

List of Temples in Tamil Nadu

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This is a list of temples in the Indian state of Tamil Nadu which is famed for Hindu temples, culture and tradition and commonly known as the Land of Temples. Tamil Nadu has more temples than any other states of India. Tamil Nadu is home to more than 40,000 Hindu, Buddhist, Jain, local deities, Ayyavazhi temples and is aptly called "the land of temples" by media. Many are at least 800 to 5000 years old and are found scattered all over the state. The rulers of various dynasties constructed these temples over centuries. Vimanas (storeys) and Gopuram (towering gateways to the temple complex) best characterize the temples of Tamil Nadu. As per Tamil Nadu Hindu Endowments Board, there are 38,615 temples. Most of the largest Hindu temples reside here. Studded with complex architecture, variety of sculptures, and rich inscriptions, the temples remain the very essence of the culture and heritage of Tamil land, with historical records dating back to at least 3,000 years. In Madurai, Meenakshi Amman Temple has high 'Gopuram' towers ornamented with colourful figures. On Pamban Island, Ramanathaswamy Temple is a famous pilgrimage site. The town of Kanyakumari, at India's southernmost tip, is the site of ritual sunrises. The state also abounds with temple tanks. The state has 2,359 temple tanks located in 1,586 temples. The government has identified 1,068 tanks for renovation. People from all over the world visits Temples of Tamil Nadu and it is the major Tourist attraction in India.

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1. Temples of Lord Pillaiyar

S.No	Name of Temple	Name of Deity	Location (Travel Base)	Built around	Notes/Beliefs
1	Karpaka Vinayakar Temple	Karpaka Vinayakar	Pillayarpatti (karaikkudi)	400 CE ^[1]	One of only two temples in the world that show Ganesha with two arms. The other is in Afghanistan. ^{[2][3]}
2	Ucchi Pillayar Temple	Uchhi Pillayar	Tiruchirappalli	700-900 CE ^[4]	Ganesha is shown with a small bump on his head, which was caused when Vibhishana knuckled him on his head. ^[5]
3	Manakula Vinayagar Temple	Manakula Vinayagar	Pondicherry (Puducherry)	400 CE ^[6]	Named as Bhuvaneshwar Ganapathy, now called as Manakula Vinayagar. In Tamil 'Manal' means sand and 'Kulam' means pond near the sea, means God near the pond of sand. Later it is named as MANAKULA VINAYAGAR
4	Manimoortheeswaram Temple	Uchishtta Ganapathy	Tirunelveli	1000 CE	The only big ancient temple more than 1000 years ago for Uchishtta Ganapathy is situated in Manimoortheeswaram on the banks of River Thamirabarani in Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu, India.
5	Sri Poyyamozhi Vinayagar Temple	Sri Poyyamozhi Swayambu Vinayagar	Theevanur (NH 66 (Krishnagiri-Pondicherry National Highway), Tindivanam, Tamil Nadu)	400 CE ^[7]	Swayambu Vinayaka temple with a Ganesha that looks like Siva Lingam. Very Powerful deity that cures all diseases, gives boon for power and position
6	Meenakshi Temple	Mukkuruni Vinayakar	Madurai	1600 CE	This popular Ganesha shrine is located inside the famous Madurai Meenakshi Temple.

7	Adi vinayagar Temple	Adi vinayagar	poonthottam (Thiruvavur)	178CE	The name Thilatharpanapuri comes from two words thil meaning Gingely and tharpana is the Hindu ritual of performing pithru karmas (ritual of paying tribute to ancestors) to ones ancestors. It is also known as Sethalapathy. There are 7 sthalams for performing these rituals viz. Kasi, Rameswaram, Srivanchiyam, Thiruvenkadu, Gaya, Triveni Sangamam & Thilatharpanapuri.
8	Abhishtavaradha Ganapathi Temple	Abhishtavaradha Ganapathi	Thiruvaiyaru (Tanjavur)	-	Agastya attained his dwarf-form at this abode. ^[8]
9	Naramuga Vinayakar Temple	Naramuga Vinayakar	Chidambaram (Cuddalore)	-	The Ganesha idol is human-faced in this temple. ^[9]
10	Ganapatheeswarar Temple	Vatapi Ganapathi	Tiruchenkattankudi (Tanjavur)	700 CE	The Ganesha idol was brought here from Vatapi by the Pallavas. ^[10]
11	Khabartheesar Karpaga Nathar Temple	Sweta Vinayakar	Tiruvalanchuzhi (Tanjavur)	-	The deity represents the white image of Lord Ganesha that was formed when the Devas churned the holy milky ocean
12	Eachanari Vinayakar Temple	Ganesan	Eachanari (Coimbatore)	1500 CE	The deity was brought here from Madurai by the Nayakkars, originally meant for Perur Temple. ^[11]
13	Puliakulam Vinayakar Temple	Munthi Vinayakar	Puliakulam (Coimbatore)	1993 CE	The idol of the chief deity here is supposed to be one of the largest in South Asia. ^[11]
14	Sree Vigneswarar Temple	Sree Vigneswar	Mela Kolappadi-Andimadam (Ariyalur Dt)	1997 CE	The idol of the chief deity here is supposed to be one of the largest in South Asia. ^[11]
15	Periya Uchipillaiyar Temple	Uchhi Pillayar	Periya Uchipillaiyar Temple (Kumbakonam)	1000 CE	The temple is in the city centre of Kumbakonam.
16	Sri Maha Ganapathi Temple	Ganapathi Agraharam	Sri Maha Ganapathi Temple near Kumbakonam	1000 years	The temple is 25 km from Kumbakonam on Thiruvaiyaru bus route. The Vinayagar was actually installed at this temple by Agasthiyar (Ancient Hindu priest) more than 1000 years ago. He had done this with a holy intention of protecting the globe against of massive starvation. The Ganapathi idol has its own look, where this cannot be seen anywhere else.
17	Arulmigu Prasanna Vinayagar Temple	Sri Prasanna Vinayagar	Arulmigu Prasanna Vinayagar Temple, Ganapathy Pudur Coimbatore	1937 CE	The temple kumababishekam held on 1937 ganapathypudur in Coimbatore district Website: http://temple.dinamalar.com/New.php?id=2187
18	Jambhulinga Vinayagar Temple	Sri Jambhulinga Vinayagar	Jambhulinga Vinayagar Temple, Thathankuppam, Chennai	1940 CE	The temple is famous for court case where statue responded to identify among the many were stolen

