

The 4 Navaratri's in 2021



Navaratri is a Hindu festival of worship of Devi Adi Para-Shakti and dance and festivities. The word Navaratri literally means nine nights in Sanskrit, nava meaning nine and ratri meaning nights. During these nine nights and ten days, nine forms of Shakti/Devi Durga are worshipped. It is commonly referred to as Dussehra in India. Navaratri is celebrated four times a year according to India's seasons. They are Poushya/Magha Navaratri, Vasant Navaratri, Ashadha Navaratri, and Sharada MAHA Navaratri. Of these, the Sharada Navaratri and Vasant Navaratri are most important.

Devi Bhagavatam book 3 chapter 27... states “On observing the Navaratri Vratam, one receives from Devi Durga riches, children, grandchildren, prosperity and happiness, longevity, health, heaven and even final beatitude. Those who are desirous of learning, riches or children will get them all if they perform this most auspicious Navaratra ceremony. On the performance of this sacrifice, those that want knowledge and learning receives all that. Those that have not performed the Navaratra ceremony, how can they acquire riches in this world and acquire happiness and peace in their next? There is no other vow superior to this vow in this world' this vow is very holy and will bring unto you lots of happiness.”

Devi devotees who abstain from animal sacrifice perform “symbolic BALI” with vegetables/fruits like bananas, cucumber, white pumpkin, nutmeg and sugar cane.

Magha Gupta Navaratri 2021: Magha Gupta Navaratri is the festival of nine “**Lunar NOT Gregorian**” days dedicated to the nine forms of Mother Durga or the three main forms of the Mother viz Mother's Durga, Lakshmi and Sarasvati in the month of Magha (January/February).

12th to 21st February 2021 Magha Gupta Navaratri is observed.

Kindly note:- Magha Gupta Navaratri is observed over 10 Gregorian days in 2021.

12 th - 14 th February	Is dedicated to Mother Durga
15 th - 17 th February	Is dedicated to Mother Lakshmi
18 th - 21 st February	Is dedicated to Mother Sarasvati

{12th February} Day 1 (Pratipada):-

Mother Shailputri is worshipped

{13th February} Day 2 (Dwitiya):-

Mother Brahmacharini is worshipped

{14th February} Day 3 (Tritiya):-

Mother Chandraghanta is worshipped

{15th February} Day 4 (Chaturthi):-

Mother Kushmanda is worshipped

{16th February} Day 5 (Panchami):-

Mother Skandamata is worshipped

{17th February} Day 6 (Shashti):-

Mother Katyayani is worshipped

{18st February} Day 7 (Saptami):-

Mother Kalaratri is worshipped

{19th February} Day 7 (Saptami):-

Mother Kalaratri is worshipped

{20th February} Day 8 (Ashtami):-

Mother Mahagauri is worshipped

{21st February} Day 9 (Navami):-

Mother Siddhidatri is worshipped

{22nd February} Day 10:- Vijay Dashami

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Vasant/Chaitra Navaratri 2021: is the festival of nine **“Lunar NOT Gregorian”** days dedicated to the nine forms of Mother Durga or the three main forms of the Mother viz Mother's Durga, Lakshmi and Sarasvati in the spring (Vasant) season (March–April).

12th to 21st April 2021 Vasant/Chaitra Navaratri is observed.

Kindly note:- Vasant/Chaitra Navaratri is observed over 10 Gregorian days in 2021.

12th - 15th April Is dedicated to Mother Durga

16th - 18th April Is dedicated to Mother Lakshmi

19th - 21st April Is dedicated to Mother Sarasvati

{12th & 13th April} Day 1 (Pratipada):-

Mother Shailputri is worshipped

{14th April} Day 2 (Dwitiya):-

Mother Brahmacharini is worshipped

{15th April} Day 3 (Tritiya):-

Mother Chandraghanta is worshipped

{16th April} Day 4 (Chaturthi):-

Mother Kushmanda is worshipped

{17th April} Day 5 (Panchami):-

Mother Skandamata is worshipped

{18th April} Day 6 (Shashti):-

Mother Katyayani is worshipped

{19th April} Day 7 (Saptami):-

Mother Kalaratri is worshipped

{20th April} Day 8 (Ashtami):-

Mother Mahagauri is worshipped

{21st April} Day 9 (Navami):-

Mother Siddhidatri is worshipped

{22nd April} Day 10:- Vijay Dashami

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Ashadha/Gupta Navaratri 2021: is the festival of nine days dedicated to the nine forms of Mother Durga or the three main forms of the Mother viz Mother's Durga, Lakshmi and Sarasvati in the month of Ashadha (June–July).

10th to 18th July Ashadha Navaratri is observed.

Kindly note:- Ashadha Navaratri is observed over 9 Gregorian days in 2021.

10th - 12th July Is dedicated to Mother Durga

13th - 15th July Is dedicated to Mother Lakshmi

16th - 18th July Is dedicated to Mother Sarasvati

{10th July} Day 1 (Pratipada):-

Mother Shailputri is worshipped

{11th July} Day 2 (Dwitiya):-

Mother Brahmacharini is worshipped

{12th July} Day 3 (Tritiya):-

Mother Chandraghanta is worshipped

{13th July} Day 4 (Chaturthi):-

Mother Kushmanda is worshipped

{14th July} Day 5 (Panchami):-

Mother Skandamata is worshipped

{15th July} Day 6 (Shashti):-

Mother Katyayani is worshipped

{16th July} Day 7 (Saptami):-

Mother Kalaratri is worshipped

{17th July} Day 8 (Ashtami):-

Mother Mahagauri is worshipped

{18th July} Day 9 (Navami):-

Mother Siddhidatri is worshipped

{19th July} Day 10:- Vijay Dashami.

Sharad Navaratri 2021: This is the most important of the Navaratri. It is simply called Maha Navaratri (the Great Navaratri) and is celebrated in the month of Ashvina. It is celebrated during Sharad (beginning of winter in India, September–October) and is the festival of nine days dedicated to the nine forms of Mother Durga or the three main forms of the Mother viz Mother's Durga, Lakshmi and Sarasvati

7th to 14th October, Maha (Sharad) Navaratri is observed.

Kindly note:- Sharad Navaratri is observed over 8 Gregorian days in 2021.

7th - 9th October

Is dedicated to Mother Durga

10th - 12th October

Is dedicated to Mother Lakshmi

13th - 14th October

Is dedicated to Mother Sarasvati

{7th October} Day 1 (Pratipada):- Navaratri color of the day – **YELLOW**

Mother Shailputri is worshipped

{8th October} Day 2 (Dwitiya):- Navaratri color of the day – **GREEN**

Mother Brahmacharini is worshipped

{9th October} Days 3 & 4 (Tritiya & Chaturthi):- Navaratri color of the day – **GREY**

Mother's Chandraghanta and Kushmanda are worshipped

{10th October} Day 5 (Panchami):- Navaratri color of the day – **ORANGE**

Mother Skandamata is worshipped

{11th October} Day 6 (Shashti):- Navaratri color of the day – **WHITE**

Mother Katyayani is worshipped

{12th October } Day 7 (Saptami):- Navaratri color of the day – **RED**

Mother Kalaratri is worshipped

{13th October} Day 8 (Ashtami):- Navaratri color of the day – **ROYAL BLUE**

Mother Mahagauri is worshipped

{14th October} Day 9 (Navami):- Navaratri color of the day – **PINK**

Mother Siddhidatri is worshipped

{15th October} Day 10:- Vijay Dashami/Dussehra (DURGA VISARJAN)

Color of the day – **PURPLE**

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