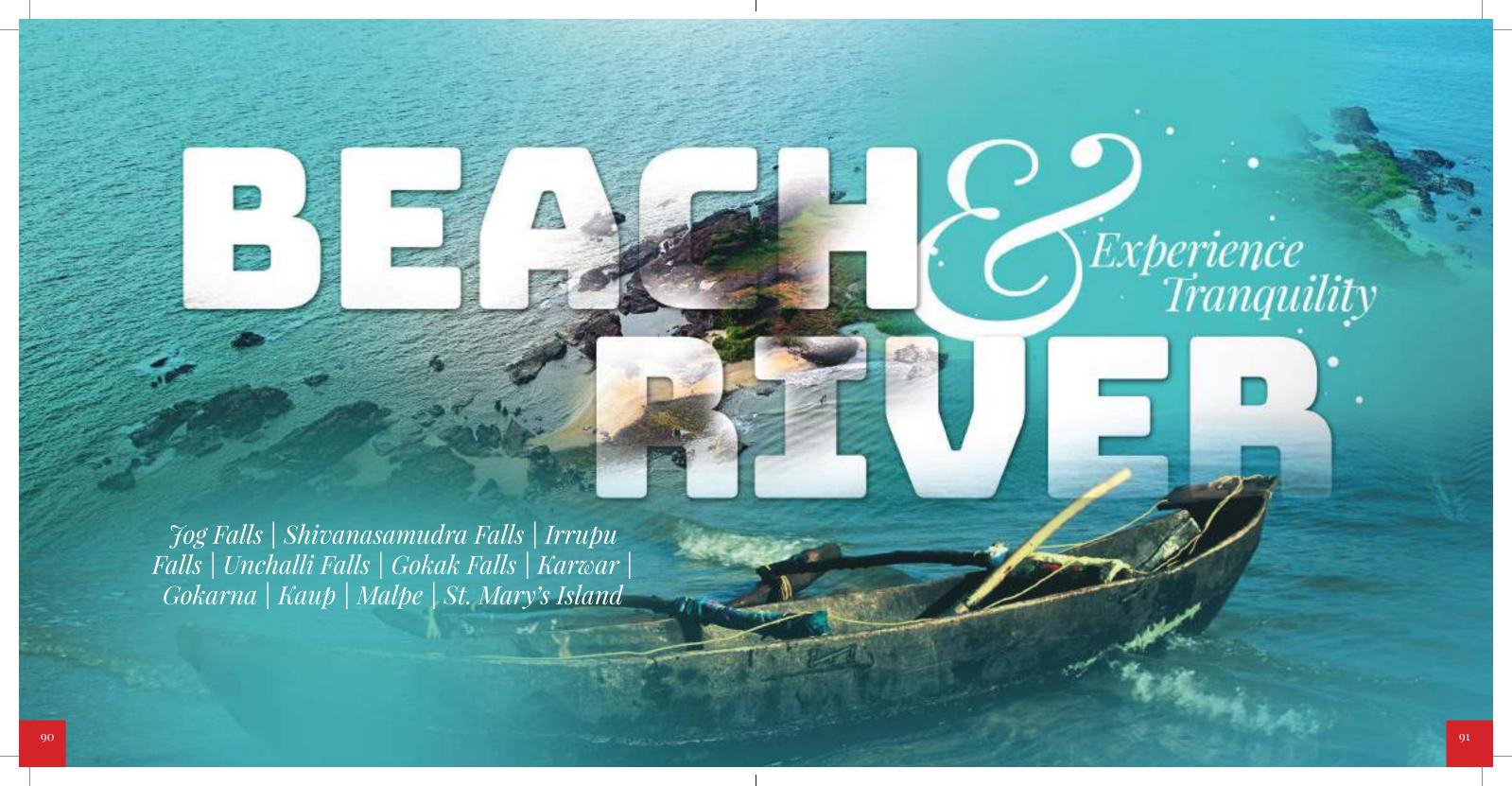
Located on a hillock known as Ragi Gudda (Maize Mountain), the Hanuman Temple attracts large numbers of devotees. Three huge rocks representing Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva are the added attractions here.

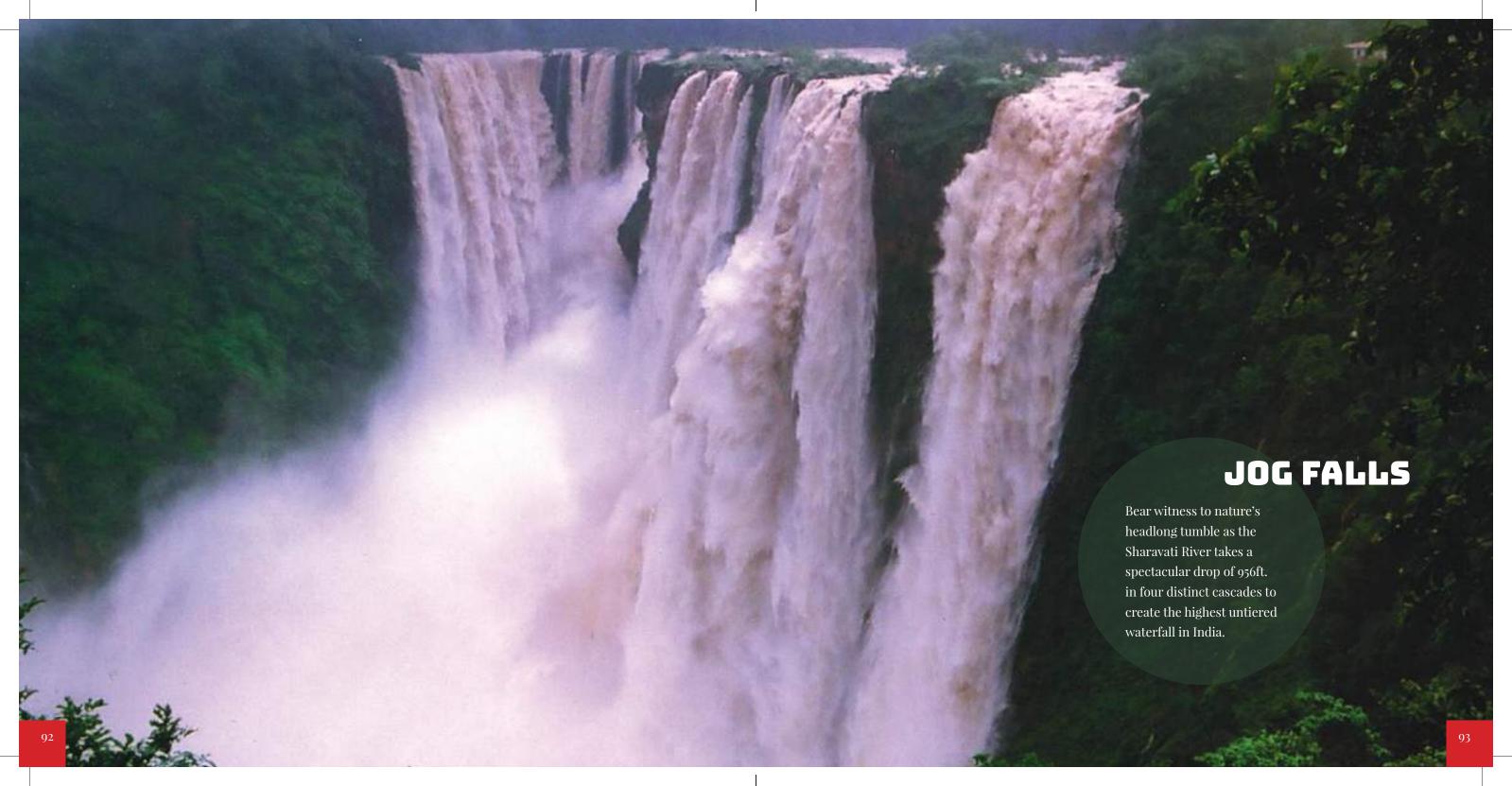
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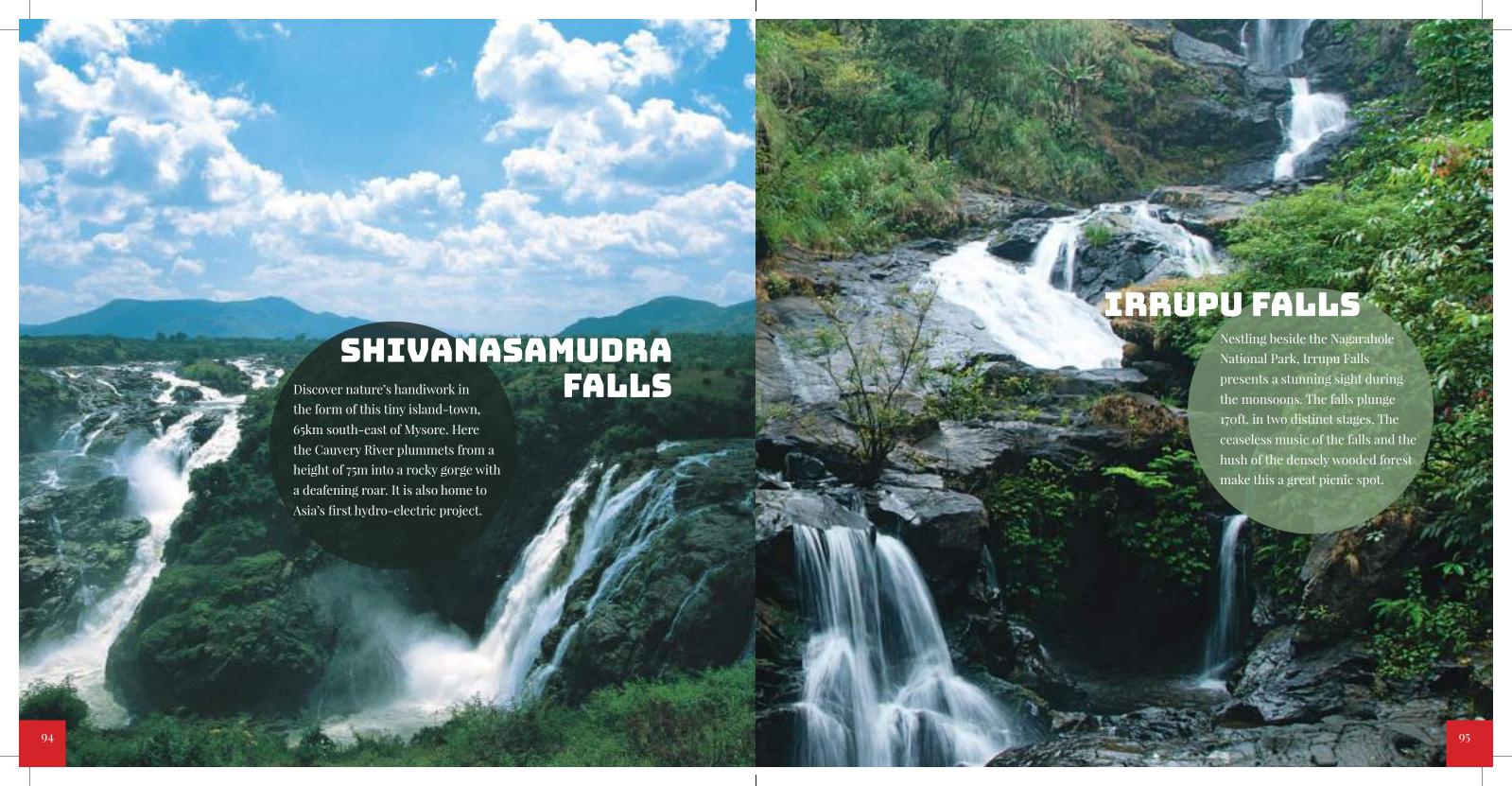
This houses the State Central Library. One can find here a rich collection of reference books.

