

REVIEW OF LEGENDARY THALAPAKATTI BIRIYANI

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Abstract: Biriyani is a famous Dish in whole of south India, especially in Tamilnadu, when People remembers Biriyani Their mind and taste buds automatically Murmur The word Thalapakatti, this article Pays The Tribute to the founder Mr.Nagasamy and his Son Mr.Dhanabalan and his Grandson Mr.Sathish who Took lot of Pains to Reach heights of hospitality and their Restaurants Gave Plenty of working Opportunities for More Than Thousand Families with high quality of work life, Adding High values to His Small home Town Now It is Famous Across The world and Gives lot Of fame To Tamilnadu By their Restaurants Which Caters to Food Global Economy Served with Rich Cultural Heritage

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INTRODUCTION

The Thalappakatti Biriyani Was Started all the way back to 1957. Founded by Mr. Nagasamy Naidu under the name Anandha Vilas Biriyani Hotel in Dindigul. He always wore a turban called THALAPA(a traditional head dress), which over the years became synonymous with his brand and cooking styles, leading him to earn the nick name “Thalappakatti Naidu” which would eventually became the name of the brand and restaurants. Right from the beginning, he always emphasized on taste and ensured that the Biriyani made at his hotel was both delicious and unique. This was achieved and still is by meticulous selection of ingredients prepared from quality masala products. Biriyani was prepared using superior quality Seeraga samba rice, known as Parakkum sattu and meat obtained from top-class breeds of cattle particularly found in the famous cattle-markets of Kannivadi and Paramathi.

The unswerving nature and mouth-watering taste of Thalappakatti Biriyani can be attributed to the fact that all the ingredients were prepared by Thalappakatti Naidu, himself and took great care in doing so. He also prepared a palatable dish know as “Dalcha” (a useful combination dish with Biriyani) by making use of mutton bones and adding vegetables like brinjals, potato, thoor and dhal to it. Despite its roots going back 50 years, his cookery style and secrets passed down to his family members are followed strictly meticulously and thereby have ensured that the “Thalappakatti Biriyani” taste remains unchanged.High quality and taste are of prime importance, and because of this the brand of Biriyani and other food products have attained widespread popularity all across South India. There are numerous articles published in different journals about our Biriyani and other food products. As a result of our efforts, the word “Thalappakatti” for a common man in South India today refers to High Quality Biriyani.Politicians, former Chief Ministers of South India and South Indian cinema legends have all experienced the flavour of Thalappakatti Biriyani. The Great South Indian cinema Legend Sivaji Ganesan who on visiting his farm house at soorakottai would always stop at Dindigul Thalappakatti Biriyani without fail.

Thalappakatti Biriyani has been delighting people from the rich to the poor for the last 50 year



Started as a Betel nut shop, Mr. Nagasamy Naidu took the chance of opening a small 4-seater hotel which made him realise that his wife's unique style of biriyani had potential to go places. Started by serving his locality, the biriyani brought in many fans from the neighbouring cities. A special blend of spices is used for the biryani. A type of short grain seeraga samba rice, called Parakkum Sittu and Kannivadi meat which comes from tender grass-fed goats makes the taste distinct. This rice, unlike basmati has no taste of its own, so it completely absorbs the flavours of the spices. Dindigul Thalappakatti offers a sophisticated dining experience for those seeking to explore beyond the ordinary and discover the full potential of south-indian dining experience. Promising an elite experience, each table will have a designated 'captain' that provides personalised service to the regal guests. We have carefully handpicked the staff from all over India and have been given special training.

Soup



Veg Spring Roll



Chicken Starter



Mutton Starter



South Indian Chicken Starter



Barbeque Chicken Starter



Sea Food Starter



Barbeque Sea Food Starter



Biriyani Cuisine



Veg Biriyani Cuisine



Idiyappam



Mutton Gravy



Chicken Gravy



Veg Gravy



Indian Bread



Dosa



Noodles & Fried Rice



Desserts



Thalappakatti Special



Bucket Biriyani



Meals



Egg



Kuchi Mutton



Mutton Cravy



Kola Urundai



Black Pepper Chicken



JETIR

Chilli Chicken



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California dreamin'

With its foreign antecedents and home-grown aroma, biryani has conquered the world. Now, Dindigul Thalappakatti has taken its version, starring seeraga samba, to the US

— SHONALI MUTHALALY

Last week, a familiar scent filled a new restaurant at McCarthy Ranch Plaza, in Milpitas, California. The South Indians gathered patiently inside, all hankering for a taste of home, took a deep appreciative breath. Practically every table ordered the same item off the menu: biryani chunky with tender mutton and sticky seeraga samba rice.

