



JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	New Year's Day Republic of the Sudan Independence Day	2	AusCycling Road National Championships 5-7 3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	Ballarat Farmers Market Sally McLean Festival
14	USA: Martin Luther King Day Tamil Thai Pongal Day	16	17	18	19	Sikh: Guru Nanak Singh Jayanti 2024 Ballarat Bhojna Regatta
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				World Interfaith Harmony Week 1-7	2	The Bridge Market 2024 Wendouree Ballarat JG King Homes 2km Regatta
5	New Zealand: Waitangi Day 6	7	8	9	10	Ballarat Lunar New Year
12	Shrove Tuesday Anniversary of Federal Apology to the Stolen Generations	14	15	16	17	The Bridge Market
18	19	20	21	22	23	Ballarat Frolic Festival 22-25 Ballarat Farmers Market Chimes Lantern Festival
25	26	27	28	29		

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Wales: St David's Day South Korea: Independence Movement Day 2024 RV State Championships	The Bridge Market 2
3	4	5	6	7	International Women's Day Hindu: Maha Shivaratri	Wales: Start of Remembrance (Depends on lighting of the tower) Ballarat Basketball Senior Basketball Tournament 8
10	Labour Day Public Holiday 2024 Sporting Globe Ballarat Senior Basketball Tournament	12	13	14	15	The Bridge Market 16
17	18	19	Pennsylvania: (New Year) 20	National Close the Gap Day South Africa: Human Rights Day Harmony Day	22	Ballarat Farmers Market 23
24	Hindu: Hol Festival of Colours Greek: Independence Day	Baha'i Festival of Ayyam-14 (Intercalary Day) 25-27	27	28	Good Friday Public Holiday	30



APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	April Fool's Day Easter Monday Public Holiday	2	3	4	5	The Bridge Market International Acrobatic Day
7	8	Hindu: Ugadi - New Year	9	10	11	12
14	15	16	Non-Binary Parents Day 17	Zimbabwe: Independence Day 18	19	The Bridge Market Baha'i Religion Festival 20
21	Jewish: Passover (ends 30 April)	England: St George's Day	24	ANZAC Day	Lesbian Visibility Day	Ballarat Farmers Market South Africa: Freedom Day Togai: Independence Day Netherlands: King's Day
28	29	30				



MAY

Philippines: Flores de Mayo / May Flower Festival

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						The Bridge Market 4
6	7	8	9	10	11	Ballarat Farmers Market Christian Orthodox: Easter
12	13	14	International Day of Families Hong Kong: Buddha's Birthday	16	International IDAHOBIT Day Ballarat Heritage Festival (17-20)	The Bridge Market 18
19	20	21	22	Baha'i Declaration of the Baha'is Buddhist: Vesak Day	24	Ballarat Farmers Market Africa Day 25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



JUNE

LGBT Pride Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30						The Bridge Market 1
2	3	4	World Environment Day 5	6	7	Ballarat Farmers Market 8
9	China: Qinghai East Festival King's Birthday and public holiday Portugal: Nascido Day	11	Philippines: Independence Day 12	13	14	The Bridge Market 15
16	National Refugee Week (16-22)	17	18	19	UN World Refugee Day	Winter Solstice
23	24	25	26	27	28	Ballarat Winter Festival (JUN 23 - JUL 1)



2024

all of us embracing diversity in Ballarat

Year of the Dragon

HARMONY FEST
March 2024

Ballarat: Australia's first Intercultural City

INTERCULTURAL CITIES
CITES INTERCULTURELLES

Acknowledgement of Country
We acknowledge the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung peoples, the Traditional Custodians of the land we live and work on and pay our respects to their Elders past and present and extend this to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

2024 Victorian Government State School Term Dates

Term 1 29 January to 28 March 2024
Term 2 15 April to 28 June 2024
Term 3 15 July to 20 September 2024
Term 4 7 October to 20 December 2024

The information above is relevant to Victoria government state schools. Independent and Catholic schools do base their terms on the state school dates but their term dates can vary from school to school. You should check directly with the relevant school to find out the correct term date information.

