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TAMIL HINDU CALENDAR FOR April- 2024 – CANADA / USA EST / INDIA

HINDU RELIGIOUS RITUALS

Year: Shobhakruth Varsham (From April 14, 2023)

Year: Krodhi Varsham [From April 13 (North America) /14 (India), 2024]

Thiruvalluvar Year:– 2055

Kollam Year:– 1199 - 1200

UttarAYaNam begins from January 14th/15th, 2024, To July 15th, 2024 from (Thai to AaNi)

DakshiNaayaNam from July 16th, 2024, To January 13th, 2025 (Aadi to Margazhi)

Season: March 20, 2024 – April 19, 2024 (Vasantha Rithou – Canada / USA EST & India)

Season: April 20 – May 31, 2024 (Greeshma Rithou) – Canada / USA

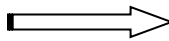
Season: April 20, 2024 – June 21, 2024 (Greeshma Rithou) - India

Masam: From March 14, 2024 to April 12, 2024 (PanguNi / Meenam)

Masam: From April 13/14, 2024 to May 13, 2024 (Mesha / Chithirai / Medam)

The sixty Samvatsaras (Prabhava to Kshaya) are divided into three groups of 20 Samvatsaras each, with Lord Brahma assigned to the first group of 20 Samvatsaras (Prabhava to Vyaya), Lord Vishnu assigned to the next group of 20 (Sarvajit to Parabhava), and Lord Shiva assigned to the last 20 (Plavanga to Kshaya).

SHOBHAKRUTH VARSHM/ SHOBHANA SAMVATSARAM ENDS



(APRIL 12/13, 2024)

KRODHI VARSHAM/KRODHI SAMVATSARAM STARTS (APRIL 13/14, 2024)

04/04/2024

Thursday

Ekadashi Vratham (Canada / USA EST)

05/04/2024

Friday

Ekadashi Vratham (India)

05/04/2024

Friday

Pradosha Vratham (Canada / USA EST)

06/04/2024

Saturday

Pradosha Vratham (India)

08/04/2024

Monday

Sarva Amavasai (Star: Revathi – Canada / USA EST), (Star: Uthara ProshtApAdhA or Utharattathi – upto 10:11 am, thereafter Revathi – India)

saveca.ca/AmmaVasaiTharpanam.htm

08/04/2024

Monday

Solar Eclipse / Soorya GrahaNam (**Visible in:** Canada, Mexico, USA, Western parts of Europe, Pacific Ocean,

		Atlantic Ocean, Arctic. (Please see details below) Not visible: in India, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Afghanistan, Fiji, Mauritius, UAE, Africa, Australia, Most of Europe continent
09/04/2024	Tuesday	Ugadi (Telugu new year) & Gudi Padwa
13/04/2024	Saturday	Krodhi Nama Samvatsare / Krodhi Varsham begins (North America)
13/04/2024	Saturday	Mesha / Medam / Chithirai masam begins (North America)
13/04/2024	Saturday	Tamil New Year (Canada / USA EST)
13/04/2024	Saturday	Mesha Ravi / Chaithra Vishu PuNyakAlam
14/04/2024	Sunday	Kerala Vishu (North America)
14/04/2024	Sunday	Kerala Vishu & Tamil New Year (India)
14/04/2024	Sunday	Krodhi Samvatsaram & Mesha masam begins (India)
16/04/2024	Tuesday	Ram Navami (North America)
17/04/2024	Wednesday	Ram Navami (India)
19/04/2024	Friday	Ekadashi Vratham
20/04/2024	Saturday	Pradosha Vratham (North America)
21/04/2024	Sunday	Pradosha Vratham (India)
23/04/2024	Tuesday	ChithrA PourNami
26/04/2024	Friday	Shanka Thahara Chathurthi (North America)
27/04/2024	Saturday	Shanka Thahara Chathurthi (India)

What I understand about Rithus:

India (6)

*In India there are 6 seasons [Spring (vasantha), Summer (greeshma), Monsoon (varsha), Autumn (sharad), Early Winter (Hemantha), Late Winter (shishira)]**

North America – 4 (Spring, Summer, Fall & Winter)

**(To align with India, it will be in North America [Spring (vasanth & Greeshma), Summer (greeshma, varsha, sharad), Fall (sharad, hemantha), Winter (hemantha, shishir & vasant)])*

North America - Seasons 2024	India - Seasons 2024 (as per Drik Panchang)
Spring: March, Apr, May, June (3/20 – 20/6) - Astronomical	Vasant Ritu: 19 Feb to April 19
	Grishma Ritu: 20 April to June 21
Summer: June, July, August, Sept (20/6 – 22/9) - Astronomical	Varsha Ritu: 22 June to 22 August