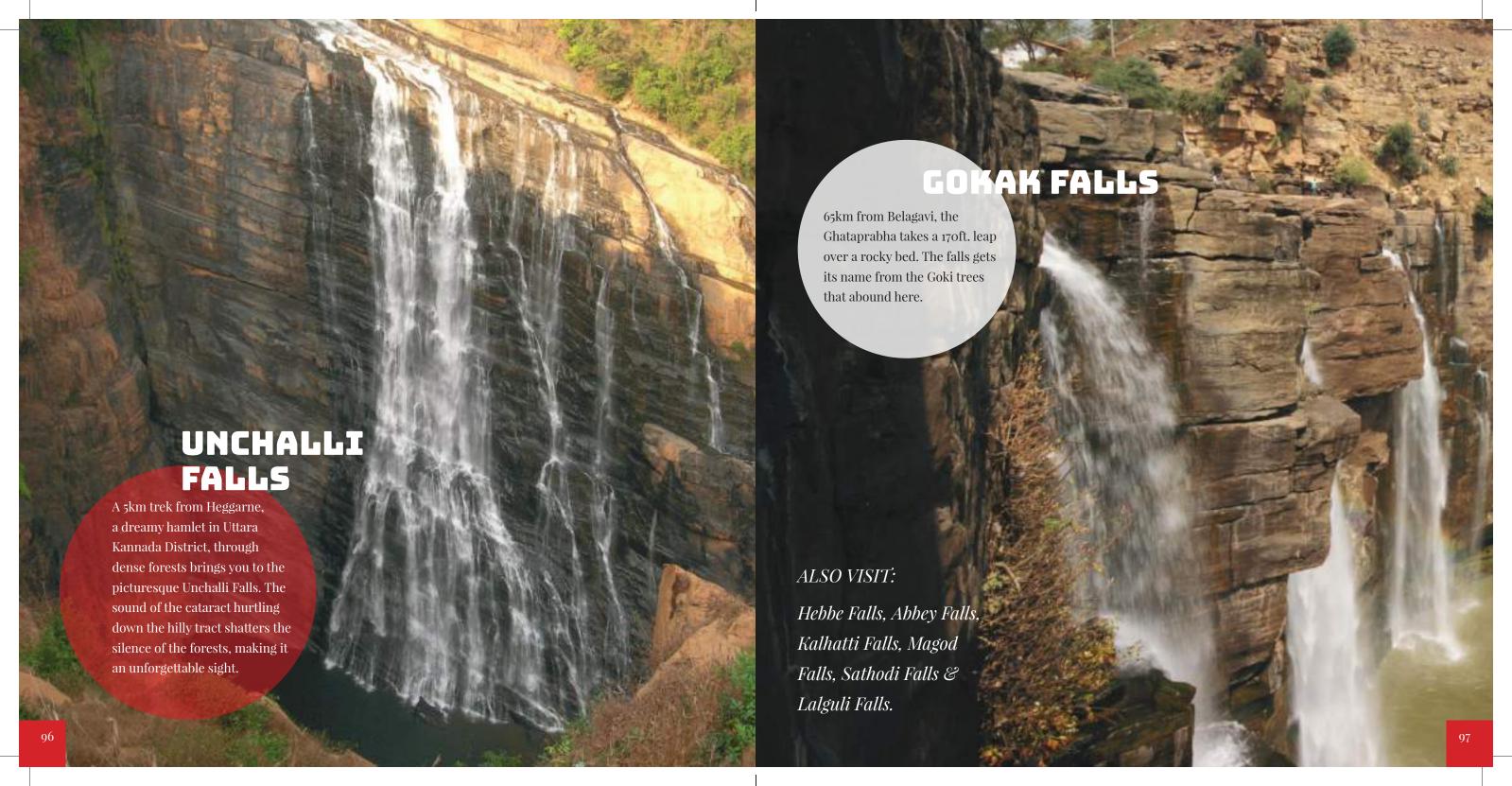
#### JAMIA MASJID

A majestic 5-storey mosque located in the heart of Bengaluru's City Market area, the Jamia Masjid is the largest mosque in the city. Its sprawling interiors, with pure white marble from Rajasthan, can accommodate a staggering 10,000 worshippers at a time.



