

October 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 Dikhomenia Full Moon	5	6	7	8 Apollon	9	10
11	12	13 Moirai	14	15	16 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	17 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
18 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	19 Alalkomenios <i>Αλαλκομένιος</i> Noumenia	20 Agathos Daimone	21 Athene	22 Herakles, Eros, Hermes, Aphrodite	23 Moirai, Tykhe	24 Artemis
25 Apollon	26 Poseidon, Asklepios	27 Ta Mousai	28	29	30	31

November 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Dikhomenia Full Moon	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
15 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	16 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	17 Alalkomenios 2 <i>Αλαλκομένιος 2</i> Noumenia	18 Agathos Daimone	19 Athene	20 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	21 Moirai, Tykhe
22 Artemis	23 Apollon	24 Poseidon, Asklepios	25 Ta Mousai	26	27	28
29	30					

December 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 Dikhomenia Full Moon	3	4	5
6 Apollon	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	15 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	16 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	17 Boukatios Βουκάτιος <u>Boeotian New Year</u> Maternal Nekysia Noumenia	18 Agathos Daimone	19 Athene
20 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	21 Moirai, Tykhe Winter Solstice	22 Artemis	23 Apollon	24 Poseidon, Asklepios	25 Ta Mousai	26
27	28	29	30	31 Small Dionysia Dikhomenia Full Moon		

January 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Small Dionysia	2 Small Dionysia
3 Small Dionysia	4 Small Dionysia	5 Small Dionysia Apollon	6 Small Dionysia	7 Small Dionysia	8 Small Dionysia	9 Small Dionysia
10 Small Dionysia	11 Small Dionysia	12 Small Dionysia	13 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	14 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	15 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	16 Hermaios Ἡρμαῖος Noumenia
17 Agathos Daimone	18 Athene	19 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	20 Moirai, Tykhe	21 Artemis	22 Eros Day (modern) Apollon	23 Poseidon, Asklepios
24 Ta Mousai	25	26	27	28	29 Dikhomenia	30
31					Full Moon	

February 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4 Apollon	5	6
7	8	9	10 Daidala δαίδαλα	11 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	12 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	13 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
14 Prostaterios Προστατήριος Noumenia	15 Agathos Daimone	16 Athene	17 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	18 Moirai, Tykhe	19 Artemis	20 Theophania (Delphian) Apollon
21 Poseidon, Asklepios	22 Ta Mousai	23	24	25	26	27
28 Dikhomenia Full Moon						

March 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5 Apollon	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
14 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	15 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	16 Agrioiios Αγριώνιος Noumenia	17 Agathos Daimone	18 Athene	19 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	20 Moirai, Tykhe Spring Equinox
21 Artemis	22 Apollon	23 Poseidon, Asklepios	24 Great Dionysia Ta Mousai	25 Great Dionysia	26 Great Dionysia	27 Great Dionysia
28 Great Dionysia	29 Dikhomenia Full Moon	30	31			

April 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 Apollon	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	13 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	14 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	15 Thioyios Θιούιος Noumenia	16 Agathos Daimone	17 Athene
18 Feast of Eros (Attic) Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	19 Moirai, Tykhe	20 Delphinia Artemis	21 Apollon	22 Poseidon, Asklepios	23 Ta Mousai	24
25	26	27	28 Dikhomenia Full Moon	29	30	

May 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4 Apollon	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	12 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	13 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	14 Homoloios Ομολώϊος Noumenia	15 Agathos Daimone
16 Athene	17 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	18 Moirai, Tykhe	19 Artemis	20 Dioscuria Apollon	21 Poseidon, Asklepios	22 Ta Mousai
23 Hyakinthia (Spartan)	24 Hyakinthia (Spartan)	25 Hyakinthia (Spartan)	26	27 Dikhomenia	28	29
30	31			Full Moon		

June 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 Apollon	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	11 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	12 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
13 Theilouthios Θειλούθιος Noumenia	14 Agathos Daimone	15 Athene	16 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	17 Moirai, Tykhe	18 Artemis	19 Apollon
20 Poseidon, Asklepios	21 Kharitesia Ta Mousai Summer Solstice	22 Kharitesia	23 Kharitesia	24	25	26 Dikhomenia Full Moon
27	28	29	30			

July 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 Apollon	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	10 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
11 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	12 Ippodromios Ἰπποδρόμιος Noumenia	13 Agathos Daimone	14 Athene	15 Aphrodisia Ἀφροδίσια Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	16 Moirai, Tykhe	17 Artemis
18 Apollon	19 Poseidon, Asklepios	20 Adonia (Attic) Ta Mousai	21 Adonia	22	23	24
25 Dikhomenia Full Moon	26	27	28	29	30	31 Apollon

