



MUSLIM HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES

YEAR	RAMADAN BEGINS**	EID UL-FITR**	EID UL-ADHA**
	Ramadan is the 9th month in the Islamic calendar when most Muslims fast from dawn to sunset, taking neither food nor water. Ramadan is a special and sacred time for the entire community.	Eid ul-Fitr, the Festival of Breaking-the-Fast, marks the end of Ramadan with prayer, celebrations and festive meals with family and community.	The Feast of the Sacrifice, following in Prophet Abraham's footsteps, honors unwavering faith in God and devotion to community. This is also the season of Hajj, the pilgrimage to Mecca.
2026	February 18	March 20	May 27
2027	February 8	March 10	May 17
2028	January 28	February	May 5
2029	January 16	February 15	April 24
2030	January 6	February 5	April 14

*The **Muslim Calendar** is a **lunar calendar**, following the phases of the moon, with each month beginning at the new moon. The Lunar Calendar is approximately 10 - 11 days shorter than the solar (Gregorian) calendar. The dates of each holiday or observance are approximate, as they begin with the sighting of the moon.

**Days begin at sunset, thus all holidays begin the evening before the date given.

