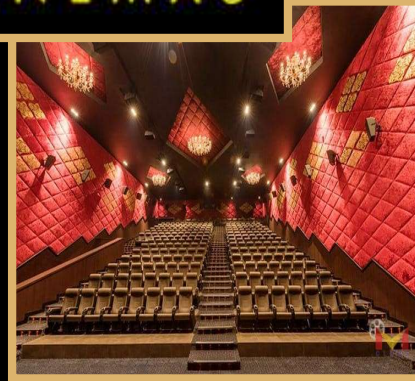


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Bengaluru is a leading market for films in the country. Cinema lovers like us love cinema theatres. The experience of watching one's favourite film in a cinema theatre has no parallel. The competition between cinema theatres in Bengaluru is very intense. We - a small band of film lovers - looked at publicly available customer rating for cinema theatres in Bengaluru and came across several interesting features in those ratings. We have compiled it and are sharing it here. We hope to do this every year for the foreseeable future – so long as we continue to be crazy about films.



Where do we start with? We start with Bookmyshow.com. We start with the movie theatres in Bengaluru that are listed on Bookmyshow. We have ignored theatres that are not listed on Bookmyshow – to keep the process straightforward and simple.

Then, when the same venue has different formats, we treated the venue as one listing. Comparison would have been nearly impossible otherwise. For example, if Bookmyshow had three separate listings like 'Saturn Theatre Gold', 'Saturn Theatre 4DX', 'Saturn Theatre Imax', we had to collectively refer to it all as 'Saturn Theatre' as public reviews were more readily available for the venue 'Saturn Theatre' than for formats within it.



And, we did leave out theatres that opened in the last six months as we saw that the ratings were changing more widely for newer theatres than for theatres that have attracted movie lovers for some time. We learnt that it would take more than six months for public reviews to a business to stabilize somewhat.

Hence, we have left out the following movie theatres that have opened in the past six months. Also, for the sake of completeness, even if the following theatres were included in this compilation, none of them would have been ranked at No.1:

Rex PVR Directors' Cut, Brigade Road

PVR Bhartiya City, Bhartiya City

Miraj Cinemas, Sunkadakatte, Magadi Road

Cinephile, HSR Layout.

Cinepolis, Lulu Mall, Rajajinagar



The ratings as they stood on 19-Mar-2023 have been considered for the purpose of this compilation. And, the compilation is being released a month after that so that the users could see how much ratings vary in a month.

To start with, Google Reviews are the most popular of all internet reviews. So, we start with it. However, in order to minimize possibilities of manipulation in a single review provider, we felt it desirable to also consider an additional review system. Justdial is the other dependable review system for movie theatres.

So, we looked at the score separately on Google Reviews and Justdial. Then, took the average of the two. If a movie theatre named Saturn had a 4.10 star on Google Reviews and a 4.00 on Justdial, we took the rating of Saturn Theatre as 4.05 $[(4.10+4.00)/2]$.



Once we adopt the above approach, we see that some movie theatres are still ranked the same. In those cases, we took the volume of Google Reviews to rank the theatres inter-se. For example, Saturn Theatre has 4.05 and similarly, Mars Theatre, Venus Theatre and Mercury Theatre each also have 4.05 each. How do we then decide which one should be ranked higher inter-se? We settled on taking the volume of Google Reviews as the determining factor to set the inter-se ranking.

Why didn't we take the combined volume of Google Reviews and Justdial to settle inter-se ranking? The justdial review volume was drastically varying from the Google review volume in some or many cases. So, we felt that it would be proper to just go with the volume of Google Review to settle inter-se ranking.



Fun starts now: The ratings reflect very intense competition between cinema theatres in Bengaluru.

The No.1 movie theatre in Bengaluru in terms of the customer rating we looked at is Victory Cinema, a single screen theatre in Kamakshipalya, Bangalore. There's no surprise here – given the outstanding sound and picture quality at Victory Cinema.

What is remarkable, however, is that in a landscape dominated by national multiplex chains that generate thousands of crores in revenues each year, a single screen theatre in Bengaluru ranks above the behemoths. We looked at the scenario in other cities and we couldn't find any other instance of a single screen theatre topping the charts.



