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**Red Panda, Nepal**

Small, with thick russet fur, a bear-like body and pretty face, Red Pandas are agile and acrobatic climbers. They feed mostly on bamboo shoots and leaves, foraging for roots, fruits and insects, and keep mainly to the trees. They use their long, bushy tails for balance, and to cover themselves in the extreme cold of their Eastern Himalayan habitat.

**JANUARY 2026**

1	Thu	New Year's Day
2	Fri	Bank Holiday (Scotland)
3	Sat	
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**JANUARY 2026**

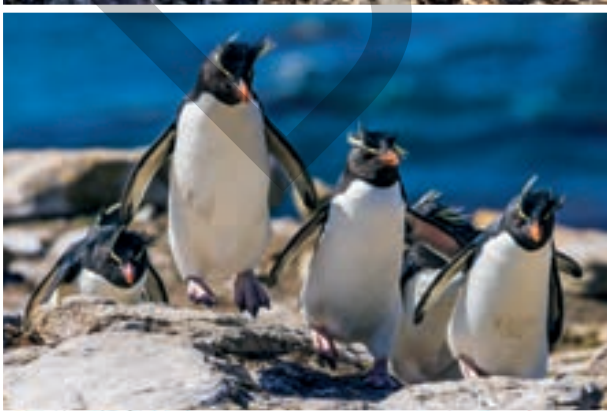
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**DECEMBER 2025**

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**FEBRUARY 2026**

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**Rockhopper Penguin, Sub-Antarctic Islands**

Rockhoppers are the most widespread crested penguins, with a range from the Antarctic to the South Atlantic and Indian Oceans. One of the smallest penguin species, they are very gregarious, congregating in colonies with over 100 nests on rocky slopes and amongst tussocks. They get about by jumping over rocks. The male broods the chick for 25 days.

**FEBRUARY 2026**

1	Sun	
2	Mon	Bank Holiday (Eire) Wk 6
3	Tue	
4	Wed	
5	Thu	
6	Fri	
7	Sat	
8	Sun	
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**FEBRUARY 2026**

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**JANUARY 2026**

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**MARCH 2026**

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**Brown Bear, Romania**

Big and powerful, the Brown Bear feeds opportunistically and usually alone, using its paws and long claws to root out plants, fruits and insects, and to catch fish. Cubs are closely supervised by their mother for two to three years, travelling with her over long distances to learn techniques for fishing and finding food, before forging their independence.

**MARCH 2026**

1	Sun	St David's Day (Wales)
2	Mon	Wk 10
3	Tue	
4	Wed	
5	Thu	
6	Fri	
7	Sat	
8	Sun	
9	Mon	Wk 11
10	Tue	
11	Wed	
12	Thu	
13	Fri	
14	Sat	
15	Sun	
16	Mon	Wk 12
17	Tue	St Patrick's Day (BH N Ireland/Eire)
18	Wed	
19	Thu	
20	Fri	
21	Sat	
22	Sun	
23	Mon	Wk 13
24	Tue	
25	Wed	
26	Thu	
27	Fri	
28	Sat	
29	Sun	British Summertime starts
30	Mon	Wk 14
31	Tue	

**MARCH 2026**

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**FEBRUARY 2026**

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**APRIL 2026**

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**Meerkat, Botswana**

These appealing and gregarious creatures live in large protective groups called gangs, mobs or clans of about 20–30 Meerkats, and build burrows with various entrances. While the rest of the group are inside, asleep or grooming, sharing food or dashing about outside, some of the Meerkats stand upright to guard the burrow, looking out for danger.

**APRIL 2026**

1	Wed	
2	Thu	
3	Fri	Good Friday
4	Sat	
5	Sun	
6	Mon	Easter Monday Wk 15
7	Tue	
8	Wed	
9	Thu	
10	Fri	
11	Sat	
12	Sun	
13	Mon	Wk 16
14	Tue	
15	Wed	
16	Thu	
17	Fri	
18	Sat	
19	Sun	
20	Mon	Wk 17
21	Tue	
22	Wed	
23	Thu	St George's Day (England)
24	Fri	
25	Sat	
26	Sun	
27	Mon	Wk 18
28	Tue	
29	Wed	
30	Thu	

**APRIL 2026**

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**MARCH 2026**

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**MAY 2026**

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22	25	26	27	28	29	30	31



**Sumatran Tiger, Indonesia**

This predominantly solitary hunter is capable of attacking prey much larger than itself. Unlike most cats, it can swim well, often cooling off from the heat in streams and lakes. The smallest and darkest tiger subspecies, it survives only in isolated populations on the island of Sumatra in lowland and mountain forests, and is critically endangered.

**MAY 2026**

1	Fri	
2	Sat	
3	Sun	
4	Mon	Bank Holiday Wk 19
5	Tue	
6	Wed	
7	Thu	
8	Fri	
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23	Sat	
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25	Mon	Bank Holiday Wk 22
26	Tue	
27	Wed	
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31	Sun	

**MAY 2026**

Wk	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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**APRIL 2026**

Wk	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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**JUNE 2026**

Wk	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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**African Elephant, Kenya**

The African Elephant has adapted to survive in forest, bush or savanna over huge ranges. They live in matriarchal groups of several generations of females and young. Huge ears provide excellent hearing and help them lose excess heat, and their flexible trunk is used for communication, tearing down branches, squirting water or blowing dust.

