

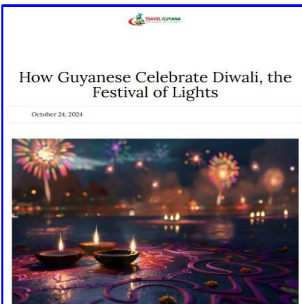
13 Nations That Light Up Diwali Like Bharat (2023–2025)

This report highlights **how 13 countries worldwide celebrate Diwali between 2023–2025**, showcasing vibrant festivals, traditional rituals, lights, cultural performances, and community celebrations that bring the spirit of Bharat's Festival of Lights globally.

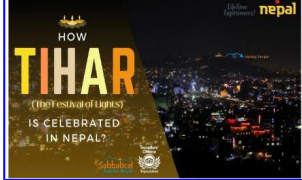
On **October 12, 2025**, thousands gathered at **London's Trafalgar Square for Diwali on the Square**, enjoying music, dance, food, and children's activities. Over 200 dancers performed, celebrating Bharatn culture and the unity of Hindu, Sikh, and Jain communities.

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1.	London Celebrates Diwali with Colour and Joy at Trafalgar Square Date- October 12, 2025 Country- United Kingdom Occasion- Diwali Description- Thousands of people gathered at London's Trafalgar Square on October 12, 2025, to celebrate Diwali 2025 with joy and colour. The annual "Diwali on the Square" event showcased Bharatn culture through music, dance, and food. - Over 200 dancers performed in traditional attire, while visitors enjoyed saree-tying, yoga, and fun activities for children. The celebration showed the unity of London's Hindu, Sikh, and Jain communities. Mayor Sadiq Khan said London is brighter and better for embracing festivals like Diwali.	 NDTV Hindustantimes
2.	Diwali 2025 Brings Bharatn Culture to American Cities Date- September 14, 2025 Country- United States Occasion- Diwali (Festival of Lights) Description-In the United States, Diwali 2025, also called the Festival of Lights, is celebrated with vibrant events and traditional rituals across many cities. Times Square, New York, will host its 10th annual celebration on October 12, 2025, featuring Bollywood-style dance, music, and fireworks. - BAPS Swaminarayan Mandir, Long Island, will celebrate Diwali and Chopda Puja on October 20, 2025, with children's activities like lighting diyas and creating rangolis. Celebrated widely across the US, Diwali showcases Bharatn culture, food, music, dance, and community spirit, making it a global festival of lights.	 Bharatneagle Prnewswire
3.	Bali Shines with the Spirit of Galungan, Kuningan, and Diwali Date- October 12, 2025 Country- Indonesia Occasion- Diwali / Galungan and Kuningan Description- In Indonesia, especially in Bali, Diwali is celebrated	

	modestly by the Bharatn community and at Bharatn cultural centers. Balinese Hindus, however, observe their own festivals Galungan and Kuningan which, like Diwali, symbolize the victory of good over evil. During Galungan, streets are decorated with tall bamboo poles called penjor, and families pray and feast together. Ten days later, Kuningan marks the return of ancestral spirits with yellow rice offerings. These celebrations beautifully reflect Bali's unique Hindu traditions and cultural harmony.	 Hindutone Diwalifestival TimesofBharat t
4.	Diwali in Singapore: Lights, Culture, and Community Spirit Date- October 12, 2025 Country- Singapore Occasion- Diwali Description- In Singapore, Diwali, locally called Deepavali, is celebrated with great enthusiasm and is recognized as a public holiday. Little Bharat transforms into a dazzling spectacle with elaborate light displays, festive decorations, and shops filled with lamps, clothing, and gold jewelry. - The annual "Lights for Hope" campaign by Ray of Hope ensures everyone can join the celebrations, reflecting Diwali's spirit of compassion. Culinary delights from prestigious hotels and traditional sweets add to the festivities. Singapore's Diwali also highlights interfaith harmony, with people of all communities coming together to celebrate Bharatn culture and traditions.	 Hinduismtoday TimesofBharat Hindutone
5.	Malaysian Streets Glow with Deepavali Festivities Date- October 2025 Country- Malaysia Occasion- Diwali / Deepavali Description- In Malaysia, Diwali, locally known as Deepavali, is celebrated with great enthusiasm, especially in Kuala Lumpur's Brickfields (Little Bharat). The streets light up with colorful lamps and vibrant decorations, while intricate rangoli designs grace shop entrances and homes. - Families prepare traditional Bharatn feasts featuring sweets like ladoo, murukku, and spicy curries, often inviting neighbors and visitors to share in the joy. Temples host special prayers, and cultural programs showcase music, dance, and storytelling. The festival emphasizes the triumph of light over darkness and good over evil, bringing together Malaysian Bharatns and tourists in a lively, inclusive celebration.	 Bookmyforex Kualalumpurhospitality Malaysia-traveller Timesnow

