

AMRIT SANSKAAR

ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ

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- Amrit / ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤ
- According to Bhai Kahn Singh in Mahan Kosh:
 - ਇੱਕ ਪੀਣ ਯੋਗਯ ਪਦਾਰਥ, ਜਿਸ ਦੇ ਅਸਰ ਨਾਲ ਮੌਤ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੁੰਦੀ
 - ਦਸ਼ਮੇਸ਼ ਪਿਤਾ ਦਾ ਬਖਸ਼ਿਆ ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਜਲ, ਜੋ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਜਣ ਵੇਲੇ ਛਕਾਇਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ
 - ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ - ਸਿੱਖ ਧਰਮ ਦਾ ਇੱਕ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ (ਖਾਲਸਾ ਸਜਾਉਣ ਦੀ ਰੀਤ)

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- Amrit Sanchaar is the official Sikh Initiation Ceremony
- Also called “Khandey di Pahol” / ਖੰਡੇ ਦੀ ਪਾਹਲ
- Many people also refer to it as Baptism
- Baptism is a Christian sacrament (rite) of admission or adoption
- It is incorrect to call Amrit Ceremony as Baptism

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- After Amrit, a Sikh becomes a Singh
- A person who has taken Amrit is called Khalsa
- Principal Satbir Singh:
- A Sikh is the one that keeps walking difficult and thorny paths successfully, thus completing his journey
- A Singh casts off his laziness, checks the surroundings, then roars to announce itself, and jumps into the arena of battle
- Tenth Guru Sahib called Singh the name of the spiritual Divine Knowledge

- Khalsa / ਖਾਲਸਾ
- According to Bhai Kahn Singh in Mahan Kosh:
 - ਬਿਨਾ ਮਿਲਾਵਟ
 - ਕਹੁ ਕਬੀਰ ਜਨ ਭਏ ਖਾਲਸੇ ਪ੍ਰੇਮ ਭਗਤਿ ਜਿਹ ਜਾਨੀ ॥ (SGGS 654)
 - Says Kabeer, those humble people become pure, those who know the Lord's loving worship
 - ਉਹ ਜਮੀਨ ਜਾ ਮੁਲਕ, ਜੋ ਬਾਦਸ਼ਾਹ ਦਾ ਹੈ
 - ਅਕਾਲੀ ਧਰਮ, ਵਾਹਗੁਰੂ ਜੀ ਕਾ ਖਾਲਸਾ
 - ਖਾਲਸਾ ਧਰਮ ਧਾਰੀ, ਗੁਰੂ ਨਾਨਕ ਪੰਥੀ

- Khalsa / ਖਾਲਸਾ
- In Arabic, Khalsa means the Royal land, which is not the property of anyone else
- Guru Gobind Singh Ji called Khalsa – Akal Purakh ki Fauj
- Bhai Santokh Singh in Gur Partap Sooraj, called Khalsa as the one in whom the worldly life discipline and spiritual life discipline have merged together.

- Khalsa Quotes
- Pincott “In Punjab, such proud and fearless persons were born to protect democracy, who feared only God and who destroyed the age old inhuman shackles of casteism and racism. Who swore before God that for them all human beings were equal. Such adorned Khalsa did not care for man-made divisions of society. They only know that all human beings have equal standing in the brotherhood of humanity.”
- Cunnigham “ Khalsa possesses high thinking, has oneness with God, a chivalrous personality full of ambrosia of life.”
- When Afghans saw Sardar Sham Singh Attari, they exclaimed “It seems as if Allah Himself has also taken Amrit (and become Khalsa).”

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- Significant of Amrit / ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤ

ਸੁਰਿ ਨਰ ਮੁਨਿ ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤ ਖੋਜਦੇ ਸੁ ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤ ਗੁਰ ਤੇ
ਪਾਇਆ (Sggs 917)

For ages, the Angelic beings and sages have searched for the Ambrosial Nectar, this Amrit is obtained from the Guru

- Sikhs are fortunate that our Guru not only administered the Amrit to us, but also told us the procedure to prepare it.
- Our Guru administered us Amrit, and he himself enjoined to take Amrit from the Panj Piyarey

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- History of Amrit / ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤ
- All Gurus had initiation ceremony into Sikhi
- Guru Gobind Singh Ji formalized the initiation ceremony during Vaisakhi of 1699
- Typically Guru's Baani / Gurbaani is called Amrit and the Initiation ceremony is called Khandey Di Pahul
ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤ ਬਾਣੀ ਹਰਿ ਹਰਿ ਤੇਰੀ॥ (Sggs 103)
ਪ੍ਰੀਵਰੁ ਪਾਹੁਲੁ ਖੰਡੇਧਾਰ ਹੋਇ ਜਨਮ ਸੁਰੇਸ਼ਾ ॥ (Vaars)

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- Process of Amrit Sanchaar is written in the Sikh Rehit Maryada (Chapter 13, Article 24)
- All Sikhs should partake Amrit
- Ceremony should be performed in the presence of Guru Granth Sahib by Panj Piyarey
- 5 Baani's that are read:
 - Jap ji Sahib
 - Jaap Sahib
 - Tav Prasad Sawaiye
 - Chaupai Sahib
 - Anand Sahib

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- Baani is read, which Khanda is stirred in iron bowl with water and sugar patasay.
- Men and Women of appropriate age may participate
- Initiated Khalsa should maintain Rehit and avoid Kurehit
- Read Baani's everyday
 - Minimum: Japuji, Jaap, Tav Prasaad Sawaiye, Rehras and Sohilla
- Maintain 5 K's
 - Kes, Kangha, Kara, Kirpaan, Kachera

- Part of Khalsa Panth
- Commit to Individual and Panthic lifestyle
- Commitment to the Guru
- Spiritual Father: Guru Gobind Singh ji
- Spiritual Mother: Mata Sahib Kaur Ji
- Resident of Anandpur Sahib

- 4 Kurehits:
 - Cutting/Trimming of Kes
 - Eating Halal Meat*
 - Adultery
 - Consuming Tobacco/Alcohol
- If a Kurehit is committed, one must make confession to Panj Piyare, and re-partake Amrit