Victory Cinema is ranked at 4.50 out of 5 on both Google and Justdial - 2,931 reviews of Google and 3,015 reviews on Justdial. Interestingly, it is the only movie theatre in Bengaluru with a rating of 4.50.

A fighter jet speeding over your head in Top Gun: Maverick, the Bhootaradhane in Kantara, the underwater 3D sequences in Avatar: Way of Water and the background score in Kamal Hassan's Vikram blew our minds at Victory Cinema. Movies appear more real, vivid and enjoyable in Victory Cinema than anywhere else in Bengaluru.



The second most highly rated movie theatre in Bengaluru is a multiplex by INOX at Galleria Mall in Yelahanka. PVR and INOX are in the process of a merger and the fact that neither of them top the chart in Bengaluru and that, between the two, INOX takes the upper hand makes for an interesting scenario. Consider also that INOX does not feature again within the top 20 cinema theatres in the city – a testament to how intense the competition is in this sector. INOX at Galleria Mall is rated at 4.40 on both Google and Justdial and holds 8,930 reviews on Google and 9,541 reviews on Justdial. The Imax at this INOX is a must visit. This INOX multiplex is an unmissable place for moviegoers to catch all of their favourite films. Being the highest rated multiplex in Bengaluru – though behind a single screen - is a remarkable achievement and this INOX multiplex at Galleria Mall, Yelahanka readily shows why it is so highly rated.



The third most highly rated cinema theatre in Bengaluru is Brundha Theatre at Hongasandra DMart. This underappreciated jewel is a single screen cinema theatre that ranks at No.3 and is ranked above every PVR property in Bengaluru. Two single screen theatres in Bengaluru thereby rank above every PVR property in the city – a feature that you may not find anywhere else in the country. Brundha Theatre is rated at 4.40 and holds 5,543 reviews on Google and 5,720 reviews on Justdial. Brundha theatre amplifies the fun of watching a movie in a theatre full of celebrating fans.



The fourth most highly rated cinema theatre in Bengaluru is a PVR multiplex at GT World Mall, Magadi Road. PVR multiplexes lead the market in India and there's solid reason for that. PVR multiplexes similarly dominate the cinema theatre scene in Bengaluru by taking 8 spots in the top 20. PVR at GT World Mall is rated at 4.40 and holds 3,689 reviews of Google and 20,759 reviews on Justdial. The fun and excitement of watching your favourite film at PVR at GT World Mall is an experience that you would return to often. Being the highest rated PVR multiplex in Bengaluru is no easy task and this PVR multiplex at GT World Mall on Magadi Road is a moviegoers' delight. People come from far away places to watch their favourite film in this attractive and bustling multiplex.



The fifth most highly rated cinema theatre in Bengaluru is a PVR multiplex at Phoenix Marketcity Mall on Whitefield. PVR at Phoenix Marketcity is rated at 4.35 and holds 30,058 reviews of Google and 36,294 reviews on Justdial. Movies are very enjoyable when you watch it with a highly charged and excited crowd that you regularly encounter in this multiplex. PVR at Phoenix Marketcity features a very vibrant community of moviegoers. Punjabi, Bengali or Japanese films that you would not find anywhere else in Bengaluru are all here.



The sixth most rated cinema theatre in Bengaluru is PVR at the VR Mall, Whitefield. Isn't it remarkable that this PVR multiplex adjoins another PVR multiplex – PVR at Marketcity – and this one is rated just behind its neighbour? This readily speaks to the fact that Bengaloreans love PVR. PVR at VR Mall takes the excitement of movies to an altogether new and colourful level. PVR at VR Mall is rated at 4.35 and holds 11,755 reviews of Google and 36,294 reviews on Justdial.



The seventh highest rated movie theatre in Bengaluru is Mahadeshwara Cinema at Banashankari. This is the third single screen in the top ten cinema theatres in Bengaluru. Moviegoers love this theatre so much so that some fans take pride in watching the same film multiple times in this single screen theatre. Action movies come to life in this theatre.

Mahadeshwara Cinema is rated at 4.35 and holds 7,227 reviews on Google and 8,423 reviews on Justdial.



