

Flower Spirits 2017 Wall Calendar

Some Wiccans use the term sabbat () to refer to each festival, represented as a spoke in the Wheel. Different paths of modern Paganism vary regarding the particular timing of each observance, based on such distinctions as the lunar phase and geographic hemisphere.

Wheel of the Year Celtic calendar Gaelic calendar Welsh seasonal festivals Germanic calendar Runic calendar Hellenic calendars Attic calendar Macedonian calendar Roman calendar The Wheel of the Year is an annual cycle of seasonal festivals marking the year's chief solar events (solstices and equinoxes) and the midpoints between them. British neopagans popularized the Wheel of the Year in the mid-20th century, combining the four solar events ("quarter days") marked by many European peoples, with the four midpoint festivals ("cross-quarter days") celebrated by Insular Celtic peoples. Modern pagan observances of the cycle adapt a range of folk traditions to varying degrees

== Name ambiguity ==

Dongzhi The traditional Chinese calendar divides a year into 24 solar terms. Dōngzhì, Tōji, Dongji, Tunji (in Okinawan), or Đông chí (in Vietnamese) is the 22nd solar term, and marks the winter solstice. The term begins when the Sun reaches the celestial longitude of 270° and ends when it reaches the longitude of 285°. Dōngzhì, Tōji, Dongji, Tunji (in Okinawan), or Đông chí (in Vietnamese) is the 22nd The traditional Chinese calendar divides a year into 24 solar terms. In common usage, Dongzhi more often refers to the particular day when the Sun is exactly at the celestial longitude of 270°. In the Gregorian calendar, it usually begins around 21 December (22 December East Asia time) and ends around 5 January

Seasonal festival activities of pagan peoples differed across ancient Europe. Among the British Isles, Anglo-Saxons primarily marked the solar stations (solstices and equinoxes), while Insular Celtic peoples marked the four midpoints between them. The four Celtic festivals were known to the Gaels as Beltane (1 May), Lughnasadh (1 August), Samhain (1 November), and Imbolc (1 February). Many narratives within indigenous folk religions are transmitted orally to subsequent generations, but many have also been written down. The Spanish colonizers claimed that the indigenous peoples lacked religious writings, but records indicate otherwise. Accounts, both from Chinese and Spanish sources have explicitly noted the existence of indigenous religious writings. There are also Spanish records of indigenous religious books and scrolls, along with indigenous statues of gods, being burned by colonizers. In some sources, the Spanish claim that no such religious writings exist, whereas the same chronicle records that such books were burned at their own order. These were written on native reeds and leaves using iron points and other local pens, similar to how texts are written on papyrus, and were fashioned either as scrolls... The Dongzhi Festival or Winter Solstice Festival is a traditional Chinese festival celebrated during the solar term. The origins of this festival can be traced back to the yin and yang philosophy of balance and harmony in the cosmos. After this celebration, it is believed that...

Loy Krathong Many Thais use the krathong to thank the Goddess of Water and River, Goddess Khongkha (Thai: พระแม่คงคา) This festival along with other Hindu/brahmanical beliefs and practices trace back to India and were first practiced during the 11th/12th century Angkorian period of the Khmer Empire, pre-dating Sukhothai. tʰōŋ]] is a Thai festival celebrated annually throughout Thailand and in nearby countries with significant South Western Tai cultures (Laos, Shan, Mon, Tanintharyi, Kelantan, Kedah, Perlis and Xishuangbanna). The name could be translated as "to float ritual vessel or lamp," and comes from the tradition of making krathong or buoyant, decorated baskets, which are then floated on a river. In the Western calendar this usually falls in the month Loy Krathong (Thai: เดือนลอยกระทง, RTGS: Loi Krathong, pronounced [lɔːj krā. Originally limited to Bangkok elites, Loy Krathong became an “invented tradition” in post-WWII Thailand in response to nationalism and to drive tourism. in the traditional Thai lunar

calendar, thus the exact date of the festival changes every year 9cf3590f2e

Losar It also commenced the Year of the Female Wood Snake. In 2025, the new year commenced on February 28 and was celebrated until March 2. The holiday is celebrated on various dates depending on location tradition (Tibet, Bhutan, Nepal, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim and Ladakh). The holiday is a new year's festival, celebrated on the first day of the lunisolar Tibetan calendar, which corresponds to a date in February or March in the Gregorian calendar. advance by thoroughly cleaning their homes; decorating with fragrant flowers and their walls with auspicious signs painted in flour such as the sun, moon, or Losar (Tibetan: ལོ་སྟེན་ལོ་སྟེན་, Wylie: lo-sar; "new year"), also known as the Tibetan New Year, is a festival in Tibetan Buddhism 9cf3590f2e

Indigenous Philippine folk religions anito or diwata (and their variables), terms which translate to gods, spirits, and ancestors. These indigenous folk religions include a set of local worship traditions that are devoted to the anito or diwata (and their variables), terms which translate to gods, spirits, and ancestors. Many narratives within indigenous folk religions are transmitted Indigenous Philippine folk religions are the distinct native religions of various ethnic groups in the Philippines, where most follow belief systems in line with animism 9cf3590f2e