2. Temples of Lord Murugan

2.1. The Arupadai Veedu

S.No	Name of Temple	Name of Deity	Location (Travel Base)	Built around	Notes/Beliefs
1	Tiruvinankudi Temple ^[12]	Dandayudhapani Swami	Pazhani (Dindigul)	-	This temple is the third among the six Holy Abodes. ^[13] The Murugan idol was made by Bogar from an amalgam of nine toxic substances (Navabaashaanam) ^[14]

2	Swamimalai Murugan Temple	Swaminatha Swamy	Swamimalai(Thanjavur)	-	This temple is the second among the six Holy Abodes. Lord Murugan explained the meaning of Omkaram to his father Lord Siva here. ^[15]
3	Sri Subramanya Swami Temple ^[16]	Senthil Andavar	Tiruchendur (Tuticorin)	100 CE ^[17]	This is the first among the six Holy Abodes and the only seashore Murugan temple. It is here that Surasamharam takes place, as this temple was Murugan's battle camp against the asura Surapadman who was being hosted at Vira Mahendram, a mid-ocean fortress.
4	Tirupparankunram Murugan Temple	Subramanya Swami	Tirupparankunram (Madurai)	-	Murugan married Deivanai at this abode, also is the fourth among the Six Holy Abodes of Murugan ^{[18][19]}
5	Tiruttanikai Murugan Temple	Tanikesan	Tiruttani (Tiruvallur)	-	Lord Murugan married Valli at this abode. This temple is the fifth among the six Holy Abodes. Lord Murugan imparted the knowledge of Tamil to Sage Agathiyar here ^[20]
6	Pazhamudhircholai Temple	Malaikkizhavon	Pazhamudhircholai (Madurai)	-	This temple is the last one of the six Holy Abodes. Lord Murugan tested Avvaiyar's knowledge under a tree here ^[21]

2.2. Other Major Murugan Temples

- Six Abodes of Lord Muruga, the six sacred mountains of Tamil Nadu.

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1	Kuzhanthai Velappar Temple	Murugan	Poombarai (Kodaikanal)	1000 CE ^[22]	The Kuzhanthai Velappar Temple (Kulandai Velayudha Swami Tirukkovil)[6] has three thousand years of history and was consecrated by Bhogar. The idol is made of Navaphasanam(Dasabashanam) . As per inscriptions in the temple which temple has built by king of Chera dynasty during 10/12 Century.There is a song-poem(Poombarai Velan) by Aruna giri nathar who lived during the 15th century ^[23]
2	Sri Navaneethaswara Swamy Temple	Singaravelavar	Sikkal (Tanjavur)	-	Lord Murugan received his weapon, the Velayudham, from his mother Parvathi and used it to perform the Surasamharam at Tiruchendur. ^[24]
3	Marudamalai Subramanya Swamy Temple	Dandayudhapani Swamy	Marudamalai (Coimbatore)	1200 CE ^[25]	It's here that The Devas approach Lord Murugan to seek his help in destroying Surapadman.
4	Kumarakkottam Subramanya Swamy Temple	Brahmasaastha ^[26]	Kumarakkottam (Kanchipuram)	-	Kachiappa Sivachariar wrote the sacred Kanda Puraanam at this temple. Also, Lord Murugan assumed the role of the Creator here, after imprisoning Lord Brahma for his ignorance of the meaning of the Pranava manthiram. ^[27]
5	Valliyur Subramanya Swamy Temple ^[28]	Aanantha Kalyana Subramanyar ^[29] thirumalai kovil, shencottai	Valliyur (Tirunelveli)	-	The Subramanyar Temple at Valliyur in Tirunelveli District is a rock-cut sanctum carved out of a hill. The Saravanappoigai in this temple was created by Lord Murugan at the request of Valli, his consort. ^[30]