August 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
8 Pamboeotia Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	9 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	10 Panamos Πάναμος Noumenia	11 Agathos Daimone	12 Athene	13 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	14 Moirai, Tykhe
15 Artemis	16 Apollon	17 Poseidon, Asklepios	18 Mouseia Ta Mousai	19 Mouseia	20 Mouseia	21 Mouseia
22 Mouseia	23 Mouseia	24 Mouseia Dikhomenia Full Moon	25 Mouseia	26 Mouseia	27 Mouseia	28
29 Apollon	30	31				

September 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	7 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	8 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	9 Pamboiotios Παμβοιώτιος Noumenia	10 Agathos Daimone	11 Athene
12 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	13 Moirai, Tykhe	14 Artemis	15 Boedromia Βοηδρομία (Attic) Apollon	16 Poseidon, Asklepios	17 Ta Mousai	18
19	20	21	22 Autumn Equinox	23 Dikhomenia Full Moon	24	25
26	27	28 Apollon	29	30		

October 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4 Pamboeotia παμβοιώτια	5 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	6 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	7 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	8 Damatrios Δαμάτριος Noumenia	9 Agathos Daimone
10 Athene	11 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	12 Moirai, Tykhe	13 Artemis	14 Daphnephoria δαφνηφορία Apollon	15 Poseidon, Asklepios	16 Ta Mousai
17	18 Thesmophoria	19 Thesmophoria	20 Thesmophoria	21	22 Dikhomenia Full Moon	23
24	25	26	27 Apollon	28	29	30
31						

November 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	4 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	5 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	6 Alalkomenios <i>Αλαλκομένιος</i> Noumenia
7 Agathos Daimone	8 Athene	9 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	10 Moirai, Tykhe	11 Artemis	12 Apollon	13 Poseidon, Asklepios
14 Ta Mousai	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Dikhomenia Full Moon	22	23	24	25 Apollon	26	27
28	29	30				

January 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Small Dionysia	2 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	3 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	4 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	5 Hermaios Ερμείος Noumenia	6 Agathos Daimone
7 Athene	8 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	9 Moirai, Tykhe	10 Artemis	11 Apollon	12 Poseidon, Asklepios	13 Ta Mousai
14	15	16	17	18	19 Dikhomenia	20
21	22 Eros Day (modern)	23	24 Apollon	25	26	27
28	29	30 Daidala δαίδαλα	31			

February 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	2 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	3 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
4 Prostaterios Προστατήριος Noumenia	5 Agathos Daimone	6 Athene	7 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	8 Moirai, Tykhe	9 Artemis	10 Theophania (Delphian) Apollon
11 Poseidon, Asklepios	12 Ta Mousai	13	14	15	16	17 Dikhomenia
18	19	20	21	22	23 Apollon	24
25	26	27	28			

March 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
					Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
4	5 Agrioaios Αγριώνιος	6	7	8	9	10
Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	Noumenia	Agathos Daimone	Athene	Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	Moirai, Tykhe	Artemis
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Apollon	Poseidon, Asklepios	Ta Mousai				
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Dikhomenia	Spring Equinox				Apollon
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

ABOUT LUNAR CALENDARS

Lunar calendars are calculated by the phases of the moon – solar calendars, such as the Gregorian (modern secular) calendar, are calculated by the earth’s rotation around the sun. Both lunar and solar calendars have to accommodate the fact that the earth’s rotation around the sun is 365¼ days – solar calendars tend to do this by adding another day every four years while lunar calendars tend to add another month every four years. Neither calendar system is absolutely perfect because the natural cycle around the sun isn’t a perfect count of whole days. Lunar calendars also differ from solar in that days tend to count as having begun at sundown of the “previous” solar calendar day, whereas solar calendars generally count “new days” by sunrise – then there’s meridian time, which counts days by AM/PM time.

ABOUT HELLENIC FESTIVAL CALENDARS

The reconstructed Hellenic calendars available from a few Internet sources are arguably more practical than the typical Wiccan-influenced NeoPagan calendars because of the fact that they’re urban rather than rural in nature – so few, if any, festival dates need to be “reversed” for Hellenistai in the Southern Hemisphere; Wicca-influenced calendars, on the other hand, are based on seasons, so certain festivals adopted by the Wiccan calendar, like Samhain, are best celebrated during specific seasonal phases, as per the guidelines laid out by Wicca, and so would need to be adjusted for Southern Hemisphere seasons – so in Australia and South America, Samhain would be in early May rather than late October, and Beltaine would be in October rather than May. Hellenic festivals, on the other hand, are based on important dates in mythology or for the polis the calendar is attached to, so no adjustments are necessary – like how those who celebrate Christmas (in either a religious or secular fashion) celebrate it on December 25th, no matter where in the world they live.

