Forest Sangha Calendar 2026 · 2569

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# LUNAR OBSERVANCE DAYS • • • • •





These days are devoted to quiet reflection at the monastery. Visitors may come and take the precepts for the day and join in all or part of the extended evening meditation.

The dates for the lunar calendar are determined by traditional methods of calculation, and are therefore not always the same as the precise astronomical occurrences.

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# THE MAJOR FULL MOON DAYS FOR 2026 / 2569

Māgha Pūjā · March 3 ('Sangha Day')

Commemorates the spontaneous gathering of 1250 arahants to whom the Buddha gave the exhortation on the basis of the Discipline (Ovāda Pāṭimokkha).

Vesākha Pūjā · May 31 ('Buddha Day')

Commemorates the birth, enlightenment and passing away of the Buddha.

Āsāļhā Pūjā · July 29 ('Dhamma Day')

Commemorates the Buddha's first discourse, given to the five samaṇas in the Deer Park at Sarnath, near Varanasi. The traditional Rainy-Season Retreat (Vassa) begins on the next day.

Pavāranā Day · October 26

This marks the end of the three-month *Vassa* retreat. In the following month, lay people may offer the Kathina-robe as part of a general alms-giving ceremony.

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Jan	uary				2026/2	2569
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12	13	14	15	16 *	17	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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\*Jan 16: Ajahn Chah Memorial Day

Jan 3 15 days Hemanta 4/8
Jan 18 15 days Hemanta 5/8

Feb	ruary				2026/2	2569
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Feb 2 15 days Hemanta 6/8 Feb 16 14 days Hemanta 7/8

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# **April**

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\*Apr 13: South Asian New Year

Apr 2 15 days Gimha 2/10 Apr 16 14 days Gimha 3/10

May					2026/2	569
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\*May 31: Vesākha Pūjā

June					2026/2	2569
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\*Jun 17: Ajahn Chah's Birthday

July					2026/2	569
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27	28	<b>*</b>	30	31		

<sup>\*</sup> Jul 29: Āsāļhā Pūjā

Jul 14 15 days Gimha 9/10 Jul 29 15 days Gimha 10/10

Jul 30: First Day of Vassa

### August 2026/2569 $\mathbb{W}$ Т F S S Μ

Aug 13 15 days Vassāna 1/8 Aug 28 15 days Vassāna 2/8

# September

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Sep 11 14 days Vassāna 3/8 Sep 26 15 days Vassāna 4/8

Oct	ober				2026/2	2569
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<sup>\*</sup>Oct 26: Pavāraņā

Oct 11 15 days Vassāna 5/8
Oct 26 15 days Vassāna 6/8

Oct 26: Last Day of Vassa

### November 2026/2569 $\mathbb{W}$ Т F S Μ

Nov 9 14 days Vassāna 7/8 Nov 24 15 days Vassāna 8/8

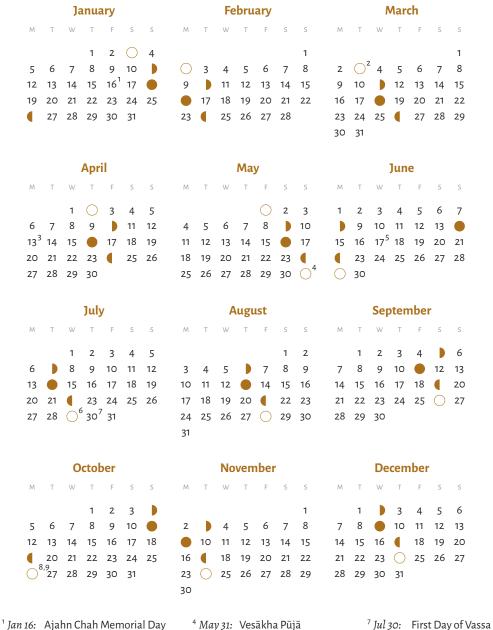
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# 2026/2569

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Dec 9 15 days Hemanta 1/8
Dec 24 15 days Hemanta 2/8

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Mar 3: Māgha Pūjā

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Apr 13: South Asian New Year

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> *Jun 17:* Ajahn Chah's Birthday

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Jul 29: Āsāļhā Pūjā

<sup>8</sup> Oct 26: Pavāranā

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Oct 26: Last Day of Vassa

January

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March	April
May	June
July	August
September	October
November	December

**February** 

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