

# January Calendar



## New Year's Day January 1, 2019



January, is the first month of the year in the Gregorian calendar. It has 31 days. The name of the month is derived from Janus, the Roman god of gates and doors, and openings and beginnings. January was the 11th month in the ancient Roman calendar, but it came to be regarded as the first month in the 2nd century BC.

The first day of January is celebrated as an important holiday, called New Year's Day.

Mark your calendars for Good Riddance Day on December 28th (out with the old and in with the new)-Times Square Web Site.

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## Martin Luther King Day January 21, 2019

Born in 1929 in Atlanta, GA, Martin Luther King earned a doctorate in systematic theology from Boston University in 1955. Shortly thereafter, Dr. King was elected president of the Montgomery Improvement Association, which orchestrated the Montgomery Bus Boycott in response to Rosa Parks' arrest for refusing to give up her seat on a segregated bus. From then until his assassination in April, 1968, King organized marches and protests, met



with leaders from around the world, and published numerous books and papers promoting equality and civil rights. In August, 1963, King gave his famous "I Have a Dream" speech, and received the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo, Norway, in December 1964.

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## Winnie the Pooh Day January 18, 2019



Alan Alexander  
Milne &  
Christopher Robin  
Milne

Alan Alexander Milne is best remembered as the author of the treasured children's books "When We Were Very Young," "Winnie-The-Pooh," "The House At Pooh Corner," and "Now We Are Six."

Milne was born in England in 1882 and developed skills as a writer at a young age. He wrote verses, parodies, and humour for his school paper as a boy. He went on to study at Cambridge, and left school in 1903 to write. He soon became an editor at "Punch" Magazine, and married Dorothy de Selincourt in 1913. Milne served in Europe during the war, from 1915 to 1919. In 1920, Christopher Robin Milne was born. A. A. Milne once named his son, Christopher, and his wife, 'Daphne' as the inspiration for the Winnie-The-Pooh stories.

A. A. Milne not only wrote children's stories, but was also well known and successful as a playwright and a novelist.



Winnie-The-Pooh was originally a stuffed bear purchased for Christopher Robin at Harrod's, a toy shop in London. The name "Winnie" was after a brown bear at the London Zoo, who had been the mascot for a Canadian regiment in World War One. Pooh was later joined by other animals: a donkey, a tiger, and a pig. It was Daphne Milne, (Christopher's mother) who came up with the idea of bringing the animals to life.

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January is...

- Hot Tea Month
- National Careers in Cosmetology Month
- National Eye Health Care Month
- National Fiber Focus Month
- National Hobby Month
- National Soup Month
- National Staying Healthy Month
- National Thank You Month
- Oatmeal Month
- Prune Breakfast Month

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#### Special January Days

**1** New Year's Day/Japanese New Year \* Betsy Ross's Birthday -- born in 1752. \* Z Day [Let anyone whose name starts with a Z go first!] \* Paul Revere's Birthday -- born in 1735 \* **2** Run Up the Flagpole and See if Anybody Salutes It Day \* Science Fiction Day \* **3** Festival Of Sleep Day/Drinking Straw Day \* J.R.R. Tolkien's Birthday -- born in 1892 \* **4** Flower Basket Day \* Trivia Day \* Louis Braille's Birthday -- born in 1809 \* Jakob Grimm's Birthday -- born in 1785 \* Isaac Newton's Birthday \* Trivia Day \* Humiliation Day \* **5** National Bird Day \* First Woman Governor Inaugurated in 1925 - -Nellie Ross as Wyoming's Governor \* **6** Epiphany \* Sherlock Holme's Birthday \* Bean Day \* **7**National School Nurse Day \* Old Rock Day \* **8** Elvis Presley's Birthday -- born in 1935 \* National JoyGerm Day \* Man Watcher's Day \* **9** Play God Day \* **10** First Meeting of United Nations in London in 1946 \* Peculiar People Day \* **11** Milk Day [Milk delivered in bottles for the first time in 1878.] \* Secret Pal Day \* National Step in a Puddle and Splash Your Friend Day \* **12** Feast of Fabulous Wild Men Day \* **13** Rubber Duckie's Birthday [Sesame Street Character.] \* Make Your Dreams Come True Day \* Blame Someone Else Day \* **14** National Dress Up Your Pet Day \* **15** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's Birthday. Born in 1929. [It is observed on the Third Monday in January - the 20th day of 2003]. \* **16** National Nothing Day \* Hot and Spicy Food International Day \* **17** Shari Lewis' Birthday -- born in 1934 \* Ben Franklin's Birthday -- born in 1706 \* Blessing of the Animals at the Cathedral Day \* **18 Winnie the Pooh Day** [Author: A.A. Milne's Birthday -- born in 1882.] \* **19** National Popcorn Day \* **20** Cheese Day \* National Buttercrunch Day \* **21** Hat Day [Third Friday in January.] \* National Hugging Day \* **22** National Answer Your Cat's Question Day \* National Blonde Brownie Day \* **23** Measure Your Feet Day \* National Handwriting Day \* National Pie Day \* **24** Eskimo Pie Patented -- by Christian Nelson in 1922 \* Gold Discovered in California -- at Sutter's Mill in 1848 \* **25** Opposite Day \* **26** Australia Day [Sydney, Australia Settled in 1778.] \* **27** Lewis Carroll's Birthday -- born in 1832 \* Punch the Clock Day \* Thomas Crapper Day \* **28** Ernie's Birthday -- Sesame Street Character. \* National Kazoo Day \* Clash Day \* Rattle Snake Round-Up Day \* **29** National Puzzle Day \* National Cornchip Day \* **30** Franklin D. Roosevelt's Birthday -- born in 1882 \* Escape Day \* **31** Backwards Day \* National Popcorn Day \* Child Labor Day \* Jackie Robinson's Birthday -- born in 1919. \*