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- 7 Kanda Swamy Temple Kanda Swamy Tirupporur 1000 CE^[33]
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After killing Surapadman at Tiruchendur, Lord Murugan killed the rest of the asuras here, at Tirupporur (literally, 'place of the sacred war')
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This Hill is also called Sigaragiri, Pushpagiri and Siragiri and is located between Kangeyam and Perundurai. It is one of the most famous temples of Lord Muruga in Coimbatore district where Lord Arunagirinathar was blessed with "Padikasu", wealth of coins. This is where a miracle took place in the year 1984 on 12 February. On that eventful day two bullocks of their own accord pulled a bullock cart up the 1320 steps. Saravana Munivar wrote the most popular Chennimalai Sthalapurana 700 years ago. Milk and curds are used as special offerings to Lord Muruga in Chennimalai and it is the general belief that curds do not become sour here.

The temple is located on a hillock. This place is called Aarunattar malai which is considered as one of the oldest Hill rock of the south.

The temple was worshiped by Lord Brama and Kamadhenu. This famous ancient temple dedicated to Muruga has the special distinction of being visited by the famous Saiva saint Arunagirinathar once. This hill temple enshrines the beautiful image of Murugan.

Rathinagiri Bala Murugan Temple was built around the 14th century. Over the passage of time an ordinary sand structure was converted into a stone shrine.

The 14th Century poet Arunagirinathar' has sung about this temple as

Rathinakiri Vazh Murukane Ilaya Vaaramarar

Perumaley, which means 'Murugan, the God of Devas resides in Rathinagiri'

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20 Rajendra Chozheewarar(Balasubramaniyan) Balasubramaniyan Periyakulam, Theni - Temple

21	Sri Kolanjiappar Temple		Manavalanallur 2 km from Vriddhachalam	1000 years old	The benevolent Lord Siva so as to liberate the entire living being has incarnated himself in many holy Shrines in the so-called Middle Country. (Nadu Naadu). Vriddhachalam (means age old holy hill) is the best among such holy shrines. Two Mile west of this, there is a small village namely Manavalanallur. Where there is abundance of flowery trees bristling with humming of birds and insects. It is known as Manavalanallur because Lord Skantha, the Manavalan (Eternal Bridegroom) has embodied himself here. In the words of Arunagirinathar. "He is the Manavalan residing in the monkeys inhabited hill"
					Uthanda Velayudhasamy Temple is the main shrine dedicated to lord murugan after a flight of 100 steps in Uthiyur hills from the ground. It built in dravidian architecture with a huge water-well as well and the little path with few rocky steps beside the temple lead to the base of a hillock and the steps ended there as well. In this shrine, Velayudhaswamy appears with his spear and Peacock. There are many sculptures here and also some ancient era hero-stones.
22	Uthiyur Velayudhasamy Temple	Velayudhasamy	Uthiyur, Kangeyam, Tiruppur district	9th century CE	

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3. Temples of Lord Sivan

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- Surayanarayanar Temple, Gnairu, Redhills, Chennai
- Madurai Meenakshi Sundareswarar Temple, Madurai
- Nellaiappar Temple, Tirunelveli
- Kasivisavanathar Gnanaambaigai Temple, Uthamapalayam
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- Brihadeeswarar Temple at Thanjavur
- Vaitheeshwaran Temple near Mayuram
- Jalakandeswarar Temple, inside the Vellore Fort, Vellore
- Kapaleeshwarar Temple at Mylapore, Chennai
- Dandeeswarar Koil, Velachery, Chennai
- Ramanathaswamy Temple at Rameshwaram
- Jambukeswarar Temple, Thiruvanaikaval at Tirucharapalli
- Arunachaleswarar Temple at Thiruvannamalai
- Thillai Nataraja Temple at Chidambaram
- Vedapureeswarar Temple at Pondicherry
- Thyagaraja Temple at Thiruvarur
- Ekambaranathar Temple(Kachi Egambam) at Kancheepuram
- Thirumagaraleeswarar Temple at Kancheepuram
- Kailasanathar Temple, Kanchipuram
- Karchapeswarar Temple, Kanchipuram

