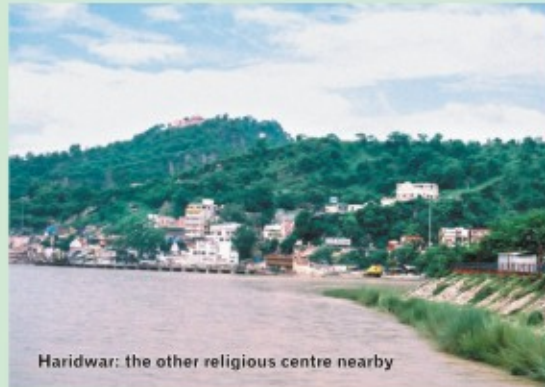


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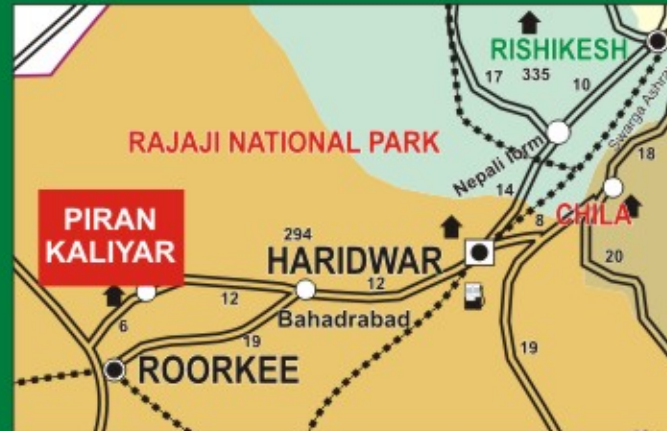
Roorkee: Situated 10 km from Piran Kaliyar, Roorkee is a quiet town of moderate size in the district of Haridwar (Uttarakhand). It is located on the banks of the upper Ganga Canal, which takes off to Haridwar, 30 km away. Roorkee is the gateway to the pilgrim centres of Haridwar, Rishikesh, Badrinath and Kedarnath, and the tourist attractions of Dehradun and Mussoorie. Roorkee is more known for the Indian Institute of Technology and Central Building Research Institute.



Haridwar: the other religious centre nearby

Haridwar: Only 30 minutes drive to the gateway of the four Dhams, the holiest shrines in the Himalayas- Kedarnath, Badrinath, and Gangotri & Yamunotri.

Rajaji National Park: Rajaji National Park is distinctly known for its pristine scenic beauty and rich zoological-diversity. A paradise for nature lovers and wildlife enthusiasts. The wildlife of the park is blessed with elephants, tigers, leopards, deer and gorals as its best-known life forms.



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Piran Kaliyar

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Rajaji National Park

Piran Kaliyar Shrine

Situated at a distance of 20 km from Haridwar and only 10 km from Roorkee on the banks of the river Ganga, Piran Kaliyar Shareef is a wonderful symbol of unity. Ibrahim Lodhi (16th Century AD) built the tomb of this dargah. It is situated towards the south of Haridwar. Famed for its mystical powers that fulfill the desires of the devout, the Dargah is visited by millions of devotees from all over the world.

Piran Kaliyar, also known as Kaliyar Sharif, which is the burial place of a Sufi saint named Alla uddin Ali Ahmad Sabir. It is only a half hour drive from Haridwar, and the Islamic touch makes the feel of the place completely different.

One can see some of the detail work on the sides of the tomb. The sidewalls have open grillwork, which allows one to peep in side and also allows the breeze to move through in the summer.

The veneration of saints in Islam is based on the belief that their piety brought them close to Allah, and that they can therefore act as channels of Allah's grace. Not only people visit the saints to ask favours, but also some strive to be buried near them. The tomb compound at Piran Kaliyar contains the graves of his numerous followers, whereas the smaller tomb is built outside the shrine.

The shrine of Piran Kaliyar is the anchor and raison d'etre for the town of Kaliyar, which is little more than a collection of shops around the saint's tomb for selling merchandise, souvenirs, food, and offerings for the saint such as roses and sugar. The only time things get really busy is during the annual 'Urs', the festival celebrating the saint's death anniversary.

How to reach

Air: The nearest Airport is Jolly Grant, Dehradun (61km) on Rishikesh-State Highway.

Rail: The nearest railhead is Roorkee (10 km). Connected with all important cities of India, viz. Delhi, Agra, Howrah, Varanasi, Allahabad, Amritsar, Dehradun, Lucknow and others with express trains. Some of them are:

UP TRAIN

Train No.	From - To	Arrival
3049A	Howrah-Amritsar	02:45 am
4231A	Lucknow-Saharanpur	09:56 am
9020	Dehradun-Mumbai	02:48 pm
3151	Sealdah-Jammu Tavi	08:45 pm
1 SM	Moradabad-Saharanpur	10:35 pm
4609	Haridwar-Jammu Tavi	06:35 pm

DOWN TRAIN

3050	Amritsar-Howrah	01:26 am
4232A	Saharanpur-Lucknow	08:11 pm
9019	Bandra-Dehradun	12:57 pm
3152	Jammu Tavi-Sealdah	06:57 am
2 SM	Saharanpur-Moradabad	04:22 am
4610	Jammu Tavi-Haridwar	09:16 am

Railway Enquiry / Reservation

Ph: 0131-277481

Road: Roorkee on National Highway is well connected by Bus services to all major cities and other parts of the North India. From where one can reach to Piran Kaliyar by Taxis, Tangas & Rickshaws available at Bus Stand and Railway Station.

Haridwar On National highway No. 58 is well connected to all major cities and other parts of the state.

Bus Stand Roadways Enquiry-Taxi Stand

Ph: 272456

Ph: 275173

Where to stay (STD code: 0133)

At Piran Kaliyar:

- Dergah Sabri Guest House 01332-272075
- GMVN Tourist Rest Houses

At Roorkee (STD Code-01332):

- Govt. Himalaya Guest House 272254

- Govt. PWD Inspection 272619
- Motel Polaris, Civil Lines 272648, 277701
- Hotel Divine International 272542
- Hotel Godavari, Delhi Road 278844
- Hotel Prem Dynasty, Near Bus Stand 271428, 273713
- Hotel Arti, Near Bus Stand 272704, 264786
- Hotel Prem, Near Bus Stand 270340
- Hotel Royal Palace, Civil Lines 272678, 272242
- Hotel Amber, Near Bus Stand 275838
- Hotel Raj Palace, Haridwar 269407
- Hotel Urvashi, Civil Lines 271029
- Kajri Rest House 273557
- New Bhatia Lodge 271760
- Hotel President 273097
- Hotel Prakash 270260
- Hotel Highway, Malakpur Chungi 277477

Important Telephone Nos.

- S.D.M. Roorkee 275800, 272484
- S.P. Roorkee 275155
- Manager, Dargah Piran Kaliyar 272075
- Police Control Room 272896
- Kotwali 272222
- Police Station, Gang Nahar 274160
- Fire Station, Roorkee 273099
- District Tourism Development Officer 01334-265304

Other Accommodation at Haridwar

- U.P.T.D.C. Ltd. (Hotel Alaknanda)
- Rahi Motel, GMVN, Near Bus Stand, Ph.: 4228686, 4226430
- Ashram & Dharamshalas
- Amar Lal Sindhi Dharamshala • Bhumaniketan Ashram
- Jai Ram Ashram • Jhulelal Dharamshala
- Sadhubela Ashram • Shanti Kunj Ashram
- Shri Ram Ashram • Vaidic Mohan Ashram