This calendar promotes and reflects the wonderful cultural, religious, ethnic and linguistic diversity of Ballarat's community, and features a range of dates of celebration and significance that are relevant to Ballarat's people. This list is by no means exhaustive and may vary from year to year. The calendar is produced in good faith, and it is not the intention of the City of Ballarat to offend any individual or group. The dates are accurate to the best of our knowledge, please forgive any inaccuracies.

For all updated event information, please refer to visitballarat.com.au

Farmers Markets

Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month
The Bridge Market
Bridge Mall, Ballarat Central

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month
Ballarat Farmers Market
Zoo Drive, just off Wendouree Parade, Lake Wendouree

JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Canada: National Day 1	2	3	USA: Independence Day 4	5	The Bridge Market 6
NAIDOC Week (7-14) Japan: Tanabata Star Festival	8	Republic of South Sudan: Independence Day 9	10	11	12	Ballarat Farmers Market 13
14	15	Drag Day	Islamic New Year - Muharram 17	Nelson Mandela International Day 18	19	The Bridge Market Columbian Independence Day 20
21	22	23	24	25	26	Ballarat Farmers Market 27
28	29	30	31			



AUGUST

Philippines: Buwan ng Wika - National Language Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Japan: Inagawa Sator City Anniversary 1	2	The Bridge Market 3
National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day National Tree Day	5	Japan: Hiroshima Memorial Day 6	7	8	International Day of the Girl Child Indigenous People Japan: Nagasaki Memorial Day	Ballarat Farmers Market 10
11	12	13	Pakistan: Independence Day 14	India: Independence Day 15	16	The Bridge Market Indonesia: Independence Day National Children's Book Week 17-23
Vietnam Veterans Day Lung 2km Day	Hindu: Raksha Bandhan 18	19	20	21	22	23
25	Hindu: Krishna Janmashtami 26	27	28	29	Wear It Purple Day 30	Malaysia: Merdeka Day (Independence Day) 31



SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
National Wattle Day Father's Day	Vietnam: Independence Day 2	3	4	5	6	The Bridge Market 7
8	9	10	11	R U OK? Day	12	13
15	16	China: Moon Cake Festival Australian Citizenship Day	18	Hindu: Ganesh Chaturthi Chile: Independence Day	19	20
22	Celebrate Bisexuality Day 23	24	25	26	27	Ballarat Farmers Market AFL Grand Final 28
29	30					



OCTOBER

Community Safety Month & Seniors Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		National Day of the People's Republic of China 1	2	3	4	The Bridge Market 5
6	7	International Lesbian Day 8	9	10	International Day of the Girl Child National Coming Out Day Jewish: Yom Kippur 11-12	Ballarat Farmers Market Hindu: Dussehra Vishayashanti 19
13	14	International Day for Rural Women 15	16	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 17	18	The Bridge Market 19
20	21	22	23	United Nations Day 24	25	Ballarat Farmers Market Intersex Awareness Day 26
27	28	29	30	Halloween 31		

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					All Saints' Day Hindu: Diwali Festival of Lights	The Bridge Market All Souls Day Baha'i: 'Istihsan' Holy Days (Both of the Baha')
3	4	Melbourne Cup Day 5	6	7	Intersex Solidarity Day 8	Ballarat Farmers Market 9
10	Remembrance Day Poland: Independence Day 11	12	Transgender Awareness Week 13	14	Sikh: Guru Nanak Jayanti 15	The Bridge Market International Day of Tolerance 16
17	18	19	Universal Children's Day 20	21	22	Ballarat Farmers Market 23
24	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women - White Ribbon Day 25	26	27	Timor-Leste: Proclamation of Independence Day USA: Thanksgiving Day	29	Scotland: St Andrew's Day 30

DECEMBER

Christmas in Ballarat (all month)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
World Aids Day 1	2	Eureka Stockade Rebellion Anniversary International Day of Disabled Persons 3	4	5	6	The Bridge Market 7
8	9	Human Rights Day 10	11	12	13	Ballarat Farmers Market 14
15	South Africa: Day of Reconciliation 16	17	International Migrants Day 18	19	20	Summer Solstice The Bridge Market 21
22	23	24	Christmas Day Jewish: Simchat Torah 25	Boxing Day 26	27	Ballarat Farmers Market 28
29	Philippines: Rizal Day 30	New Year's Eve 31				

