

Padi Pooja (Ayyappa) — Order of Worship

1. Ganapathi Pooja
2. Subramanya Pooja
3. Ayyappa Shodasha Upachara Pooja
4. Ayyappa Panchamrutha Abhishekam
5. Ayyappa Padi Pooja — the 18 steps (padis):

Step 1 — Ayyappa Avahanam

Step 2 — Subramanya

Step 3 — Ganesha

Step 4 — Shiva

Step 5 — Durga

Step 6 — Vishnu

Step 7 — Lakshmi

Step 8 — Ranganatha

Step 9 — Brahma

Steps 10–18 — Navagraha Avahanam (the remaining 9 steps)

A lamp is lit on each padi.

6. Ayyappa Archana
7. Naivedyam
8. Mantra Pushpam
9. Padi Harathi