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Dear Sir/Madam,

South African Public Holidays, Jewish Holidays and Catholic Holidays etc. for 2021

We list hereunder the information for the interest of members the dates of Public Holidays that will be observed in South Africa in the year 2021.

New Year's Day	01 January 2021	Friday
Human Rights Day	21 March 2021	Sunday
Public Holiday	22 March 2021	Monday
Good Friday	02 April 2021	Friday
Family Day	05 April 2021	Monday
Special School Holiday	26 April 2021	Monday
Freedom Day	27 April 2021	Tuesday
Workers' Day	01 May 2021	Saturday
Youth Day	16 June 2021	Wednesday
National Women's Day	09 August 2021	Monday
Heritage Day	24 September 2021	Friday
Day of Reconciliation	16 December 2021	Thursday
Christmas Day	25 December 2021	Saturday
Day of Goodwill	26 December 2021	Sunday

Your attention is drawn to the Public Holidays Act of 1994 that if any of these Public Holidays fall on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be a Public Holiday.

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This link is for **Solar and Lunar Eclipses worldwide for 2021** - <https://www.timeanddate.com/eclipse/2021>
If you require this information for your diaries please right click on the link and click on open hyperlink to open website. **Please make sure to select the correct country/city.**

This link is for the **Phases of the Moon for 2021** - <https://www.timeanddate.com/moon/phases/south-africa/johannesburg>, If you require this information for your diaries please right click on the link and click on open hyperlink to open website. **Please make sure to select the correct country/city on the right side and then further down on the page 2021.**

Jewish Holidays for 2021

JEWISH HOLIDAYS 2021		
Holiday:	2021	
Passover	1st Day	28 Mar
	2nd Day	29 Mar
	7th Day	3 Apr
	8th Day	4 Apr
Shavuot	1st Day	17 May
	2nd Day	18 May
Rosh Hashanah	1st Day	7 Sept
	2nd Day	8 Sept
Yom Kippur	16 Sept	
Succot	1st Day	21 Sept
	2nd Day	22 Sept
Shemini Atzeret	28 Sept	
Simchat Torah	29 Sept	

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Significant Days of the Islamic Year 2021

Significant Day / Night	Most Likely Date	Confidence of Prediction	Alternate Date
27 Rajab 1442 - Laylatul-Mi'raaj (Eve)	Wednesday, 10 March 2021	●●○○○	Thursday, 11 March 2021
15 Sha'baan 1442 - Laylatul-Bara'ah (Eve)	Sunday, 28 March 2021	●●●●●	Saturday, 27 March 2021
1 Ramadaan 1442 - Ramadaan Starts	Wednesday, 14 April 2021	●●●●●	Tuesday, 13 April 2021
1 Shawwal 1442 - Eid-ul-Fitr	Friday, 14 May 2021	●●●●●	Thursday, 13 May 2021
10 Zul Hijjah 1442 - Eid-ul-Adha	Wednesday, 21 July 2021	●●●●●	Tuesday, 20 July 2021
1 Muharram 1443 - New Islamic Year	Tuesday, 10 August 2021	●●●●●	Wednesday, 11 August 2021
10 Muharram 1443 - 'Aashuraa	Thursday, 19 August 2021	●●●●●	Friday, 20 August 2021
12 Rabi-ul-Awwal 1443 - Birth of Nabi ﷺ	Tuesday, 19 October 2021	●●●●●	Wednesday, 20 October 2021



How the Confidence Level of Prediction Works



Very confident - Start date of month almost certain



Very little confidence - 1st of month may be the alternate date

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A List of Catholic Holidays in the 2021 Year

In the table below you can find a list of Catholic holidays dates in 2021 year. For each entry the number of the remaining days is also shown, except for the dates already in the past.