Fall/Autumn: September, October, November, December (22/9 – 21/12) - Astronomical	Sharad Ritu: 23 Aug to 23 October
Winter: December, January, February, March (21 – 20/3/2025) - Astronomical	Hemant Ritu: 23 Oct to 21 December
<p>Ritus assigned as per my interpretation for North America (I shall try to follow this consistently in the future). There might be a minor variation each year about the months!</p> <p>North American Spring season coincides with Vasant Ritu (20th March to 19th April) or Grishma Ritu (20 April to end of May)</p> <p>North American Summer season coincides with Grishma Ritu (1 June to 21 June) or Varsha Ritu (22 June to 22 August) or Sharad Ritu (23 August to 31 August)</p> <p>North American Fall season coincides with Sharad Ritu (1 Sep to 23 October) or Hemant Ritu (23 Oct to 30 Nov)</p> <p>North American Winter season coincides with Hemant Ritu (1 December to 21 Dec) or Shishir Ritu (21 December to 18 February next year) or Vasant Ritu (18 Feb to end of February)</p>	Shishir Ritu: 21 Dec to 18 February, 2025

TharpaNa Sankalpams

saveca.ca/AmmaVasaiTharpanam.htm

1. Sarva Amavasai – April 8, 2024 (Monday) – Canada / USA EST

shobhkruth nAma Samvatsare **utharAyaNe**, **vasantha** Rithou, **meena** mAsE, **krishna** Pakshe, Adhya , **amAvasyAyAm** Subathithou vasarahA **indhu** vAsara yukthAyAm, **revathi** Nakshatra Yukthaayaam, Subha Yoga Subha KaraNa Evam GuNa VisheshaNa Vishishtaayaam, Asyaam, **amAvasyAyAm** puNyathithou

(Praacheenaaveethi)..Put poonal in the wrong side (Right Shoulder)

.. Go to Main TharpaNam - Use as appropriately for **Sarva Amavasai**

(Ubhaya Vamsa, PithruNaam, Akshayya, Thriptyartham, Amaavasya puNyakaale, Darsa sraadham thila tharpaNa rupeNa adhya karishye)

2. Sarva Amavasai – April 8, 2024 (Monday) – India

shobhkruth nAma Samvatsare **utharAyaNe**, **vasantha** Rithou, **meena** mAsE, **krishna** Pakshe, Adhya , **amAvasyAyAm** Subathithou vasarahA **indhu** vAsara yukthAyAm, utharA proshTApAdhA/utharattathi upari **revathi** Nakshatra Yukthaayaam, Subha Yoga Subha KaraNa Evam GuNa VisheshaNa Vishishtaayaam, Asyaam, **amAvasyAyAm** puNyathithou

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tharpaNa rupeNa adhya karishye)

***Since AmAvAsyA also occurs on the same day as GrahaNam, some of you will wonder whether those doing tharpanams have to do it twice or once. You only need to do it once during GrahaNam, following the same rules as for when AmAvAsyA and Maasapirappu(sankramaNa) shrAddham occurring on the same day. Here is the rule: In a pair of events involving tharpanam occurring on the same day which involve samAna devatAs (same deities), one is 'niyatam' (frequent) and the other is 'aniyatam' (rare). Since 'aniyatam' is more important, that has to be observed and the other left out. Since AmAvAsyA and GrahaNam tharpanam involve two-way ancestral lineage, only the rare one needs to be observed. Similarly, this rule applies when AmAvAsyA and manvAdi, yugAdi or sankramaNam occur on the same day.

(Please note that some elders observe both)****

3. Solar Eclipse – April 8, 2024 (Monday) – Canada / USA EST (Not visible in India)

Snanam (Just after the eclipse begins), GrahaNa Shanthi Japam, Pithur TharpaNam is done 30-45 minutes after eclipse has started, Snanam (After the eclipse ends)

shobhakruth nAma Samvatsare **uthrAyaNe, vasantha** Rithou, **meena** mAse, **shukla** Pakshe (from 2:21 pm) , Adhya , **prathamyAm (from 2:21 pm)** Subathithou vasarahA **indhu** vAsara yukthAyAm, **Revathi** Nakshatra Yukthaayaam, Subha Yoga Subha KaraNa Evam GuNa ViseshaNa Vishishtaayaam, Asyaam, **prathamyAm** puNyathithou

(Praacheenaaveethi)..Put poonal in the wrong side (Right Shoulder)

.. Go to Main TharpaNam - Use as appropriately for **SolarEclipse**

(Ubhaya Vamsa, PithruNaam, Akshayya, Thriptyartham, sooryoparAga puNyakaale, sooryoparAga srAdham thila tharpaNa rupeNa adhya karishye)

Grahana Shanthi Japa Mantram

Any Slokam/Mantram and Prarthana chanted during eclipse time is Thousand times powerful than done during normal times.