The eighth highest rated movie theatre in Bengaluru is the PVR multiplex at Aura Park Square, Whitefield. IT people seem to love movies more than their work and they never seem to get enough of movies at this jewel of a multiplex. If you want to watch a film in the midst of a highly knowledgeable and informed crowd, you should head to this PVR multiplex. The PVR multiplex at Aura Park Square is rated at 4.35 and holds 2,810 reviews on Google and 11,078 reviews on Justdial.



The ninth highest rated movie theatre in Bengaluru is the PVR multiplex at Orion Mall, Rajajinagar. The PVR multiplex at Orion Mall witnesses more Kannada movie premiers than all the other cinema theatres in Bengaluru combined. The PVR multiplex at Orion Mall, Rajajinagar, is the go-to place for fans to catch up with their favourite movie stars and this multiplex is a splendid attraction for movie lovers. PVR multiplex at Orion Mall, Rajajinagar is rated at 4.30 and holds 38,930 reviews on Google and 75,765 reviews on Justdial.



PVR multiplex at Vega City Mall, Bannerghatta is a must see if you want to watch movies in a stellar presentation and in the midst of a crowd that worships movies. The excitement of sitting next to people who take movie watching as a ritual is an excitement you will readily notice here.

PVR at Vega City Mall is rated at 4.30 and holds 21,012 reviews on Google and 133 reviews on Justdial.



Notable aspects of other theatres in this list:
Swagath Shankarnag Cinema on MG Road is ranked at No.12. It has taken innovation well by featuring ONYX LED screen by Samsung – the only one of its kind in Bengaluru. Are you a film colourist? This is the place for you. It is a treat to watch and experience a film at this theatre. Swagath Shankarnag Cinema is rated at 4.30 and holds 8,632 reviews on Google and 8,725 reviews on Justdial.



Urvashi Cinema on Lalbagh Road is ranked at No.16. So many Bengaloreans swear by Urvashi Cinema. The charm of a big screen experience at this single screen cinema theatre is a charm that you cannot miss. Urvashi Cinema has been at the forefront of innovation in cinema technology and commands loyalty from many fans like no other cinema theatre does. Urvashi Cinema is rated at 4.20 and holds 29,258 reviews on Google and 44,026 reviews on Justdial.



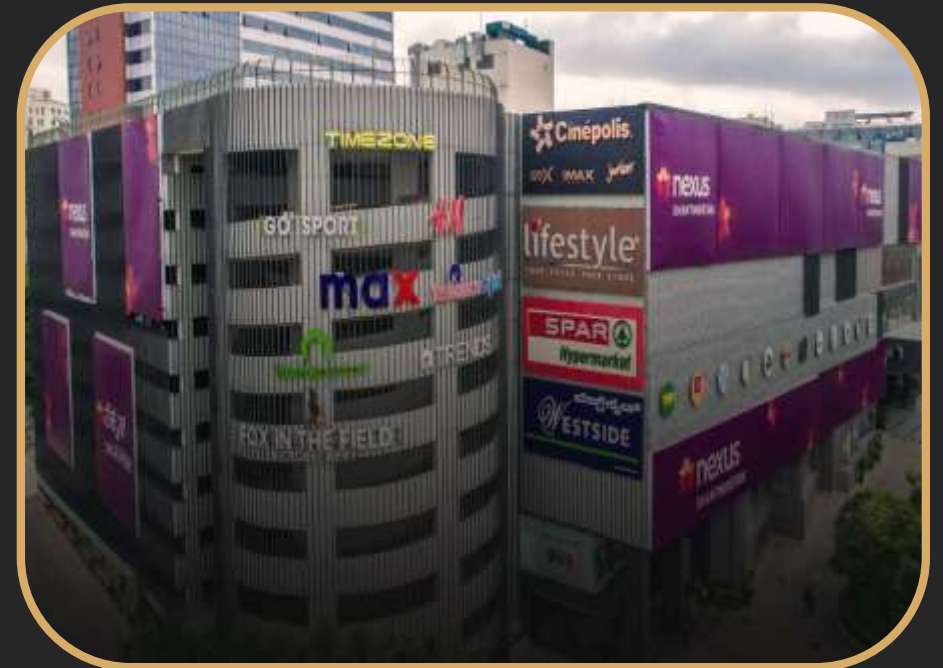
Veeresh Cinemas on Magadi Road is ranked at No.26. If you have not watched a First Day First Show at this jewel of a single screen theatre, you simply have not enjoyed movies the way they were meant to. You would be hard pressed to find a more excited audience than the audience at this theatre. Movies are larger than life and you will readily agree when you watch movies at Veeresh Cinemas. The experience and charm of moviegoing that you witness here is unavailable anywhere else in Bengaluru. Veeresh Cinemas is rated at 4.15 and holds 18,129 reviews on Google and 19,436 reviews on Justdial.



