## **Niaism**

Niaism was made a long time ago, It was founded by the most powerful animal in the world. She was a black cat. Her name was Nia. She had the softest and most magical fur ever. When you felt her fur it was like falling in love, the softness of her fur would cause you to fall asleep. When you would wake up you would find yourself in a temple. It was all black and gold, there was cat decoracion everywhere. When you looked in any direction you would see a cat hanging from a cat tree. All this magic was so powerful that they had to be hidden, so the people in the cat tempel started to gather in people to make a religion with them called Niaism. And people joined it everywhere in the world.

Suvi the goddess, she was beautiful, her clothes were silky and all black. She was dressed in a long flowy dress that had short sleeves. And she had the most beautiful golden necklace, it was carved with the faces of all the cats that had been the temples. Some faces are miserable, some are excited. Suvi had beautiful gray hair, it was long, it hit the end of her back. Her hair was wavy like the ocean on a nice day. Suvi was sweet, she loved to welcome people in with her warm hugs, but when you got her upset she would punish you. Suvi would put you in what was called the "codzled" it was the coldest area in the temple, she would put you in there for 2 days minimum.

The major ritual practiced in Niaism is called the Siaivuved, this ritual starts on the 1st of May and it ends on the 3rd of May. For these 3 days you have a diet of only chicken, rice, salmon, turkey, and berries. When you wake up you eat one meal that contains berries and maybe rice. Once you finish eating your breakfast you go to the closest temple and do the ritual of praying to the god Suvi for good luck. You pray until lunch when you eat turkey and rice with the whole family and say the things you're grateful for in your life. Once you finish lunch you go on a hike down the Valia trail to the waterfall where you dip your feet in and pray again to Suvi this time to make sure you're well protected. Then you walk back not talking, just admiring the beautiful nature. Once you get to dinner you can either eat chicken or salmon as your meat, with rice or berries if you want. After dinner you brush your teeth, and spend time with your family until you go to bed.

When a friend or family member dies in Niaism to show them your love you bury them in a graveyard. Once they have been buried everyone brings their favorite flower along with a cat statue of any size. The people of Niaism believe that when someone dies they go to the temple of Suvi and live there until it hits 9 years and then they go back to earth.

The holy book in Niaism is called the Savili.