Influential works such as The Golden... 9cf3590f2e

Apotropaic magic 'to ward off') or protective magic is a type of magic intended to turn away harm or evil influences, as in deflecting misfortune or averting the evil eye. the walls, beams and thresholds of buildings to protect them from witchcraft or evil spirits. Apotropaic observances may also be practiced out of superstition or out of tradition, as in good luck charms (perhaps some token on a charm bracelet), amulets, or gestures such as crossed fingers or knocking on wood, or as part of complex rituals of social transformation such as migration. Many different objects and charms are used for protection by many peoples throughout history. They have many forms; in Britain they are often flower-like Apotropaic magic (From Ancient Greek: ἀποτρέπω, romanized: apotrēpō, lit 9cf3590f2e

Loy Krathong takes place on the evening of the full moon of the 12th month in the traditional Thai lunar calendar, thus the exact date of the festival changes every year. In the Western calendar this usually falls in the month of November. In Chiang Mai, the festival lasts three... 9cf3590f2e

Midsummer Americas aligned with sunrise or sunset on the summer solstice. In the Julian calendar used in the ancient Roman world, the date of the summer solstice was 24 Midsummer or Midsommar (Swedish: ['mǐ,sɔm:ar] or ['mǐ:d,sɔm:ar]) is a celebration of the season of summer, taking place on or near the date of the summer solstice in the Northern Hemisphere, the longest day of the year. The name midsummer mainly refers to summer solstice festivals of European origin. These cultures traditionally regard it as the middle of summer, with the season beginning on May Day. It is usually celebrated with outdoor gatherings that include bonfires, maypole dancing and feasting. Although the summer solstice falls on 20, 21 or 22 June in the Northern Hemisphere, it was traditionally reckoned to fall on 23-24 June in much of Europe. These dates were Christianized as Saint John's Eve and Saint John's Day 9cf3590f2e

== History == 9cf3590f2e == Symbols and objects == 9cf3590f2e In most Christian rites, Palm Sunday is celebrated by the blessing and distribution of palm branches (or the branches of other native trees), representing the palm branches that the crowd scattered before Christ as he rode into Jerusalem. These palms are sometimes woven into crosses. The difficulty of procuring palms in unfavorable climates led to the substitution of branches of native trees, including box, olive, willow, and yew. 9cf3590f2e The variation of the festival in Nepal is called Sonam Lhosar and is observed about eight weeks earlier than the Tibetan Losar. 9cf3590f2e

Bhogi It falls on the last day of Agrahāyaṇa or Mārgaśīrṣa month of Hindu Solar Calendar, which is 13 January by the Gregorian calendar. It is the day before Makar Sankranti, celebrated widely in the Indian states of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Maharashtra. It is the day before Makar Sankranti, celebrated Bhogi is the first day of the four-day Sankranti festival. Agrahāyaṇa or Mārgaśīrṣa month of Hindu Solar Calendar, which is 13 January by the Gregorian calendar 9cf3590f2e

Along with equinoxes, solstices (traditional Chinese: 至; simplified Chinese: 至; lit. 'extreme day') mark the middle of Traditional Chinese calendar seasons. Thus, in "冬至", the Chinese character "至" means "extreme", which implies "solstices", and therefore the term for the winter solstice directly signifies the summit of winter, as "midwinter" is used in English. 9cf3590f2e == History == 9cf3590f2e

Palm Sunday g. Its name originates from the palm branches waved by the crowd to greet and honor Jesus Christ as he entered the city. Palm Sunday marks the first day of Holy Week; in Western Christianity, this is the beginning of the last week of the solemn season of Lent, preceding Eastertide, while in Eastern Christianity, Holy Week commences after the conclusion of Great Lent. The feast commemorates Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, an event mentioned in each of the four canonical Gospels. People with flower-related names (e. Sunday is known as Tsvetnitsa (tsvete, "flower") or Vrabnitsa (varba, "willow"), or Flower's Day. , Bilyan(a), Liliya Palm Sunday is the Christian moveable feast that falls on the Sunday before Easter 9cf3590f2e

== Origins == 9cf3590f2e On Bhogi, people discard old and derelict things and concentrate on new things causing change or transformation. At dawn, people light bonfires with logs of wood, other solid-fuels, and wooden furniture at home that are no longer useful. This marks the end of the year's accounts and the beginning of new accounts on the first day of the harvest on the following day. Lord Indra is worshipped during the Pongal festival for the blessing of rains. 9cf3590f2e

Dai people For other names, see the table below. The Dai people form one of the 56 ethnic groups officially recognized by the People's Republic of China. The opening door festival, the time fixed in the Dai calendar on December 15 (the The Dai people (Burmese: သိုလှိုင်လူမျိုး; Tai Lü: ᨧᩢ᩠ᨦᩉ᩠ᩅᩢᨯ᩵ᨦ; Lao: ດົງ; Thai: ไท; Shan: ထိုင်း, [taiṼ]); Tai Nüa: ᨧᩢ᩠ᨦᩉ᩠ᩅᩢᨯ᩵ᨦ, [taiṼ]; Chinese: 傣; pinyin: Dǎizú) are several Tai-speaking ethnic groups living in the Xishuangbanna Dai Autonomous Prefecture and the Dehong Dai and Jingpo Autonomous Prefecture of China's Yunnan Province. By extension, the term can apply to groups in Laos, Vietnam, Thailand and Myanmar when Dai is used to mean specifically Tai Yai, Lue, Chinese Shan, Tai Dam, Tai Khao or even Tai in general. September 15 in the Dai calendar (the middle of July in the Gregorian calendar) 9cf3590f2e

Many churches of mainstream Christian denominations, including the Orthodox, Catholic, Lutheran, Moravian, Reformed, Anglican and Methodist traditions, distribute palm branches to their congregations... 9cf3590f2e

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