Anjan Cinema on Magadi Road is ranked at No.28. Have you ever been to a midnight screening of a blockbuster here that the rest of the city could only watch the following morning? You would not be able to find more pleasure than being part of a crowd for a midnight screening at this theatre that attracts people from all over the city. Anjan Cinema is rated at 4.15 and holds 11,628 reviews on Google and 17,419 reviews on Justdial.



The interesting finds from this list are so many. Cinepolis, a highly recognized multiplex by an international chain does not feature any multiplex in the top ten; the highest rated Cinepolis multiplex is featured at No.11 – Cinepolis at New Shantiniketan, Whitefield. Cinepolis at Shantiniketan is rated at 4.30 and holds 14,984 reviews on Google and 35 reviews on Justdial.



Gopalan Cinemas, a homegrown and a Bengaluru brand of multiplex cinemas does not feature anywhere in the top 20 or even in the top 30. The highest rated Gopalan Cinemas is rated at No.33 – the Gopalan Grand Mall at Old Madras Road. Gopalan Cinemas at Grand Mall is rated at 4.10 and holds 20,184 reviews on Google and 20,326 reviews on Justdial. Gopalan Cinemas deserve appreciation for positioning their multiplexes in localities where the established chains were reluctant to go – at first. Take Gopalan Cinemas at Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Sirsi Circle and Mysore Road established several years ago.



Of the 116 theatres in Bengaluru that we looked at, only one theatre was ranked below 3 – at 2.90 for Sangeet Theatre, Shivajinagar (as on 19-Mar-2023). This theatre takes the last spot on the ranking. That this report is being released a month later, we learn that Sangeet Theatre is now shut down.



The review scores are all here (as on 19-Mar-2023):

Sl No.	Theatre Name	Rating	Google Rating	Google Reviews	Justdial Rating	Justdial Review
1	Victory Cinema: Kamakshipalya, Magadi Road	4.50	4.50	2931	4.50	3015
2	INOX: Galleria Mall, Yelahanka	4.40	4.40	8930	4.40	9541
3	Brundha Theatre: Hongasandra Dmart	4.40	4.40	5534	4.40	5720
4	PVR: The Cinema GT World, Magadi Road	4.40	4.40	3689	4.40	20759
5	PVR: Phoenix Marketcity Mall, Whitefield Road	4.35	4.40	30058	4.30	36294
6	PVR: VR, Whitefield Road	4.35	4.40	11775	4.30	36294
7	Mahadeshwara Cinema, Banashankari	4.35	4.40	7227	4.30	8423
8	PVR: Aura Park Square, Whitefield	4.35	4.40	2810	4.30	11078
9	PVR: Orion Mall, Dr Rajkumar Road	4.30	4.40	38930	4.20	75765
10	PVR: Vega City, Bannerghatta Road	4.30	4.40	21012	4.20	133
11	Cinepolis: Nexus Shantiniketan, Whitefield	4.30	4.40	14984	4.20	35
12	Swagath ShankarNag Cinema: MG Road	4.30	4.30	8632	4.30	8725
13	PVR: Nexus, Koramangala	4.25	4.30	31092	4.20	71736
14	Cinepolis: Royal Meenakshi Mall, Bannerghatta	4.25	4.30	20397	4.20	37899
15	PVR: Vaishnavi Sapphire Mall, Yeshwanthpura	4.25	4.30	16314	4.20	20496

