

Sri Shiva Homa

Regular Procedure (Laghu)



Items Required

Following are the items required to perform homa:

- Copper Homa/Havan Kund (8 Inches or more)
- Wooden spoon (Sruvam)
- Cow Ghee
- Ghee Container
- Copper glass, spoon plate (Pancha patra set)
- Diya / Lamp
- Sandal wood Powder
- Flowers
- Dhooop stick / Loban
- Raisins / jaggery etc. for Naivedyam
- Black Til White Til (Sesame)
- Camphor Camphor stand for Aarti
- Dry coconut halves
- Wooden Sticks (Samidha)
- Dry Dates for Poornahuti
- Mat
- Kalasha (Copper / Brass/ any) with water
- Match Box

Homa Process

1. Initial Prayers - Permission (Anugna)

Think of the following and seek permission for performing the homa:

- Ganapati
- Guru
- Rishis
- Parents
- Ancestors
- Vishnu /Shiva /Bhairava
- Kula devata
- Bhudevi
- Gomatā
- Ishta devata, etc.

2. Light a Lamp

Light a Diya / lamp and bow to it in reverence.

3. Achamana

Take spoonful of water from the Pancha Patra into your right hand and sip it by chanting below mantras. After 3 sips, put little water on the hand and wash it.

ōm kēsāvāya svāhā |
ōm nārāyaṇāya svāhā |
ōm mādhavāya svāhā |

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4. Prayer to Ganesha

Say the following shloka of Ganapati for removing obstacles:

śuklāmbāradharaṃ viṣṇuṃ śaśivarṇaṃ caturbhujāṃ |
prasannavadanaṃ dhyāyēt sarva vighnōpaśāntayē ||
agajānana padmārkaṃ gajānanamaharṇiśaṃ |
anēkadaṃ taṃ bhaktānāṃ ēkadantaṃ upāsmahē ||
vakratuṇḍa mahākāya sūryakōṭisamaprabha |
nirvighnaṃ kuru mē dēva sarvakāryēṣu sarvadā ||

5. Pranayama

Place your thumb on the right nostril, inhale through the left nostril. Hold breathe for a while. Exhale from the right Nostril. Do these steps in reverse order again. While doing this, think of the following mantra: **ōṃ gaṃ**

6. Sankalpa

Take a spoonful of water in right palm, pledge while saying the below and leave the water on ground.

ōṃ mamōpātta samasta duritakṣayadvārā śrī paramēśvara prītyarthaṃ
śrī śiva prasāda siddhyarthaṃ adya śubhadinē śubhamuhūrtē
śrī sadāśiva hōmakarma yathāśakti kariṣyē ||

7. Prokshana

Take water in Kalasa and place near homa kund. Put your right palm on top of Kalasa and say the following beeja for **11** times. **“vaṃ”**

Then invoke seven sacred rivers into Kalasa

gangē ca yamunē caiva gōdāvari sarasvati |
narmadē sindhu kāvēri jalē:'smin sannidhiṃ kuru ||

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Take a little water from Kalasa and sprinkle it on **Self** and **all Pooja items** including homa kund for cleansing. While sprinkling say: amṛtaṁ bhavatu ||

8. Purva Parishechana

Take some water from kalasa with the spoon or flower and sprinkle it outside the homa kund, on its four boundaries while reading the following 4 mantras.

aditē:'nūmanyasva | (southwest to southeast)
anumatē:'nūmanyasva | (southwest to northwest)
sarāsvatē:'nūmanyasva | (northwest to northeast)
dēva savitaḥ prasūva | (sprinkle water around homa kund in clockwise)

9. Agni Pratishtapana

Place few coconut pieces along with samidhas and camphor in the homa kund. Take a camphor piece, light it from the Diya / lamp, and put it in the homa kund while saying the following:

ōm bhūrbhuvassuvarōm ||

ōm raṁ vahnicaitanyāya namaḥ ||

ōm mukhaṁ yaḥ sarvadēvānām havyabhuk kavyabhuk tathā |

pitṛṇām ca namastasyai viṣṇavē pāvakātmanē ||

ōm agnē śāṅḍilyagōtra mēṣadhvaja prāṅmukhō mama sumukhō bhava ||

ōm pāvakāgnayē namaḥ || ōm pāvakāgnayē namaḥ || ōm pāvakāgnayē namaḥ ||

10. Offerings to Agni

Offer ghee into fire using Sruvam (wooden spoon) after svaha:

ōm agnayē pāvakātmanē svāhā ||

ōm agnayē jātavēdasē svāhā ||

ōm agnayē saptajihvāya svāhā ||

ōm agnayē havyavāhanāya svāhā ||

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ōm agnayē aśvōdarajāya svāhā ॥
ōm agnayē vaiśvānarāya svāhā ॥
ōm agnayē kaumārajātasē svāhā ॥
ōm agnayē viśvamukhāya svāhā ॥
ōm agnayē dēvamukhāya svāhā ॥
ōm svāhā dēvyai svāhā ॥
ōm svadhā dēvyai svāhā ॥
ōm agni parivāra dēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā ॥
ōm pīṭa dēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā ॥

11. Agni Panchopachara Pooja:

5 offerings to Agni:

Offer Sandal powder	ōm laṁ pāvakāgnayē namaḥ gandhaṁ samarpayāmi
Offer flowers	ōm haṁ pāvakāgnayē namaḥ puṣpaṁ samarpayāmi
Light incense stick and show	ōm raṁ pāvakāgnayē namaḥ dhūpaṁ āghrāpayāmi
Show Diya / Light	ōm yaṁ pāvakāgnayē namaḥ dīpaṁ darśayāmi
Offer Raisins, Jaggery, etc.	ōm vaṁ pāvakāgnayē namaḥ naivēdyaṁ samarpayāmi

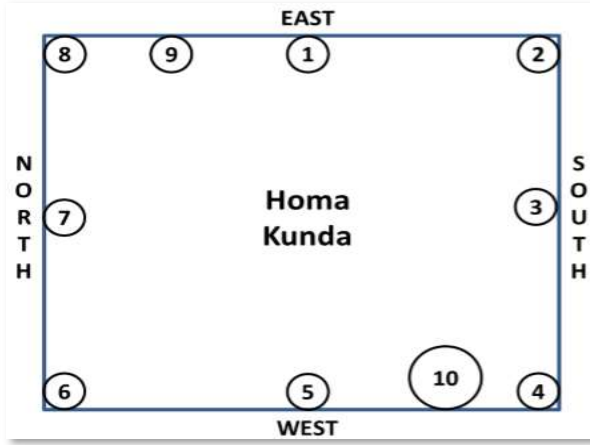
12. Dikpalaka offerings

First show the ghee spoon to the respective corners as numbered in the picture, then offer the ghee into fire:

1. om indrāya svāhā |
2. om agnaye svāhā |
3. om yamāya svāhā |
4. om nirrutaye svāhā |
5. om varunāya svāhā |
6. om vāyave svāhā |
7. om kubErAya svāhā |
8. om éshānāya svāhā |
9. om bhramhane svāhā |
10. om anatha seshāya svāhā |

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13. Preliminary offerings

Offer ghee for each of the below mantras:

ōm̐ prajāpatayē svāhā̐ | prajāpataya idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ indrāya svāhā̐ | indrāya idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ agnayē svāhā̐ | agnaya idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ sōmāya svāhā̐ | sōmāya idam̐ na mama ||

Offer ghee for each of the below mantras, (you may add/remove/ignore these as required / guided):

ōm̐ siddhi buddhi samēta śrī manmahāgaṇādhipatayē namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ śrī gurubhyō namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ siddhāśrama ṛṣibhyō namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ piṭṛdēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ lakṣmīnārāyaṇābhyām̐ namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ umāmahēśvarābhyām̐ namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ vāṇīhiraṇyagarbābhyām̐ namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ śacīpurandharābhyām̐ namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama |

ōm̐ arundhatī vaśiṣṭhābhyām̐ namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

