



WELCOME & JAI SWAMINARAYAN

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Festivals



- Diwali
- Ankoot
- Ramnavmi
- Janmastmi
- Vasant Panchmi
- **Dhanurmaas**
- Holi
- Shivratri
- Navratri
- Hanuman Jayanti
- Raksha Bandhan
- Kali Chaudas

Dhanurmaas



- When does it start and finish this year?
- In which Indian month does Dhanurmaas occur?
- A brief description of the festival?
 - What is it about?
 - Explain what you think it is about??...

Dhanurmaas



- This year : **16th Dec 2005 to 14th Jan 2006**
- Starts 14/15/16th Dec of each year and always finishes on 14th Jan (Makar Sakranti)
- Takes place in the Hindu month of Maghsar

Dhanurmaas



- Considered most auspicious time for receiving diksha and gnaan(knowledge) from one's Guru.
- Maharaj learnt scriptures from His father.
 - Samved
 - Mastered the Vedas at the age of 10
 - Purans
 - Mahabharat

Dhanurmaas



- Lord Krishna went to Sandipani Rushi's ashram
- Sun is at the most southern point during this period.
 - South is regarded as the path of Lord Yama (evil)

Dhanurmaas



- King Satyasangh was noble and religious
- He committed a sin unknowingly and this lead to his death
- Lord Vishnu forgave his sin due to his observance of Dhanurmaas and took him to Vaikunth

Dhanurmaas



- Thaal is offered to Bhagwan soon after Mangla Aarti to help Him during His studies.
- Celebrated by most of the Sampraday within the Sanatan Dharma.
 - A month for learning and worshiping Lord with selfless devotion...



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