16	Urvashi Cinema: Lalbagh Road	4.20	4.20	29258	4.20	44026
17	Cinepolis: Binnypet Mall, Binnypet	4.20	4.20	19564	4.20	24688
18	Cinepolis: Orion East Mall, Banaswadi	4.20	4.20	16484	4.20	18401
19	Akash Cinemas: Laggere, Magadi Road	4.20	4.20	6555	4.20	9211
20	V Cinema: Garudacharpalya	4.20	4.20	5887	4.20	7633
21	INOX: Garuda Mall, Yelahanka,	4.20	4.20	5824	4.20	5936
22	Cinepolis: SJR (Central Mall) Arekere, Bannerghatta	4.20	4.20	5192	4.20	5061
23	Sri Balaji Theatre: Dommasandra	4.20	4.20	2313	4.20	2397
24	INOX: Mantri Square, Malleshwaram	4.20	4.30	16562	4.10	52959
25	INOX: Nexus, Whitefield	4.15	4.20	18163	4.10	25016
26	Veeresh Cinemas: Magadi Road	4.15	4.10	18129	4.20	19436
27	PVR: MSR Elements Mall, Thanisandhra Main Road	4.15	4.20	15113	4.10	22561
28	Anjan Cinema: Magadi Road	4.15	4.20	11682	4.10	17419
29	INOX: Garuda Mall, Magrath Road	4.15	4.20	9890	4.10	26680
30	Sri Venkateshwara Cinema: Girinagar	4.15	4.20	8387	4.10	15772

31	Mukunda Theatre: M.S.Nagara	4.15	4.30	2347	4.00	17528
32	Maruthi Cinemas: Rajgopal Nagara	4.15	4.20	1384	4.10	3588
33	Gopalan Grand Mall: Old Madras Road	4.10	4.10	20184	4.10	20326
34	Veerabhadreshwara Theatre: Kamala Nagar	4.10	4.10	8145	4.10	14448
35	INOX: Brookefield Mall, Kundalahalli Main Road	4.10	4.00	6247	4.20	6428
36	Kino Cinemas: Seegehalli, Kadugodi	4.10	4.10	5557	4.10	5626
37	PVR: Orion Uptown, Old Madras Road	4.10	4.30	5386	3.90	69
38	INOX: Central, JP Nagar, Mantri Junction	4.05	4.10	16782	4.00	28592
39	Gopalan Cinemas: Bannerghatta Road	4.05	4.10	14861	4.00	29471
40	Gopalan Cinemas: Arcade Mall, Mysore Road	4.05	4.10	11722	4.00	37662
41	Sri Srinivasa Theatre: Padmanabanagara	4.05	4.10	1926	4.00	9050
42	Vainidhi: Singapura	4.05	4.00	1509	4.10	2776
43	Gopalan Miniplex: Signature Mall, Old Madras Road	4.00	4.00	15671	4.00	28198
44	INOX: Garuda Swagath Mall, Jayanagar	4.00	4.00	11870	4.00	28622
45	PVR: Soul Spirit Central Mall, Bellandur	4.00	4.00	11840	4.00	18060

46	Balaji Cinema: Tavarekere	4.00	4.00	11375	4.00	14604
47	Bharathi Theatre: Peenya	4.00	4.00	7332	4.00	10237
48	Venkateshwara Theatre: Kengeri	4.00	3.90	4366	4.10	5412
49	Cauvery Cinema: Sankey Road	3.95	4.00	15261	3.90	31300
50	Thirumala: Agara	3.95	3.90	12610	4.00	16671
51	Gopalan Mall: Sirsi Circle	3.95	4.00	12179	3.90	29625
52	Lakshmi Theatre: Tavarekere	3.90	3.90	25340	3.90	29833
53	INOX Lido: MG Road, Ulsoor	3.90	3.90	14817	3.90	29294
54	Vaibhav Theatre: Sanjayanagar	3.90	3.90	14145	3.90	23378
55	Siddalingeshwara Theatre: J.P.Nagar	3.90	3.80	13018	4.00	16572
56	Sri Vinayaka Cinema: Marathahalli	3.90	3.90	12959	3.90	14648
57	Sri Radhakrishna Theatre: RT Nagar	3.90	3.90	10546	3.90	18647
58	Sri Vinayaka Cinemas: Varthur	3.90	3.80	8843	4.00	9491
59	Robin Theater: Kengeri Upanagara	3.90	3.80	5623	4.00	3609
60	Sharada Cinemas: S.P Road	3.90	3.90	3853	3.90	4229