The following Grahana Shanthi Japa Mantram can be chanted by all during Solar Eclipse, particularly those with birth stars Uthra Proshtapada or Utharattathi, Revathi, Ashwini, Aslesha and Jyeshta. For young children and those who cannot chant the mantras, parents or other relatives can chant the mantras on their behalf:

1) Yosow Vajra Dharo Deva:

Aadithyaanaam Prabhurmatha: |

Sahasra Kirana Soorya:

Graha Peedaam Vyapohathu ||

2) Yosow dhanda dharo devA,

Yamo mahisha vAhana

Suryagraho parAgotha

Graha peedhAm vyapohathu

3) Yosow shoola dharo devA

PinAki vrusha vAhana

Suryagraho parAgotha
Graha peedhAm vyapohathu

indhro nalo dhanda tharachch prasedhatho vaayu kubera Isaahaa

majjanma rukShe mama raaShi samasthe sooryo paraagam samayanThu sarve

इन्द्रो नलो दण्ड तरच्च प्रसेदतो वायु कुबेर ईसाहा

मज्जन्म रुक्षे मम राषि समस्ते सूर्यो परागम् समयन्थु सर्वे

இந்த்ரோ நலோ தண்ட தரச்ச் ப்ரஸேததோ வாயு குபேர இஸாஹ்:

மஜ்ஜன்ம ருக்ஷே மம ராஷி சமஸ்தே சூர்யோ பராகம் சமயந்து ஸர்வே

[\(680\) Solar Eclipse / Surya Grahana Peeda Parihar Mantra and Janma Nakshatra Mantra - YouTube](#)

These mantrams are considered sacred and are recited to honor and seek blessings from our ancestors. They play an essential role in Hindu rituals and are chanted with reverence and devotion.

What is GrahaNam?

It refers to an astronomical event where a celestial body, such as the Sun or the Moon, is partially or completely obscured by another celestial object. Soorya grahaNam occurs when the Moon passes between the Earth and the Sun, causing the Sun to be partially or completely blocked. During the Solar Eclipse, the Moon casts a shadow on the Earth, leading to a temporary darkening of the sky. It is essential to observe specific rituals during this time, including **tharpaNam** (a ritual offering to ancestors)

Sankalpam

It is a Sanskrit term that refers to a **sacred resolve or intention**. It serves as a focused **affirmation** or **declaration** of one's purpose. It helps align the mind and heart towards a specific objective. Beyond the external ritual, sankalpam also involves inner alignment – connecting with one's higher self and channeling positive energy toward the desired outcome. Sankalpam carries the power of intention and devotion.

Petaarhona

During tarpanam (a ritual of offering water to ancestors), Petaarhona refers to mantra or prayer recited while performing the ritual. During soorya grahaNam, while performing tharpanam, we would use the

Soorya Petaarhons Mantra.

TharpaNam

It is a sacred ritual performed by Hindus to honor their ancestors. During grahaNam, it is customary to perform tharpaNam to seek blessings and offer gratitude to the departed souls. Generally, it involves reciting mantras, making offerings, and seeking spiritual purification. GrahaNam is considered as an auspicious time for spiritual practices, and observing ritual during these celestial events holds significance in Hindu tradition.

**4. Mesha Ravi / Chaithra Vishu PuNyakAlam – April 13, 2024 (Saturday) –
Canada / USA EST**

Krodhi nAma Samvatsare **utharAyaNe**, **vasantha** Rithou, **mesha** mAsa, **shukla** Pakshe, Adhya
, **sashtamyAm** Subathithou vasarahA **sthira** vAsara yukthAyAm, mrigasheersha Nakshatra
Yukthaayaam, Subha Yoga Subha KaraNa Evam GuNa VisheshaNa Vishishtaayaam, Asyaam, **sashtamyAm**
puNyathithou

(Praacheenaaveethi)..Put poonal in the wrong side (Right Shoulder)
.. Go to Main TharpaNam - Use as appropriately for **Mesha Ravi**
(Ubhaya Vamsa, PithruNaam, Akshayya, Thriptyartham, utharAyaNa Chaithra vishu puNyakaale, mesha
ravi samkramaNa sraadham thila tharpaNa rupeNa adhya karishye)

**5. Mesha Ravi / Chaithra Vishu PuNyakAlam – April 13, 2024 (Saturday) –
India**

Shobhakruth nAma Samvatsare **utharAyaNe**, **vasantha** Rithou, **meena** mAsa, **shukla** Pakshe, Adhya
, **panchamyAm** Subathithou vasarahA **sthira** vAsara yukthAyAm, mrigasheersha Nakshatra
Yukthaayaam, Subha Yoga Subha KaraNa Evam GuNa VisheshaNa Vishishtaayaam, Asyaam, **panchamyAm**
puNyathithou