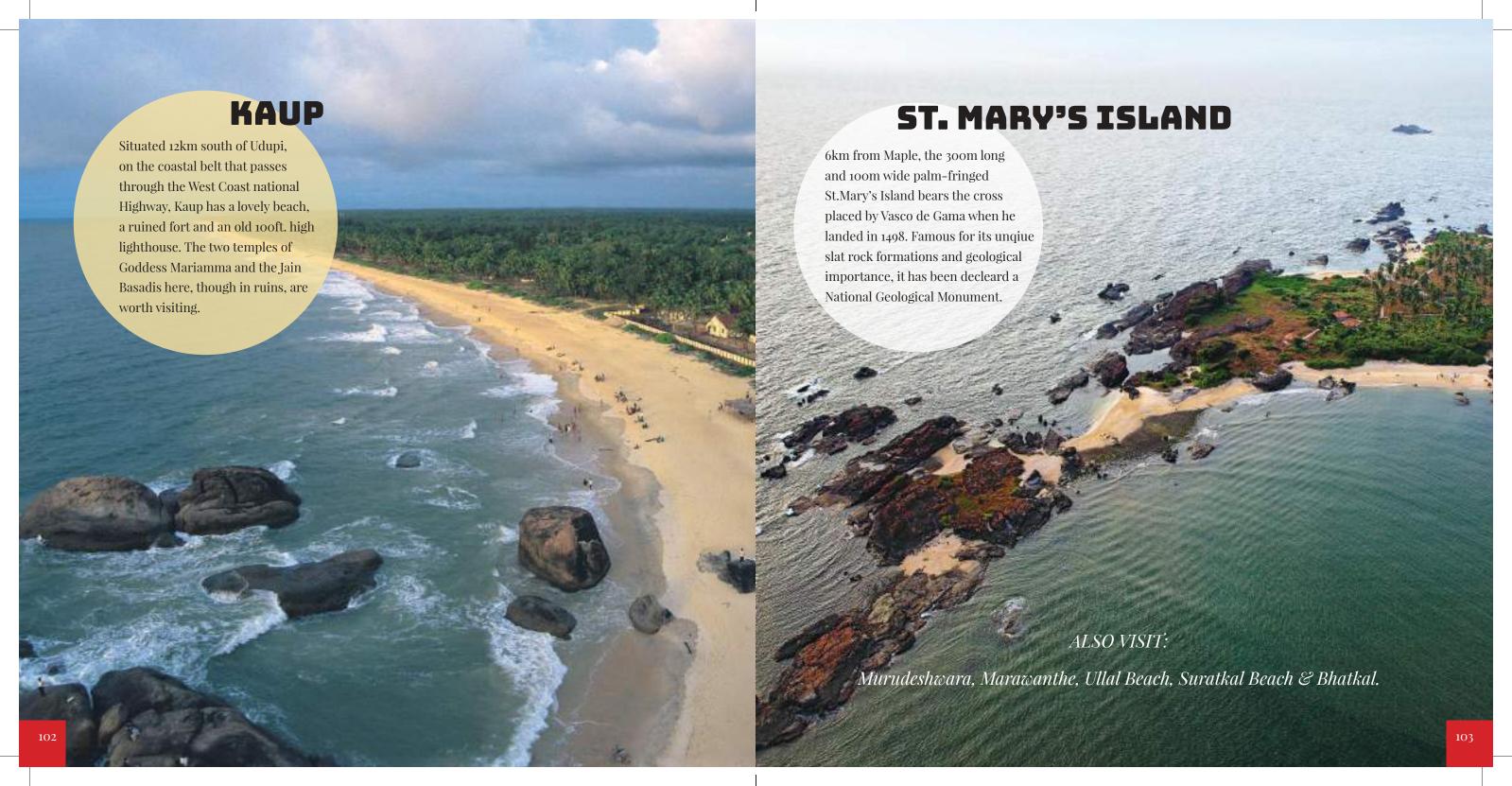


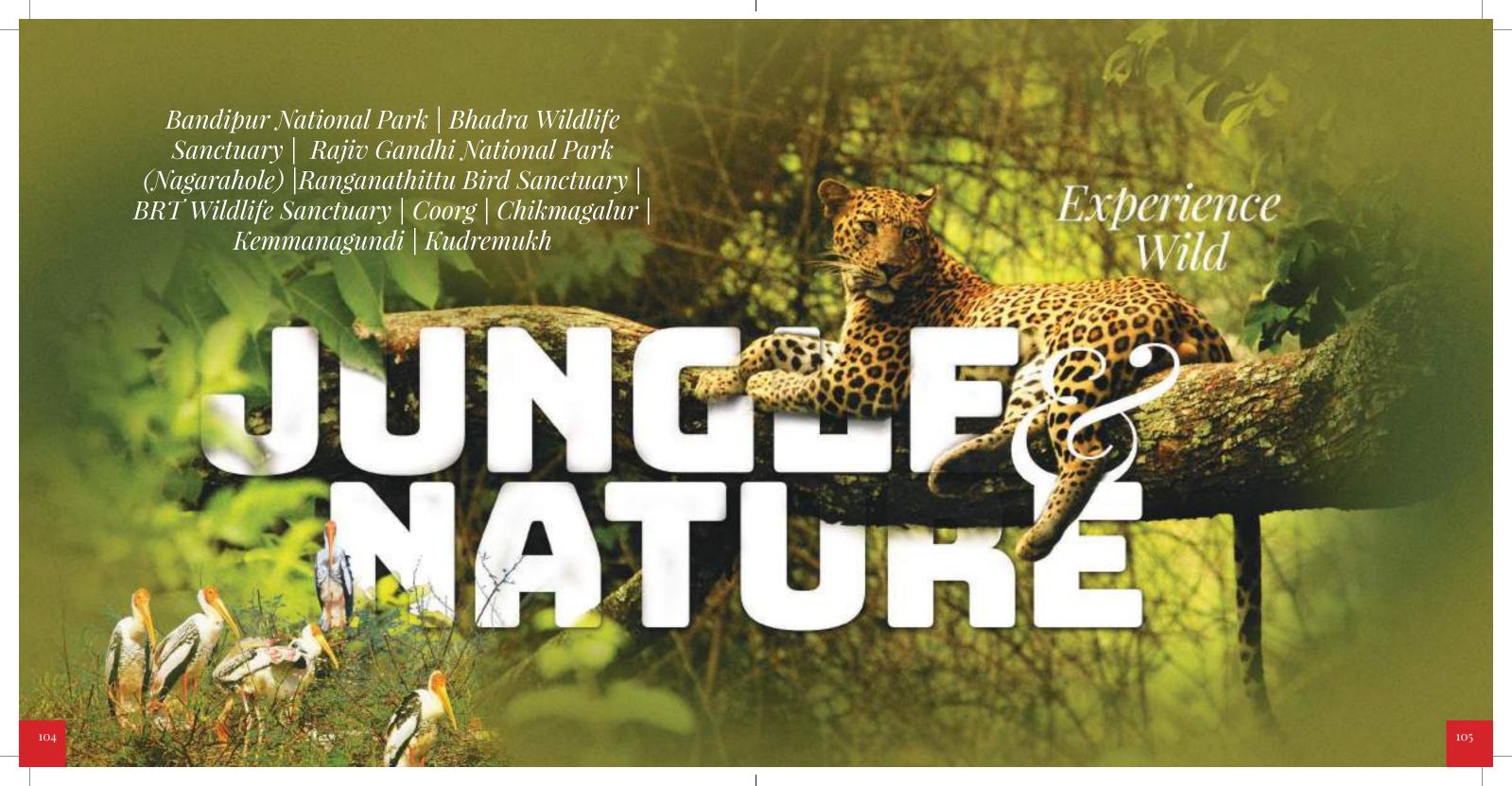












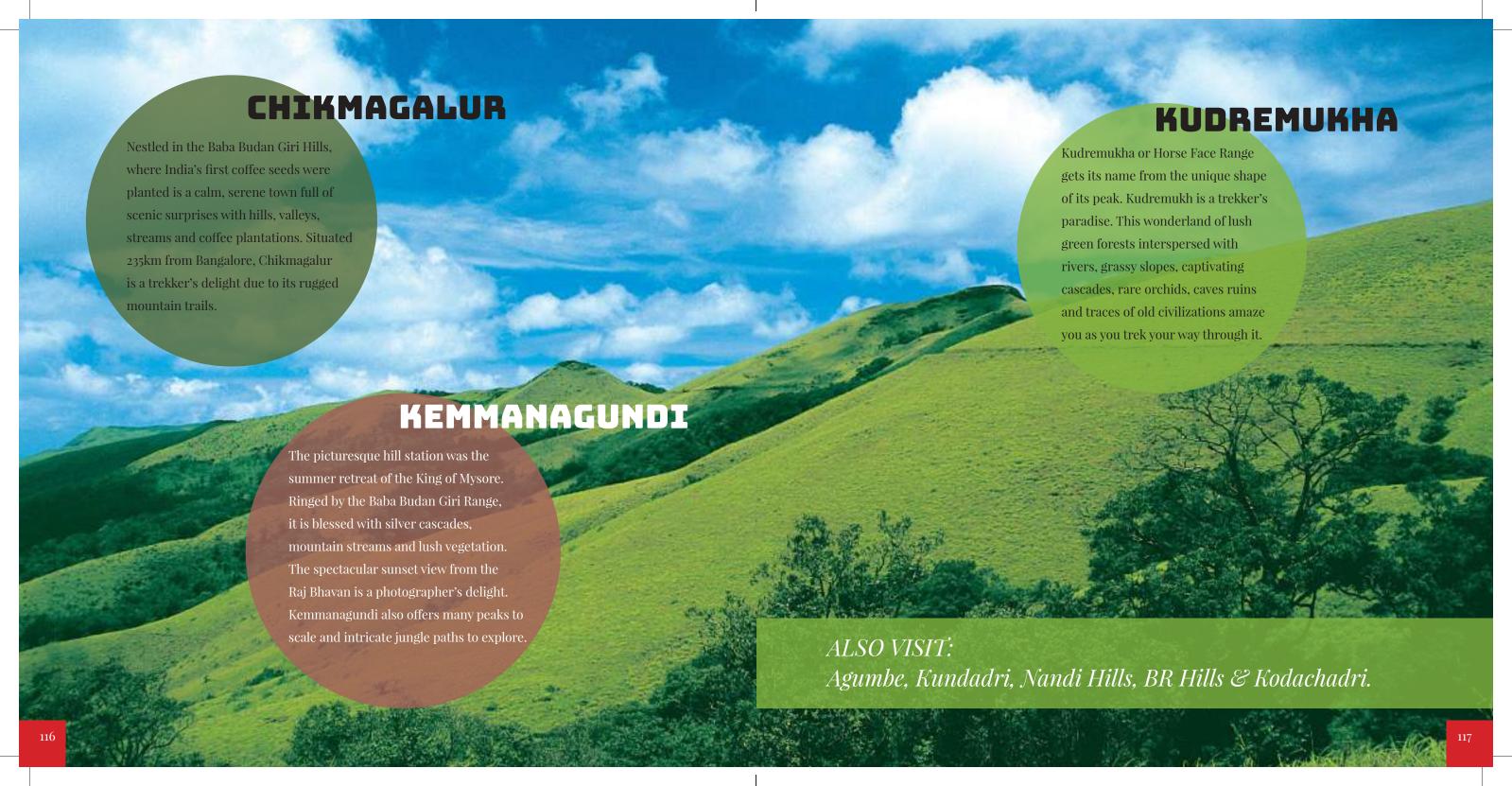




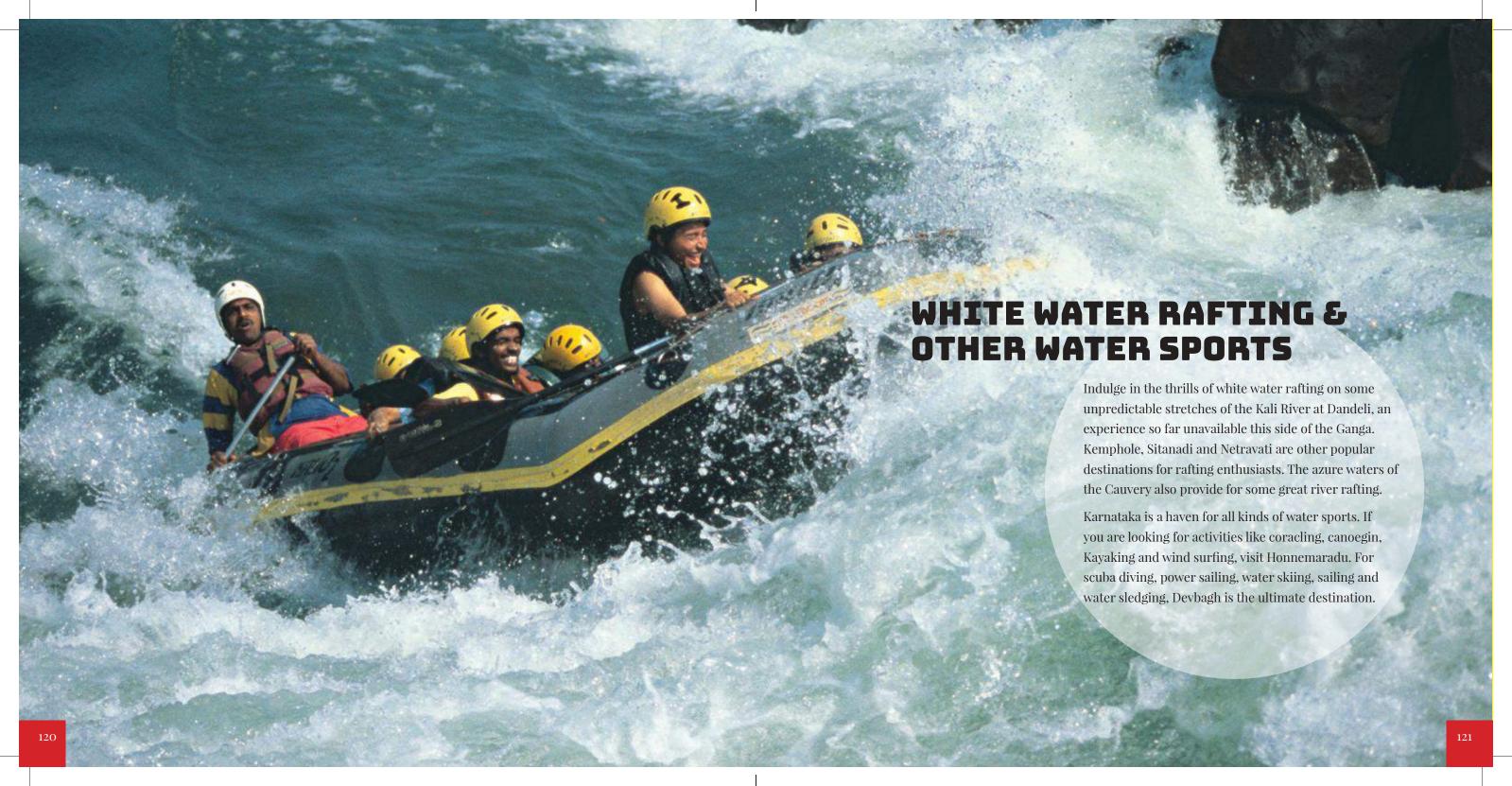




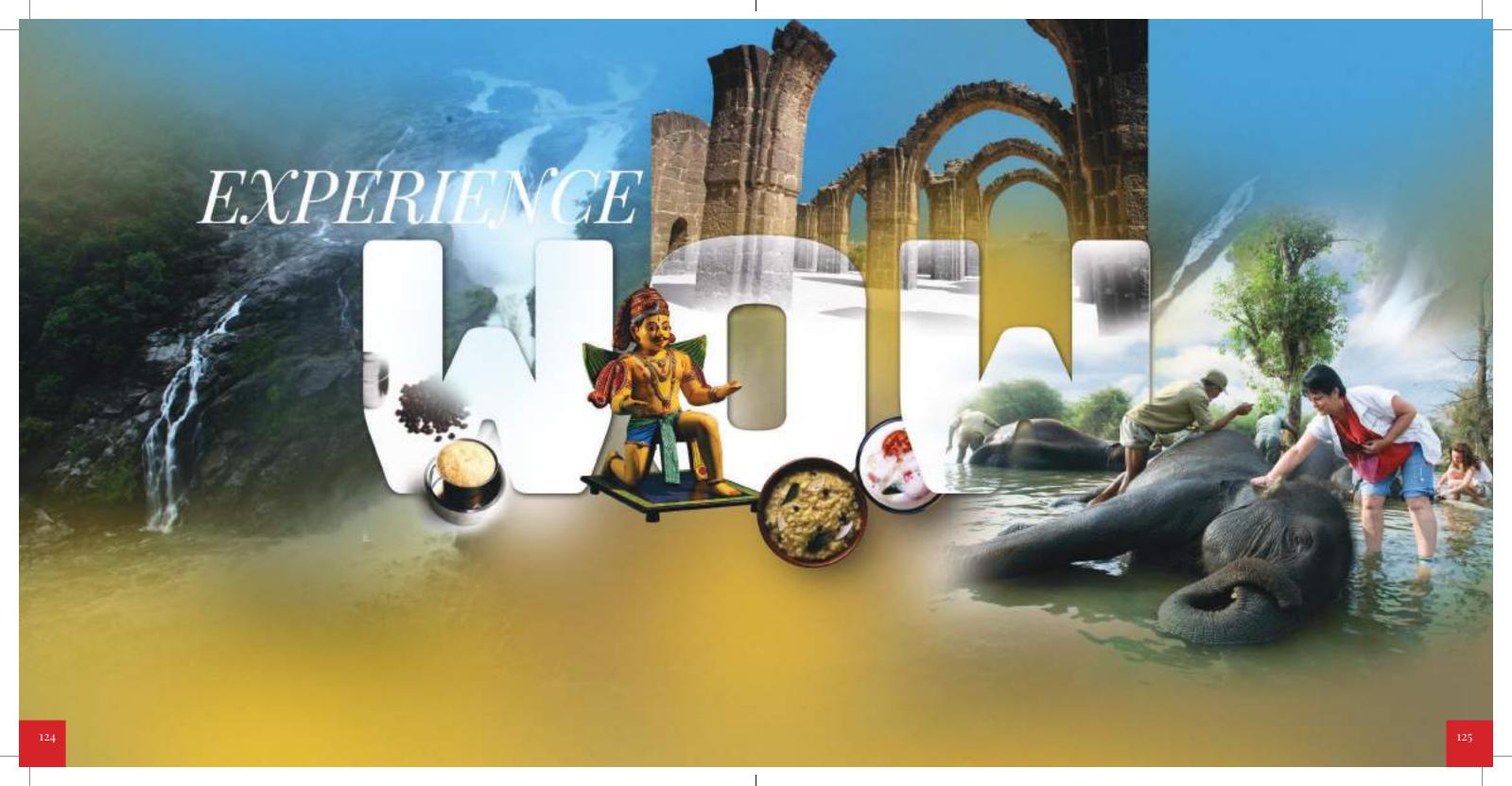














Karnataka is popular for its rich heritage. No other state has such a profusion of monuments as in Karnataka. Two magnificent UNESCO world Heritage Sites at Hampi and Pattadakal, and many more that are reflections of the glorious part. The Many dynasties that ruled the Deccan left their imprints on unrivalled wonders – the cave temples at Badami, the impressive Mysore Palace, the musical