

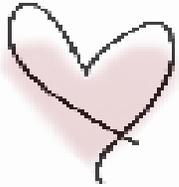
We did it!

13. Akhand Saubhagyavati

Sonali's married female relatives whisper good wishes and blessings into her ear

14. Ashirvaad

The pundit blesses the couple on behalf of the Gods for everlasting love. The couple also receives blessings from family and friends



Sonali & Vijay



Thanks again for being here today!

Excited to celebrate with you tonight

FOR THOSE WHO ARE THINKING ABOUT LUNCH

Some family and friends will remain post ceremony for photos with the bride and groom. Lunch will start at 1 pm and will end at 2pm.

Grains: Assorted Parathas and Chappathi, Pasta

Rice: Vegetable Biryani, Jeera Rice,

Main Entrees: Aloo Methi Masala, Paneer Saag, Tadka Daal, Bhindi

Dessert: Badam Kulfi and Kheer

THE CELEBRATION CONTINUES AT 6PM FOR COCKTAIL HOUR

Thank you to Radhika & Ravi for concept, design, & layout of this wedding program

JULY 18TH, 2021

SONALI & VIJAY



We are honored and delighted to have you here with us on this momentous occasion. The pandemic has made the journey more arduous, yet here you are. We will remember this weekend with you for the rest of our lives. Thank you for joining us. #vlookupshah

Hope you have enjoyed the Baraat! Now that Sonali's family has greeted Vijay's family at the door, it is time for the ceremony to begin. The wedding ceremony will be Gujarati - Tamil so try to keep up – there will be a quiz. Sonali's family is from the Indian state of Gujarat while Vijay's family is from Tamil Nadu.

BEFORE WE BEGIN, WE KINDLY REQUEST:

- Toothy smiles and happy tears
- Cell phones on vibrate / silent
- No outdoor voices during the ceremony
- Use #vlookupshah when posting
- Hydrate!



GROOM'S SIDE

Father: Ravi Srinivasan

Mother: Shanthi Ravichandran

Best man: Mahi Chandrasekhar

Groomsmen: Hovig Charchaflian, Adam Dilluvio, Dave Geller, Josh Kaitz, Davin Rozowsky, Matt Schindel, Isaac Selkow



BRIDE'S SIDE

Father: Dipak Shah

Mother: Rajas Shah

Maid of Honor: Pria Shah

Bridesmaids: Lizzy Augustine, Tania Goswami, Sneha Joshi, Radhika Koyawala, Puja Rodriguez, Coral Trivedi, Priyanka Venkatesh



CEREMONY CHECKLIST

1. Baraat

A Baraat is the groom's procession into the wedding ceremony. The procession signifies the tradition of the groom travelling to the bride's home. Nowadays, the baraat is condensed to up to an hour of dancing and celebration

2. Varaagaman

Vijay arrives to the entrance where he is greeted by Sonali's family. After a welcome ritual, he is escorted to the mandap by her parents

3. Ganesh Puja

The ceremony begins with a prayer to Lord Ganesh (the god of peace) asking to bless the couple and their families

4. Kanyaagman

Sonali is escorted to the mandap by her uncle. Vijay is covered by an antarpata (a cloth). Once the cloth is removed, Sonali and Vijay will see each other for "the first time"

5. Navadanyam

Vijay's sister offers the bride a lamp as a meditative prayer as light symbolizes happiness and hope. Nine grains of rice, lentils, and seeds are used in the pooja

6. Jai Mala

Sonali and Vijay place garlands on each other to signify acceptance and respect in their relationship

7. Sambandhi Virandh

To celebrate the momentous occasion that marks the wedding festivities the families of the bride and groom exchange gifts such as jewelry and clothes

8. Kanyadaan & Hastamelap

Sonali's parents give her hand to Vijay, and their hands are joined together

9. Granthi Bandhan

Vijay's Sister ties Sonali's dupatta's end to Vijay's clothing — literally tying the knot

10. Mangal Phera

Sonali and Vijay circle the fire four times — it represents

- 1) Duty to one another
- 2) Support for each other
- 3) Unconditional love
- 4) Eternally uniting with God

11. Sapta Padi

Seven steps around the fire for 7 vows

- 1) Care during sickness & in health
- 2) Be honest and faithful to each other
- 3) Be followers of each others ideals
- 4) Make each other happy
- 5) Love for our family and children
- 6) Respect for each other
- 7) Be lifelong friends

12. Mangalsutra

Vijay gives Sonali a mangalsutra (a necklace) which signifies a sacred thread of endless love. He applies sindoor to her hair, and the couple exchange their wedding rings and toe rings to symbolize their union