

Lunar Calendar Road Map

When using this calendar, you're going to have to think outside of the box. Try not to think of it as a Gregorian calendar, because it isn't. The temptation will be to look at the columns and think of them as the days of the week (Sun., Mon., Tues., etc.). Don't do that!

Each box represents a day of the lunar month. The 1st is always New Moon day. That means the first sliver of the moon was sighted the night before (which would either have been the 29th or 30th day of the previous lunar month). New Moon day is the day after the new moon is sighted.

The calendar is laid out so that New Moons and Sabbaths always fall in the last column, but again, do not think of that column as being Saturday. You'll notice that the Sabbaths always fall on the 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th days of the LUNAR (not Gregorian) month. They can fall on any pagan-named day of the Gregorian calendar week, so when you are using this calendar, you will have to determine which day on the Gregorian calendar the New Moon appeared and then determine which days of the Gregorian month the Sabbaths fall on until the next New Moon. They will be the same day of the week until the next new moon, and generally speaking, will advance one day the next month, but this is not always the case.

For more information about lunar Sabbaths, I recommend Moadai Tishmoru by Rav. David Pollina (<http://tushiyah.org/mt.html>). As far as I know, the book can still be requested to be sent to you by email for free (just scroll down to the bottom of his page, and please tell him Jayne sent you!) However, if you are blessed by it, please consider purchasing the hardbound copy because he put a lot of work into writing this book for you and others who are serious about coming to a knowledge of the truth.

This is the first edition of this calendar and since it is still a work in progress, I'm not certain I have all the dates and references entered in correctly, but they should be pretty close. If you find any errors, please email me at shuvah@tshuva.us. At the present time, I request that you not email me to debate the issue of lunar versus Saturday Sabbaths. I love discussions and when people can discuss dispassionately, I love to do that, but am bone weary of debates.

The Religious New Year		1st Month - Exo 13:4 7th Month of Civil Calendar				(Abib or Nisan) Mar-Apr
						1 Rosh Chodesh (a) Tabernacle Erected Exo. 12:2
2	3	4	5	6	7	8*
9	10 Exo 12:3 Take a Lamb. . . Jos 4:19	11	12	13 Last Supper	14 (b, c, f) Preparation Day - Crucifixion Pesach - Lev. 23:5	15* (d,e) Chag HaMatzah - Feast of Unleavened Bread starts (Exo. 12)
16 (g) Bikkurim - Wave Offering Priest waves sheaf on marrow after the Sabbath. Lev 23:11 Resurrection just prior to dawn on 17th.	17 Omer 1 From the day after the Sabbath count ... Lev 23:15 Gen 8:4	18 Omer 2	19 Omer 3	20 Omer 4	21 Omer 5 Feast of Unleavened Bread ends Lev 23:8	22* (h) Omer 6 1st Sabbath Count 7 completed Sabbaths until the next morrow
23 Omer 7	24 Omer 8	25 Omer 9	26 Omer 10	27 Omer 11	28 Omer 12	29* Omer 13 2nd Sabbath
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Comments

Blk = New Moon; Pink = Sabbaths & Festival Days; all are non-work days. The day before a Sabbath is "Preparation Day." (Mar. 15:42; Joh 19:14)

Green=Fast Day; Purple – Not sure yet if this is considered a Sabbath or not.

The New Moon is not a work day but it is also not a Sabbath (Eze 46:1)

*Blow the Shofar on New Moons and Sabbaths – Numbers 10:10

**Any 30th day is considered as an extension of the 29th day Sabbath and the Omer is not counted.

(a) Tabernacle erected on the 1st day of the 1st mo. Exo. 40:2. See Torah Club Vol. 4, p. 462 "On the same day. . ."

(b) Kill the lamb between the evenings (Exo. 12:6; eat it that night and do not leave it until morning (Exo. 12:10)

(c) No uncircumcised person is to eat of the Passover lamb Exo. 12:48

(d) Cause the leaven to cease from your houses – Exo. 12:15

(e) No work is done, only that which is eaten by every being, that alone is prepared – Exo. 12:16

(f) Eat unleavened bread in the evening until the 21st in the evening.

(g) ...on the day after the Sabbath the priest is to wave it. Lev 23:11

(h) Count 7 Sabbaths from the day after the Sabbath...they must be complete Sabbaths Lev 23:15

2nd Month 8th Month of Civil Calendar						(Iyar) Apr-May
						1 Rosh Chodesh Omer 14 (a,b)
2 Omer 15	3 Omer 16	4 Omer 17	5 Omer 18	6 Omer 19	7 Omer 20	8 Omer 21 3rd Sabbath
9 Omer 22	10 Omer 23	11 Omer 24	12 Omer 25	13 Omer 26	14 Omer 27	15 Omer 28 4th Sabbath
16 Omer 29	17 Omer 30	18 Omer31	19 Omer 32	20 Omer 33	21 Omer 34	22 Omer 35 5th Sabbath
23 Omer 36	24 Omer 37	25 Omer 38	26 Omer 39	27 Omer 40 Gen 8:6	28 Omer 41	29 Omer 42 6th Sabbath
30 30th day of Chodesh						

Comments

(a) Take a census - Nu 1:2

Geneiss 8:6 references events pertaining to the Flood.

