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(Vedic hymn of adoration to Śrī Mahā Lakshmi Dēvī)



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*The Fragrant Divine Lotus Feet of my beloved SatGuru - Bhagavan Sri Skanda
&
All His Beloved Children of Light*

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Guide to pronunciation

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Bangalore: Sri Matrudevi Viswashanthi Ashram Trust, 2004.)

This guide is based on American pronunciation of words, and is therefore not a perfect representation of Sanskrit sounds.

Sanskrit Vowels

a	like a in nap
ā	like a in father
ē	like ay in may
i	like i in pin
í	like ee in sweet
ō	like o in rose
u	like u in put
ū	like oo in food
ha	pronounce as a faint echoing of the previous vowel; e.g. ah: would be pronounced “aha”; ih: would be pronounced “ihi”; uh: would be pronounced “uhu”; etc.
ai	like ai in aisle
au	like ow in cow

Sanskrit Consonants

b	like b in bird
bh	like b h in job hunt
ch	like pinch
d	like d in dove
dh	like d h in good heart
g	like good
gh	like g h in log hut
h	like h in hot

j	like j in job
jh	like dgeh in hedgehog
jn	like ng y in sing your
k	like k in kite
kh	like ck h in black hat
l	like l in love
m	like m in mother
n	like n in pinch
p	like p in soap
ph	like ph in up hill
r	rolled like a Spanish or Italian “r”
s	like s in sun
ś	sometimes like s in sun, sometimes like “sya” sound
t	like rt in heart
th	like t h in fat hat
v	like v in love, sometimes like w in world
y	like y in yes

***t, th, d, dh,** and **n** should be pronounced with the tongue placed against the protruding slightly beyond the upper teeth.





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ஓம் || ஹிரண்யவர்ணாம் ஹரிணீம் ஸுவர்ணரஜதஸ்ரஜாம்
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சம்த்ராம் ப்ரபாஸாம் யஸஸா ஜ்வலம்தீம் ஸ்ரியம் லோகே தேவஜுஷ்டாமுதாராம்
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ஆதித்யவர்ணே தபஸோஉதிஜாதோ வனஸ்பதிஸ்தவ வ்றுசேஷாஉத பில்வஃ
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உபைது மாம் தேவஸகஃ கீர்திஸ்ச மணிநா ஸஹ
ப்ராதுர்பூதோஉஸ்மி ராஷ்ட்ரேஉஸ்மின் கீர்திம்றுத்திம் ததாது மே 7

க்ஷுத்திபாஸாமலாம் ஜ்யேஷ்டாமலக்ஷீம் னாஸயாம்யஹம்
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கம்தத்வாராம் துராதர்ஷாம் னித்யபுஷ்டாம் கரீஷினீம்
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மனஸஃ காமமாகூதிம் வாசஃ ஸத்யமஷிமஹி
பஸுனாம் ரூபமன்யஸ்ய மயி ஸ்ரீஃ ஸ்ரயதாம் யஸஃ 10

கர்தமேன ப்ரஜாபூதா மயி ஸம்பவ கர்தம
ஸ்ரியம் வாஸய மே குலே மாதரம் பத்மமாலினீம் 11

ஆபஃ ஸ்றுஜம்து ஸ்னிக்தானி சிக்லீத வஸ மே க்றுஹே
னி ச தேவீம் மாதரம் ஸ்ரியம் வாஸய மே குலே 12



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ஆர்த்ராம் புஷ்கரிணீம் புஷ்டிம் ஸுவர்ணாம் ஹேமமாலினீம்
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புருஷானஹம் 15

ஓம் மஹாதேவ்யை ச வித்மஹே விஷ்ணுபத்னீ ச தீமஹி
தன்னோ லக்ஷ்மீஃ ப்ரசோதயாத்

ஸ்ரீ-ர்வர்சஸ்வ-மாயுஷ்ய-மாரோக்யமாவீதாத் பவமானம் மஹீயதே
தான்யம் தனம் பஸும் பஹுபுத்ரலாபம் ஸதஸம்வத்ஸரம் தீர்கமாயுஃ

