

Diwali (Lakshmi Puja)

8 November 2026 · Sunday · Kartik Amavasya

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| <div>DATE</div> <div>8 Nov</div> <div>Sunday</div> | <div>TITHI</div> <div>Kartik</div> <div>Amavasya</div> | <div>MUHURAT</div> <div>04:53–05:45</div> <div>Brahma Muhurat</div> |
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SAMAGRI CHECKLIST

- ☐ Lakshmi & Ganesha idols

☐ Red cloth

☐ Kalash

☐ Lotus flowers

☐ Tulsi

☐ Panchamrit

☐ Roli, sindoor, akshat

☐ Diyas

☐ Laung, Elaichi, Supari, Haldi

☐ Sweets & Kheel-Batasha

☐ Vastram for Lakshmi & Ganesh

VIDHI — STEP BY STEP

8 steps

- 1

Take the sankalp

Take the sankalp before the altar, at the start of Pradosh Kaal, before the Ganesh puja begins.
- 2

Morning of Diwali

Wash the entrance. Draw the rangoli.
- 3

Noon of Diwali

Set the altar. Red cloth on the chowki, Lakshmi and Ganesha placed with Lakshmi to Ganesha's right, kalash, akshat, kumkum, new cloth for the deities.
- 4

Dusk of Diwali

At the start of Pradosh Kaal, begin. Ganesh puja first & always, then Maa Lakshmi.
- 5

Dress & Adorn

Panchamrit abhishek. Dress the idol.
- 6

Mantra

Chant the Mahalakshmi mantra. Refer to Mantra section.
- 7

Aarti, camphor, bell

Peform aarti with kapoor/camphor.
- 8

Light Diyas

Light up every room, every corner, every doorstep and window ledge with diyas. The row of lamps is the ritual act, not the decoration around it.

MANTRA

ओं श्रीं महालक्ष्म्यै नमः

Om Shreem Mahalakshmyai Namah

Chant 108 times with a mala, or 11 / 21 / 51 times



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