- Vazhakarutheeswarar Temple, Kanchipuram
- Sathyanatheswarar Temple (Kachi Nerikkaaraikkadu), Kanchipuram
- Metraleswar Temple(Kachi Metrali), Kanchipuram
- Iravatanesvara Temple, Kanchipuram
- Muktheeswarar Temple, Kanchipuram
- Ona Kantheeswarar Temple (Onakanthan Thali)
- Anekadhangavadeswarar Temple (Kachi Anekatangapadam)
- Kalyana Pasupatheeswarar Temple (Thiru Aanilai), Karur
- Magudeeswarar Temple, Kodumudi, Erode
- Virdhگیرiswarar Temple at Vriddhachalam
- Sree Pasupatheeswarar Temple, Pandanainallur
- Denupuriswarar Temple at Pattiswaram, Kumbakonam
- Nageeswarar Temple, Kumbakonam
- Amarapaneeswarar Temple at Pariyur, Gobichettipalayam
- Arudra Kabaleswarar Temple at Erode
- Vignirtheeswarar Temple, Venjamangudalur, Karur
- Rathinagireeshwarar Temple, Iyermalai, Karur
- Sangameswarar Temple at Bhavani
- Natadreeswarar Temple inside Cauvery, Erode
- Emaneswarar Temple, Emaneswaram at Paramakudi.
- Agneeswarar Koil, Thirukkaattuppalli
- Brahmapureeswarar Koil, Sirkaazhi
- Thaayumaanavar Koil, Thiruchy
- Poongundra Nathar Temple, Mahibalanpatti (sivagangai)
- Veerattaaneswarar Koil, Korukkai
- Koenaeswarar Koil, Kudavaasal
- Seshapureeswarar Koil, Thiruppaamburam
- Ligusaranyeswarar Koil, Ponnur
- Amirthakalasanaathar Koil, Sakkottai
- Hayavandheeswarar Koil, Seeyaaththamangai
- Maanikkavannar Koil, Thirumarugal
- Sookshmapureeswarar Koil, Sirukudi
- Uthraapatheeswarar Koil, Thiruchchengaattaangudi
- Panchanadheeswarar Koil, Thiruvaiyaru
- Pasupatheeswarar Koil, Aavoor
- Kasi Vishwanathar Temple, Darapuram
- Thiruaavinankudi Temple, Palani
- Agastheeswarar Koil, Agasthiyampalli
- AmudhaGataeswarar Koil, Kodikkarai
- Suguvaneswarar Temple, Salem
- Kailashnathar Temple, Tharamangalam, Salem
- Theerthagirieswarar Temple, Theerthamalai, Dharmapuri
- Chandrasoodeshwarar Temple, Hosur
- Patteeswaran Temple at Perur, Coimbatore.
- Sri Ramalinga Sowdambikai Amman Temple at Raja street, Coimbatore.
- Sri Manneaswarar Kovil, Annur, Coimbatore.
- Old Someaswarar Kovil at Annaimalai, Pollachi.
- Shree Sadhasiva Bhrameendhrraal Temple, Nerur, Karur
- Sivapurishwarar Temple, Shivayam, Karur
- Brahmapureeswarar Temple, Thirupattur, Tiruchirappalli
- Sangameswarar Temple, Bhavani, Erode
- Kadambavananathar Temple, Kulithalai, Karur
- Ardhanaareeswarar Temple, Tiruchengodu, Namakkal
- Lingeshwarar Temple, Avinashi, Tiruppur
- Arulmigu Vedapurishwarar Temple, Thiruvothur, CHEYYAR.
- Ekambareswarar Temple, Chettikulam, Perambalur Dt, Tamil Nadu
- Sri Sivashankara Kasiviswanather Temple at Sri Chinna Mariamman Temple Kodaikanal.

- Arulmigu Vedhagiriswarar Temple, Thirukalukundram
- Kondarangi Hills - Lord Malligarjuna Swamy Temple, Konrangi Keeranur, Oddanchatram
- Arulmigu Kulantahivelappar Temple, Oddanchatram
- Agatheeshwarar temple, Dharapuram, Tirupur(<https://web.archive.org/web/20160304220842/http://www.agastheeswarartemple.tinfo.in/>)
- Arulmigu Sri Sivan Anaindha Pottri Temple, Mamsapuram, Srivilliputhur, Virudhunagar http://temple.dinamalar.com/en/new_en.php?id=2057
- Arulmigu Brihadeeswarar and Mangalambigai temple in Kazhipattur, OMR
- Vedaranyeswarar Temple, Vedaranyam, Nagapattinam Dt.

See also

- Panchabhootha Sthalangal
- Pancha Sabha Sthalangal^[41]
- The Ashta Veeratta shrines^[42]
- List of temples in Kanchipuram

4. Temples of Lord Bhairavar

- Kala Bhairavar Temple, Aathisivan temple, Thandarampattu, Thiruvannamalai .
- Yoga Bhairavar Temple, Tiruppathur, Sivagangai Dt.
- Bhairavar Temple, Vairavan Patti, Karaikudi
- Bhairava Moorthi (Bhairava Natha Moorthi) Temple, Morepalayam, Tiruchengodu
- Bhairaveswarar Temple, Cholapuram, Kumbakonam
- Kalabhairav Temple, Adhiyaman Kottai
- Kala Bhairavar Temple, Achangulam, Pasuvanthanai Taluk
- Sri Bhairavanathaswamy Temple, Thagattur
- Sri kaala bhairavar Temple (Vairavankoil) near Eachangudi Thanjavur Dt
- Astha Bairavar Temple, Aragalur, Attur Tk, Salem Dt.
- Shri Bairavar Rudhra Alayam, Ecchankarunai, Chengalpatu -603003
- Kala Bhairavar Temple, Kshetra Balapuram, Near Mayiladuthurai, Tanjore Dt
- kala Bhairavar Temple, kundadam.near Dharapuram, Tirrupur Dt
- Bhairavar Temple, Renganathapuram, Bodinayakkanur, Theni dt