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**hiranya-varnām – harinīm – suvarna-raja-tas-rajām
chandrām-hiran-mayīm – lakshmīm – jāta-vēdō-mamā-vaha 1**

*O God of fire (Agni),
Request that Sridevi,
Who shines like gold,
Who destroys all sins,
Who wears silver and gold ornaments,
Who is like the moon,
And who is golden,
To come here,
And shower her grace on me.*

**tām-ma-āvaha – jāta-vēdō lakshmīm – anapa-gā-minīm
yasyām-hiranyam – vindēyam – gāmaśvam-puru-shāna-ham 2**

*O Agni,
Request that Sridevi,
By whose grace,
I got gold,
I got cows,
I got horses,
And I got relatives and friends,
To come here,
Shower her grace,
And never ever leave me.*



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**aśva-pūrvām – radha-madhyām – hasti-nādha-prabhō-dhinīm
śriyam-dēvim-upahvayē – śrīr-mā-dēvī – jushatām 3**

*I beseech and request that Sridevi,
Who is heralded by the voice of elephants,
Who is piloted by horses,
And who is surrounded by chariots,
To come near me and shower her grace,
And request her to be within me.*

**kām-sōsmitām-hiranya-prākārām – ārdhām jvalantīm – truptām –
tar-payantīm
padmē-sthitām – padma-varnām – tāmihō-pahvayē śriyam 4**

*I request and pray that Sridevi,
Who is happiness personified,
Who is ever smiling,
Who is in the golden fort,
Who is full of mercy,
Who is ever shining,
Who makes others happy,
Who sits on the lotus,
And who is of the colour of lotus,
To be present here with me.*

**chandrām prabhāsām yaśasā jvalantīm – śriyam lōkē dēvajushtām
– udārām
tām-padminīm im – śaranam-aham-prapadyē – alakshmīr mē
naśyatām tvām vrnē 5**

*I seek the protection of that Sridevi,
Who makes the world happy like the moon,
Who is richly lustrous,
Who shines because of her fame,
Who is full of mercy,
Who is the meaning of the letter “eem”,
And who possesses treasures like Padmanidhi,
And request Lakshmi to remove poverty from me.*

**āditya-varnē tapasō-(a)dhijātō – vanas-patista-va – vruk-shōdha
bilvah(a)
tasya phalāni – tapasā nudantu – māyān-tarāyā-ścha bāhyā
alakshmīh(i) 6**

*O Goddess who shines like sun,
By your great penance,
Was born the bilwa tree,
Which is the king of forests,
And let its fruits full of knowledge,
Remove ignorance inside,
And bad things outside.*



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**upaitu-mām – dēva-sakah – kīrtiś-chamani-nāsaha
prādur-būtō-smi – rāshtrē-smin kīrtim – mruddhim dadātu-mē 7**

*The god of wealth Kubhera,
Who is the friend of Mahadeva,
Should come in search of me,
For I am born in this country,
Showered with your grace,
Be pleased to give me fame and fulfillment.*

**kshut-pipāsā malām – jyēsh-thām alakshmīr – nāśa-yām yaham
abhū-tim asam-ruddhin-cha – sarvān nir-nuda mē – gruhāt(u) 8**

*I would remove Jyeshtha (Elder sister of Sridevi, the harbinger of bad luck and poverty),
Who creates hunger and thirst,
Wherever she lives,
By your grace,
And please remove poverty and want from my house.*

**gandha-dvārām – durā-darshām – nitya-pushtām karī-shi-nīm
īśva-rīgm – sarva-bhūtānām – tāmiḥō-pahvayē śriyam 9**

*I request and pray that Sridevi,
Who pleases others by sweet scent,
Who cannot be defeated,
Who gives prosperity daily,
Who is full of everything,
And who is the goddess of all beings,
To come and be present here.*

