

* indicates days which may be dependent on moonsighting or commencing at sundown the previous day listed.

| January | DATE | HOLY DAY/FESTIVAL/CELEBRATION/SIGNIFICANCE | COMMUNITY | Synopsis |
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| | 1 | New Year's Day | Christian | New Year's Day is the first day of the Gregorian calendar and is often celebrated by fireworks and parades. |
| | 1-2 | Feast of St Basil | Orthodox Christian | St Basil is considered one of the great leaders and thinkers of the Orthodox Christian church. In many Greek homes, a special cake is baked on the eve of St Basil's Day with a gold or silver coin hidden inside. Similar traditions exist for Western Christian Churches. |
| | 4 | World Braille Day | Community | Braille is a tactile representation of alphabetic and numerical symbols using six dots to represent each letter and number, and even musical, mathematical and scientific symbols. Braille (named after its inventor in 19th century France, Louis Braille) is used by blind and partially sighted people to read the same books and periodicals as those printed in a visual font. Braille is essential in the context of education, freedom of expression and opinion, as well as social inclusion, as reflected in article 2 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. |
| | 5 | Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh Ji | Sikh | Sikh communities celebrate the birthday of the 10th Guru, Guru Gobind Singh (born in 1666). His birth is considered an auspicious day in the Hindu calendar, which differs from the Julian calendar. |
| | 6 | Epiphany | Christian | Epiphany commemorates the manifestation of God in human form as Jesus Christ. |
| | 6 | Armenian Christmas Day | Armenian Orthodox Christian | The Armenian Church celebrates Christmas on this day. |
| | 7 | The Holy Nativity Feast (Nativity of Christ) | Orthodox Christian | Eastern Orthodox Churches that use the Julian Calendar celebrate Christmas on this day, with some traditions observing a week-long period of holidays from 1 January. |
| | 9 | Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh Ji | Sikh | Sikh communities celebrate the birthday of the 10th Guru, Guru Gobind Singh (born in 1666). His birth is considered an auspicious day in the Hindu calendar, which differs from the Julian calendar. |
| | 14 | Thai Pongal | Hindu | Thai Pongal is a multi-day Hindu harvest festival celebrated by Tamils in India and Sri Lanka. It is observed at the start of the month Tai according to Tamil solar calendar, and this is typically about January 14. It is dedicated to the Hindu sun god Surya. |
| | 14 | Orthodox New Year | Orthodox Christian | The Old New Year or the Orthodox New Year is an informal traditional holiday, celebrated as the start of the New Year by the Julian calendar. In the 20th and 21st centuries, the Old New Year falls on January 14 in the Gregorian calendar. |
| | 16 | World Religion Day | Interfaith | Observed in over 80 countries, the aim of World Religion Day is to foster interfaith understanding and harmony by emphasising the common elements underlying all religions. |
| | 18-20 | Mahayana New Year* | Buddhist | The Buddhist New Year depends on the country of origin or ethnic background of the people. In Mahayana countries the new year starts on first full moon day in January. A time to reflect on the past & cleanse oneself from prior year's sins, making a fresh start. |
| | 22 | Chinese Lunar New Year (also Vietnamese Lunar New Year and Korean Lunar New Year) | Chinese, Korea, Vietnam, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, The Philippines | |
| | 24 | International Day of Education | Community | |
| | 26 | Australia Day | Community | Australia Day is the official national day of Australia. |
| | 26 | Vasant Panchami | Hindu and Sikh | Vasant Panchami, also called Saraswati Puja in honor of the Hindu goddess Saraswati, is a festival that marks the preparation for the arrival of spring. The festival is celebrated in Indian religions in different ways depending on the region |
| | 27 | International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust | UN | United Nations General Assembly Resolution 60/7 that established the Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme, also designated 27 January as an annual International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust |
| February | 1-7 | World Interfaith Harmony Week | UN | World Interfaith Harmony Week is an annual event observed during the first week of February, after General Assembly designation in 2010. The General Assembly pointed out that mutual understanding and interreligious dialogue constitute important dimensions of a culture of peace and established World Interfaith Harmony Week as a way to promote harmony between all people regardless of their faith. |
| | 4 | World Cancer Day | WHO | World Cancer Day is an international day marked on 4 February to raise awareness of cancer and to encourage its prevention, detection, and treatment. World Cancer Day is led by the Union for International Cancer Control to support the goals of the World Cancer Declaration, written in 2008. |
| | 6 | Tu B'Shevat (Arbor Day) | Jewish | |
| | 11 | International Day of Women and Girls in Science | Community | Promoting women and girls' full and equal access to, and participation in, science. |
| | 13 | Anniversary of National Apology to Australia's Indigenous Peoples | Community | 13 February 2008 was the first formal national recognition and acknowledgment of past atrocities, and a step towards restitution for the Stolen Generations, their families and the Aboriginal and Torres Islander community. |
| | 18 | Lailat al Miraj | Islam | |
| | 22 | Ash Wednesday | Christian | |
| March | 1 | Zero Discrimination Day | Community | Celebrating diversity, promoting tolerance and rejecting discrimination in all its forms. |
| | 1 | International Wheelchair Day | Community | International Wheelchair Day is always 1st March and is an annual day of events and activities which take place around the World when wheelchair users celebrate the positive impact a wheelchair has on their lives. |
| | 2 | Ash Wednesday | Christian | Lent is the period of 40 days which comes before Easter in the Christian calendar, traditionally a time of fasting and reflection. It begins with Ash Wednesday. |
| | 6 | Labour Day | Community | Labour Day, also known as Eight Hours Day in Tasmania and May Day in the Northern Territory, commemorates the granting of the eight-hour working day for Australians. It also recognizes workers' contributions towards the nation's economy. It is an annual public holiday and its date varies across the states and territories. |
| | 7 | Purim* | Jewish | Purim commemorates the time when the Jewish people living in the ancient Achaemenid Persian empire were saved from extermination by the courage of a young Jewish woman called Esther and her uncle and adviser named Mordechai. |
| | 8 | International Women's Day | Community | Recognising the cultural, political and socioeconomic achievements of women. |
| | 8-10 | Hola Mohalla | Sikh | Hola Mohalla, also called Hola, is a three-day long Sikh festival which normally falls in March. It takes place on the second day of the lunar month of Chett, a day after the Hindu spring festival Holi but sometimes coincides with Holi. Hola Mohalla is a big festive event for Sikhs around the world |
| | 15-21 | Harmony Week | Community | An opportunity for all Western Australians to celebrate our vibrant multicultural State. |
| | 17 | National Close the Gap Day | Community | Increasing awareness of, and taking meaningful action towards, achieving equality for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by 2030. |
| | 17 | St Patrick's Day | Irish | This day is Ireland's National Day. St Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland and brought Christianity to Ireland in the early days of the faith. |
| | 18 | Holi (Festival of Colours) | Hindu | Holi is a boisterous festival with people smearing each other with coloured water and bright powders. Originally a festival to celebrate good harvests and fertility of the land, Holi also commemorates some key figures in Hindu mythology. |
| | 19 | Lailat al Bara'ah* | Islam | On this night, God approaches the Earth to call humanity and to grant forgiveness of sins. Shia and Sunni interpretations may vary on the meaning of this date. |
| | 20-21 | Naw-Ruz (Baha'i New Year) | Baha'i | This is the Baha'i New Year, marking the first day in the Baha'i calendar. The festival is usually observed with meetings for prayer and celebration, often combined with a feast at the sunset before Naw-Ruz, which signals the end of a 19-day fast. |