**JUNE 2026**

1	Mon	Bank Holiday (Eire)	Wk 23
2	Tue		
3	Wed		
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5	Fri		
6	Sat		
7	Sun		
8	Mon		Wk 24
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13	Sat		
14	Sun		
15	Mon		Wk 25
16	Tue		
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18	Thu		
19	Fri		
20	Sat		
21	Sun	Longest Day	
22	Mon		Wk 26
23	Tue		
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29	Mon		Wk 27
30	Tue		

**JUNE 2026**

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**MAY 2026**

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**JULY 2026**

Wk	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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**Fiery-throated Hummingbird, Costa Rica**

This medium-sized hummingbird, with vibrant iridescent green, blue and yellow plumage, is found in the mountains of Costa Rica and western Panama, in cloud forests above 1,400m. Hummingbirds are named after the humming sound made by their wings, moving at 100 beats per second. They are solitary, only coming together to mate and do not form flocks.

**JULY 2026**

1	Wed	
2	Thu	
3	Fri	
4	Sat	
5	Sun	
6	Mon	Wk 28
7	Tue	
8	Wed	
9	Thu	
10	Fri	
11	Sat	
12	Sun	
13	Mon	Bank Holiday (N Ireland) Wk 29
14	Tue	
15	Wed	
16	Thu	
17	Fri	
18	Sat	
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23	Thu	
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30	Thu	
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**JULY 2026**

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**JUNE 2026**

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**AUGUST 2026**

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**Ring-tailed Lemur, Madagascar**

The Ring-tailed Lemur has a small body, long nose and long striped tail. Lemurs live in forests in large troops, with females dominant. They communicate by scent marking, facial expressions and raising their tails, nesting together by day, but foraging alone at night. They are endemic to the island of Madagascar, where lemurs evolved separately.

**AUGUST 2026**

1	Sat	
2	Sun	
3	Mon	Bank Holiday (Scotland & Eire) Wk 32
4	Tue	
5	Wed	
6	Thu	
7	Fri	
8	Sat	
9	Sun	
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12	Wed	
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18	Tue	
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22	Sat	
23	Sun	
24	Mon	Wk 35
25	Tue	
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27	Thu	
28	Fri	
29	Sat	
30	Sun	
31	Mon	Bank Holiday (excl. Scotland) Wk 36

**AUGUST 2026**

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**JULY 2026**

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**SEPTEMBER 2026**

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**Masai Giraffe, Kenya**

The Masai Giraffe is the largest of nine giraffe species, often noticeably darker with large, dark brown patches with jagged edges. The mother nuzzles and licks her calf for bonding and at two months the young giraffes join 'nurseries', learning vital survival skills. Mother giraffes take turns to care for the young, while others forage for food.

**SEPTEMBER 2026**

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**SEPTEMBER 2026**

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**AUGUST 2026**

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**OCTOBER 2026**

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**Laughing Kookaburra, Australia**

Named after its chuckling voice, a loud koo-koo-kaa-kaa sound, often sung in chorus with others, this is one of four species of kookaburra native to woodland and forests in Australia. Although a member of the kingfisher family, it feeds mainly on insects, small rodents, reptiles, and even snakes. Adults pair for life and use the same nest-hole.

**OCTOBER 2026**

1	Thu	
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17	Sat	
18	Sun	
19	Mon	Wk 43
20	Tue	
21	Wed	
22	Thu	
23	Fri	
24	Sat	
25	Sun	British Summertime ends
26	Mon	Bank Holiday (Eire) Wk 44
27	Tue	
28	Wed	
29	Thu	
30	Fri	
31	Sat	

**OCTOBER 2026**

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**SEPTEMBER 2026**

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**NOVEMBER 2026**

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**Indian Rhinoceros, India**

This is the largest rhinoceros species, and is native to north India and Nepal. It has grey-brown skin and a single horn on the snout, with a superb sense of hearing but fairly poor eyesight. It is a largely solitary grazer on land and an excellent swimmer, immersing itself in water to graze on aquatic plants. It can run at speeds of 55km/hr in short bursts.

**NOVEMBER 2026**

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23	Mon	Wk 48
24	Tue	
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28	Sat	
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30	Mon	St Andrew's Day (Scotland) Wk 49

**NOVEMBER 2026**

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**OCTOBER 2026**

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**DECEMBER 2026**

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**Grey Wolf, Alaska, USA**

The Grey Wolf is the largest of the wolf species, also known as the timber wolf. Wolves live in remote areas, travelling and hunting in troops of five to nine members, but often in packs of up to 30, with a tight social hierarchy dominated by one breeding pair. Wolves sometimes howl in chorus and can be heard from far away by other members of the pack.

**DECEMBER 2026**

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13	Sun	
14	Mon	Wk 51
15	Tue	
16	Wed	
17	Thu	
18	Fri	
19	Sat	
20	Sun	
21	Mon	Shortest Day Wk 52
22	Tue	
23	Wed	
24	Thu	
25	Fri	Christmas Day
26	Sat	Boxing Day
27	Sun	
28	Mon	Bank Holiday Wk 53
29	Tue	
30	Wed	
31	Thu	

**DECEMBER 2026**

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**NOVEMBER 2026**

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**JANUARY 2027**

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