3rd Month 9th Month of Civil Calendar						(Sivan) May-Jun
						1 Rosh Chodesh Omer 43
2 Omer 44	3 Omer 45	4 Omer 46	5 Omer 47 Genesis 8:10?	6 Omer 48	7 Omer 49	8 Omer 50* 7th Sabbath - Shabuot (Pentecost)**
9 (a) Day after the 7th Sabbath - Bring new grain offering - Lev 23:16	10	11	12 Genesis 8:12?	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

*8th day of the 3rd Chodesh.


The 50th day from then must also be the 7th Sabbath – and Shabuot.

**It is the only feast that is not enjoined for a specifically numbered day.

(a) You must count 50 days until the day after the 7th Sabbath - Lev 23:16

4th Month						(Tammuz)
10th Month of Civil Calendar						Jun-Jul
						1 Rosh Chodesh Gen 8:5 (Civil)
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Fast of Tammuz Zechariah 8:19	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

5th Month 11th Month of Civil Calendar						(Av) Jul-Aug
						1 Rosh Chodesh
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Tish B'av Fast Zec 7:3; 8:19	10 	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

6th Month 12th Month of Civil Calendar						(Elul) Aug-Sep
						1 Rosh Chodesh
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

7th Month 1st Month of Civil Calendar						(Tishri) Sep-Oct
						1 (a,b) Rosh Chodesh Yom Teruah - Feast of Trumpets Lev 23:24 Rosh Hoshanah Blow Shofar ☞
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Erev Yom Kippur Begin to Observe THIS Sabbath at evening today . Lev 23:32	10 Yom Kippur - Day of Atonement Lev 23:27 FAST day Lev 23:29 End at evening Zechariah 8:19 Torah Club II p. 380	11	12	13	14	15 Start Sukkot Lev 23:34,40 Gather in the fruit of the land Lev 23:39; A law "forever" Lev 23:41; Natives Lev 23:42
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 End Sukkot Shemini Atzeret Lev 23:36
23 Simchat Torah*	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

(a) Traditional anniversary of creation

(b) Anniversary of Genesis 8:13. In the 601st year, the waters were dried up from th earth. Noah saw dry ground.

*Rejoicing of the Torah - Simchat Torah ends the Torah cycle and then it begins again starting in Genesis. This is a traditional holiday, not necessarily a commanded one.

8th Month 2nd Month of Civil Calendar						(Cheshvan) Oct-Nov
						1 Rosh Chodesh
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Gen 8:14 -The earth was dry.	28	29
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Comments

9th Month 3rd Month of Civil Calendar						(Kislev) Nov-Dec
						1 Rosh Chodesh
2	3	4 Zechariah 7:1	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

10th Month						(Tevet)
4th Month of Civil Calendar						Dec-Jan
						1 Rosh Chodesh Ezr 10:16
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Fast of Tevet Zechariah 8:19	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

Ezra 10:16 , 17 covers the period from Tevet 1 through Iyar 1.

11th Month						(Shevat)
5th Month of Civil Calendar						Jan-Feb
						1 Rosh Chodesh
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Zechariah 1:7	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

Zechariah 1:7 is a prophecy of Zechariah

12 Month 6th Month of Civil Calendar						(Adar) Feb -Mar
						1 Rosh Chodesh
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10			13	14 Purim Est 9:17,21	15 Purim Est 9:18,21
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

Est 9:26 Therefore they called these days Purim, after the name Pur. Therefore, because of all the words of this letter, what they had seen concerning this matter, and what had come upon them,

Est 9:27 the Yehuḏim established and imposed it upon themselves and upon their seed and all who should join them, that **without fail they should observe these two days every year**, according to their writing and at their appointed time,

Est 9:28 and that these days should be remembered and observed throughout every generation, every clan, every province, and every city, and that these days of Purim should not fail from among the Yehuḏim, and that the remembrance of them should not cease from their seed.

Purim is celebrated on the 14th and 15th day of Adar II if there is a 13th month in the year.

13th Month						(Adar II)
						1 Rosh Chodesh
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Purim	15 Purim
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Comments

Some years have a 13th month, some don't.

From scripture references before Exodus 12, I'm counting the months based upon the "Civil calendar" which was in operation from Genesis 1 through Exodus 12). Everything after Exodus 12 is based on the "Religious calendar" which resulted after the months were changed and the month of the Abib became the first month of the year.