



Diwali 2026 Calendar

The five days of Deepavali, Friday, Nov. 6 to Tuesday, Nov. 10 · main Lakshmi Puja night: Sunday, Nov. 8

FRI, NOV. 6

Dhanteras

Buying gold, silver or new utensils; lamps lit for Lord Dhanvantari and Yama

SAT, NOV. 7

Naraka Chaturdashi

Choti Diwali: early oil bath, the first rows of diyas, rangoli at the door

SUN, NOV. 8

Diwali - Lakshmi Puja

Main night: Lakshmi and Ganesha puja after sunset, diyas, fireworks, sweets

MON, NOV. 9

Govardhan Puja

Annakut food offerings; Gujarati New Year (Bestu Varas) for many families

TUE, NOV. 10

Bhai Dooj

Sisters pray for brothers, apply tilak; brothers give gifts

Lakshmi Puja evening, Sunday, Nov. 8, 2026 (local standard time)

City	Sunset	Pradosh Kaal	City	Sunset	Pradosh Kaal
New York, NY	4:44 p.m.	4:44 p.m. to 7:08 p.m.	Dallas, TX	5:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m. to 7:54 p.m.
Edison, NJ	4:46 p.m.	4:46 p.m. to 7:10 p.m.	Houston, TX	5:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m. to 7:54 p.m.
Boston, MA	4:29 p.m.	4:29 p.m. to 6:53 p.m.	Phoenix, AZ	5:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m. to 7:54 p.m.
Washington, DC	5:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m. to 7:24 p.m.	Seattle, WA	4:41 p.m.	4:41 p.m. to 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta, GA	5:39 p.m.	5:39 p.m. to 8:03 p.m.	San Jose, CA	5:03 p.m.	5:03 p.m. to 7:27 p.m.
Chicago, IL	4:36 p.m.	4:36 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Los Angeles, CA	4:54 p.m.	4:54 p.m. to 7:18 p.m.

Pradosh Kaal is counted here as the 2 hours 24 minutes after local sunset; sunsets are from the U.S. Naval Observatory. Temples and family priests often name a narrower muhurat inside this window, so check with yours. The Amavasya (new moon) that Diwali night belongs to ends at 2:02 a.m. EST on Nov. 9. Customs differ by region and community.