



“DIVINE MOTHER SRI MAHALAKSHMI DEVI”
Reverence and Worship in the Sacred month of Sravana
July 20 to August 19, 2020

MANGALA GAURI DEVI POOJA ON TUESDAYS

Traditionally India follows the Hindu Calendar, the month of Shravan is the fifth Lunar month. This month is considered to be most favored and endearing to Sri Mahalakshmi Devi.

Every year, Sravana month begins on a new moon day. This year, the auspicious moments, start on July 20th after 10.45 PM, marking the start of Sravana in the radiant Pushyami Nakshatra(star). On this very auspicious day, Lord Bhimeshwara (1 of the 12 jyotirlingas) fondly known as Shiva or Eshwara is ardently worshipped.

This month is called Sravana, as Lord Vekateshwara Swami’s (Balaji) nakshatra (birth star) is Sravana and also because the moon is ruling this star during the entire month of Sravana.

This holy month of Sravana is also dedicated to Lord Vekateshwara Swami as much as it is important to Sri Mahalakshmi Devi.

- Sravana **Mondays** are equally precious to Lord Shiva. Eshwara is worshipped ardently. Poojas and abhishekams are performed in the mornings in all the Shiva temples throughout India where thousands of people go to get Divine darshan.
- Sravana **Tuesdays** are very glorified days for Sri Mangala Gowri Devi – **JAGADAMBA**
- Sravana **Fridays** are most significant days for Sri Mahalakshmi Devi when Devi is highly worshipped.
- Sravana **Saturdays** are also extremely important. Lord Venkateshwara Swami is worshipped in the evenings with much grandeur, when thousands of devotees receive the Divine darshan.

The Month of Sravana is embedded in the Supreme powers of Divine Mother—Mahalakshmi Devi

According to Hindu Sanatan Dharma, Fridays also known as Bhrigu-vaaram (as per Shiva Purana, the day of planet Venus) and are considered auspicious. In the month of Sravana however, Fridays are exceptionally sacred and all-powerful, hence this month is supremely holy, divine and glorious. Furthermore, the period of Shukla-paksha which refers to the waxing-moon period (15 days) and is considered more auspicious because it is favorable to growth or expansion on every plane of existence i.e. Mental, Physical and Spiritual Plane.

There are 4 Fridays and sometimes 5 Fridays (based on the lunar calendar) in the month of Sravana. During this entire month, when one strictly practices with faith and discipline, to eat only sattvic foods, maintain a pure heart and mind, speak truthfully and kindly, act with compassion and in dharma, worshipping Sri Mahalakshmi Devi with sincere reverence, one will be free from the persistent bondages of **“Alakshmi”** meaning **“Jyeshtha Devi”** (The older sister of Sri Mahalakshmi, who represents the Goddess of misfortunes),

Sravana Tuesdays:

Every Tuesday morning, we invoke the all-pervading Divine mother according to the Vedic rituals. Sri Mahalakshmi Devi is seated on the kalasha (silver or brass urn with water). This is viewed as a symbol of abundance, wisdom, and immortality. Water in the pot represents the life-giving ability of Mother nature. The Lalitha Sahasranama (1008 names of Divine mother) is chanted while performing the kumkuma-archana. Following the archana, fruits and betel leaves with betel nuts are offered to receive Divine grace and blessings in abundance.

When Divine Mother Jagadamba Sri Mangala Gauri Devi is worshipped in the early morning, every Tuesday, during the month of Sravana, all the inauspiciousness and misfortunes are removed and one attains prosperity.

Jagadamba Sri Mangala Gauri Devi is the most benevolent Goddess. Divine Mother blesses us with good health, eternal peace and happiness, peace, prosperity and contentment.

Benefits of performing the Sri Mangala Gauri pooja

1. Mental anguish and unrest subsides and inner peace and happiness is granted.
2. The supreme power of Devi will pull and lead you forward in your tasks that seemed to have halted.
3. It confers inconceivable and wonderful grace and blessings to all the children and students. They will attain every kind of wealth, including the wealth of peace, and wisdom.
4. Protects from all kinds of ill-health and bestows you with grace and highest protection.
5. Worshipping Divine Mother with bilva leaves, all the Ashta Daridryas (8 kinds of poverty) will be removed and you will attain Sri Lakshmi Devi's grace.
6. Divine Mother eradicates the "Rahu" doshas
7. Gauri another divine name given to Divine Mother- the reigning queen to the Navagrahas (9 planets) is the remover of all the negative doshas caused by the Navagrahas.
8. Divine Mother protects you from any untimely accidents and blesses you with abundance of auspiciousness.

Details for Sri Mangala Gauri Devi Pooja in the month of Sravana

Date	Birth Star and day(thithi)
July-21st	Tuesday- Pushyami Birth star Shukla Padyami (1 st day of the month as per the Hindu lunar calendar) Shukla Paksha starts (refers to the 15 day bright waxing-moon period)
July-28th	Tuesday- Swathi Birth star Thithi – Ashtami (The eighth day in the fortnight of Hindu lunar calendar). Thithi – Navami (The ninth day of the fortnight of Hindu lunar calendar). Where the combination of these days is holy and sacred
Aug-4th	Tuesday- Sravana Star Krishna Padyami (16 th day of the month as per the Hindu lunar calendar) Krishna Paksha starts (this refers to the dark 15 day period or waning moon in the Hindu lunar calendar).
Aug-11th	Tuesday -- Bharani Birth star. Thithi – Ashtami (The eighth day in the fortnight of Hindu lunar calendar). This day is very auspicious with the combination of the star and day

Aug-18th	Tuesday- Aaslesha Birth star Thithi—Chaturdashi (It is the 14th day of the waning phase of the moon and a day prior to new moon). Makha star enters after 6 AM the following day
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On all the 5 Tuesdays of the Sravana month, Divine Mother Sri Mahalakshmi Devi is worshipped and celebrated extraordinarily with great pomp, grandeur, and most importantly in the days when the Pushyami Nakshatra, Swathi nakshatra, Sravana Nakshatra, Bharani Nakshatra and Aaslesha Nakshatra is present.

Those sharing any of the Divine Nakshatras and those who wholeheartedly worship that great divine supreme energy- Sri Mahalakshmi Devi, perform abhishekams and homas, will become filled with an abundance of radiant energy.

Archanas, abhishekams and homas are performed to the Divine Mother. All pervading, Sri Mahalakshmi Devi, early Tuesday morning of the Sravana month at the Manidweepa Mahasamsthanam. By worshipping Sri Mahalakshmi Devi, one can eliminate commotion, anxiety, poverty and ill health and attain peace, brilliance, prosperity, and all noble desires. They will attain every kind of wealth, including the wealth of peace, wisdom and salvation and Grace by worshipping Sri Mahalakshmi in the month of Sravana!