pillars at Vijaya Vittala Temple in Hampi, the stunning examples of Hoysala architecture at Belur & Halebeedu, and the many shrines, forts, arches, palaces amoung others.

The Durga Temple at Aihole earned it the sobriquet, 'the cradle of Hindu Temple architecture'. While the Gol Gombaz, with its stately dome is not only impressive but is also the second largest dome in the world unsupported by pillars. The Gumbaz also has the whispering gallery' that echoes even the faintest sound eleven ruled by the Kakatiyas Tughlaqs, Bahamanis, Barid shahis, Adil shahis, Mughls, and Nizams at different times.







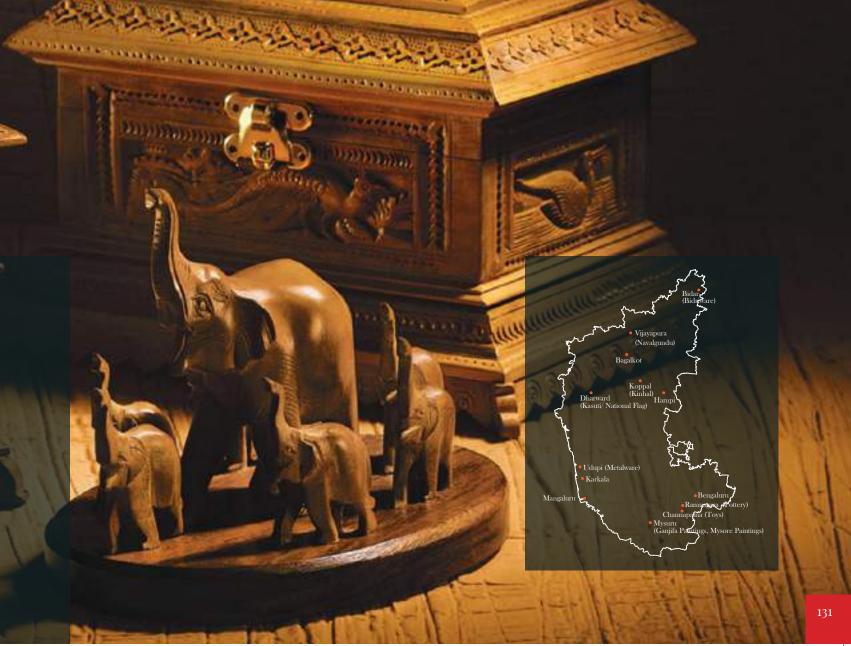
Karnataka is a State where artisans bring out the magic in their art. Here, a canvas is found in every medium. For brush strokes to carved wood, they release figments of mythology and resplendent expressions of art for the world, to see. It finds expression in rich colours, labyrinths of needlework, meticulous chiselling, etching and elaborate illustrations. Needless to say, these timehonoured crafts still manage to capture every heart.

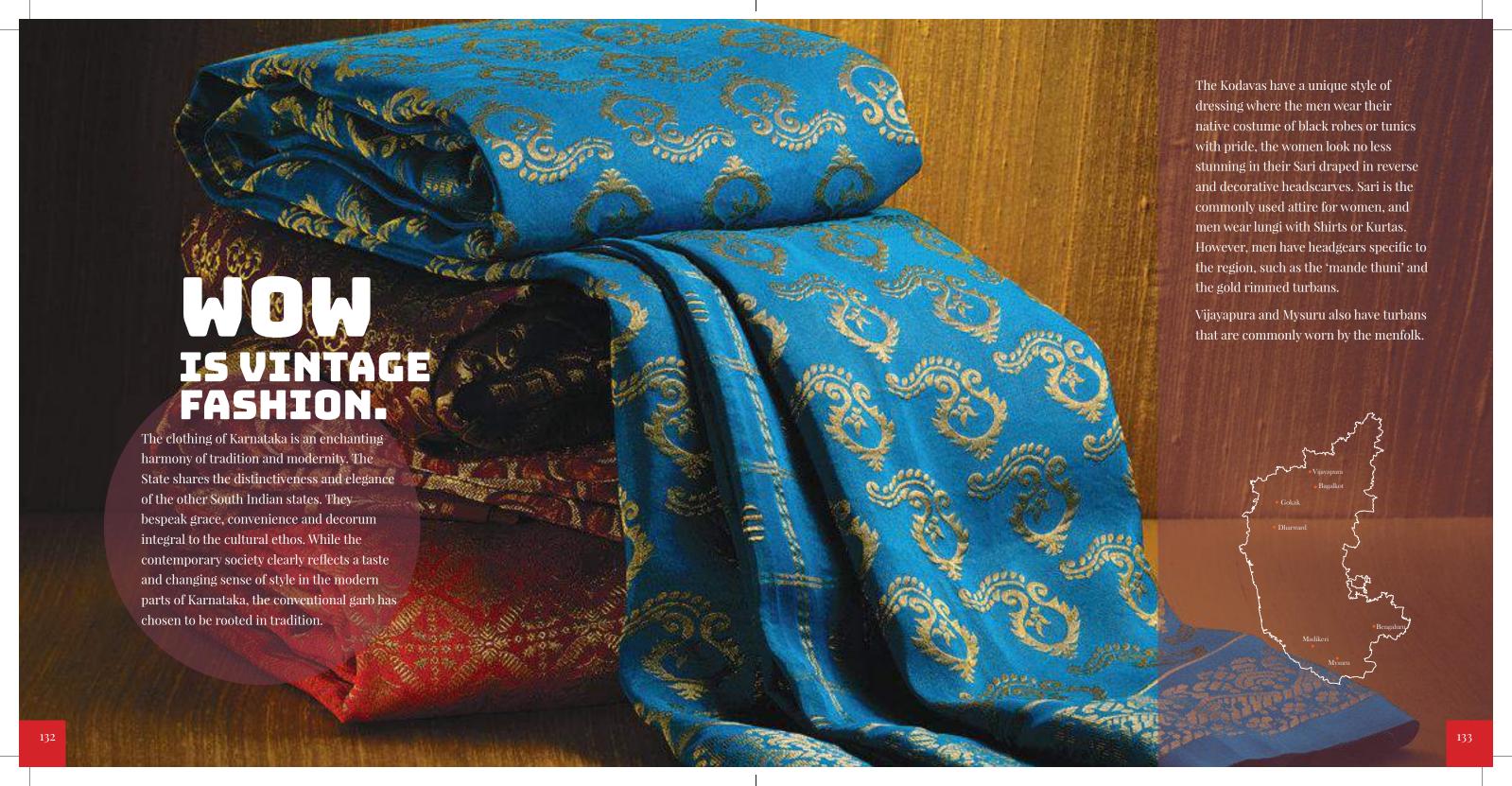
Most noteworthy of them all are the sandalwood carvings. Elegantly carved and scented figurines, tables, boxes, caskets,

