

MARCH 2021

1	St David's Day · Wales
3	Hinamatsuri / Doll Festival · Japan
3	Liberation Day · Bulgaria
6	Independence Day · Ghana
8	International Women's Day
15 - 21	Harmony Week · Australia
16	National Close the Gap Day · Indigenous Australia
17	St Patrick's Day · Ireland
21 - 29	Cultural Diversity Week · VIC, Australia
20 - 21	Nowruz - Persian New Year
21	Naw Ruz - Baha'i New Year · Baha'i
21	International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination
25	Independence Day · Greece
26	Independence Day · Bangladesh
27	Pesach / Passover (to 4 Apr) · Jewish
28	Holi (Festival of Colours) · Hindu
28	Palm Sunday · Christian

APRIL 2021

1	Kha b-Nisan (Akitu) - Assyrian New Year · Assyria
1	Maundy Thursday (Holy Thursday) · Christian
2	Good Friday · Christian
4	Easter Sunday · Christian
4	Qingming Festival / Tomb-Sweeping Day · China
5	Easter Monday · Christian
6	Tartan Day · Scotland
7 - 8	Yom Hashoah V'Hagevurah - Holocaust Memorial Day · Jewish
8	Hanamatsuri - Flower Festival · Japan
12	Ramadan (to 11 May) · Islam
13 - 15	Songkran - Thai New Year · Thai
13 - 14	Yom Hazikaron - Israel Remembrance Day · Jewish
14	Baisakhi or Vaisakhi · Sikh
14	Pohela Boishakh - Bengali New Year · Bengal
14-16	Pi Mai/Songkran - Lao New Year · Laotian
14	Sinhalese and Tamil New Year · Sinhalese, Tamil
17	The Bundanoon Highland Gathering · Scotland
17	Evacuation / Independence Day · Syria
20	Ridvan (to 1 May) · Baha'i
21	Rama Navami · Hindu
22	International Mother Earth Day · Hindu
23	St George's Day · England
25	ANZAC Day · Australia
27	Independence Day · Sierra Leone
27	Hanuman Jayanti · Hindu
27	Theravada New Year · Buddhism
27	Freedom Day · South Africa

fka Children's Services Days of Significance

March 2021 - February 2022

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27	Koningsdag - King's Day · Netherlands
28	Ninth Day of Ridvan · Baha'i
29 - 30	Lag Ba'omer - 33rd Day of the Omer · Jewish
30	Holy Friday · Orthodox Christian

MAY 2021

1	Holy Saturday · Orthodox Christian
1	Twelfth Day of Ridvan · Baha'i
1	Beltane - Celtic New Year
1	Labour Day / May Day · China
2	Palm Sunday · Orthodox Christian
2	Pascha (Easter Sunday) · Orthodox Christian
3	Constitution Day · Poland
5	Children's Day · Japan
9 - 10	Yom Yerushalayim - Jerusalem Day · Jewish
9	Europe Day · European Union
12	Eid al Fitr - End of Ramadan · Islam
13	Ascension of Christ · Christian
16 - 18	Shavuot - Festival of Weeks · Jewish
17	Constitution Day · Norway
21	World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development
22	Declaration of the Báb · Baha'i
23	Pentecost · Christian
25	Revolution Day · Argentina
25	Independence Day · Jordan
25	Africa Day · Member states of the African Union
26	Vesak Day or Buddha Day · Buddhism
26	National Sorry Day · Indigenous Australia
26	Independence Day · Georgia
27	National Reconciliation Week (to 3 Jun) · Indigenous Australia
27	Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh · Baha'i

JUNE 2021

1	Children's Day · China
1 - 3	Independence Day · Samoa
2	Festa della Repubblica - Republic Day · Italy
3	Mabo Day · Indigenous Australia
6	Flag Day · Sweden
10	Ascension of Jesus · Orthodox Christian
10	Portugal Day · Portugal
12	Independence Day · Philippines
12	Russia Day · Russia
14	Dragon Boat Festival / Dumpling Day · China
16	Martyrdom (Shahidi) of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib · Sikh
16	Official Birthday of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II · UK
17	Independence Day · Iceland
20 - 26	Refugee Week · Australia
20	World Refugee Day
25	Independence Day · Croatia
25	Statehood Day · Slovenia

JULY 2021

1	Coming of the Light Festival · Torres Strait Islands
1	Independence Day · Burundi
1	Canada Day · Canada
1	Independence Day · Somalia
3	Independence Day · Belarus
4	Independence Day · USA
4 - 11	NAIDOC Week · Indigenous Australia
7	Independence Day · Solomon Islands
9	Martyrdom of the Báb · Baha'i
9	Independence Day · South Sudan
11 - 13	Naadam Festival · Mongolia
14	National Day · France
17 - 22	The Hajj (Pilgrimage) to Mecca, Saudi Arabia · Muslim
17 - 18	Tisha B'av - Fast of Av · Jewish
19	Eid al Adha · Islam
21	Accession of King Leopold I · Belgium
23	Revolution Day · Egypt
24	Asalha Puja (Dhamma) Day · Buddhism
28	Independence Day · Peru
30	Throne Day · Morocco
30	International Day of Friendship
30	Independence Day · Vanuatu

AUGUST 2021

1	Foundation of Confederation · Switzerland
4	Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day
6	Independence Day · Jamaica