| | 21 | International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination | Community | The Universal Declaration of Human Rights affirms that "all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights". The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is an opportunity to reflect on our collective responsibility for promoting and protecting this ideal. |
| | 21 | Naw Ruz New Year | Middle Eastern (Iran, Afghanistan, Iraq, and others in the Black Sea basin, the Balkans, the Caucasus and western, central and southern Asia) | Naw Ruz is the Baha'i New Year which coincides with the vernal equinox. The inception of the Baha'i calendar was on 21 March 1844 CE with the declaration of the Bab, the Prophet-Herald of the Baha'i Faith. |
| | 22 | Hindu New Year (various names) | Hindu | |
| | 23 | Ramadan starts (subject to moonsighting) | Islam | The holy month of Ramadan begins with the first light of dawn commemorating the revelation of the Qur'an to the Prophet Muhammad. Throughout this month Muslims fast during daylight hours, celebrate an evening meal with family and friends, pray fervently and show charity to the poor. |
| | 30 | Rama Navami | Hindu | Hindu festival celebrating the birth of Lord Rama, the seventh incarnation of the Hindu God Vishnu and hero of the religious epic poem 'The Ramayana'. |
| | 31 | Transgender Day of Visibility | Community | Trans Day of Visibility is an annual international celebration of trans pride and awareness, recognising trans and gender diverse experiences and achievements. |
| April | 1 | Kha b-Nissan (also known as Akitu) (Assyrian and Chaldean New Year) | Indigenous Assyrians of northern Iraq, north-eastern Syria, south-eastern Turkey and north-western Iran. | The first of April marks Akitu—the Assyrian New Year, commonly referred to as Kha b'Nissan. It is the most important Assyrian national holiday, and its celebration is one of the many links between ancient and modern Assyrians. |
| | 2 | World Autism Awareness Day | Community | World Autism Awareness Day is an internationally recognized day annually on April 2nd, encouraging Member States of the United Nations to take measures to raise awareness about people with ASD throughout the world. It was designated by the United Nations General Assembly resolution. |
| | 2-8 | Holy Week | Christian | Holy week is the last week before Easter. It begins with Palm Sunday (commemoration of the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem) and includes Maundy Thursday (commemoration of the first Lord's Supper), Good Friday (commemoration of the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus Christ) and finishes on Easter Saturday (the one full day that Jesus Christ's body laid in the tomb). |
| | 4 | Mahavir Jayanti | Jainism | Celebrates the birth of Lord Mahavira, the 24th and last Tirthankar (enlightened spiritual Master) in Jainism. Images of Lord Mahavira are paraded through the streets while performing rituals and preaching about Lord Mahavira's teachings. |

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| | 6-8 Theravada New Year | Buddhist | The Buddhist New Year depends on the country of origin or ethnic background of the people. In Theravadin countries (i.e., Thailand, Burma, Sri Lanka, Cambodia, and Lao) the new year is celebrated for three days from the first full moon day in April. |
| | 6-13 Pesach/Passover | Jewish | An eight-day festival for families and communities to remember the time when Hebrew slaves were led by Moses out of Egypt to freedom. The festival begins with the Seder meal during which time the story of their deliverance is told. The first and last two days are holidays. Also known as Passover. |
| | 7 World Health Day | Community | It is celebrated annually and each year draws attention to a specific health topic of concern to people all over the world. |
| | 7 Good/Holy Friday | Christian | Commemoration of the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus Christ. |
| | 8-16 Youth Week WA | Community | Celebrating the contributions and achievements of people aged 10 to 25 years in Western Australia. |
| | 9 Easter Sunday | Christian | The resurrection of Jesus Christ following his death by crucifixion. |
| | 10 Easter Monday | Christian | |
