



Festival of Lights

A Royal Celebration



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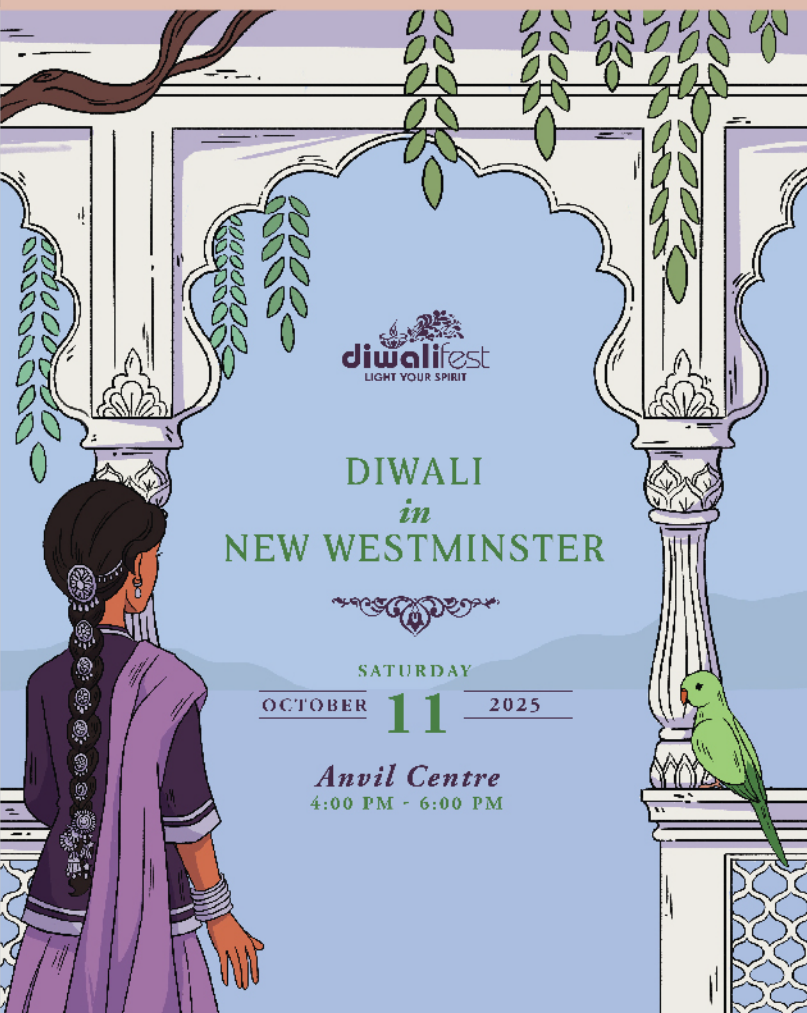
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"Diwali" or **"Deepavali"** translates to **"row of lights"** in Sanskrit. This refers to the clay lamps (diyas) displayed in a row outside homes. These symbolize the inner light we all carry.



Diwali is celebrated between **October - November** each year. The dates are determined by the lunar calendar.

THE FIVE DAYS OF DIWALI

— DAY 1 —

The first day of Diwali is known as Dhanteras. It is considered an auspicious time for families to clean their homes and purchase gold in honour of Lakshmi (goddess of wealth and prosperity).



— DAY 2 —

On the second day of the festival families decorate their homes with Diyas, candles or lights. They may also create a Rangoli at the entrance of their homes.



— DAY 3 —

The third day is the primary celebration marked by donning new clothes. In the evening, families gather for Lakshmi puja (prayers), which is followed by a traditional feast and firework displays.



— DAY 4 —

The fourth day is for Govardhan Puja (prayers) and families visit each other, often bringing gifts and traditional sweets to share.



— DAY 5 —

The fifth day of Diwali is called Bhai Dooj - a celebration of the special bond that exists between siblings. Traditionally, brothers visit their sisters' homes and bring them gifts. The sisters welcome their brothers with traditional sweets and pray for their well-being.





HAPPY DIWALI

ART BY ANU CHOUHAN
FOR DIWALI FEST



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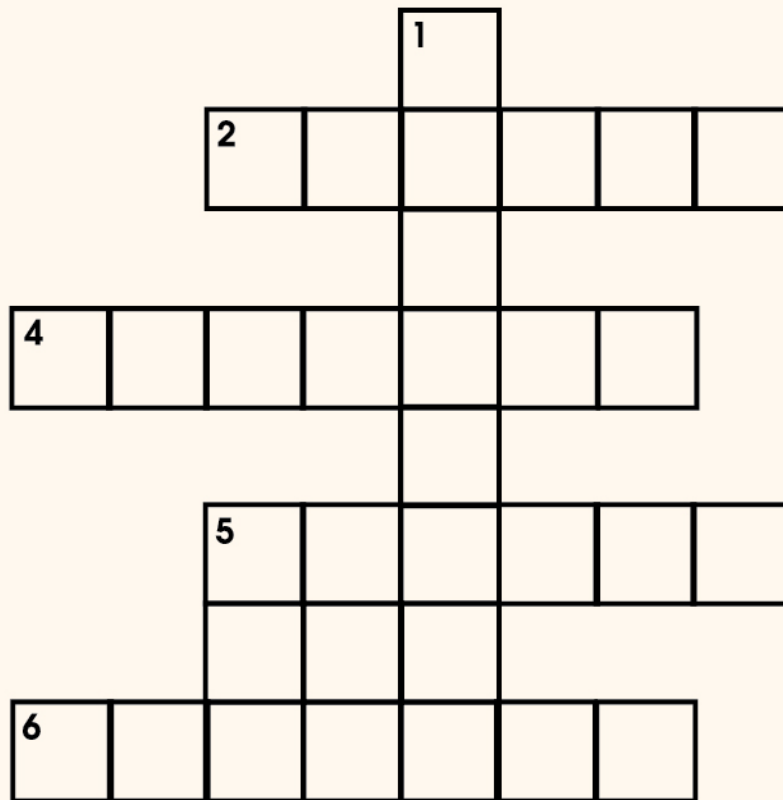
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DIWALI CROSSWORD



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- (1) Sweets treats enjoyed during Diwali
- (4) Tiny clay lamps lit during the festival
- (6) The festival celebrates the victory of ____ over evil
- (7) indian art made with coloured powders or flowers
- (8) Hindu god whose return to Ayodhya is celebrated

Down

- (2) Another name for Diwali (Festival of ____)
- (3) Fireworks are used to make the night sky ____
- (5) People clean and decorate their ____ Before Diwali

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