ōm̐ sītārāmābhyām̐ namaḥ svāhā̐ | idam̐ na mama ||

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ōm̐ vallīdēvasēna samēta subramaṇyāya namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ aruṇācala śivaśivānībhyām̐ namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ mātāpitṛbhyām̐ namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ kuladēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ grāmadēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ sthānadēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ kṣētradēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ upāsanādēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ ādhārasāktyai namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ gōmātrē namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ jihvādi dēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ jayādi dēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ aṣṭa mātṛkābhyo namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ navagraha dēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ vāstu dēvatābhyō namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||
ōm̐ dhanvantarayē namaḥ svāhā̎ | idaṁ na mama ||

āraṁbhaprabhṛti madhyē sambhāvita samasta dōṣha prāyaścittārthaṁ sarva
prāyaścittaṁ hōṣyāmi ||
ōm̐ bhūrbhuvassuvaḥ svāhā̎ | prajāpataya idaṁ na mama ||

14. Invoke Maha Ganapati into fire

Think of Maha Ganapati and say the following while folding the hands:

ōm̐ ām̐ hrīm̐ krōm̐ yaṁ raṁ laṁ vaṁ śeṁ ṣhaṁ suṁ haṁ ḷaṁ kṣaṁ |
ōm̐ haṁsaḥ sō:'haṁ sō:'haṁ haṁsaḥ ||

asūnī tē punārasmāsu cakṣuḥ punaḥ prāṇamiha nō dēhi bhōgaṁ |
jyōkpaśyēma sūryāmuccarāntamanumatē mṛḍayā naḥ svasti ||

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ām hrīm krōm krōm hrīm ām |
ām hrīm krōm krōm hrīm ām |
ām hrīm krōm krōm hrīm ām |

Show the hands to fire (or avahana mudras as guided) and say the following:
ōm śrī mahāgaṇapati prāṇasākyai namaḥ ||

āvāhitō bhava | sthāpitō bhava | sannihitō bhava | sanniruddhō bhava | avakunṭhitō
bhava |
tāvattvaṁ prītibhāvēna agnau sannidhiṁ kuru ||

15. Ganapati Panchopachara

Offer the following 5 upacharas to Ganapati:

Offer Sandal powder	ōm laṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ gandhaṁ samarpayāmi
Offer flowers	ōm haṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ puṣpaṁ samarpayāmi
Light incense stick and show	ōm yaṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ dhūpaṁ āghrāpayāmi
Show Diya / Light	ōm raṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ dīpaṁ darśayāmi
Offer Raisins, Jaggery, etc.	ōm vaṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ naivēdyam samarpayāmi

16. Ganapati Mantras

Offer Ghee/black/white Sesame/Til seeds to Ganapati by saying any /all of the following mantras:

ōm gaṁ sarvasiddhi pradāyai gaṇapatayē namaḥ | svāhā ||
ōm gaṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ | svāhā ||

ōm śrīm hrīm klīm glaum gaṁ gaṇapatayē varavarada sarvajanaṁ mē vaśamānaya
svāhā ||

Do Japa of 21,000 for this moola mantra before offering it in Homa:

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17. Offering to Ganapati Parivara devatas

Offer Ghee/ black / white Sesame seeds to Parivara devatas (associates) by saying the following mantra:

śrī mahāgaṇapati parivāra dēvatābhyōnamah svāhā ॥

18. Punah Pooja & Poornahuti to Ganapati

Offer Raisins/Jaggery etc.	ōm gaṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ naivēdyaṁ samarpayāmi
Offer Aarati (light camphor)	ōm gaṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ nīrājanaṁ samarpayāmi
Offer a full fruit (Dates, Raisins, etc.)	ōm gaṁ gaṇapatayē namaḥ svāhā pūrṇāhutiṁ samarpayāmi ॥

19. Invoke Sri Siva into fire

Think of Sri Siva and say the following while folding the hands:

ōm ām hrīm krōm yaṁ raṁ laṁ vaṁ śeṁ ṣhaṁ suṁ haṁ ḷaṁ kṣaṁ |
ōm haṁsaḥ sō:'haṁ sō:'haṁ haṁsaḥ ॥

asūnī tē punārasmāsu cakṣuḥ punaḥ prāṇamiha nō dēhi bhōgaṁ |
jyōkpaśyēma sūryāmuccarāntamanumatē mṛḍayā naḥ svasti ॥

ām hrīm krōm krōm hrīm ām |
ām hrīm krōm krōm hrīm ām |
ām hrīm krōm krōm hrīm ām |

Show the hands to fire (or avahana mudras as guided) and say the following:

ōm śrī sadāśiva prāṇasaktyai namaḥ ॥

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āvāhitō bhava | sthāpitō bhava | sannihitō bhava | sanniruddhō bhava | avakunṭhitō
bhava | tāvattvaṃ prītibhāvēna agnau sannidhiṃ kuru ||

Sri Siva Dhyana:

karpūragauram karuṇāvatāram
saṃsārasāram bhujagendrahāram |
sadāvasantam hṛdayāravinde
bhavam bhavānīśahitam namāmi ||

20. Panchopachara to Sri SadaSiva

Offer the following 5 upacharas to Sri Shiva deva:

Offer Sandal powder	ōṃ namaḥ śivāya gandham samarpayāmi
Offer flowers	ōṃ namaḥ śivāya puṣpaṃ samarpayāmi
Light incense stick and show	ōṃ namaḥ śivāya dhūpaṃ āghrāpayāmi
Show Diya / Light	ōṃ namaḥ śivāya dīpaṃ darśayāmi
Offer Raisins, Jaggery, etc.	ōṃ namaḥ śivāya naivēdyam samarpayāmi

21. Main Homa – Sri SadaSiva Deva

Offer Ghee/black Sesame/Til seeds / Bilva, leaves to Sri Siva deva for atleast **108 times** by saying the following mantra:

ōṃ namaḥ śivāya | | svāhā̎ || (or)

ōṃ hrīm namaḥ śivāya | | svāhā̎ || (or)

ōṃ namō bhagavatē rudrāya | svāhā̎ || (or)

ōṃ trayāmbakam yajāmahē sugāmdhim puṣṭhivardhanam urvārukamiva bandhanāt
mṛtyōrmukṣīyamāmṛtāt | svāhā̎ ||

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22. Offering to SadaSiva Parivara devatas (Associates)

Offer Ghee/ black Sesame seeds to Parivara devatas by saying the following mantra:

ōm śri sadāśiva parivāra dēvatābhyōnamaḥ svāhā

23. Punah Pooja to SadaSiva

Offer Raisins/Jaggery etc.	ōm namaḥ śivāya naivēdyaṁ samarpayāmi
Offer Aarati (light camphor)	ōm namaḥ śivāya nīrājanaṁ samarpayāmi

24. Uttarangam

Final offering of ghee with each of the below mantras:

yadāsyā karmaṇō:tyarīricaṁ yadvānyūnamihākāram | agniṣṭat sviṣṭakṛdvidvān
sarvaṁ sviṣṭaṁ suhūtaṁ karōtu svāhā | agnayē sviṣṭakṛta idaṁ na mama ||

ōm bhūrbhuvassuvaḥ svāhā | prajāpataya idaṁ na mama ||

anājñātaṁ yadājñātaṁ yajñasya kriyatē mithu | agnē tadāsyā kalpayā tvagm hi
vētthā yathātathaṁ | svāhā | agnaya idaṁ na mama ||

ōm bhūḥ agnayēca pṛthivyai ca mahatē ca svāhā ||

ōm bhuvaḥ vāyavē ca antarikṣāya ca mahatē ca svāhā ||

ōm suvaḥ ādityāya ca divē ca mahatē ca svāhā ||

ōm bhūrbhuvassuvaḥ candramasē ca nakṣatrēbhyaśca digbhyaśca svāhā ||

asmin hōmakarmaṇi madhyē sambhāvita samasta mantralōpa tantralōpa kriyālōpa

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bhakti^opa śraddhā^opa niyamal^opa niṣṭhā^opa dravyal^opādi samasta dōṣa
prāyaścittārthaṁ sarva prāyaścittāhutiṁ hōṣyāmi ||

