# Jai Srimannarayana

### **PLACES IN TIRUMALA**



#### SRI VARI PADALU OR PADA PADI



#### **SILA THORANAM**



This geological arch is a very rare spectacle in the world. This arch (older than the Jurassic age) is 25ft in length, loft in height. Only two other similar formations are known to exist in the world (in the U.K. and in the U.S.A.).

#### Sri Varahaswamy Temple



Traditionally devotees offer their prayers at Varahaswamy Temple first and then proceed to the main Temple. Even Naivedyams are offered first to Varahaswamy.



#### **Papavinasanam Theertam**



Papavinasanam theertam is one of the sacred and prominent theertam located in tirumala. A holy bath in this theertam will purify the sins of the devotees.

### Akasaganga Theertham



The Akasa Ganga waterfall is about 3 Kms north of the Tirumala temple. This is very famous for the prime reason is that its waters are used in the service of Lord everyday.

### Sri Beti Anjaneya Swami Temple



Beti Anjaneya Swami temple is located opposite to the main temple.

#### Swami Pushkarini



Swami Pushkarini was originally in Vaikunta and was placed on Tirumala hills by Garuda, for the sport of Sri Venkateswara. It is adjacent to the Sri Venkateswara temple. Pilgrims bath here before entering the main temple.

#### **BHAGAVAD RAMANUJACHARYA**



Ramanuja was the architect of Tirupati and the father of the Sri Vaishnava community there. He designed the Nandanavanams or flower gardens of the temple. He was mainly responsible for managing the worship procedures and other affairs of the Sri Venkateswara temple.

The image was presented to Ananthalvan by Saint Ramanuja Himself on request and was consecrated after the Saint shuffled off his mortal coil. The image itself is more ancient than those in Sriperumbudur, Srirangam and Thirunarayanapuram.

The shrine overlooks the western end of the Tirumamani Mandapam. The right hand of the stone image of Ramanuja is held in the gesture of exposition (vyakhyana mudra), and the left hand in the form of boon bestowal (varada hasta), or of holding a book (pustaka hasta).

The shrine figures prominently during the festival of Adhyayanotsavam, which is a typical Pancharatra observance. Special worship is conducted in this shrine during Gandhapodi Utsavam and Bhashyakara Utsavam. The utsava murthi of Ramanuja is taken in a grand procession to meet Malayappa near the Padi.

#### Sri Rama Stupa in Tirumala





Sri Rama Stupa in Tirumala built by HH Sri Sri Sri Tridandi Pedda Srimannarayana Ramanuja Jeeyar Swamiji. HH Sri Swamiji performed 108 Sri Rama Krathus throughout India and Sri Rama Sthupas were consecrated under HH guidance at all these places.

## VIMANAM



## Vimana Venkateshwara Swamy



After having the divine darshan of Lord Venkateshwara Swamy, devotees go around the Vimana Prakaram and have the darshanam of Vimana Venkateshwara Swamy, who is on the North-eastern corner on the middle tier of the 3 tiered Vimana gopuram.

There is a board pointing towards this and also there is a Silver Prabhavali or Silver Makarathorana around the Vimana Venkateshwara Swamy on the Vimanam.

# Golla Mandapam



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# Tirumala Nambi Sannidhi



Lord Venkateswara addressed Tirumala Nambi as "Thatha".