5. Temples of Lord Thirumal

- Sri Srinivaasa Perumal, Thirumaleeswarar Temple, Arakonam
- Sri Lakshmi Narayanan Kovil, Sathyamangalam
- Kalyana Ramaswamy temple Tangrakottai
- Pulikundram Sri Lakshmi Narayana Temple, Pulikkundram, Mahabalipuram, Tirukalukundram
- Sri Sowmia Narayana Perumal Temple, Thirukostiur(sivagangai)
- Veera Ragava Perumal Kovil, Thandarampattu, Thiruvannamalai
- Ranganathaswamy Temple at Srirangam, Trichy
- Sri Varadaraja Perumal Temple Pondicherry
- Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple, Vellore
- Yoga Narasimha Temple at Sholingur
- Narasimha Temple at Namakkal
- Narasimha Temple at Tindivanam
- Yoga Narasimha Temple at Velachery, Chennai
- Uppiliappan Temple at Mayavaram
- Sri kadaladaitha adhi jeganatha perumal[Devi pattinam],Ramanathapuram
- Chakrapani Temple at Kumbakonam
- Sarangapani Temple at Kumbakonam
- Ramaswamy Temple at Kumbakonam
- Oppiliappan Temple at Kumbakonam
- Srinivasa perumal Temple, natchiyarkoil Kumbakonam
- Saranathan Temple at Tiruchera, Kumbakonam
- Adi Narayana Perumal Temple, Pariyur, Gobichettipalayam

- Kalyana venkatramanaswamy Temple, Thananthondri Malai, Karur
- Shree Abayapradhana Ranganathar Temple, Karur
- Vasantha perumal Temple, Kadavur, Karur
- Neelameegha perumal Temple, Kulithalai, Karur
- Kripasamudra Perumal (Arulmakadal) Temple at Mayavaram
- Thanjai Mamani Koil, Thanjavur
- Parimala Rangantha Temple at Mayavaram
- Ugra Narasimha Temple at Singaperumal Koil
- Ari Katha Rama Temple at Maduranthakam, Chennai
- Santana Srinivasa Temple at Mogappair
- Hayagreeva Temple at Chettipunyam, Chennai
- Hayagreeva Temple at Cuddalore, Chennai
- Varaha Temple (Nithya kalyana Perumal) at Tiruvidanthai, Chennai
- Varaha Temple (Bhoovaraha) at Simushnam
- Varadaraja Perumal Temple at Kancheepuram
- The Parthasarathy Temple at Chennai
- Ranganatha Perumal Temple at Erode Fort
- Magudeswarar Temple, Kodumudi, Erode
- Kongu Tirupati at Erode
- Sri Viswaroopa Lakshmi Nrusimha Temple at Kattavakkam, Kancheepuram District, Near Thenneri
- The LakshmiNarasimhar Temple at Tindivanam
- The Lakshmi Narayan Temple at Pulikkundram near Thirukazhukundram
- The Kesavaperumal Temple at Chennai
- The Lakshmi Narasimhar Temple at Chennai
- The Madhavaperumal Temple at Chennai
- The Azhagar Temple, Alagar Kovil, Madurai
- The Koodalazhagar Temple, Madurai
- The Devaraja Swami Temple at Cuddalore
- Sri Mayakoothar Devasthanams, Perungulam, Tuticorin [Thoothukudi]
- Kottai Alagiri Nathar Temple, Salem
- Pandurangan Temple, Shevapet, Salem
- Arulmegu sattur perumal swamy temple, Solavampalayam, Kinathukadavu, Pollachi, Coimbatore
- Sri Rajagopalan Temple, Mannargudi
- Sri Kailasanathar Temple - kodaganallur
- Sri Adivaraha Temple Kallidaikurichi Tamlinadu
- Srivilliputhur Andal Temple, Srivilliputhur
- Sri Veeraragava perumal Temple, Dharapuram, Tirupur
- Arulmigu Sridevi Poodevi Sametha Aathinarayanan Temple, Mamsapuram, Srivilliputhur, Virudhunagar
- Ashtabujakaram - Sri Adhikesava Perumal Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tiruvekkaa - Sri Yathothkari Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tiruvelukkai - Sri Azhagiya Singar Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tirukalvanoor - Sri Adi Varaha Swami Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tiruoorakam - Sri Ulagalantha Swami Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tiruneeragam - Sri Jagadeeshwarar Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tirukaaragam - Sri Karunagara Perumal Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tirukaarvaanam - Sri Tirukaarvarnar Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tiruparamechura Vinnagaram - Sri Vaikunda Perumal Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tirupavalavannam - Sri Pavala Vanar Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tirupaadagam - Sri Pandava Thoodar Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tirunilaaththingalthundam - Sri Nilathingal Thundathan Perumal Temple, Kanchipuram
- Tirupputkuzhi - Sri Vijaya Raghava Perumal Temple, Kanchipuram
- Sri Lord Krishna and Lakshmi Narayana Temple, M. Meenatchipuram, Melapasalai, Manamadurai 630606.

