



LORD GANESHA

Ganesh is usually named as Ganapati. Ganesh devotees consider him as the supreme deity. Ganesh is 'Vighneshvara', "The Lord of Obstacles". "The Lord who grants success" (Sidhi) He is involved at the beginning of auspicious opportunities, like marriage and other various occasions (inaugurating a shop, starting a business and taking examination etc.) The name Ganesh is a Sanskrit compound joining the words 'Gana' (Sanskrit Gana meaning a group, multitude) and 'isha' (Sanskrit meaning lord or master). Ganesh is offered with sweets as "Modaka" and in the shape of small Balls called "Laddus". He is worshipped with red sandalwood paste.

Ganesh is the first God for getting Puja in all Yagas in Hindu temples. Ganesha's head symbolises the Atman or the soul, which is the ultimate supreme reality of human existence, and his Human body signifies maya or the earthly existence of Human being the elephant head denotes wisdom and its trunk represents OM.

Ganesh son of Siva and Parvati, is the God of knowledge and thresholds. Ganesha is often portrayed along with Saraswati and Lakshmi, Symbolising that success and beauty always accompany wisdom. The Ganesha has eight incarnations.

1. Vakratunda
2. Ekadanta
3. Lambodara
4. Gajanana
5. Vikata
6. Vighnaraja
7. Dhumravarna
8. Mahodasha

The twelve names of Ganesha

1. Suhmukha - The very graceful Lord
2. Ekadanta - The Lord who has only one tusk
3. Kapila - The Lord of a Tawny color
5. Gajakarna - The Lord with elephant ears
5. Lambodara - The Lord with a prominent belly
6. Vikata - The Hisshapen
7. Vighnasaka - The Lord destroyer of obstacles
8. Ganadipa - The Lord protector of the Gana
9. Dhoomraketu - The Lord of A smoky color, ruler of the Kau Yoga
10. Ganadhyaksha - The Minister of the Gana
11. Bhalachandra - The Lord who wears the moon crescent on his head
12. Gajanana - The Lord with a elephant face

Ganesh Mantra is full of energy and power.

Ganesh Mantra ward off all trials and troubles Gracing the devotee of with every success.

Special Ganesh Mantras

1. Om Shri Ganeshaya Namaha
2. Om Gam Ganapataye Namaha
3. Om Vakratundaya Namaha
4. Om Kshipra Prasadanya Namaha
5. Om Shrim Hrim Khrim Glaum Gam Ganapatya Vara Varada
Sarva Janame Vashamanaya swaha
6. Om Sumukhaya Namaha
7. Om Ekadantaya Namaha
8. Om Vikataya Namaha
9. Om Lambodaraya Namaha
10. Om Kapilaya Namaha
11. Om Vighna Nashaya Namaha

Shri Ganesh Chausa is a 'Forty Verse' Prayer Verses are recited or Chanted by Groups. The acts and deeds of Lord Ganesha are recited in these verses to aid the devotee to meditate on virtuous and noble qualities. Ganesh Chaturthi also known as Vinayaka Chaturthi is the Hindu festival of Ganesha. It's the Birthday of Ganesha who is widely worshipped as the God of Wisdom, Prosperity and Good fortune. The Festival lasts for 10 or 11 days ending on Anantha Chaturdashi.

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