| | 14 Baisakhi (Vaisakhi) | Sikh | Marks the founding of the Khalsa (the Brotherhood of the Pure) in 1699 CE by Guru Gobind Singh. The Khalsa is the collective body of all baptised Sikhs who carry the five articles of the faith - Kesh (uncut hair), Kirpan (ceremonial sword), Kara (steel bracelet), Kanga (comb) and Kaccha (undershorts). |
| | 14 Orthodox Good Friday | Easter/Pascha | Commemoration of the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus Christ. |
| | 15 Orthodox Holy Saturday | Easter/Pascha | |
| | 16 Easter/Pascha | Orthodox Christian | The resurrection of Jesus Christ following his death by crucifixion. |
| | 17 Lailat al Qadr * | Islam | First revelation of Qur'an (Islamic scriptures) to Prophet Muhammad in 610 CE. Also known as 'Night of Power/Destiny'. |
| | 18 Yom HaShoah* (Holocaust Remembrance Day) | Jewish | Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) is a day set aside to remember the six million Jews who died as victims of the Nazis during World War II and emphasizes respect for human dignity. Observed by many people of Jewish and other faiths. |
| | 21 Ridvan* (first day) | Baha'i | Baha'i commemoration of the twelve-day period that Baha'u'llah, the founder of the Baha'i faith, spent in the Garden of Ridvan in the last days of his exile in Baghdad, and publicly proclaimed His mission as God's messenger for this age. The first, ninth and twelfth days are celebrated as holy days and work is suspended. |
| | 21-22 Eid al-Fitr* | Islam | An important religious holiday celebrated by Muslims worldwide that celebrates the end of Ramadan, the Islamic holy month of fasting. Also known as the festival of the 'Breaking of the Fast'. |
| | 24 Lesbian Visibility Week (24 to 30 April) | Community | Lesbian Visibility Week aims to show our solidarity with all LGBTQI woman and non binary people in the community, as well as celebrate lesbians. It is essential that Lesbian Visibility Week is a voice for unity and lifts up ALL women, especially those who come from marginalised communities. |
| | 25 Anzac Day | Community | Anzac Day is the solemn day of remembrance of those Australian and New Zealand Army Corps soldiers who have fought and died for their country, and is marked annually on the anniversary of the Gallipoli campaign of the First World War. |
| | 26 International Guide Dog Day | Community | A day to celebrate the important role Guide Dogs play in supporting people all around the world. |
| | 28 World Day for Safety and Health at Work | Community | A day to promote the prevention of occupational accidents and diseases globally. It is an awareness-raising campaign intended to focus international attention on the magnitude of the problem and on how promoting and creating a safety and health culture can help reduce the number of work-related deaths and injuries. |
| May | 5 Vesak / Buddha Day | Buddhist | Vesak (Wesak) is the major Buddhist festival, celebrating the birth, enlightenment, and death of the Buddha. Also known as 'Vishakha Puja' or 'Buddha's Day'. The dates of this celebration vary significantly among Buddhist cultures and communities. |
| | 15 International Day of Families | Community | International Family Day – May 15, 2023. U.S. Founded by the United Nations (UN) in 1994, the International Day of Families is observed every May 15 to honor the importance of families. Families—both traditional and non-traditional—are the foundation of society. |
| | 17 International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia and Transphobia (IDAHOBIT) | Community | Celebrating people of diverse sex, sexualities and genders; and raising awareness to end discrimination. |
| | 18 Global Accessibility Awareness Day | Community | The purpose of GAAD is to get everyone talking, thinking and learning about digital access and inclusion, and the more than One Billion people with disabilities/impairments. |
| | 18 Ascension of Jesus | Orthodox Christian | |
| | 21 World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development | Community | Recognising cultural diversity, and how cultures and civilisations are critical enablers of sustainable development and inclusive workplaces. |
| | 24 Declaration of the Bab* | Baha'i | The Baha'i commemorates when the Bab, the herald of the Baha'i Faith, announced in Shiraz, Persia (now Iran), that he was the herald of a new messenger of God. |
