# Tanjore Paintings

Thanjavur painting is one of the most popular forms of a classical [South Indian](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_India) [painting](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Painting) style, which was [inaugurated](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Inauguration) from the town of [Thanjavur](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thanjavur) ([Tanjore](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tanjore)) and spread across the adjoining and geographically contiguous Tamil country. These Paintings dates back to Marathas invasion of south India during 16th century (1676 - 1855).

Tanjore paintings are known for their surface richness, vivid colors and compact composition and they have a very rich heritage. Essentially serving as devotional icons, the subjects of most paintings are Hindu gods, goddesses, and saints. Episodes from Hindu tradition are drawn upon as elaborations of the main figure or figures placed in the central section of the picture.

The cultural influence of Deccani, Vijayanagar, Maratha, Folk and even European techniques can be seen on painting. . Tanjore artwork is one of the many indigenous art forms for which India is noted. Natural colors like vegetable dyes are used to create beautiful strokes. Gold leaves and gems of various shades are used in selected areas like pillars, arches, thrones, dresses, etc. The shine and glean of the gold leaves used by the Thanjavur style paintings last forever.

Thanjavur paintings were made in various sizes depending upon the function, the subject and the choice of the patron. The paintings are made on canvases which are on wood (Jackfruit or teak) over which a layer of cloth is pasted with Arabic gum. The cloth is then evenly coated with a paste of limestone and a binding medium and let to dry. The artist then draws a detailed sketch of the painting on the canvas.

A paste, made of limestone and a binding medium, is used to create 3D effect using a brush. . Frame enhance beauty of painting .It protects paintings from insects and Termites. High quality 22-carat gold foil is used to ensure that it lasts for generations.

Raja Ravi Varma Koil Thampuran is considered among the greatest painters in the history of Indian art for his finely blended the elements of the Tanjore custom of painting. These are the paintings inspired by Ravi Varma creations

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