

UGADI

Ugadi is a Telugu new year.

Ugadi is celebrated in the state Andhra pradesh in south India.

Also, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Andhra pradesh celebrate ugadi.

Ugadi pickle is the main item in this festival. The ugadi pickle has '6' main tastes, they are sweet, salt, sour, bitter and spice. The meaning of this pickle is sad (bitter), happy (sweet), challenge (spice) etc.

We celebrate ugadi like this :- we start our day having ugadi pickle. We pray our beloved God to give strength, happiness in different phases of life. We decorate our house with mango leaf garlands at the top of each doorway. The next important thing is listening to panchangam which tells us about what is in store for this year, and some predictions for the year. In the ugadi feast there are so many food items. Mangoes are mainly used. Mango rice, mango rasam, mango dal, some snacks and sweets. In the evening everyone wears new clothes to remind that we have to be pure and happy.

We all visit the temples and participate in devotional singing and pray to God for world's peace and happiness.

We meet our friends and relatives to share our joy and best wishes. All kids play, have fun and tell some moral stories.

Ugadi is celebrated all over the world by community gatherings with cultural programs and ugadi feast.

Telugu Calender:-

The telugu people follow moon calendar it has twelve telugu months from spring to winter. There are sixty telugu years each year has its name. The name of the year signifies what is in store for the year.



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