| | 25-27 Shavuot | Jewish | Shavuot, also known as Feast of Weeks, commemorates the anniversary of the day God gave the Torah and Commandments to the nation of Israel assembled at Mount Sinai. Marks the conclusion of the seven weeks following Pesach. Originally a harvest festival. |
| | 26 National Sorry Day | Community | Acknowledging the mistreatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were forcibly removed from their families, communities and Country; and how everyone can play a part in the healing process. |
| | 27 Anniversary of the 1967 Referendum | Community | Commemorating the day when over 90% of Australian voters chose 'Yes' to count Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the census, and give the Australian Government power to make laws that apply to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to address inequalities. |
| | 27-3 National Reconciliation Week | Community | Exploring how we can all contribute to achieve reconciliation in Australia. |
| | 28 Pentecost | Christian | Pentecost commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples of Jesus seven weeks (50 days) after the Resurrection (Easter). It also commemorates the founding of the Christian Church, which begins on this day. [Celebrated on 12th of June by Orthodox Christians]. |
| | 29 Whit Monday | Christian | Day after Pentecost/Whit Sunday |
| | 29 Ascension of Baha'ullah* | Baha'i | Baha'is observe the anniversary of the death in exile of Baha'u'llah, the founder of the Baha'i faith, on May 29, 1892, outside Akko (now northern Israel). |
| June | 1 Global Day of Parents | Community | This day provides an opportunity to appreciate all parents for their "selfless commitment to children and their lifelong sacrifice towards nurturing this relationship." |
| | 3 Asalha Puja | Buddhist | Asalha Puja commemorates Buddha's first teaching (the Wheel of Dharma). Also known as 'Dharma/Dhamma Day', it is recognized as the beginning of Buddhism and the monastic Sangha (community of Buddhist monks and nuns). |
| | 3 Mabo Day | Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander | Mabo Day is celebrated on June 3, the date that the High Court of Australia made the Mabo Decision. This holiday is one of great significance in Australia, particularly among the Torres Strait Islander people. |
| | 5 WA Day | Community | (Formerly known as Foundation Day) is a public holiday in Western Australia (WA), celebrated on the first Monday in June each year to commemorate the founding of the Swan River Colony in 1829. |
| | 10 Martyrdom of the Bab* | Baha'i | Baha'i commemoration of the anniversary of the execution of the Bab (Siyid 'Ali- Muhammad), the herald of the Baha'i Faith, by a firing squad on July 9 1850, in Tabriz, Persia (now Iran). |
| | 16 Martyrdom of Guru Arjun Dev Ji | Sikh | Guru Arjan Dev (1563-1606), the 5th Guru, was the first martyr-guru. He was responsible for the compilation of the Sikh scriptures in 1604 CE. He also helped to build the Golden Temple at Amritsar and emphasized that the Sikh way was open to all, regardless of caste. |
| | 19 Hijra* | Islam | The Islamic year is marked by the event known as Hijra which occurred in 622 CE, when the Prophet Muhammad migrated from Mecca to Medina, where the first Islamic community was established. |
| | 19-25 Refugee Week | Community | Celebrating the diversity and contribution of refugees to Australian communities. |
| | 26 Hajj Begins | Islam | Is an annual Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca, Saudi Arabia, the holiest city for Muslims. Hajj is a mandatory religious duty for Muslims that must be carried out at least once in their lifetime by all adult Muslims who are physically and financially capable of undertaking the journey, and of supporting their family during their absence from home |
| | 27 Tisha B'Av | Jewish | Tisha B'Av (Fast of Av) is a day of mourning to remember events such as the destruction of the First Temple and Second Temple in Jerusalem. |
| | 27 Day of Arafah | Islam | Commemoration of Muhammad's Farewell Sermon and completion of the message of Islam. Second day of the Hajj pilgrimage. Muslims who did not go to Hajj fast to repent for their sins. |
| | 29 Eid Al Adha* | Islam | Commemorates Ibrahim's (Abraham) willingness to sacrifice his son as an act of submission to God's command. Also known as 'Feast of Sacrifice'. One of the two main Islamic festivals (the other being Eid al Fitr). |

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