6. Temples of Lord Anjaneyar

- Anjaneyar Temple, Namakkal- 18 feet single stone sculpture
- Sri Rama Bhaktha Anjaneyar Temple, Ayipettai, Chidamaram

- Anjaneyar Temple, Suchindram, Kanyakumari
- Sri Panchamukha Anjaneyar, Panchavatee, Pondicherry
- Sri Viswaroopa Adhiviyadhihara Sri Bhaktha Anjaneya Swamy Temple, Nanganallur, Chennai^{[43][44]}
- Tirukkatikai Yoga Anjaneyar Temple, Sholingar^[45]
- Veera Anjaneya Swami Temple, Mylapore, Chennai^[46]
- Sri periya Anjaneyar Temple, Ambur
- Sri Sanjeevi Rayan Temple, Iyengar Kulam, Kanchipuram^[46]
- Sri Viswaroopa Panchamukha Anjaneya Swami Temple, Tiruvallur^[47]
- Sri Jaya Anjaneya Swami Temple, Karur
- Shri Bhaktha Anjaneyar, Vedasandur, Dindigul
- Sri PunithaPuli Anjaneyar Temple, Paramakudi
- Sri Anuvavi Anjaneya Temple, Coimbatore
- Arulmigu Kadu Hanumatharayar Temple, Dharapuram
- Arulmigu Nava Anjaneyar Temple, Madurai-Dindugul Bye pass, Kulasekarapattinam.
- Sree Moola Anjaneyar Koil, Thanjavur
- Sanjeevirayar Anjaneyar Koil pidampatti Village Mathur post Kulathur tk Puthukkottai dt. near by trichy.
- Shri Rama Baktha Bavya Swaroopa Anjaneyar Temple, BHEL nagar, Medavakkam, Chennai
- Panchamuga Anjaneyar Temple, Gowrivakkam, Chennai
- Sri Guru Hanuman Temple, Vadavalli, Coimbatore

7. Temples of Amman

- Arulmigu Maha Maariyamman temple, Thenkudi
- Kamakshi Amman Temple, Kanchipuram
- arulmigu sri seethala devi mahasakthi mariamman temple,perumpugalore,thiruvavarur.
- Gangai Amman Temple, Gudiyattam [Arulmigu Kodiyaidei Nayagi Temple, Thirumullaivoyal]]
- Arulmigu Vanabathrakali Amman Temple, Mettupalayam, Coimbatore
- Adhi Kamakshi Temple, Kanchipuram
- Kamakshi Amman Temple, Mangadu
- Arulmigu Devi Pachaimalai Amman Temple, Thirumullaivoyal
- Arulmigu Vaishnavi Devi Temple, Thirumullaivoyal
- Mandhai Amman Temple, Rayavaram, Pudukkottai
- kalingaiamman, Trichy Kuladevam Kalingaiamman Temple Beside Delta Kavery River Infront Sriranganathan Temple Srirangam
- Arulmigu Shri Ayirathamman Kovil, Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli
- Shri Anandhavalli sametha Shri Agastheeswarar Temple, Semmangudi, Kudavasal taluk, Tiruvarur district, Tamil Nadu
- Arulmigu Chamundeswari Amman Temple, Singalandapuram, Thuraiyur taluk, Tiruchirappalli district, Tamil Nadu
- Sri Angalaparameswari Amman Mel Kovil and Kizh Kovil, Kaveripattinam, Krishnagiri Dist. Tamil Nadu
- Shri Anandhavalli sametha Shri Agastheeswarar Temple, Semmangudi, Kudavasal taluk, Tiruvarur district, Tamil Nadu
- Arulmigu Mariamman Temple, Irukkankudi, Virudhunagar Dist, Tamil Nadu.
- Gomathi Amman Temple, Sankarankovil
- Aanangur Ammaicharamman (Mariamman) Temple, Aanangur, Before Pillur, Villupuram, Tamil Nadu.
- Arulmigu Angalaparameswari Aalayam, Chinna Subbarayapillai Street, Pondicherry-1.
- Bannari Mariamman Temple, Bannari, Sathyamangalam
- Chenchadainathar Karunakadakshi Amman Temple, Thirumal Ugandan kotai (TM Kotai), Ramanathapuram dist, Tamil Nadu, India
- Arulmigu Masani Amman Temple, Anaimalai (Pollachi)
- Pariyur Kondathu Kaliyamman Temple, Gobichettipalayam
- Mariamman temple, Samayapuram, Tiruchirappalli
- Arulmigu Annai Sri Gowmariamman Temple, Veerapandi, theni Dist, Tamil Nadu.
- PunnaiNallur Mariamman Temple, Thanjavur
- Sholiyamman Temple, Karur
- Golden Temple, Sripuram Sri Laskshmi narayani Temple, vellore District Tamil Nadu
- Arulmigu Gangai Amman Thirukkivil, Santhavasal, Tiruvannamalai District Tamil Nadu
- Arulmigu Devi Karumariamman Temple Thiruverkadu (Chennai)
- Bangaru Kaamaatchiyamman Koil, Thanjavur
- Arulmigu Kottai Mariamman Kovil, Salem

