



Home Deity Worship Course

Bhoga offering checklist



ISKCON Deity Worship Ministry

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Cleanliness and purity

- ☐ The kitchen is clean
- ☐ The utensils are clean
- ☐ The ingredients are clean
- ☐ The preparation is done cleanly
- ☐ The consciousness is clean
- ☐ The place where the offering is done is clean
- ☐ Kṛṣṇa has His own plate and cup
- ☐ His plate and cups are clean
- ☐ His plate and cup are rinsed before the offering is placed on it
- ☐ The offering is arranged neatly and as attractively as possible
- ☐ The offering is covered when taking it from the kitchen to the altar

Preliminary activities

- ☐ Do ācamana
- ☐ Offer obeisances
- ☐ Pray to the spiritual master to assist him
- ☐ Purify your hand again with water from the ācamana cup
- ☐ Draw the Lord's attention when entering by making a sound (bell/knocking/making a sound)
- ☐ Chant the names of the deities

Purifying the area

- ☐ Wipe the table/the area where you'll place the offering with a few drops of water from the *ācamana* cup



- Offer the spiritual master a seat
- Place the plate in front of or directly on the altar
- Remove the covering from the plate
- Purifying each offering by sprinkling water from the *ācamana* cup
- If you have, add *tulasī* to each preparation

Invite the Lord to take Their meal

- Offer sitting places (cushions, matts, flower petals)
- With the gesture of your hand in ascending order, invite the Lord to take His meal

Offering

- Ring the bell and chant your spiritual master's *praṇāma* mantra 3 times
- Ring the bell and chant Śrīla Prabhupāda's *praṇāma* mantra 3 times
- Ring the bell and chant Lord Caitanya's mantra 3 times
- Ring the bell and chant Lord Kṛṣṇa's mantra 3 times
- Put up a screen/close the curtains if you have it
- Leave the area

After the Lord's meal

- Return by clapping and calling out the deities' names
- Ring the bell and escort the Lords back in descending order with a gesture
- Remove the plate and seating
- Wipe the table/area where the offering plate was placed
- Purify your hands with a few drops of water from the *ācamana* cup

