

Environmental Days 2026

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JANUARY

- 24 International Day of Education
- 26 World Environmental Education Day
- 28 International Reducing CO² Emissions Day
- 31 International Zebra Day

FEBRUARY

- 2 World Wetlands Day
- 10 World Pulses Day
- 11 International Day of Women and Girls in Science
- 15 World Whale Day
- 21 World Pangolin Day
- 27 International Polar Bear Day

MARCH

- 3 World Wildlife Day
- 6 World Energy Efficiency Day
- 8 International Women's Day
- 11 WESSA'S 100th Birthday
- 14 International Day of Action for Rivers
- 18 Global Recycling Day
- 20 World Frog Day
- 21 Human Rights Day
- 21 International Day of Forests
- 22 World Water Day
- 23 World Meteorological Day
- 16-20 National Water Week
- 28 Earth Hour
- 30 International Day of Zero Waste

APRIL

- 3 World Aquatic Animal Day
- 7 World Health Day
- 17 World Bat Appreciation Day
- 21 World Creativity and Innovation Day
- 22 Earth Day
- 24-27 City Nature Challenge
- 25 World Penguin Day
- 27 International Hyena Day
- 29 Stop Food Waste Day

MAY

- 3 International Leopard Day
- 3-9 International Compost Week
- 9 World Migratory Bird Day
- 16 Endangered Species Day
- 20 World Bee Day
- 22 International Day for Biodiversity
- 23 World Turtle Day
- 25 Africa Day

JUNE

- 1 World Reef Awareness Day
- 3 World Bicycle Day
- 5 World Environment Day
- 7 World Food Safety Day
- 8 World Oceans Day
- 15 Nature Photography Day
- 15-21 World Pollinator Week
- 16 Youth Day
- 21 World Giraffe Day
- 27 World Microbiome Day

JULY

- 1-31 Plastic Free July
- 14 Shark Awareness Day
- 15 World Youth Skills Day
- 16 World Snake Day
- 18 Nelson Mandela Day
- 26 World Mangrove Day
- 28 World Nature Conservation Day
- 31 World Ranger Day

AUGUST

- 1 Marine Protected Areas Day
- 9 National Women's Day
- 10 World Lion Day
- 12 World Elephant Day
- 12 International Youth Day
- 19 World Orangutan Day
- 23-27 World Water Week
- 26 World African Wild Dog Day
- 31 African Traditional Medicine Day

SEPTEMBER

- 1-7 Arbor Week
- 7 International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies
- 12 World Dolphin Day
- 14-19 Clean Up and Recycle SA Campaign
- 16 National River Cleanup Day
- 18 World Water Monitoring Day
- 18 National Recycling Day
- 19 International Coastal Clean-up Day
- 19 World Clean Up Day
- 22 World Rhino Day
- 24 Heritage Day
- 26 World Environmental Health Day
- 31 World Cities Day

OCTOBER

- 1-31 National Marine Month
- 3 WESSA 100th AGM
- 4 World Animal Day
- 5 World Teachers Day
- 14 International E-Waste Day
- 16 World Food Day
- 17 International Day for Eradication of Poverty
- 24 International Day of Climate Action
- 28 World Sustainability Day

NOVEMBER

- 1 World Ecology Day
- 10 World Science Day for Peace and Development
- 20 World Children's Day
- 21 Global Outdoor Learning Day
- 26 World Sustainable Transport Day
- 27-30 Great Southern Bioblitz

DECEMBER

- 4 International Cheetah Day
- 5 World Soil Day
- 5 World Volunteers Day
- 6 Birding Big Day
- 11 International Mountain Day
- 20 International Human Solidarity Day