stationary and even furniture has found devotees around the world.

The lacquerware toys and products of Channapatna, the exquisite metal work of Bidriware, the rare carpet work of Navalgundu, the delicate gold weaving on the Mysore silk sarees are striking examples of sheer artistry.

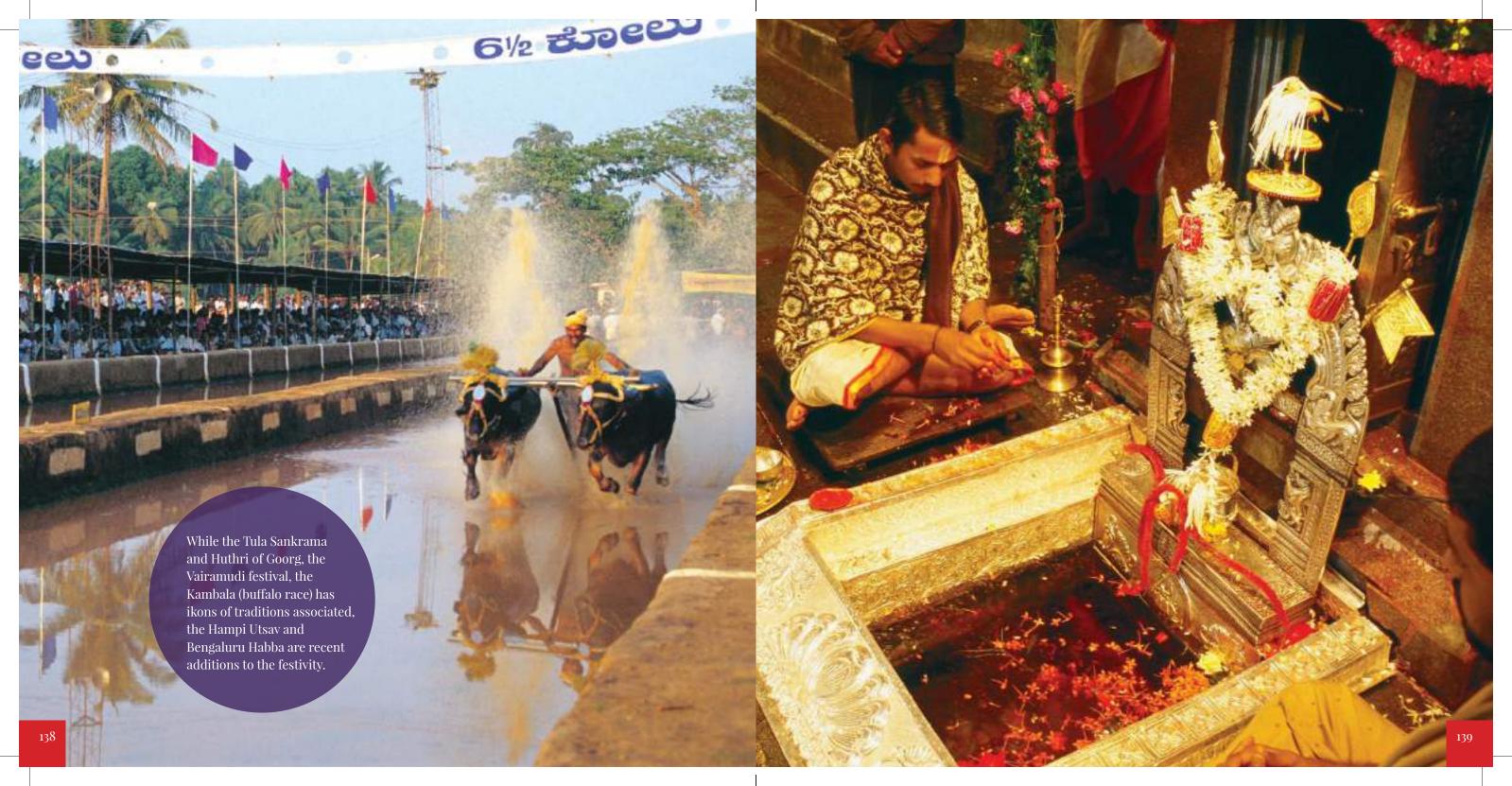
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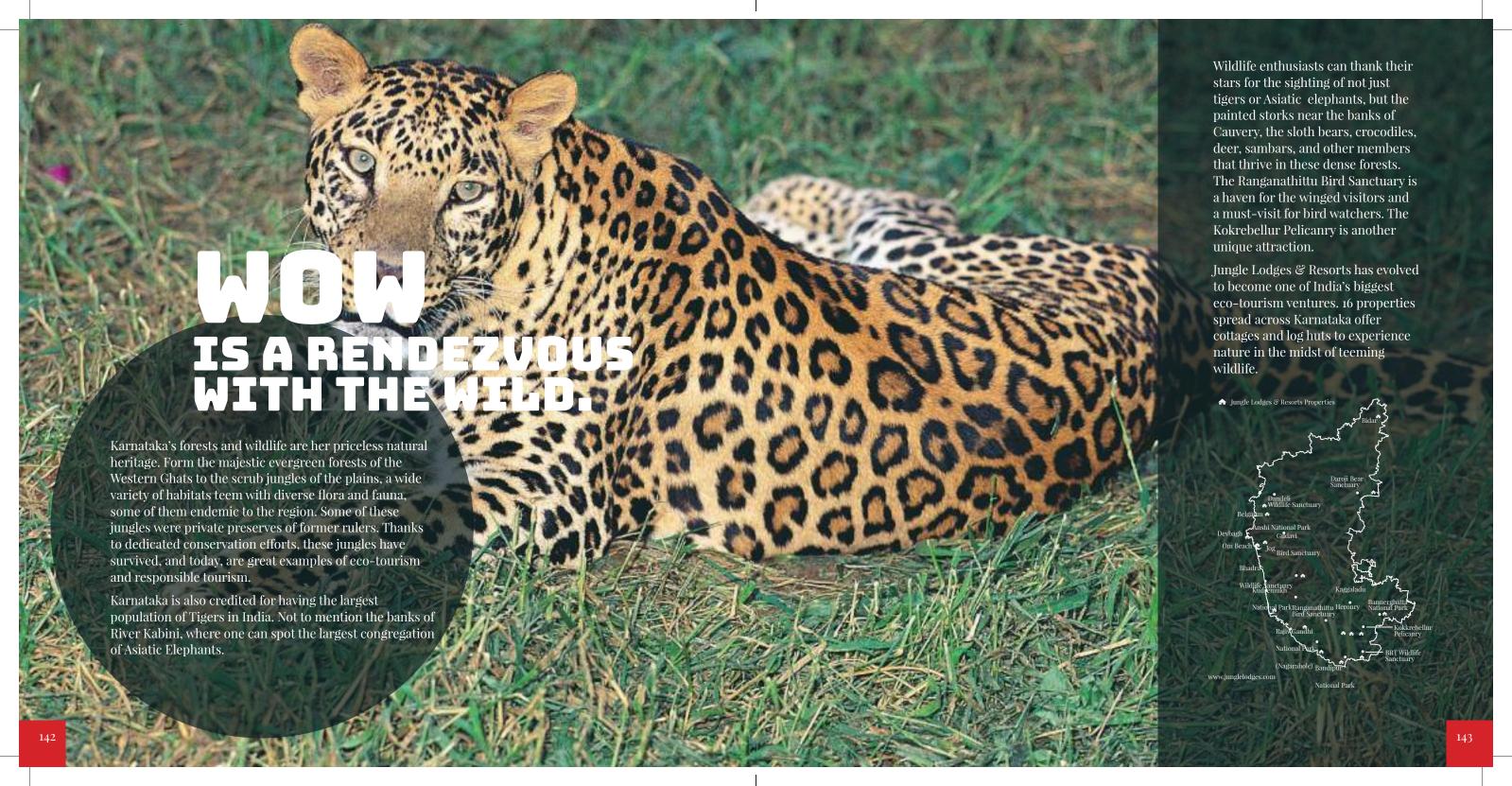