That said, there was no one universal Hellenic festival calendar. Different regions had different calendars, and even different cities within a region would sometimes have their own variation on the calendar. Furthermore, those who lived in rural areas would have their own seasonal calendars and often their own rituals and traditions associated with the different harvest seasons. Then there were the civic calendars used by politicians, and some sources state that if certain political events would take longer deliberations than usual, this could drag a civic month out far beyond the perimeters of the Noumenia.

ABOUT THE NEW BOEOTIAN CALENDAR

Most of the dates on the monthly ritual cycle are outlined by Hesiod in Works & Days, with a few exceptions: Tykhe and Ta Moirai are honoured on the fifth day of the lunar month; Ta Mousai are honoured on the ninth day of the lunar month. I selected these days for a reason – the number five, in traditional Hellenic folklore, is supposedly “unlucky” (at least according to my sources – which have rarely been full of shit), which seems like an appropriate date to honour the Goddess of Fortune and the Fates, in hopes of giving one a good day; the ninth day was selected for the Muses because traditionally, their number is nine. Tykhe and Ta Mousai both had famous Boeotian cult worship, and Ta Moirai have both always been a part of my personal cult worship, but I worship Them on the same day as Tykhe, taking a nod from the Boeotian poet Pindar, who was said to have considered Tykhe one of Ta Moirai.

Festivals that are not Boeotian in origin are marked as such, including the modern “Eros Day” – a modern creation of Sexologist Susan Block, and a date she chose because it is the date on the Gregorian calendar that when the planetoid Eros (in the asteroid belt

between Mars and Jupiter) is closest to Earth. Festivals from outside Boeotia are listed basically because these are the festivals that I honour for several reasons, but mainly because of connection to a particular deity to whom I pay cultus and because the nature of the festival is not one that is particular to that region (at least as best as I can tell). The reason they are included on here is because I simply couldn't be arsed to remove them – if you wish to have a print-ready calendar without these dates, please go back to the website and leave something in my Tip Jar with a note that you would like me to e-mail you a custom calendar PDF, and please include what you would like added or removed. If you do not have ready access to a printer and would like me to mail you something via post, please e-mail me before leaving anything in my Tip Jar. (Anything left in the Tip Jar without a note, by the by, will be assumed to be left simply because you think I'm awesome.)

The following festivals may not be designated for the same dates that they were held in ancient times; as I gain more information, I will update these festivals:

Dionysia – celebrated throughout much of Hellas, dates chosen because of Attic correspondence

Daidala – traditionally held either every seven or every four years (I have conflicting sources), festival in honour of the wedding of Zeus & Hera. Can't find a specified date, so I used the date of the Attic Gamelia festival, which is also in honour of Their marriage.

Delphinia –

Dioscuria – feast of the Doiskuroi, ostensibly celebrated throughout most of Hellas; date selected for the first day of Gemini in the Tropical (Western) Zodiac.

Hyakinthia – This Spartan festival I know very little about, concerning the dates it was held. I know it lasted three days, and was a major Spartan festival. At first, I wanted to place this at the summer solstice, then I was passed along another source link for Hellenic calendars, and it made more sense to place it in equivalent of the Spartan month of Hyakinthia/Delphinios

Kharitesia – All I know of this is that it's a Boeotian festival of poetry and music games to the Kharites. I've made it a two-day festival and set it at the Summer Solstice to coincide with the flowering of the myrtle trees, which are sacred to Them

Adonia – all I knew of this one for the longest time is that it was held in early summer, lasted more than one day, and was tied to the Attic month of Hekatonbion; now Wikipedia says “two days ... tied to the ninth day of the month”.

Mouseia – Totally new cycle and likely new date and span. Mouseia are the every-five-years poetry and music games for Ta Mousai, who had a substantial cult in Boeotia. Next Mouseia will be in the Gregorian 2015.

Pamboeotia – I was able to track down the month for this Athenian festival, but not a set date, so I took the stab at which day of the month it would have been celebrated using the Attic festival Panathenia, which seems otherwise identical, based on both primary and secondary sources.

Thesmophoria – an oestrogen-fest for Demeter and Persephone (for those ladies who wish to participate, anyway); my source simply describes this as being celebrated “in various parts of Hellas”, and while I (being a dude) don't take part in this, I figured I'd add it for the shared version of this calendar, cos Demeter and Persephone seem popular with the ladies.

Boedromia – According to sources, Apollon's epithet “Boedromios” is actually of Boeotian origin, and this festival was actually widespread through ancient Hellas. Regardless, I've marked it as an “Attic” festival because I've taken it from a reconstructed Attic calendar.

Daphnephoria – date for this one selected because Athenians had a very similar holiday on their corresponding calendar date.

I would include a more in-depth description of each festival, but this is already a twenty-one page document – your printer will thank you if you just go check out the links below that have festival descriptions.

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