ōṁ bhūrbhuvassuvaḥ svāhā^{||} | prajāpataya idaṁ na mama ||

ōṁ śrī viṣṇavē svāhā^{||} | viṣṇavē idaṁ na mama ||

ōṁ rudrāya svāhā^{||} | rudrāya idaṁ na mama ||

25. Poornahuti

Offer a full fruit (Dates, Raisins, full coconut, etc.) after saying the following mantra:

ōṁ pūrṇāhuti^outtamāṁ juhōti | sarvaṁ vai pūrṇāhutiḥ | sarva^omēvāpnōti | atho^o
iyam vai pūrṇāhutiḥ | a^osyāmēva pratitiṣṭhati ||

ōṁ pūrṇama^odaḥ pūrṇamidaṁ pūrṇātpūrṇamudacyatē |
pūrṇasya pūrṇamādāya pūrṇamēvāvaśiṣyatē ||

ōṁ namaḥ śivāya | svāhā^{||} pūrṇāhutiṁ samarpayāmi ||

26. Vasordhara

Pour ghee continuously into homa as a stream chanting the following mantra:

sapta tē agnē samidhaḥ saptajihvāḥ sapta ṛṣayassaptaḥ dhāmā priyāṇi | sapta
hōtrā sapta dhātvā yajantisaptayōnīrāpṛṇasvā ghṛtēna svāhā^{||} | agnayē saptavata
idaṁ na mama ||

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27. Pranayama and Meditation

First do Pranayama and then meditate (mentally chant ōm namaḥ śivāya | | or any other mantra as guided; or of your choice / just sit with no thoughts / observe your breath etc.). Do this for at least 5 minutes closing your eyes.

28. Uttara Parishechana

Take some water from kalasa with the spoon or flower and sprinkle it outside the homa kund, on its boundaries while reading the following 4 mantras.

aditē:'nvāmaṅg-sthāḥ | (southwest to southeast)
anumatē:'nvāmaṅg-sthāḥ | (southwest to northwest)
sarāsvatē:'nvāmaṅg-sthāḥ | (northwest to northeast)
dēva savitaḥ prāsāvīḥ | (sprinkle around homa kund in clockwise)

29. Devata Udvasana

Show both hands to the fire and imagine Maha Ganapati and then Sri Siva to come back to your heart while pointing hands to your heart.

asmādagnē śrī mahāgaṇapatim yathāsthānaṁ pratiṣṭhāpayāmi ||

asmādagnē śrī sadāśivam yathāsthānaṁ pratiṣṭhāpayāmi ||

30. Homage to Agni

Express thanks to Agni for the whole ritual. Show both hands to the fire and imagine Lord Agni to come back to your heart while pointing hands to your heart.

agnē nayā supathā rāyē asmān viśvāni dēva vayunāni vidvān |
yuyōdhyasmajjuhūrāṇamēnō bhūyiṣṭhām tē namā uktim vidhēma | agnayē namaḥ ||
agnim ātmān udvāsayāmi ||

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31. Kshama Prarthana

Ask for forgiveness of any mistakes / shortcomings and say

mantrahīnaṁ kriyāhīnaṁ bhaktihīnaṁ hutāsana | yaddhutantu mayā dēva
paripūrṇaṁ tadastutē ||
śrī kṛṣṇa kṛṣṇa kṛṣṇa || (Think of Lord Krishna).

32. Samarpana

Say the following mantra to surrender the doer-ship to lord Sri Krishna:

anēna divya mangaḷa hōmēna bhagavān sarvātmakaḥ śrī sadāsīva prīyatām |
ōm tatsat | sarvaṁ śrī kṛṣṇārpaṇamastu ||

33. Shanti Mantra

ōm śāntiḥ śāntiḥ śāntiḥ ||