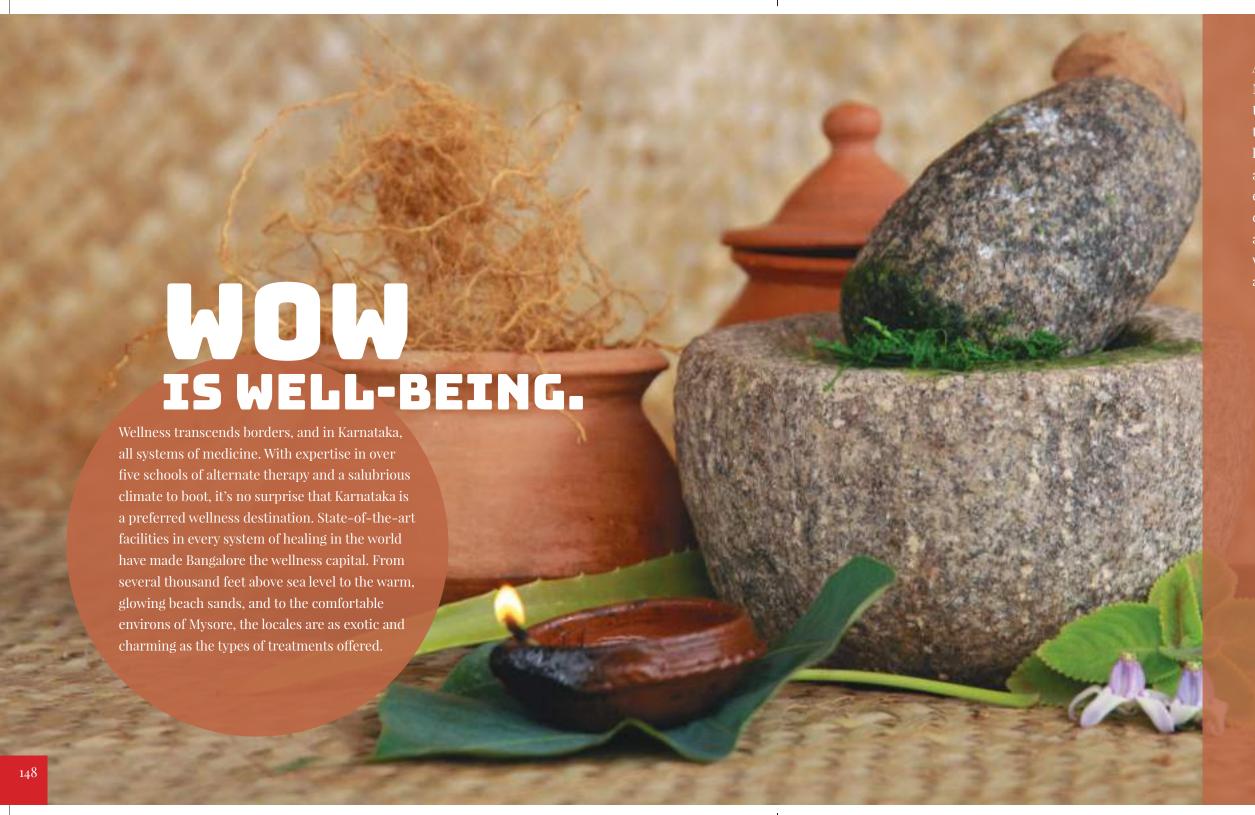






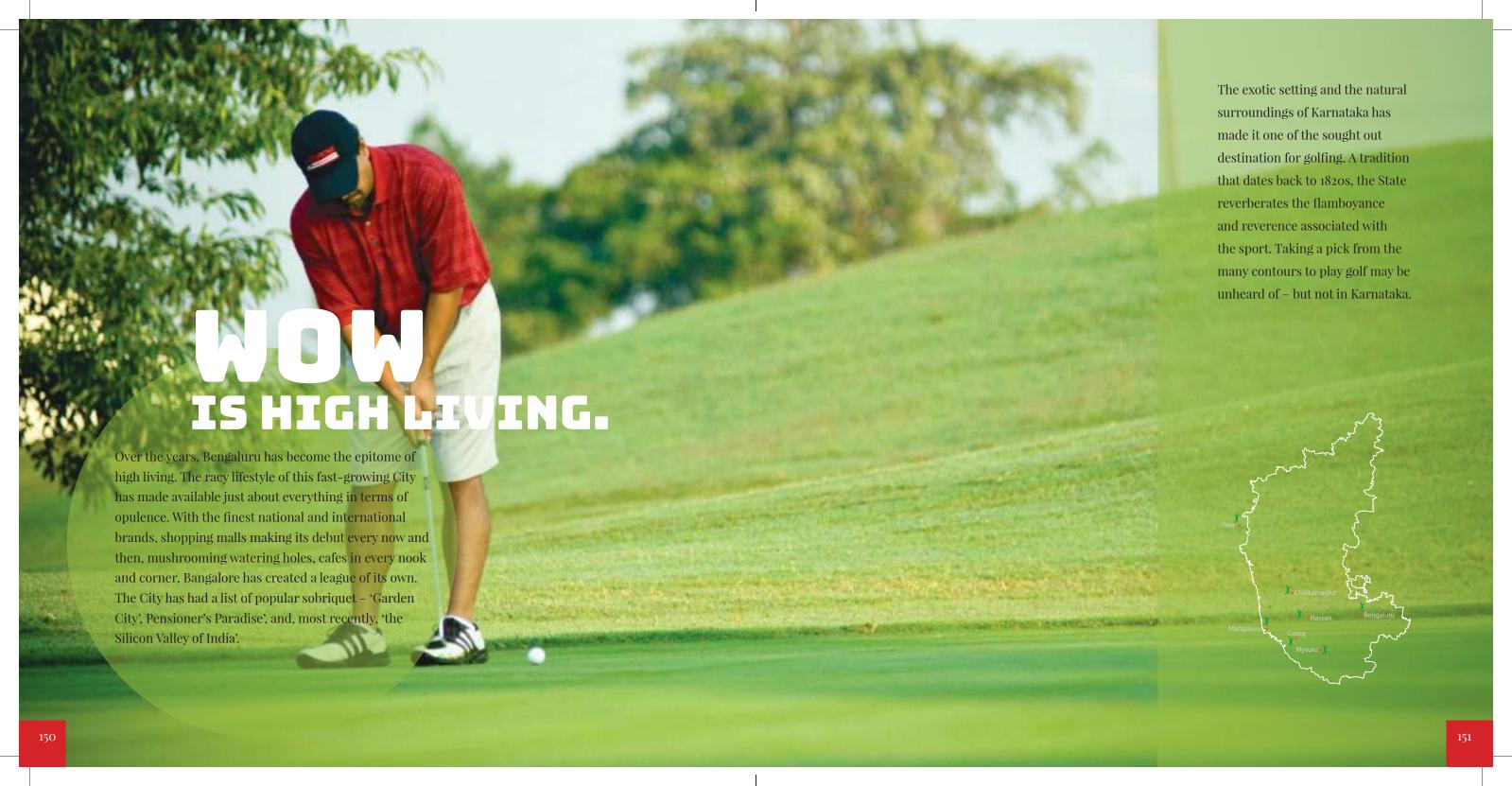






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