- 7 Independence Day · Cote d'Ivoire
- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous People
- 9 Al Hijra (first day of Muharram) - Islamic New Year · Islam
- 15 Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary · Catholic
- 15 Independence Day · India
- 15 Liberation Day · Republic of Korea
- 17 Independence Day · Indonesia
- 18 Ashura · Islam
- 19 Independence Day · Afghanistan
- 20 Saint Stephen's Day · Hungary
- 22 Raksha Bandhan · Hindu
- 24 Independence Day · Ukraine
- 25 Independence Day · Uruguay
- 28 Dormition of the Theotokos · Orthodox Christian
- 30 Krishna Janmashtami · Hindu
- 31 Independence Day / Malaysia Day · Malaysia

SEPTEMBER 2021

- 1 Inauguration (Gurgadi) of Guru Granth Sahib · Sikh
- 2 Independence Day · Vietnam
- 6 - 8 Rosh Hashanah - Jewish New Year · Jewish
- 7 Independence Day · Brazil
- 8 International Literacy Day
- 11 Nayrouz - Coptic New Year · Coptic Orthodox
- 15 - 16 Yom Kippur - Day of Atonement · Jewish
- 16 Independence Day · Mexico
- 17 Australian Citizenship Day · Australia
- 18 Oktoberfest (to 4 Oct) · Germany
- 20 - 22 Sukkot - Feast of Tabernacles · Jewish
- 21 International Day of Peace
- 21 Mid-Autumn / Moon / Mooncake Festival · East & South East Asia
- 21 Independence Day · Armenia
- 21 Independence Day · Malta
- 23 Saudi National Day · Saudi Arabia
- 27 - 28 Shemini Atzeret - Eighth Day of Assembly · Jewish
- 28 - 29 Simchat Torah - Celebrating the Torah · Jewish

OCTOBER 2021

- 1 National Day of the People's Republic of China · China
- 1 Independence Day · Cyprus
- 1 Independence Day · Nigeria
- 2 Independence Day · Guinea
- 3 Day of German Unity · Germany
- 8 Independence Day · Croatia
- 9 Independence Day · Uganda
- 10 Fiji Day · Fiji
- 11 White Sunday · Samoa

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Days of Significance

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- 12 National Day · Spain
- 14 Double Ninth / Chung Yeung / Chong Yang Festival · China
- 15 Vijay Dashami (Dussehra) · Hindu
- 18 Birth of the Prophet Muhammad (Mawlid Al-Nabi) · Muslim
- 23 - 31 National Children's Week · Australia
- 24 Independence Day · Zambia
- 26 Independence Day · Austria
- 27 International Children's Day
- 28 National Day · Czech Republic
- 31 All Hallows' Eve / All Saints' Eve / Halloween · Christian, Celtic

NOVEMBER 2021

- 1 All Saints' Day · Christian
- 4 Deepavali (Diwali) - Festival of Lights · Hindu, Sikh, Jain
- 4 Bandi Chhor Divas · Sikh
- 4 National Day · Tonga
- 6 Birth of the Báb · Baha'i
- 7 Birth of Bahá'u'lláh · Baha'i
- 9 Independence Day · Cambodia
- 9 Constitution Day · Nepal
- 11 Remembrance Day · Australia
- 11 Independence Day · Poland
- 16 International Day for Tolerance
- 18 Independence Day · Latvia
- 18 National Day · Oman
- 19 Birth of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib · Sikh
- 22 Independence Day · Lebanon
- 24 Martyrdom (Shahidi) of Guru Tegh Bahadur · Sikh
- 27 World Children's Day
- 28 First Sunday of Advent · Christian
- 28 Chanukah - Festival of Lights (to 6 Dec) · Jewish
- 28 Independence Day · Albania
- 30 St Andrew's Day · Scotland

DECEMBER 2021

- 1 Great Union Day / Unification Day · Romania
- 2 National Day · Lao People's Democratic Republic
- 2 National Day · United Arab Emirates
- 5 Anniversary of Birthday H.M. King Phumiphon · Thailand
- 6 Independence Day · Finland
- 16 Independence Day · Kazakhstan
- 16 Independence Day · Bahrain
- 18 National Day · Qatar
- 21 Winter Solstice / Dongzhi Festival · China
- 23 Birthday of Emperor Akihito · Japan
- 24 Independence Day · Libya
- 24 Christmas Eve · Christian
- 25 Christmas Day · Christian
- 31 New Year's Eve · Australia

JANUARY 2022

- 1 New Year's Day · Australia
- 1 Feast Day of St Basil · Orthodox Christian
- 1 Revolution Day · Cuba
- 1 Independence Day · Sudan
- 4 Independence Day · Myanmar (Burma)
- 6 Epiphany · Christian
- 7 Orthodox Christmas Day · Orthodox Christian
- 14 Orthodox New Year · Orthodox Christian
- 16 World Religion Day
- 16 - 17 Tu Bishvat - New Year of Trees · Jewish
- 25 Burns' Night · UK
- 26 Invasion / Survival / Australia Day
- 26 Republic Day · India

FEBRUARY 2022

- 1 Chinese Lunar New Year · China
- 1 Tet - Vietnamese New Year · Vietnam
- 1 Losar - Tibetan New Year · Tibet
- 1 Soellal - Korean Lunar New Year · Korea
- 4 Independence Day · Sri Lanka
- 6 Waitangi Day · New Zealand
- 11 Anniversary of the Islamic Revolution · Iran
- 13 Anniversary of the Apology to members of the Stolen Generations
- 15 Parinirvana Day · Buddhism
- 15 National Day · Serbia
- 16 Māgha Pūjā - Sangha Day · Buddhism
- 16 Independence Day · Lithuania
- 21 International Mother Language Day