MEANING
• “Master.”
• One of the most important religious festivals of Sikhs, celebrated to commemorate the birth of Guru Nanak, the first Sikh Guru.

GREETINGS
• “Happy Gurpurab.”

WHEN
• The festival takes place on Kartik Poornima, the 15th lunar day in the month of Kartik according to the Hindu calendar.

COMMON PRACTICES
• Taking holy bath.
• Dressing in traditional clothing and visiting Gurudwaras.
• Reciting verses from Guru Granth Sahib.
• Some take part in Nagarkirtan, a procession of devotees led by five men known as the Panj Pyare. The procession includes a palanquin, the holy book, which is carried and recited from and decorated with flowers and flags.

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Punjabi
Goo·roo NAA·nuhk Gur·pu·rab

• Celebrations begin around 3 a.m. and end at 6 a.m., this may cause participants to find it difficult to participate in activities scheduled the rest of the day.

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Type of Calendar:
Sikh (lunar)