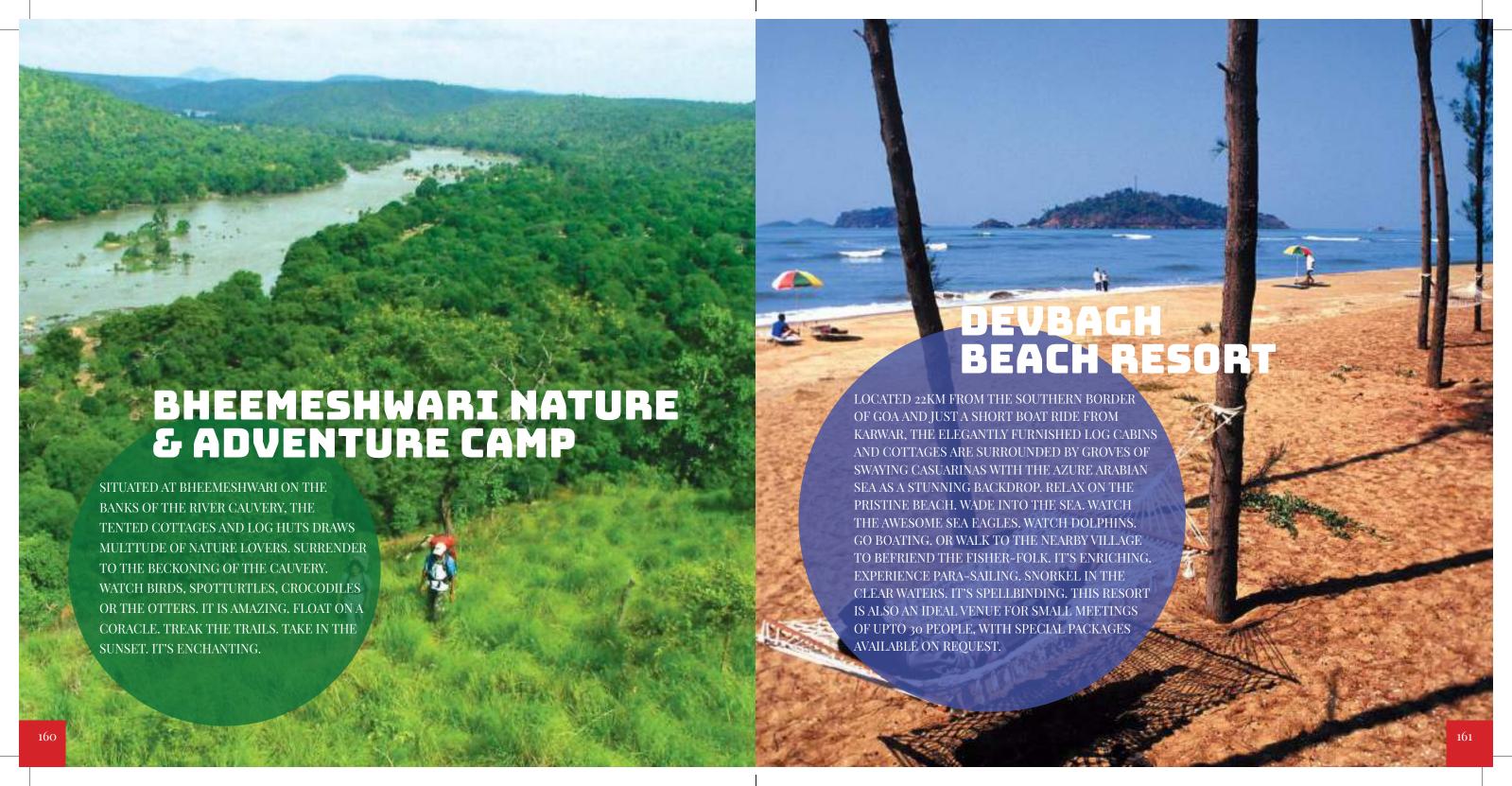


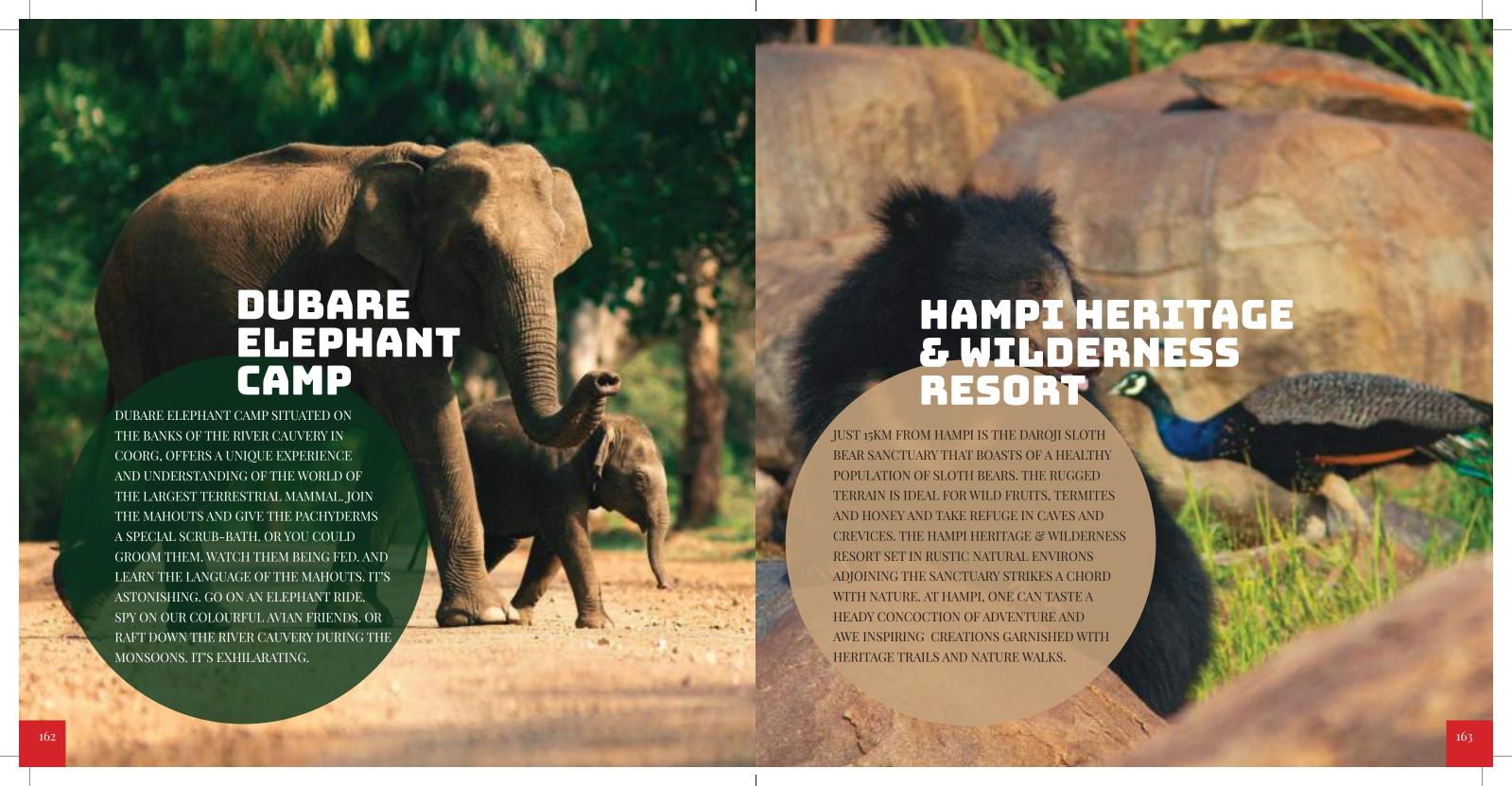
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