6.	Mauritius Celebrates Diwali with Lights, Sweets, and Cultural Festivities Date- October 24, 2024 Country- Mauritius Occasion- Diwali ● Description- In Mauritius, where nearly 50% of the population is Hindu, Diwali is celebrated with great enthusiasm and is a public holiday. Homes, temples, and streets are decorated with lights and colorful rangolis, while clay lamps illuminate the entire island, creating a magical atmosphere. ● The Indo-Mauritian community celebrates with traditional sweets, festive meals, and cultural programs. Diwali in Mauritius reflects the island's unique blend of cultures, combining Hindu rituals with local customs, bringing communities together in joy, light, and celebration.	 Celebrate Diwali, the Festival of Lights, in Mauritius 2futures Times Now Curlytales
7.	Trinidad and Tobago Celebrates Diwali with Lights and Tradition Date- October 25, 2024 Country- Trinidad and Tobago Occasion- Diwali / Divali ● Description- In Trinidad and Tobago, where about 40% of the population is of Bharatn ancestry, Diwali locally called Divali is celebrated with great fervour and has been a public holiday since 1966. The Hindu community marks the festival by lighting oil lamps, decorating homes, and preparing traditional sweets and special dishes. ● Celebrations include cultural performances, music, dance, and community events that showcase Hindu traditions. With vibrant festivals, delicious food, and nationwide participation, Diwali in Trinidad and Tobago reflects the country's rich East Bharatn heritage and communal spirit.	 SOUTH ASIA MONITOR A PERSPECTIVE ON, FROM AND OF INTEREST TO THE REGION Diwali in Trinidad and Tobago: Renewing faith in Hinduism and Indian culture Oct 25, 2024 South Asia Monitor Times Now Curlytales
8.	Guyana Celebrates Diwali with Lights, Music, and Tradition Date- October 24, 2024 Country- Guyana Occasion- Diwali / Festival of Lights ● Description- In Guyana, Diwali, the Festival of Lights, is celebrated with great devotion and has become a national event embraced by all communities. Observed mainly by the Indo-Guyanese, the festival features homes decorated with colorful rangoli, streets illuminated with thousands of diyas, and vibrant Diwali motorcades with music, dance, and mythological floats. ● Traditional sweets like laddu, burfi, and gulab jamun are shared among family, friends, and neighbors. Combining Bharatn rituals with local customs, Diwali in Guyana highlights unity, cultural diversity, and the spirit of light triumphing over darkness.	 How Guyanese Celebrate Diwali, the Festival of Lights October 24, 2024 Travelguyana Economic Times Kaieteurnews online