Date	Holiday name	Time left
Friday, January 1, 2021	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	~ 8 months & 3 weeks (270 days)
Wednesday, January 6, 2021	Epiphany	~ 9 months (275 days)
Tuesday, February 16, 2021	Shrove Tuesday (Mardi Gras)	~ 10 months & 1 week (316 days)
Wednesday, February 17, 2021	Ash Wednesday	~ 10 months & 1 week (317 days)
Sunday, March 28, 2021	Palm Sunday	~ 11 months & 3 weeks (356 days)
Thursday, April 1, 2021	Maundy Thursday	~ 11 months & 3 weeks (360 days)
Friday, April 2, 2021	Good Friday	~ 11 months & 3 weeks (361 days)
Sunday, April 4, 2021	Easter	~ 12 months (363 days)
Monday, April 5, 2021	Easter Monday	~ 12 months (364 days)
Thursday, May 13, 2021	Ascension of Jesus	~ 13 months & 1 week (402 days)
Sunday, May 23, 2021	Pentecost	~ 13 months & 2 weeks (412 days)
Thursday, June 3, 2021	Corpus Christi	~ 14 months (423 days)
Sunday, August 15, 2021	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	~ 16 months & 1 week (496 days)
Monday, November 1, 2021	All Saints' Day	~ 18 months & 3 weeks (574 days)
Wednesday, December 8, 2021	The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary	~ 20 months (611 days)
Friday, December 24, 2021	Christmas (observed)	~ 20 months & 2 weeks (627 days)
Saturday, December 25, 2021	Christmas	~ 20 months & 2 weeks (628 days)

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Upcoming Buddhist Holidays 2021

Weekday	Holiday	Date	Days away
Thursday	<u>Mahayana New Year</u>	Jan 28, 2021	in 274 days
Friday	<u>Chinese New Year</u>	Feb 12, 2021	in 289 days
Monday	<u>Parinirvana Day</u>	Feb 15, 2021	in 292 days
Saturday	<u>Magha Puja Day</u>	Feb 27, 2021	in 304 days
Tuesday	<u>Theravada New Year</u>	Apr 27, 2021	in 363 days
Wednesday	<u>Vesak</u>	May 26, 2021	in 392 days
Saturday	<u>Asalha Puja</u>	Jul 24, 2021	in 451 days
Saturday	<u>Guru Purnima</u>	Jul 24, 2021	in 451 days
Friday	<u>Bon Festival</u>	Aug 13, 2021	in 471 days
Saturday	<u>Loy Krathong</u>	Nov 20, 2021	in 570 days
Wednesday	<u>Bodhi Day</u>	Dec 8, 2021	in 588 days

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The above is the list of Buddhist Holidays which includes federal, regional government holidays and popular observances.

Hindu Festivals 2021 below on next page

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HINDU FESTIVALS 2021

Makar Sankranti	14 Jan	Sri Krishna Janmashtami.....	30 Aug
Thai Pongal	14 Jan	Sri Ganesh Chaturti	10 Sept
Thai Poosam Kavady	28 Jan	Purattasi	17 Sept - 17 Oct
Vasant Panchami.....	16 Feb	Pithar Paksh	21 Sept - 06 Oct
Maha Shivaratri	11 March	Mahalaya Paksham.....	21 Sept - 06 Oct
Holika Dahan	28 March	Navaratri	07 Oct - 14 Oct
Panguni Uthiram	28 March	Sri Saraswathi Pooja	12 Oct
Hindi New Year	12 April	Sri Durga Astami.....	13 Oct
Ramayan Week.....	12 April - 20 April	Sri Durga Naumee.....	14 Oct
Telugu New Year.....	13 April	Vijay Dashmi	15 Oct
Tamil New Year	14 April	Dhan Trayodasi	02 Nov
Sri Raam Naumi	21 April	Narak Chaturdasi	03 Nov
Sri Hanuman Jayanti	26 April	Deepavali - Maha Lakshmi Pooja	04 Nov
Chitra Paruvam Kavady	06 May	Gujarati New Year	05 Nov
Vaigasi Visakam.....	25 May	Annakuta Govardhan Pooja.....	05 Nov
Nirjala Ekadasi.....	20 June	Skanda Sashti	09 Nov
Guru Purnima.....	23 July	Prabodhani Ekadasi/Tulsi Vivaha.....	14 Nov
Naag Panchami	13 Aug	Kartik Purnima	19 Nov
Varalakshmi Vratam	20 Aug	Karthigai Deepam	19 Nov
Raksha Bandan/Shravani.....	22 Aug	Gita Jayanti.....	14 Dec
Gita Week	23 Aug - 29 Aug		