

Indo-Swiss Multicultural Calendar of Festivals and Holidays 2024

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January	01*	Mon	New Year's Day 2024/Neujahr/Nouvel An (IND/R/CH)
January	02*	Tue	Berthold's Day/Berchtoldstag/Jour de Saint-Berthold (R/C/CH)
January	05*	Fri	Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday 1666 (IND/R/S)
January	06*	Sat	Epiphany/Dreikönigstag/Epiphanie (CH/R/C)
January	15	Mon	Makar Sankranti / Pongal / Lohri (IND/R/H)
January	26*	Fri	75 th Indian Republic Day (IND)
January	30*	Tue	Mahatma Gandhi's Death anniversary (IND)

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February	14*	Wed	Valentine's Day
February	14	Wed	Ash Wednesday/Aschermittwoch/Les Cendres (CH/R/C)
February	14	Wed	Vasant Panchami / Saraswati Puja (IND/R/H)

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March	08	Fri	Maha Shivratri (IND/R/H)
March	10	Sun	First Day of Ramzan Month, Fasting begins (IND/CH/R/M)
March	14*	Thu	Sikh New Year: 555 Nanakshahi Calendar (S)
March	20*	Wed	Jamshedi Navroz: Fasli New Year 1394 (P/IND/R)
March	24	Sun	Palm Sunday/Palmsonntag/Rameaux (CH/R/C)
March	24	Sun	Purim (Y)
March	24	Sun	Hutashani=Holika Dahan=Holi (IND/H)
March	25	Mon	Holi=Dhuleti=Vasantotsav = Spring Time (IND)
March	29	Fri	Good Friday/Karfreitag/Vendredi Saint (IND/CH/C)
March	31	Sun	Easter/Ostern/Pâques (IND/R/CH/C)
March	31	Sun	Summer time begins from 02:00; Add 1 hour / Sommerzeit/Heure d'été

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April	01	Mon	Easter Monday/Ostermontag/Lundi de Pâques (CH/R/C)
April	09	Tue	Gudi Padva, New Year in Maharashtra; Chaitri Shukladi New Year in South India, Ugadi Telugu and Kannada New Year, Shalivahan Shaka 1946; New Year in UP and North India; Cheti Chand (IND/R/H)
April	10	Wed	Id-ul-Fitr=Ramazan Id=End of Ramzan month (IND/M)
April	14*	Sun	Vishu, New Year in Tulu Calendar, Kerala, Meshadi, Bohag Bihu in Assam; Baisakhi in Punjab; Boisakhadi in Bengal Shatabd 1430 (IND/R)
April	14*	Sun	Dr. Ambedkar Jayanti (IND)
April	15	Mon	Sechseläuten (CH/R/ZRH)
April	17	Wed	Ram Navmi (IND/R/H)
April	21	Sun	Mahavir Jayanti (IND/J)
April	23	Tue	Hanuman Jayanti - Chaitri Purnima (IND/R/H)
April	24	Wed	Pessach=Passover (Y)

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May	01*	Wed	Labour Day=May Day/Tag der Arbeit/Fête de travail (IND/CH)
May	09	Thu	Ascension Day/Auffahrt/Ascension (CH/C)
May	12	Sun	Mother's Day/Muttertag/Fête des mères (CH/IND)
May	19	Sun	Whitsuntide = Pentecost/Pfingsten/Pentecôte (CH/C)
May	20	Mon	Whit Monday=Pentacost Monday/Pfingstmontag/Lundi de Pentecôte
May	23	Thu	Buddha Jayanti/Vaisakhi Punam/Vesak (IND/B/H)
May	30	Thu	Corpus Christi/Fronleichnam/Fête-Dieu (CH/C/R)

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June	16	Sun	Id-ul-Adha=Id-ul-Zuha=Id El Hajj=Bakr Id (IND/M)
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July	07	Sun	Rath Yatra (IND/R/H)
July	07	Sun	1 st Moharam Islamic New Year Hizri 1446 /Islamisches Neujahr/Nouvel Ans Islamique (M)
July	16	Tue	10 th Moharam/Taziya/Roz I Ashura/Mourning Day (M)
July	21	Sun	Guru Purnima (IND/H/B)