(Praacheenaaveethi)..Put poonal in the wrong side (Right Shoulder)
.. Go to Main TharpaNam - Use as appropriately for **Mesha Ravi**
(Ubhaya Vamsa, PithruNaam, Akshayya, Thriptyartham, utharAyaNa Chaithra vishu puNyakaale, mesha
ravi samkramaNa sraadham thila tharpaNa rupeNa adhya karishye)

ECLIPSE TIMINGS

[Apr 8, 2024 – Partial Solar Eclipse in the United Kingdom \(timeanddate.com\)](#)

Apr 8, 2024 at 3:16 pm
Max View in Mississauga, [Ontario](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)

Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in Mississauga, [Ontario](#)

Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 2:03 pm](#)

Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:16 pm [0.885 Magnitude](#)

Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 4:27 pm

Duration: 2 hours, 24 minutes

Apr 8, 2024 at 3:19 pm
Max View in Toronto, [Ontario](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)

Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in Toronto, [Ontario](#)
Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 2:04 pm](#)
Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:19 pm [0.998 Magnitude](#)
Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 4:31 pm
Duration: 2 hours, 27 minutes

Apr 8, 2024 at 2:07 pm
Max View in Chicago, [Illinois](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)
Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in Chicago, [Illinois](#)
Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:51 pm](#)
Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 2:07 pm [0.942 Magnitude](#)
Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:22 pm
Duration: 2 hours, 31 minutes

Apr 8, 2024
Ohio, [United States](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)
Local Type: [Total Solar Eclipse](#), in Ohio, [United States](#)
Start of Partial: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 1:51 pm [EDT](#)
Start of Totality: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:08 pm [EDT](#)
End of Totality: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:19 pm [EDT](#)
End of Partial: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 4:30 pm [EDT](#)

Partial Eclipse Visible
Apr 8, 2024
Florida, [United States](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)
Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#), in Florida, [United States](#)
Start of Partial: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:35 pm [CDT](#)
Start of Totality: Not visible from Florida

End of Totality: Not visible from Florida

End of Partial: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 4:20 pm [EDT](#)

Apr 8, 2024 at 1:37 pm
Max View in Austin, [Texas](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)

Local Type: [Total Solar Eclipse](#) in Austin, [Texas](#)

Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:17 pm](#)

Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 1:37 pm [1.002 Magnitude](#)

Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 2:58 pm

Duration: 2 hours, 41 minutes

Totality: 1 minute, 46 seconds

Apr 8, 2024 at 1:40 pm
Max View in Houston, [Texas](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)

Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in Houston, [Texas](#)

Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:20 pm](#)

Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 1:40 pm [0.943 Magnitude](#)

Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:01 pm

Duration: 2 hours, 41 minutes

Apr 8, 2024 at 1:42 pm
Max View in Dallas, [Texas](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)

Local Type: [Total Solar Eclipse](#) in Dallas, [Texas](#)

Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:23 pm](#)

Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 1:42 pm [1.015 Magnitude](#)

Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:02 pm

Duration: 2 hours, 39 minutes

Totality: 3 minutes, 52 seconds

Apr 8, 2024 at 11:12 am
Max View in Los Angeles, [California](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)
Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in Los Angeles, [California](#)
Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 10:06 am](#)
Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 11:12 am [0.580 Magnitude](#)
Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:22 pm
Duration: 2 hours, 16 minutes

Apr 8, 2024 at 11:13 am
Max View in San Francisco, [California](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)
Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in San Francisco, [California](#)
Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 10:14 am](#)
Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 11:13 am [0.449 Magnitude](#)
Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:15 pm
Duration: 2 hours, 2 minutes

Apr 8, 2024 at 11:30 am
Max View in Vancouver, [British Columbia](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)
Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in Vancouver, [British Columbia](#)
Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 10:43 am](#)
Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 11:30 am [0.278 Magnitude](#)
Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:20 pm
Duration: 1 hour, 37 minutes

Apr 8, 2024 at 12:43 pm
Max View in Calgary, [Alberta](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)
Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in Calgary, [Alberta](#)
Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 11:48 am](#)

Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 12:43 pm [0.374 Magnitude](#)

Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 1:38 pm

Duration: 1 hour, 50 minutes

Apr 8, 2024 at 3:09 pm
Max View in Cincinnati, [Ohio](#)

Global Event: [Total Solar Eclipse](#)

Local Type: [Partial Solar Eclipse](#) in Cincinnati, [Ohio](#)

Begins: [Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 1:52 pm](#)

Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:09 pm [0.994 Magnitude](#)

Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 4:24 pm

Duration: 2 hours, 33 minutes