9.	Thailand Celebrates Diwali as Loi Krathong with Floating Lights and Joy Date- November 16, 2024 Country- Thailand Occasion- Loi Krathong / Diwali ● Description- In Thailand, Diwali is celebrated as Loi Krathong, one of the country's most enchanting festivals. Observed on the full moon night of the 12th Thai lunar month, it symbolizes the triumph of light over darkness. People craft beautiful lamps from banana leaves, decorate their homes, and later set these lamps afloat on rivers to symbolize letting go of negativity and inviting brightness into life. ● The sky glows with rice-paper lanterns, while boat parades, cultural performances, and fireworks add to the festive charm. In Bangkok, the Bharatn community celebrates Diwali with prayers, feasts, and colorful decorations. For travelers, Loi Krathong offers a magical blend of spirituality and beauty an experience where floating lights, sacred temples, and Thai culture together create an unforgettable celebration of light and harmony.	 TimesofBharat Bharatnheritageandculture e Curlytales Travelandtourworld
10.	Sri Lanka Celebrates Deepavali with Lights, Sweets, and Tradition Date- October 29, 2024 Country- Sri Lanka Occasion- Diwali / Deepavali ● Description- In Sri Lanka, Diwali, locally called Deepavali, is celebrated mainly by the Hindu Tamil community with devotion and joy. Families clean and decorate their homes with kolam designs and oil lamps, prepare special sweets, and visit temples. The festival honors Lord Rama's victory over Ravana, highlighting the triumph of good over evil. ● Celebrations include sharing meals and sweets with neighbors, cultural performances, and beautifully illuminated streets, especially in Colombo. Diwali in Sri Lanka blends tradition, community spirit, and the island's natural beauty, offering a vibrant and memorable festive experience.	 Diwali in Sri Lankan culture Diwali in Sri Lanka blends tradition, community spirit, and the island's natural beauty, offering a vibrant and memorable festive experience. Wellcometosrilanka Bharattoday Travelandtourworld
11.	Indo-Fijian Traditions and Cultural Harmony Mark Diwali in Fiji Date- November 11, 2023 Country- Fiji Occasion- Diwali / Deepavali ● Description- In Fiji, where Bharatns make up about 38% of the population, Diwali has grown from an Indo-Fijian tradition into a nationwide celebration, especially gaining prominence after Fiji's independence from British rule. Observed as a public holiday, the festival is embraced by people of various ethnicities and religions. ● Indo-Fijians celebrate traditional rituals like Choti Diwali, Laxmi Pujan, Bandi Chhor Diwas, Goverdhan Puja, Annakoot, and Bhai	 The Bharatn Sun Times Now Curlytales Travelandtourworld

	Dooj, while blending local Fijian customs, creating a unique Indo-Fijian Diwali. With special meals, sweets, and fireworks, the festival fosters cultural pride, harmony, and the universal spirit of light and togetherness.	
12.	Nepal Celebrates Tihar with Lights, Devotion, and Cultural Splendor Date- November 12, 2023 Country- Nepal Occasion- Tihar / Deepawali / Diwali ● Description- In Nepal, Diwali is known as Tihar or Deepawali and is celebrated for five joyous days, blending devotion and cultural beauty. Like in Bharat, people worship Goddess Lakshmi and Lord Ganesha, seeking blessings for prosperity. Each day of Tihar has special significance cows are honoured on the first day, dogs are worshipped on Kukur Tihar, diyas are lit on the third day to mark Lord Rama's return, and Lord Yama is worshipped on the fourth. ● The festival concludes with Bhai Dooj, celebrating the bond between brothers and sisters. Cities like Kathmandu and Pokhara dazzle with lights, fireworks, and traditional rituals, making Tihar a vibrant celebration of life, harmony, and Nepal's deep-rooted cultural spirit against the scenic beauty of the Himalayas.	Medium How Tihar, analogous to Diwali, is celebrated in Nepal? 5 min read · Nov 12, 2023  Medium Times Now Curlytales Travelandtourworld
13.	Diwali in South Africa Blends Bharatn Traditions with African Warmth Date- November 07, 2023 Country- South Africa Occasion- Diwali / Deepavali ● Description- In South Africa, Diwali is celebrated with immense joy and grandeur, especially in Durban, home to one of the largest Bharatn communities outside Bharat. The festival has become a major cultural event, marked by grand processions, temple visits, fireworks, and public celebrations that bring together people of all backgrounds. Homes glow with rows of diyas, families perform Laxmi Puja, and communities organize music, dance, and food festivals reflecting the blend of Bharatn and African traditions. ● The celebration beautifully symbolizes unity in diversity. Such is its growing significance that discussions have even emerged about making Diwali a national holiday in South Africa. For travelers, it's a unique opportunity to experience how the spirit of light, hope, and togetherness transcends cultures in the heart of Africa.	The Telegraph online Diwali celebrations across South Africa attract tens of thousands over weekend  The Telegraph Hindustantimes Curlytales Travelandtourworld