

SRI VENKATESWARA SWAMY TEMPLE Tirumala, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, India

God

Lord Venkateswara is the main deity of the Tirumala temple, Tirupathi. The lord is an incarnation of Lord Vishnu. He is worshipped by the people with different names like Balaji, Srinivasa, Govinda. Venkateshwara means the Lord who destroys the sins of the people. According to Hindu Scriptures, Vishnu, out of love towards his devotees, incarnated as Venkateshwara and appeared for the salvation and upliftment of humanity in this Kali Yuga and is considered the supreme form of Vishnu in this age.

The idol of Lord Venkateswara is Swayambhu. He is depicted as having a dark complexion and Four hands. In his upper two hands, he holds a discus (a symbol of power) and a conch shell (a symbol of existence). His lower hands are extended downward wherein the Lord asks the devotees to have faith and surrender to him for protection. Lord Venkateswara is 9' 9" (nine feet and nine inches) including the crown over the head. Further, the statue stands on a stone pedestal of 18 inches in height.
Goddess

Sridevi and Bhudevi are the consorts of Sri Venkateswara Swamy.

Interesting Facts

35 million pilgrims visit the temple every year, it is one of the most visited holy places in the world.

Temple located at 2500 feet high above the sea level on Seshachalam hills. The hills comprises seven peaks, representing the seven heads of Adisesha. The temple lies on the seventh peak "Venkatadri", hence the temple is also referred to as "Temple of Seven Hills".

The world's richest Hindu temple and is also famous for its Laddu prasadam across the world.

Another popular tourist place here is Silathoranam, a natural rock formation, with immense archaeological significance, which one should visit once in a lifetime.

Best Season To Visit

The best season to visit Tirupati is Winter season. The best months to visit are September to February.

Weather

Highest - March to July (42 °C during day and 20 °C during night)
Average - May (40 °C during day and 20 °C during night)
Lowest - November to February (27 °C during day and 18 °C during night)
Monsoon season - August to November

Dress Code

For men the dress code is Shirt & Trouser, Dhoti or Pyjamas with upper cloth.

For women the preferred dress code is saree or half-saree with blouse or chudidhar with pyjama and upper cloth.

Shorts, mini-skirts, middies, sleeveless tops, low-waist jeans and short-length T-shirts are not allowed.

Pilgrims/visitors will not be allowed inside the temple if dress code is not followed.

Do's & Dont's

Do bathe and wear clean clothes before you enter the temple.

Do respect ancient customs and co-pilgrims while at temple.

Smoking and drinking is prohibited on tirumala hills.

Chewing betel leaves, tobacco, gutka and spitting inside temple is strictly prohibited.

Don't wear any head guards like helmets, caps, turbans and hats is not allowed in the temple.

transport connections

Name

Distance

Contact Number

A.P.S.R.T.C. BUS STAND, Tirumala

1 KM

0877-2289907

Tirupati Railway Station

22 KM
0877-2225810

Tirupati International Airport

40 KM
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