**manasah kāmamā kūtim – vācha satyam – aśi-mahi
paśū-nāgm – rūpa-man-nasya-mayi – śrī śrayatām yaśah(a) 10**

*I request you goddess Sridevi,
To forever bless me,
With fulfillment of good desires of the mind,
With ebbing happiness in life,
With truth in my words,
And with beauty that plenty of food creates.*

**kardha-mēna-prajā – bütā-mayi – sambhava – kardhama
śriyam vāsaya mē kulē – mātaram – padma-mālinīm 11**

*O sage Kardhama (When Goddess Sridevi was born from the ocean of milk, she was
brought up by sage Kardhama) ,
In your house was born,
Goddess Sridevi as daughter,
And so be pleased to be with me,
So that mother Lakshmi with lotus garland,
Is forever in my family,
And bless us all with her grace.*



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**āpah srujantu snig-dhāni – chik-līta – vasa mē gruhē
nicha dēvīm – mātaram – śriyam vāsaya mē kulē 12**

*O Sage Chikleetha (Some books mention him as the security guard of Sridevi and some others equate him with God of love-Manmatha.who is son of Sridevi),
Who is the son of Sridevi,
Let the goddess of water,
Produce fatty products like milk and ghee,
And please come and live with us,
And request Goddess Sridevi,
To live in our family forever.*

**ārdrām pushkarinīm – pushtim – pingalām padma mālinīm
chandrām hiran-mayīm – lakshmīm – jātavēdō mamā-vaha 13**

*O Agni,
Be pleased to bless me,
So that Goddess Sridevi,
Who is deeply merciful,
Who lives on a lotus,
Who supplies food to the world,
Who is of golden colour,
Who wears the garland of lotus,
Who makes us happy like the moon god,
And who is purity personified,
To come and be with me.*

**ārdrām yah-karinīm – yashtim survarnām – hēma mālinīm
sūryām hiranmayīm – lakshmīm – jātavēdō mamā-vaha 14**

*O Agni,
Be pleased to bless me,
So that Goddess Sridevi,
Who is deeply merciful,
Who holds the staff of the emperor,
Who has a body like tender climbing plant,
Who has a pretty colour,
Who wears golden garland,
Who shines like sun god,
And who is purity personified,
To come and be with me.*

**tām ma āvaha – jātavēdō lakshmīm – ana-pagā-minīm
yas-yām hiranyam prabhūtam – gāvō dāsyo-aśvān – vindēyam
purushā-naham 15**

*O Agni,
Be pleased to bless me,
So that Goddess Sridevi,
By whose grace,
I will get plenty of gold,
I will get lot of cows,
I will get lot of maidservants,
I will get lot of horses.
And I will get lot of servants,
Never ever leave me.*



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[Lakshmi Gāyathri Mantrā]

**mahā dēvyai cha vidmahē
vishnu patnyai cha dhímahi
tannō lakshmíh prachōdayāt(u)**

We commune ourselves with the Great Goddess, and meditate on the consort of Vishnu; may that Lakshmi direct us (to the Great Goal).

[āsirvātha mantrā]

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mahíyathē – dhāniyam – dhanam – pasum – bahu-puthra-lābham
– satha-sam – vasthsaram dheerga-mā-yuhu**

“O God, may you bless us to have plenty of health, wealth, food, cattle, and children and live a long, fruitful, happy, dharmic life.”

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phalaśruti of śrī sūktam

[Benefits/Fruits of chanting śrī sūktam]

**yah śuchih prayatō bhūtvā juhuyādā jya manvaham
sriyah pancha daśarchan-cha śrī kāmah sathadam japēt(u)**

*He who prays for the grace of Sridevi,
Should be pure in mind and body,
Control his mind,
And everyday chant the above,
Fifteen rik mantras,
And do homa (fire sacrifice) with ghee.*

**ānandah kardama śchaiva chiklīta iti viśrutāh(a)
riśayastē trayah prōktā svayam śrī rēva dēvatā**

*For this Homa,
Ananda, Kardhama and Chikleedha,
Are the famous sages.
And Sridevi is the goddess.*