Judging by social media reviews of the 400 people who ate on the first day, most were delighted about the launch of this American outpost offering typical Southern Tamil Nadu biryani. Or "namma oru biryani" as one commentator put it on the restaurant's Facebook page.

From a tiny eight-seater restaurant in Dindigul in 1957 to a high-powered chain of 42 restaurants serving about 2.5 lakh customers across the world everyday, Dindigul Thalappakatti has come a long way. Back in Chennai, owner D Nagasamy settles down to chat about his rapidly expanding empire at his Anna Salai restaurant (one of 24 he has in Chennai) over a bowl of fragrant biryani teamed with cups of sweet, milky chai.

"We are still using my grandmother's recipe, nothing has been changed... Well, except the method of cooking. Because we now make 1,500 kilos of biryani a day in the central kitchen in Chennai alone. And 2,000 kilos on weekends. However, we still use the same spices: cinnamon, cardamom, cloves, all hand-ground on stones with a little water to maximise flavour."

Rice and spice
The biryani is now made in a largely automated central kitchen. "For every kilogram of rice, we use 10 grams of the spice blend. The spices are put along with onions, garlic and water into a machine to be made into a masala. It takes three hours for each cycle. At full capacity, the machine can yield 450 litres of the biryani masala. Mutton and rice are added after this."

Nagasamy pauses for a few seconds to do the math. "That much masala makes 7,000 biryanis." Which means they still have plenty of bandwidth for expansion in Chennai. Determined to standardise flavour despite the burgeoning number of restaurants, the team is particular about ingredients and technique. The meat comes



The taste of home D Nagasamy says there are plans to expand the brand across West Asia and Tamil Nadu. — SHONALI MUTHALALY



WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT DINDIGUL BIRYANI?

According to legend, the water from Kamarajar Lake in Athoor enhances the flavours of the biryani made in Dindigul.

Traditionally, it is prepared with a superior seeraga samba rice, known as parakkum sattu.

The meat comes from top-class breeds of cattle found in the famous cattle-markets of Kannivadi and Paramathi.

from Kannivadi, from tender grass-fed goats. (Kannivadi is a small town in Dindigul district.) The rice is a type of short grain seeraga samba, called parakkum sattu, from Tiruchi and Thuraiyur. Cinnamon comes from Theni. Combined, they create a unique style of biryani, popular in Southern Tamil Nadu. Which is why, for the past 10 years, most of their expansion has been in the State. "If you serve basmati biryani in Tiruchi, people won't accept it. They want seeraga samba," Nagasamy says.

Turban tales
Business was given an unexpected fillip by a rash of trademark name, and now-iconic logo of a

turban, to advertise. "When my grandfather opened his restaurant in 1957 serving my grandmother's biryani, his customers began to call it thalapakatti because he wore a turban, so that became our logo," says Nagasamy, discussing how he advertised his first restaurant in Chennai (Anna Nagar) in 2008. A number of other establishments then sprung up, following the same theme. "At one point, there were 70 restaurants using some version of 'thalapakatti' in their name." Nagasamy finally went to court against Chennai-based Rawther Thalappakatti Biryani. Both sides defended their right to use the name and turban in a long-drawn legal battle from 2008 to 2013. Fi-

nally, the Intellectual Property Appellate Board ruled in favour of Dindigul's Thalappakatti, stating that Rawther's version - 'Thalappakatti' - did not have a significant phonetic difference. Nagasamy says the episode turned out to be an advantage. "By 2013, everyone had heard about us." Leading the way into the kitchen, past sacks of charcoal, bubbling kadais and vats of payasam topped with puddles of golden ghee, Nagasamy carefully lifts a cloth-covered lid on a large pot of biryani, which has just arrived from the central kitchen.

Chamber of flavours
The room is enveloped in a steamy fog of cardamom, cinnamon and ghee. He uses an oversized spoon to gently stir the meaty rice. "This rice is easily digestible. It absorbs flavours so it's very tasty. And we traditionally make the biryani with boneless mutton as it's easy to cook and eat." Last year, he opened restaur-



BY ANOTHER NAME
Tahari is a vegetarian version of biryani, prepared by adding potatoes to rice. In Kashmir, it is sold as street food and the dish became popular during World War II, when meat was a rarity.