61	Santosh Theatre: Gandhinagar	3.90	3.80	2815	4.00	5478
62	Narthaki Cinema: Gandhi Nagar	3.90	3.90	2012	3.90	2045
63	Sri Lakshmi Theatre: Gottigere	3.90	3.80	1825	4.00	782
64	Venkateshwara Theatre: Konappana Agrahara (E.City)	3.85	3.70	8700	4.00	9145
65	Mukta A2 Cinemas: Vaishnavi Vaibhavi, Uttarahalli	3.85	3.50	7092	4.20	15
66	Siddeshwara Cinema: JP Nagar	3.85	3.70	3603	4.00	8703
67	Srinivasa Cinema: S.G. Palya	3.85	3.80	17995	3.90	21086
68	Venkateshwara Cinemas: Hosahalli, Gollarapalya	3.85	3.60	2614	4.10	1954
69	Tulsi Theatre: Marathalli	3.85	3.80	11	3.90	20180
70	Venkateshwara Cinema: K.R.Puram	3.80	3.70	10350	3.90	14250
71	Prasanna Cinema: Magadi Road	3.80	3.70	9394	3.90	15796
72	Ravi Cinema: Sarjapura	3.80	3.70	6534	3.90	6748
73	Pushpanjali Theatre: Sultanpalya	3.80	3.80	5875	3.80	8518
74	Swagath Poornima: JC Road	3.80	3.60	4575	4.00	4804

75	Ashoka Theatre: Chikkabanavara	3.80	3.60	3677	4.00	6239
76	Sapna Theatre: Gandhi Nagar	3.80	3.80	2815	3.80	663
77	HMT Cinema: Jalahalli	3.75	3.60	12409	3.90	22825
78	Kamakya Cinema: Banashankari	3.75	3.60	12066	3.90	14297
79	Sri Renuka Prasanna Theatre: J P Nagar	3.75	3.70	9792	3.80	4089
80	Pushpanjali Theatre: B N Pura	3.75	3.60	6516	3.90	10493
81	Mohan Cinema: Sunkadakatte	3.75	3.70	4886	3.80	7764
82	Savitha Theatre: Malleshwaram	3.75	3.70	2004	3.80	3004
83	Innovative Multiplex: Marathahalli	3.75	3.70	1581	3.80	50182
84	Anupama Theatre: Gandhinagar	3.75	3.70	1549	3.80	2637
85	SLN Theatre: Hesaraghatta	3.75	3.60	453	3.90	686
86	Sri Vinayaka Theatre: DJ Halli	3.75	3.60	315	3.90	3549
87	Navrang Theatre: Rajaji Nagar	3.70	3.70	17674	3.70	30298
88	Goverdhan Theatre: Yeshwanthpura	3.70	3.60	10564	3.80	15558
89	Fun Cinemas: Sigma Mall, Cunningham Road	3.70	3.60	9596	3.80	23881

90	Sri Lakshmi Theatre: Rammurthy Nagar	3.70	3.60	5864	3.80	7054
91	Vijay Theatre: Mysuru Road	3.70	3.60	2341	3.80	5050
92	Aruna Theatre: Srirampuram	3.65	3.60	2587	3.70	3253
93	Chandrodaya Cinema: Vidyapeeta Circle	3.65	3.50	7646	3.80	13981
94	Bhumika Cinema: Gandhinagar	3.65	3.40	5993	3.90	8329
95	Amruth Cinema: Lingarajapuram	3.65	3.50	4398	3.80	7022
96	Ravi Cinema: Ejipura	3.65	3.30	3830	4.00	4253
97	Sri Vajreshwari Theatre: Ullal	3.65	3.40	2971	3.90	2379
98	Sri Rajmurali Theatre: Sahakar Nagar, Kodigehalli	3.65	3.50	2544	3.80	2943
99	Triveni Theatre: Gandhinagar	3.65	3.50	892	3.80	2049
100	Sampige Cinema: Malleshwaram	3.60	3.50	5275	3.70	8323
101	Swagath Murali Gokula Cinema: Mathikere	3.60	3.50	2551	3.70	5469
102	Eshwari Cinema: Banashankari	3.60	3.40	10285	3.80	19815
103	Sri Balaji Theatre: Viveknagar	3.60	3.40	3772	3.80	6237
104	Pruthvi Theatre: Nagavara	3.55	3.30	3905	3.80	5820