**padmāsanē padma ūrū padmākshi padma sambhavē
tvam māṃ bhajasya padmākshi yēna saukhyam labhām yaham**

*O Goddess who sits on Lotus,
O Goddess who has thighs like lotus,
O Goddess who has eyes like lotus,
And O goddess who was born out of lotus,
Please grant me all,
That you think will give a good life.*



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**aśvadāyi cha gōdāyi dhanadāyi mahādhanē
dhanam mē jushatām dēvī sarva kāmārtha siddhayē**

*O Goddess who grants wealth of horses,
O Goddess who grants wealth of cows,
O Goddess who grants wealth,
And O Goddess who is the queen of wealth,
Grant me more wealth.
So that I can fulfill all my wants.*

**putra putra dhanam dhāniyam hastyaśvā jāvigōratham
prajānām bhavaśī mātā āyuśmantam karōtu mām**

*O Goddess you are mother of all people,
Please grant me sons, grandsons, wealth and grains,
Please grant me elephants, horses, sheep, goat, cow and chariots,
And also please grant me long life.*

**chandrābhām lakshmīm íśānām sūryābhām śriyamíśvarim
chandra sūryāgni sarvābhām śrī mahā lakshmi mupāsmahē**

*I pray and meditate on that Maha Lakshmi,
Who shines like the cool moon,
Who is the inner strength of Iswara,
Who shines like the hot sun,
Who is Sridevi and Iswari,
And who is of the form of crescents,
Of moon, sun and fire.*

**dhanam agnir dhanam vāyuh dhanam sūryō dhanam vasuh(u)
dhanam indrō brihaspatir varunō dhanam aśnutē**

*It is by your grace Sridevi,
That Fire is wealthy,
Air is wealthy,
Sun is wealthy,
Ashta Vasus are wealthy,
Indra is wealthy,
Brahaspathi is wealthy,
And Varuna is wealthy.*

**vynaitēyam sōmam piba sōmam pibatu vrtrah(a)
sōmam dhanasya sōminō mahyam dadātu sōmini**

*O Garuda, drink Soma,
O Indra drink Soma,
O devas who have drunk Soma,
Please grant me wealth,
For I am performing Soma Yaga (Fire sacrifice in which juice of Soma plant is used).*

**nakrōdhō nachamāt saryam nālōbhō nā asubhā matih(i)
bhavanti kruta punyānām bhaktānām śrī sūktam japēt satā**

*The devotees who do holy deeds,
Never get angry,
Are never jealous,
And never do bad deeds,
And for the devotion to grow,
They should chant often,
The Sri Suktam.*



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**varśan tutēvi bhāvaridivō aprasya vidyūtah(a)
rōhan̄tu sarvabījānyava brahmad vishōjahi**

*O Goddess Sridevi,
By your grace let it rain,
From the black clouds with streaks of lightning,
By your grace let all seeds germinate and grow,
And kill all those who are against the path of gods,*

**padmapriyē padmini padmahastē padmālayē padma dalāyatākshī
viśvapriyē vishnu manōnukūlē tvatpāda padmam mayi sannidhatsvāh(a)**

*O Goddess Padmini,
Who likes lotus flowers,
Who holds lotus flower in her hand,
Who lives in lotus flower,
Who has broad eyes like the petal of lotus flower,
Who is the darling of the entire world,
Who is dearest to Lord Vishnu,
Please keep your holy feet on me.*

**yāsā padmāsanasthā vipula katitati padma patrāyatākshī
gambhirāvar tanābhīh stanabhara namitā śubhra vastrōttariyā**

*Let that Goddess Lakshmi.
Who is seated on a lotus,
Who has large seat below the hips,
Who has wide eyes like the petal of lotus flower,
Who has a royal looking spherical belly button,
Who is slightly bent because of her heavy busts,*

**lakshmīr divyair gajendrain manigana khachitaih(i) snāpitā hēma
kumbhah
nityamsā padmahastā mamavasatu gruhē sarva māngalya yuktā**