INTERESTING HIDDEN FACTS

Earlier days people use to stand in the Queues to Get the top layer of the Dum Biriyani which cures their Stomach ailment, because the special Ingredients used is pure ghee, Elachi, Cinnamon, Cloves, Pepper, High quality of Cashew nuts, Each Ingredient is unique and which got its own Medicinal values, which contribute more to Healthy Eating Habits, Moreover they are not using Artificial colours.

ONLINE TIE-UPS

They have tied up with International Food delivery Platforms like SWIGGY, ZOMATO, UBEREATS, FOOD PANDA, GO GRAB. This Table clearly indicates the amount of Biriyani orders delivered Via International Food Tie ups

Branch	DT Online order	Zomoto Online order	SWIGGY Online order	Uber eats	Food Panda
	No of Orders	No of Orders	No of Orders	No of Orders	No of Orders
DINDIGUL REGION					
DINDIGUL	500	100	0	0	0
THENI	200		0	0	0
MADURAI KK NAGAR	100	412	574	0	117
MADURAI Kalavasal	100	382	414	0	103
KARUR	100	0	0	0	0
PALANI	300	0	0	0	0
TRICHY	220	0	643	0	0
TOTAL	1520	894	1631	0	220
NAGARCOIL REGION					
NAGARCOIL	183	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	183	0	0	0	0
COIMBATORE REGION					
COIMBATORE	48	53	1167	0	81
TIRUPPUR	68	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	116	53	1167	0	81
PUDUCHERY REGION					
PUDUCHERY	14	105	1321	0	109
TOTAL	14	105	1321	0	109
BANGLORE REGION					
BLR - INDRA NGR	220	691	1808	893	
BLR - MG ROAD	300	272	1170		
TOTAL	0	963	2978	893	

Source : Obtained From Internal Records

Recipient Awards







CELEBRITY'S VISIT TO THE LEGENDRY CHAIN





This Table below indicates the highest Consumption of Biryani and other starters in the outlets.

Sample Value Of Legendary Biryani Report

S.NO	ITEMS	AN	NBM	T.N	VEL	PA	B.N	DLF	ASK
1	MUTTON BRIYANI (BONE)	250	302	410	520	152	256	136	185
2	MUTTON BIRYANI	348	264	264	516	180	252	60	480
3	CHICKEN BRIYANI	264	216	276	528	204	216	24	336
4	NATTUKOZHI BIRIYANI	50	65	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	KUSHKA	140	150	220	290	160	210	20	330
6	MUTTON CHUKKA	10	15	25	35	15	20	5	25
7	MUTTON CHOPS GRAVY	6	6	8	10	5	6	0	12
8	MUTTON MASALA	2	2	2	3	2	2	0	5
9	LIVER	2	2	3	5	2	2	0	6
10	BRAIN ROAST	3	4	4	6	3	3	0	6
11	PRAWN THOKKU	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	3
12	MATTI FISH KULAMBU	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
13	CHICKEN VARUVAL	6	11	11	15	5	11	0	15
14	CHICKEN CHOPS	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	2
15	KATTABOMAN CHICKEN	3	3	3	5	3	3	0	4
16	KODAIKANAL CHICKEN KULAMBU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	CHICKEN LEG PEPPER MASALA	0	2	1	3	2	1	0	2
18	CHICKEN B/L CHUKKA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	PALLIPALYAM CHICKEN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	FISH CHUKKA	2	2	2	3	2	2	0	3
21	NATTUKOZHI CHUKKA	2	2	2	3	2	2	0	3
22	MUTTON NALLI CHOPS GRAVY	4	4	5	10	5	6	0	10
23	CHICKEN VARUVAL KULAMBU	6	8	8	13	8	9	0	12
24	KUCHI MUTTON	2	3	3	4	3	3	0	5
25	CHICKEN VARUTHA CURRY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	THEEPORI LOLIPOP	2	2	2	3	2	2	0	5
27	KIDNEY FRY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	KUDAL FRY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	THALACURRY FRY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	AATTUKAL SOUP	6	6	9	11	8	8	0	16
31	AATTUKAL PAYA	4	6	6	8	4	7	0	8
32	NATTUKOZHI CHOPS GRAVY	4	5	5	6	4	5	0	7
33	NATTUKOZHI SOUP	7	6	6	10	6	5	0	14
34	CHICKEN 65 B/L	115	125	100	225	75	125	0	155
35	CHICKEN 65 BONE (DLF)	10	10	10	25	8	10	45	20
36	MUTTON KOLA	10	10	10	10	10	10	0	10