105	Vullas Theatre: Yeshwanthpura	3.55	3.40	1858	3.70	3553
106	Sri Gurusiddeshwara Chitra Mandira:Thippasandra	3.55	3.60	19	3.50	19
107	Abhinay Theatre: Gandhinagar	3.50	3.30	7003	3.70	10022
108	VR Cinemas: Mallathalli	3.50	3.50	4042	3.50	4040
109	Vinayaka Cinemas: Harinagar	3.50	3.50	1969	3.50	2047
110	Sri Nandeeshwara Theatre: Jigani	3.50	3.50	1324	3.50	1385
111	Sri Krishna Theatre: Bommanahalli	3.50	3.20	30	3.80	1663
112	Vinayaka Cinemas: Mysore Road	3.40	3.10	2612	3.70	3447
113	Ganesh Cinema: Yelahanka New Town	3.35	3.00	2348	3.70	4249
114	Galaxy Paradise: Begur Road	3.25	2.90	5759	3.60	6365
115	Srinivasa Theater: Kadugodi	3.05	3.00	1460	3.10	1627
116	Sangeet Theatre: Shivaji Nagar	2.90	2.40	3272	3.40	2333

The excluded theatres as they have opened in the last six months and their ratings as on 19-Mar-2023 were:

Theatre Name	Rating	Google Rating	Google Reviews	Justdial Rating	Justdial Reviews
Cinephile HSR Layout.	4.10	4.10	143	4.10	51
Cinepolis, Lulu Mall, Rajajinagar	Nil	4.70	9	N/A	N/A
Miraj Cinemas, Sunkadakatte, Magadi Road	4.50	4.60	562	4.40	86
PVR Bhartiya City, Bhartiya City	4.50	4.10	151	4.90	9
Rex PVR Directors' Cut, Brigade Road	4.15	4.50	215	3.80	17558

About us:

We are a small team of people-friends and some of us are professionals. We watch too many films in movie theatres to the point that most of our family members, friends and acquaintances think that we are somewhat crazy or unstable people. We do know that we are not 'normal people' in their sense.

If we came out and openly revealed ourselves as the authors of this report, it could hurt some of us professionally. Which professional in some other field wants to be identified as watching too many movies in movie theatres for fun and entertainment? Hence, one of us, Sachin (name truncated) could be contacted by the media or others for information or clarity on this report. He could be contacted at filmloversbengaluru@gmail.com. This Report is dated 25-Apr-2023.

We hope to be around and to come out with a similar report next year. Do remember us as 'Bengaluru Film Lovers.'

Meanwhile, we welcome more such reviews. The advent of Chatgpt and the coming soon of live web search facility could make more such compilations effortless. For instance, take Starbucks coffee outlets in Bengaluru. Which one is the highest rated? Soon, we could ask Chatgpt that has a live web search the following question:

“List me the Starbucks in Bengaluru that has been around for more than a year and has the highest rating across Google and Justdial with at least 1000 reviews on each of the two review sites.”

For now, the entry would be the Starbucks outlet on Vittal Mallya Road. It holds a review of 4.50 on Google and 4.40 on Justdial with both sites holding more than 1000 reviews for this outlet. The combined rating, therefore, would be 4.45 for this outlet for the query above. An apple to orange comparison would pit this Starbucks outlet on Mallya Road (at 4.45) above every movie theatre in Bengaluru except one – Victory Cinema. Even such comparisons that may not make much sense could spur some coffee lovers or movie goers to try out the Starbucks outlet on Vittal Mallya Road and discover something to like or love in it.

Look forward to the next year.