

Dear Sir/Madam,

South African Public Holidays, Jewish Holidays and Catholic Holidays etc. for 2024

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 2024.**

New Year's Day	01 January 2024	Monday
Human Rights Day	21 March 2024	Thursday
Special School Day	22 March 2024	Friday
Good Friday	29 March 2024	Friday
Family Day	1 April 2024	Monday
Freedom Day	27 April 2024	Saturday
Workers' Day	01 May 2024	Wednesday
Youth Day	16 June 2024	Sunday
Public Holiday	17 June 2024	Monday
National Women's Day	09 August 2024	Friday
Special School Holiday	23 September 2024	Monday
Heritage Day	24 September 2024	Tuesday
Day of Reconciliation	16 December 2024	Monday
Christmas Day	25 December 2024	Wednesday
Day of Goodwill	26 December 2024	Thursday

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

NB: The above information was obtained from the Government gazette and whilst every effort is made to ensure that the information supplied to us is correct PIFSA (PRINTING SA) cannot be held responsible for any changes or inaccuracies.

This link is for **Solar and Lunar Eclipses worldwide for 2024** – <https://www.timeanddate.com/eclipse/2024>
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 and also make sure 2024.**

This link is for the **Phases of the Moon for 2024** – <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 further down on the page select year 2024 then go.**



JEWISH HOLY DAYS 2024		
Holy Days:		2024
Passover	1st Day	23 Apr
	2nd Day	24 Apr
	7th Day	29 Apr
	8th Day	30 Apr
Shavuot	1st Day	12 Jun
	2nd Day	13 Jun
Rosh Hashanah	1st Day	3 Oct
	2nd Day	4 Oct
Yom Kippur		12 Oct
Succot	1st Day	17 Oct
	2nd Day	18 Oct
Shemini Atzeret		24 Oct
Simchat Torah		25 Oct

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Upcoming Buddhist Holidays 2024

Weekday	Holiday	Date	Days away
Thursday	<u>Mahayana New Year</u>	Jan 25, 2024	in 315 days
Saturday	<u>Chinese New Year</u>	Feb 10, 2024	in 331 days
Thursday	<u>Parinirvana Day</u>	Feb 15, 2024	in 336 days
Thursday	<u>Vesak</u>	May 23, 2024	in 434 days
Sunday	<u>Asalha Puja</u>	Jul 21, 2024	in 493 days
Sunday	<u>Guru Purnima</u>	Jul 21, 2024	in 493 days
Tuesday	<u>Bon Festival</u>	Aug 13, 2024	in 516 days
Sunday	<u>Bodhi Day</u>	Dec 8, 2024	in 633 days

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Significant Days of the Islamic Year 2024

Significant Day / Night		Confidence of Prediction	Most Likely Date	Alternate Date
27 Rajab 1445	Laylatul-Mi'raaj (Eve)	5	Wed, 07 Feb 2024	Tue, 06 Feb 2024
15 Sha'baan 1445	Laylatul-Bara'ah (Eve)	1	Sun, 25 Feb 2024	Sat, 24 Feb 2024
1 Ramadaan 1445	First Taraweeh	5	Mon, 11 Mar 2024	Tue, 12 Mar 2024
	First Fast		Tue, 12 Mar 2024	Wed, 13 Mar 2024
1 Shawwal 1445	Eid-ul-Fitr	4	Thu, 11 Apr 2024	Wed, 10 Apr 2024
10 Zul Hijjah 1445	Eid-ul-Adha	1	Mon, 17 Jun 2024	Tue, 18 Jun 2024
1 Muharram 1446	New Islamic Year	5	Mon, 08 Jul 2024	Sun, 07 Jul 2024
10 Muharram 1446	'Aashuraa		Wed, 17 Jul 2024	Tue, 16 Jul 2024
12 Rabi-ul-Awwal 1446	Birth of Nabi ص	5	Mon, 16 Sep 2024	Sun, 15 Sep 2024



How the Confidence Level of Prediction Works

- High Number (5) Very confident - Date of Significant Day/Night almost certain
 - Low Number (1) Very little confidence - Significant Day/Night may be the alternate date
- (Based on expected visibility of the Hilaal for South Africa)

A List of Catholic Holidays in the 2024 Year

In the table below you can find a list of Catholic holidays dates in 2024 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
Monday, January 1, 2024	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	~ 9 months & 2 weeks (291 days)
Saturday, January 6, 2024	Epiphany	~ 9 months & 3 weeks (296 days)
Tuesday, February 13, 2024	Shrove Tuesday (Mardi Gras)	~ 11 months (334 days)
Wednesday, February 14, 2024	Ash Wednesday	~ 11 months (335 days)



Date	Holiday name	Time left
Sunday, March 24, 2024	Palm Sunday	~ 12 months & 1 week (374 days)
Thursday, March 28, 2024	Maundy Thursday	~ 12 months & 2 weeks (378 days)
Friday, March 29, 2024	Good Friday	~ 12 months & 2 weeks (379 days)
Sunday, March 31, 2024	Easter	~ 12 months & 2 weeks (381 days)
Monday, April 1, 2024	Easter Monday	~ 12 months & 2 weeks (382 days)
Thursday, May 9, 2024	Ascension of Jesus	~ 14 months (420 days)
Sunday, May 19, 2024	Pentecost	~ 14 months & 1 week (430 days)
Thursday, May 30, 2024	Corpus Christi	~ 14 months & 2 weeks (441 days)
Thursday, August 15, 2024	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	~ 17 months (518 days)
Friday, November 1, 2024	All Saints' Day	~ 19 months & 3 weeks (596 days)
Monday, December 9, 2024	The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary	~ 21 months (634 days)
Wednesday, December 25, 2024	Christmas	~ 21 months & 2 weeks (650 days)

Hindu Festivals for 2024 have not been included in this Circular as calendar dates have still not been finalised. As soon as I receive final dates which will only be by the end of June or so, I will circulate.

Yours sincerely,

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