*Who wears a white cloth and an upper cloth,
Who takes bath in the pure waters of heaven,
Poured over her by majestic elephants,
Who holds a lotus flower in her hand,
And who is the storehouse of all that is good,
Live in my house forever.*

**lakshmīm kshīra samudra rāja tanayām śrīranga dhāmēsvarīm
dāsībhūta samasta dēva vanitām lōkaika dīpānkurām**

*Salutations to Goddess Lakshmi,
Who is the daughter of king of ocean of milk,
Who is the consort of Lord of Sri Ranga (Holy temple of Vishnu and also means
divine stage),
Whose maids are the deva maidens,
Who is the lighthouse for the entire world,*

**śrīman manda katāksha labdha vibhava brahmēndra
gangādharam
tvām trailōkyā kutumbinīm sarasijām vandē mukunda priyām**

*Whose side long glances add fame,
To Brahma, Shiva and Indra,
Whose family is all those in three worlds,
Who appears in lotus ponds,
And who is the darling of Lord Mukunda.*



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**siddha lakshmīr mōksha lakshmīr jaya lakshmī sarasvati
śrīr lakshmīr vara lakshmīścha prasannā mama sarvadā**

*You who are Siddha Lakshmi (who grants divine powers),
You who are Moksha Lakshmi (who grants salvation),
You who are Jayalakshmi (who grants victory),
You who are Saraswathi (who grants wisdom),
You who are Srilakshmi (who grants wealth),
And you, who are Varalakshmi (who grants boons),
Should always be pleased with me.*

**varānkuśau pāśama bhīti mudrām karair vahantīm kamalāsanasthām
bālarka kōti pratibhām trinētrām bhajēham ambām jagadīśvarim tām**

*I salute the Goddess of this universe,
Who is having three eyes,
Who shines like billions of rising suns,
Who is seated on a lotus flower,
And who holds in her hand,
Boons, rope, weapon to tame and seal to protect.*

**sarva mangala māngalyē śivē sarvārdha sādhiḱē
śaranyē tryambakē gauri (dēvī) nārāyani namōstudhē**

*Salutations to that Goddess,
Who is the greatest good among all the good,
Who is forever peaceful,
Who grants all boons,
Who is the ultimate protection,
Who has three eyes,
Who is white in colour
And who is Narayani.*

**kshirēna snāpitē dēvī chandanēna vilēpitē
bilwa patrārchitē mātah durgēham śaranam gatah(a)**

śrīm hrīm aīm ōm

ītih:

**śrī kalyānā nanda bhārati - charanāravinda milindhēna -
śrīlaśrī - svaprakāśānanda nātha - hamsa avadhūta – tīrtha –
mānasa – prathama-dīkshā-putrēna - annapūrnēśvari ambā
samētha – mahāmandalēśvara - śrīlaśrī - amrutānanda nātha
saraswati – mahāpatāraka - rakta - śukla - pādukā arpindhēna -
śrī - chaitanyānanda nātha virāchitam - śōdaśa - nityā - śamputi
karana - śrī - sūkta vidhānam - sampūranam**

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May there be peace in the hearts of all beings in all the realms.



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ōm - yadak-shara pada-bhrashtam - mātrā-heenam tu yadbhavēt |
tat-sarvam kshamya tām-dēva - subrahmanya namōstutē ||

visarga-bindu-mātrāni - pada-pādāksha rāni-cha |
nyoo-nāni chā-tirik-tāni - ksham-asva shikhi vāhana ||

anyathā sharanam-nāsti - tvamēva sharanam mama |
tasmāt-kārunya bhāvēna - raksha-raksha shadā-nana ||

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consonants, improper grammar, verb, vowels of the prayers.*

*I may have also forgotten to put the punctuation marks due to my ignorane in understanding the
heavenly idiom.*

Oh Lord Subrahmanya, may my flaws be overlooked for they are out of my ignorance.

I seek your pardon for all the commissions and omissions for they are involuntary.

Kindly bless me for the sincere endeavour.

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