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August	01*	Thu	Swiss National Day/Nationalfeiertag/Fête nationale (CH)
August	09	Fri	Nag Panchami (IND/R/H)
August	15	Thu	Navroz, Parsi NewYear: Shehanshahi 1393 (IND/R/P)
August	15*	Thu	78th Indian Independence Day (IND)
August	15*	Thu	Assumption Day/Maria Himmelfahrt/Assomption (CH/R/C)
August	19	Mon	Raksha Bandhan / Nariyeri Purnima (IND/R/H)
August	26	Mon	Krishna Janmashtami (IND/H)
August	31	Sat	Paryushana Parva starts (IND/J)

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September	05	Thu	Jeûne Genevois (GVA/C)
September	07	Sat	Paryushana Parva Eighth Day = Samvatsari (IND/J)
September	07	Sat	Ganesh Chaturthi=Ganesh Sthapana (IND/H)
September	09	Mon	Knabenschiessen (ZRH)
September	15	Sun	Federal Day of Prayer/Eidg. Bettag/Jeûne Fédéral (CH/C)
September	15	Sun	Onam (IND/R/H)
September	16	Mon	Id-e-Milad=Mevlid=Maulid an-Nabi/Birthday of Prophet Mohammed, 570 (IND/M)
September	16	Mon	Anant Chaturdashi = Ganesh Visarjan (IND/H)

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October	02*	Wed	Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti (IND)
October	02	Wed	Sarva Pitru Shraadhtha, Amavasya (IND/R/H/B)
October	02	Wed	Rosh ha-Schanah, Jewish New Year 5785 (Y)
October	03	Thu	Navaratri 1 st day (IND/H)
October	11	Fri	Yom Kippur (Y)
October	12	Sat	Dussehra=Vijaya Dashami (IND/H)
October	17	Thu	Sharad Punam=Kojagari Purnima (IND/R)
October	20	Sun	Karva Chauth (IND/R)
October	27	Sun	End of Summer Time. At 03:00 reduce 1 hour/Ende Sommerzeit=Beginn der Winterzeit/ Heure d'hiver (CH)

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November	01*	Fri	All Saints' Day/Allerheiligen/Le Toussaint (CH/R/C)
November	01	Fri	Diwali = Dipawali=Laxmi Puja=Sharada Puja (IND/H/S/J)
November	02	Sat	New Year Vikram Samvat 2081/ Govardhan Puja (IND/R/H)
November	02	Sat	New Year Mahavir Jain Samvat 2551 (J)
November	03	Sun	Bhai Bij=Bhau Duj (IND)
November	03	Sun	Reformation Day/Reformationstag/Fête de Ref. (CH/R/C)
November	15	Fri	Guru Nanak Jayanti, 1469, Kartik Purnima = Dev Diwali
November	25	Mon	Zibelemärit in Bern (CH/R)

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December	08*	Sun	Immaculate Conception/Maria Empfängnis/Immaculée Conc. (CH/R/C)
December	12*	Thu	Escalade (GVA)
December	24*	Tue	Christmas Eve=Holy Night/Heiliger Abend/la veille de Noël (CH/C)
December	25*	Wed	Christmas Day/Weihnachten/Noël (IND/CH/C)
December	26*	Thu	St. Stephen's Day/Stephanstag/Saint Etienne (CH/C)
December	31*	Tue	New Year's Eve 2024→2025/Silvester/Saint-Sylvestre (IND/CH)

(B) Buddhist, (C) Christian, (H) Hindu, (J) Jain, (M) Muslim, (P) Parsi, (S) Sikh, (Y) Yehudi or Jewish, (R) Regional, (IND) All-India, (CH) Switzerland, (GVA) Geneva, (ZRH) Zurich

* = same date every year for this festival

NB: Religious dates are subject to regional and institutional variations. Provide ± 1 day