37	DHALCHA	3	5	5	8	4	4	2	7
38	MUTTON BONE KULAMBU	51	46	46	100	36	48	18	65
39	ONION RAITHA	46	41	41	85	31	36	10	55
40	DOSA MIX	22	25	25	25	20	20	5	26
41	CURD	0	2	0	0	0	2	2	0
42	CURD RICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
43	VEG KURMA	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
44	RASAM(MORNING & EVENING)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
45	GRAVY VEG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
46	GRAVY BONE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
47	PORIYAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
48	SPL SAMPAR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
49	SPL RASAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50	SPL KARAKULAMBU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
51	SPL PORIYAL & KOOTU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
52	TIFFEN SAMPAR	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3
53	CHUTNEY RED	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	2
54	CHUTNEY MALLI	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	2
55	KESARI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56	CARROT HALWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
57		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
58		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
59		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
60		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL								
	MB-BONE								0
	MB-B/L								1700
	CB								1600
	NKB								0
	VB								3300

Source : Obtained From Internal Records

OUTLETS

National Outlets

1. Parrys

New No.229, Old No.372,375,N.S.C. Bose Road,George Town,Chennai - 600001,Tamil Nadu India

2. Mount Road

87/3, Varna Towers,Anna Salai,Chennai - 600002,Tamil Nadu India

3. Nungambakkam

142, Ground Floor,Mahatma Gandhi Road,Nungambakkam,Chennai - 600012,Tamil Nadu India

- 4. Anna Nagar**
F-11, 2nd Main Road, Anna Nagar East, Near Valliammal College, Chennai - 600012, Tamil Nadu India
- 5. Perambur**
Plot No. 55 Ground Floor, Jawahar Nagar, Chennai - 600082, Tamil Nadu, India
- 6. T.Nagar**
27, Venkatanarayana Road, T.Nagar, Chennai - 600017, Tamil Nadu India
- 7. Shanthi Colony**
AJ-213, 4th Avenue, Shanthi Colony, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600040, Tamil Nadu India
- 8. Ashok Nagar**
B-211, 11th Avenue, Ashok Nagar, Chennai - 600083, Tamil Nadu India
- 9. Besant Nagar**
No.36, II Main Road, No.35N, 5th Avenue, Besant Nagar, Chennai - 600090, Tamil Nadu India
- 10. Mogappair West**
3/701, 1st Ave, Main Road, Mogappair West, Chennai - 600037, Tamil Nadu India
- 11. Guindy**
New No.2, Old No.1, Venu Reddy Street, Guindy, Chennai - 600032, Tamil Nadu India
- 12. Ramapuram**
No. 55, Mount Poonamalle High Road, Ramapuram, Chennai - 600087, Tamil Nadu India
- 13. DLF I.T Park**
Block 5, Ground Floor, DLF IT Park, 1/124, Mount Poonamallee Road, Shivaji Garden, Manapakkam, Chennai - 600089, Tamil Nadu India
- 14. Velachery**
38/1, 100 Feet by Pass Road, Velachery, Chennai - 600042, Tamil Nadu India
- 15. Porur**
New No. 21A, Arcot Road, Porur, Chennai - 600116, Tamil Nadu India
- 16. Ambattur**
Door No:12, MTH Road, opp. vivekananda school, Thirumulaivail, LVR Towers, Chennai - 600062
- 17. ECR**
No.47, ECR High Road, Vettuvankeni, Chennai - 600115, Tamil Nadu India
- 18. Chennai International Airport - Arrival**
Airport Terminal Link, Meenambakkam, Chennai, Tamil Nadu 600016
- 19. Chennai International Airport - Departure**
Chennai International Airport, Meenambakkam, Meenambakkam, Chennai, Tamil Nadu 600016
- 20. OMR**
Plot No. 18, 19 & 20, Vinayak Avenue, Okkiyam Thoraippakkam, OMR High Road, Chennai - 600097, Tamil Nadu India
- 21. Chromepet**
No.165, G.S.T Road, Chromepet, Chennai - 600044, Tamil Nadu India
- 22. Medavakkam**
24, Velachery - Tambaram Main Road, Medavakkam, Chennai - 600100, Tamil Nadu India
- 23. Poonamalee**
No.479, Bengaluru High Way, Nazarathpet, Poonamalee, Chennai - 600123, Tamil Nadu India
- 24. Selaiyur**
No.208, Velachery Main Road, Selaiyur Junction, Selaiyur, Chennai - 600073, Tamil Nadu India
- 25. Tambaram**
Old No. 104, New No. 26, Kadaperi, Tambaram, Chennai - 600045, Tamil Nadu India
- 26. Navalur**
No. 3 & 4, OMR, Opp. OMR Food Street, Navalur, Chennai - 603103, Tamil Nadu India
- 27. Vandalur**
Plot 2&3 Bharathidasan Street, Kelambakkam Village, Vandalur, Chennai - 600 048, Tamil Nadu, India
- 28. Kanchipuram**
No.610 & 610A, JJ Nagar, Bangalore - Chennai National Highway, Enathur Village, Kanchipuram - 631561, Tamil Nadu India

