THIRUKADAIYUR CEREMONY CHECKLIST

For 60th Marriage • 70th Marriage • 80th Marriage

Family / couple: _____ **Ceremony date:** _____

DECIDE | 60 TO 30 DAYS BEFORE

- ■ Confirm the exact ceremony date with the performing priest.
- ■ Confirm the ceremony type: Sashtiabdapoorthi / Bheemaratha Shanthi / Sadabhishekam.
- ■ Decide whether the ceremony will be one day or two days.
- ■ Estimate the guest count, including children and elders.
- ■ Set the overall budget and keep a small contingency amount.

BOOK | 30 TO 15 DAYS BEFORE

- ■ Confirm the temple-related arrangements and priest package; ask what is included.
- ■ Book suitable rooms, considering lift access, ground-floor rooms and walking distance.
- ■ Arrange catering and confirm meal timings and dietary needs.
- ■ Book a photographer / videographer, if required.
- ■ Arrange pickup, drop and local transport for the family.
- ■ Book a mandapam / hall if the chosen arrangement requires one.

CONFIRM | 7 TO 3 DAYS BEFORE

- ■ Get all bookings and inclusions confirmed in writing.
- ■ Collect and check advance-payment receipts.
- ■ Save the lead priest's and coordinator's phone numbers.
- ■ Obtain the exact pooja-item list and confirm who will procure each item.
- ■ Reconfirm the guest and meal count with the caterer.

CLOTHES

- ■ Pack traditional clothes for the couple and all participating family members.
- ■ Keep an extra set of clothes for the closing bath, if included in the ritual plan.
- ■ Keep the new clothes intended for mangalya dharanam, if applicable to the ceremony.
- ■ Pack a warm shawl / wrap for early-morning travel or waiting.

PACKING & EVENT-DAY CHECKLIST

Tick each item as it is packed, confirmed or assigned.

DOCUMENTS AND MONEY

- ■ Carry valid ID proofs required for room check-in.
- ■ Keep photocopies or digital copies of essential booking / ID details.
- ■ Carry small-denomination cash for incidental expenses.
- ■ Keep payment receipts and booking confirmations accessible.

HEALTH AND COMFORT

- ■ Pack regular medicines and a written medication list.
- ■ Save the family doctor's / treating doctor's contact number.
- ■ Request chairs and suitable seating in advance.
- ■ Carry drinking water bottles.
- ■ Arrange a wheelchair or walking aid if anyone may need one.

TRAVEL DAY

- ■ Reconfirm departure time, route and pickup point.
- ■ Save the driver's name and phone number.
- ■ Pack light snacks suitable for elders and any required dietary needs.
- ■ Charge phones and carry power banks / chargers.

ON THE DAY

- ■ Assign one family member to stay responsible for the elders' comfort and movement.
- ■ Assign one person to coordinate meals, water and guest needs.
- ■ Assign one person to coordinate the photographer and important family moments.
- ■ Keep the priest's instructions and ceremony sequence available to the main coordinator.

AFTER THE CEREMONY

- ■ Confirm return-travel arrangements and room checkout timing.
- ■ Agree on the expected photo / video delivery date with the photographer.
- ■ Thank the priests and service providers.
- ■ Share feedback with the organiser and note anything to improve for future family events.

Before you travel: Ritual sequence, age calculation, pooja items and package inclusions can vary. Confirm the final details directly with the performing priest and your organiser.