- Koniyyamman Temple, Coimbatore
- Sri Ramalinga Sowdambikai Amman Kovil at Raja Street, Coimbatore.
- Kottai Mariamman Kovil, Dindigul
- Sri Poongundra Nayaki Amman Temple, MahibalanPatti(Sivagangai)
- Koppudayamman Koil, Karaikudi
- Kumariamman Koil, Kanyakumari
- Angalaparameswari Koil, Mel Malayanur
- Aathiparashakthi Koil, Mel Maruvathur
- Badrakali Amman Temple, madapuram, Sivagangai District.
- Sree Bhadrakali Devaswom,Kollencode(Kanniyakumari District)
- Sri Rajarajeshwari Ishakkiamman Trust, Kollemcode (Kanyakumari)
- Mondaicaud Bhagavathi Temple, Mondaicaud (Kanyakumari)
- Muppandal Isakki amman Temple, Muppandal (Kanyakumari)
- Arulmigu Thayamanagalam Muthu Mariamman Kovil, Thayamangalam, Sivagangai District
- Arulmigu kannaparkula peechea vettuva gounder kuladeivam kulavilakkuammankovil, kaalamangalam 'erode ganapathi palayam,
- Arulmigu Mariyamman koil, Alangayam (Vellore)
- Arulmigu Sri Chinna Mariamman Kovil (Kodaikanal) Dindugal District,
- Arulmigu Sri Angalaparameswari Amman kovil, Pappakudi, Near Mukkudal, Tirunelveli Dist. Tamil Nadu
- Arulmigu Sri Mariyamman kovil, திருப்பணிகரிசல்குளம் **Thiruppanikarisalkulam**, Near Pettai, Tirunelveli Dist, Tamil Nadu .
- Muppidadhi Amman kovil, திருப்பணிகரிசல்குளம் **Thiruppanikarisalkulam**, Near Pettai, Tirunelveli Dist, Tamil Nadu .
- Arulmigu Sri Muttharamman Kovil, Ammandivilai, (Kanyakumari)
- Arulmigu Sri Manathattu Isakkiyamman kovil, Ammandivilai, (kanyakumari)
- Arulmigu Sri Bhavani Amman thriukovil, Preiyapalayam

Sri Santhanamari amman kovil vickramasingapuram, ambasamudram taluk tirunelveli

8. Ayyanarappan Temples

- Sri Porkilai, Sri Poorani Samedha Kaliyurayan Ayyanarappan Temple, Pillur, Villupuram, Tamil Nadu.
- Sri Ayyanarappan Temple, Kanniakoil, Cuddalore Road, Puducherry.
- Ayyanarappan Temple, Kilputhupattu, Pondicherry.
- Arulmigu Ettimarathumuniappan Temple, Salem.
- Kathukonda Ayyanar Temple, Sundarapandiapuram, Tenkasi, Tamil Nadu
- Arulmigu Siraimetta Ayyanar Temple, Kottaram, Aavinankudi, Cuddalore.
- Arulmigu Vaagaimarathu Ayyanarappan karuppusamy Temple, Magudanchavadi, Salem.
- Sri vaazl Munishwar Temple, Mannangadu,Thanjavur district.

9. Chitra Gupta Temples

- Chitrugupta temple, Kanchipuram
- Chitrugupta temple, Chinnandipalayam, Tiruppur

10. Cave Temples of Pandiyas

- Kandan Kudaivarai - Muruga Temple, Madurai- Period: Pandiya
- Seevaramudaiyar Kudaivarai - Shiva Temple, Pudukkottai- Period: Pandiya
- Pathinen Bhoomi Vinnagaram - Pazhiyili Iswaram - Naarthamalai, Pudukkottai - Period: Pandiya

11. Rockcut Monolith Temples of Pallavas

- Adyantha Kaamam - Dharmaraja Ratha, Mamallapuram - Period: Pallava

12. Structural Temples of Pallavas

- Kailasanatha Temple - Kancheepuram Dt - Period: Pallava
- Tiruparamechura Vinnagaram - Sri Vaikunda Perumal Temple- Kancheepuram Dt, Period: Pallava

- Iravatanesvara Temple, Kanchipuram
- Raajasimmeswaram / Kshatriya Simmeswaram - Shore Temples, Mamallapuram - Period: Pallava
- Vijayalaya Choleeswaram - Naarthamalai, Pudukkottai - Period: Pallava
- Venkataramana Swamy Temple, Thanthondri malai, Karur - Period: Pallava
- Lakshmi Narashimma swamy Temple, Namakkal - Period: Pallava