29. Pondicherry

D.No.108, Kamaraj Salai (Near Balaji Theatre), Puducherry - 60501 India

30. Kattukuppam, Pondicherry

Kattukuppam, Puducherry - 607402 India

31. Ambur

5, Govindapuram, MC Road, Ambur, Vellore District, Tamil Nadu, India

32. Ulundurpet

Ulundurpet,

33. Bengaluru - Indranagar

1st Floor, No 2021, 100 Feet Road, HAL 2nd Stage, Indranagar, Bengaluru - 560008 India

34. Bengaluru - HSR Layout

HSR Layout No 1, Third Floor, Sector 7, 14th Main Road, Near BDA Complex, Bengaluru - 560102 Karnataka

35. Trichy

Near Ravi Mini Hall, Chatram Bus Stand, Karur Road, Trichy - 620002, Tamil Nadu India

36. Namakkal

235/2B 1B, Main Road, Keerambur, Near Toll Gate, Namakkal - 637207, Tamil Nadu, India

37. Karur

New No.174 & 176, Kovai Road, Karur - 639001, Tamil Nadu India

38. Tiruppur

5E, Municipal Office Street, near valarmathi bus stop, Tiruppur 641604, Tamil Nadu India

39. Dindigul Collector Office

No.643/2A, Near Anjali Roundana, Thadikombu Road, Palaniappa Nagar, Dindigul - 624001, Tamil Nadu India

40. Bathalagundu

Meenakshi Nursery Garden, Kodaikanal Road, Bathalagundu - 624202, Tamil Nadu India

41. Dindigul R.S. Road

D.No.11&12, St. Joseph Church Campus, Dindigul - 624001, Tamil Nadu India

42. Ottanchathiram

D.No.1025C, 1/4, V.S.R Building, Society Colony, Ottanchathiram, Dindigul - 624619, Tamil Nadu India

43. Dharapuram

No 23-F, Bypass Road, Dharapuram,

44. Palani

South Anna Nagar, Palani, Tamil Nadu,

45. Madurai

1, Melur Main Road, Vinayagar Nagar, KK Nagar, Madurai - 625020, Tamil Nadu India

46. Madurai-Kalavasal

No:22-A, Jayasakthi Hotel, Bypass Road, Kalavasal, Madurai - 625016,

47. Coimbatore

7th Cross Cut Road, Gandhipuram, Coimbatore - 641012, Tamil Nadu, India

48. Theni

345E, Nehruji Road, Allinagaram, Near Aravind Eye Hospital, Theni - 625531, Tamil Nadu, India

49. Nagercoil

No. 14A, K.P Road, Nagercoil - 629 001,

International Outlets**1. Sri Lanka**

No. 8, De Fonseka Place, Bambala Pitty, Colombo - 4, Sri Lanka

2. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

130, Jalan Tun Sambanthan, Brickfields, 50470 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

3. Malaysia

No.59, Leboh Ampang, City Center, Kuala Lumpur - 50100, Malaysia

4. Singapore

195, Kitchener Road, Singapore - 208535, Singapore

5. Dubai

Shop No.9, Al Sherouq Building,20 B Street,AL Karama,Dubai,UAE

6. Paris

#176, Rue Du Faubourg,Saint Denis,Paris - 75010,France

7. California, USA

McCarthy Ranch Plaza, 252, Ranch Drive, Milpitas, California- 95035, USA

Conclusion

This article clearly deprives Peoples crave towards their favourite Biryani, Because of Their Hygiene Production and Their Standards of Service The legendry Biryani Always remain Top Position in Chennai and Remains Unchanged In number One position As Per their Verdict And Peoples Acceptance “**Biryani Means Thalapakatti** ” AND “**Thalapakatti Means**’ Biryani .

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