13. Structural Temples of Vijayanagara

- Kanagagiswarar Temple and Sri Periyamayagi Amman Temple- Devikapuram, Tiruvannamalai district - Period: Nayaka
- Sri Neelakanta Pillaiyar Temple-Peravurani, Thanjavur district

14. Structural Temples of Chola

- Gangaikonda Cholapuram Temple[Jayankonda cholapuram]ARIYALUR - Period: Chola
- Raajarajeswaram - Peruvudaiyaar kovil or Big Temple, Thanjavur - Period: Chola
- Thayinum Nalla Iswaram - Aaragalur - Period: Chola
- Airavatheeshwarar Temple, Kumbakonam - Period: Chola

15. Temples of The Navagrahams

15.1. The Navagraham Cluster at Kumbakonam

S.No	Name of Temple	Name of Deity	Location (Travel Base)	Built around	Notes/Beliefs
1	Suryanaar Temple	Surya (Sun)	Suryanaar Kovil (Thanjavur)	1100 CE ^[48]	This is the only Navagraham temple where the other eight grahams are also present. But, unlike the usual Navagraham arrangement, all other grahams face Surya here ^[49]
2	Agneeswarar Temple	Shukra (Venus)	Kanchanoor (Thanjavur)	600-800 CE ^{[50][51]}	
3	Kailasanathar Temple	Chandra (Moon)	Tingalur (Thanjavur)		
4	Vaitheeswaran Temple	Mangala (Mars)	vaitheeswaran kovil (nagapattinam)	600-800 CE	-
5	Tirunageswaram Nageswarar Temple	Rahu	Tirunageswaram (Thanjavur)	950 CE	This temple was built by Gandaraditya Chola, son of Parantaka Chola I. ^[52]
6	Tirunallaru Darbaaranyeswarar Temple	Sani (Saturn)	Tirunallaru (Karaikkal)	-	-
7	Keezhperumpallam Temple	Kethu	Keezhperumpallam (nagapattinam)	-	-
8	Abathsahayeswarar Temple	Guru (Jupiter)	Alangudi (Thiruvarur)	-	-
9	Tiruvenkadu Swetaranyeswarar Temple	Budha (Mercury)	Tiruvenkadu (nagapattinam)	-	-

15.2. Other Navagraham Temples

S.No	Name of Temple	Name of Deity	Location (Travel Base)	Built around	Notes/Beliefs
1	Kuchanuraan Temple, Sri Mayakoothar Devasthanams, Perungulam	Ashtamathu Sani (Saturn)	Kuchanur (Theni)	-	Lord Saneeswaran is the main deity in this temple, unlike other temples where he is worshipped either along with other Navagrahams or is worshipped from a shrine that is a part of a bigger temple. ^[53]

2	Navapasanam Devipattinam Temple	Navagaragam Nine stone	Devipattinam Ramanathapuram(dist)	-	<p>This is one of the famous navagarama temples.</p> <p>This navagarama are believed to have built by Rama, an avatar of Vishnu.</p>
3	Saneeswarar Tirukkoil	Sani (Saturn)	Tirunaaraiyur a.k.a. Nachiarkoil (Tanjavur)	-	<p>This temple is a part of the Sri Ramanathaswami Temple at Tirunaaraiyur. It is the only temple where Saneeswaran is worshipped along with his two wives Mandhadevi and Jyeshtadevi (also known as Neeladevi) and his two sons, Maandhi and Kuligan.^[54]</p>
4	Sri Vasishteswarar Temple	Guru (Jupiter)	Thenkudi Thittai (Tanjavur)	-	<p>Sage Vasistha is said to have worshipped Lord Siva in this temple. Lord Guru is worshipped as Guru Bhagavan from a separate shrine here, unlike in Alangudi where he is worshipped as Dakshinamurthi.^[55] ^[56]</p>

16. Navagraha Temples of Chennai

Chennai has its own set of Navagraha Temples located in and around Kundrathur

- a) Suryan - Agastheeswaram at Kolapakkam^[57]
- b) Moon - Somanatheeswarar at Somamangalam
- c) Mars - Vaitheeswaran at Poonamalee
- d) Kethu - Neelakanteshwarar at Gerugambakkam
- e) Guru - Ramanadeswarar at Porur
- f) Sukran - Velleswarar at Mangadu
- g) Budhan - Thirumeyneeswarar at Kovur
- h) Rahu - Thirunageshwaram at Kundrathur
- i) Saneeswarar - Agastheeswaram at Pozhichalur

For detailed write up on these temple refer to page on Kundrathur Ayyanarappan Temples Sri Porkilai, Sri Poorani Samedha Kaliyurayan Ayyanarappan Temple, Pillur, Villupuram, Tamil Nadu. Sri Ayyanarappan Temple, Kanniakoil, Cuddalore Road, Puducherry.