

# 2018 YEAR OF SPECIAL DAYS



**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

The colour dots with numbers refer to the relevant SDGs, helping you to align any planned activities to these important goals.



**JANUARY**  
Waste

- 7 Old Rock Day
- 20 Penguin Awareness Day
- 24 Compliment Day
- 31 Int. Street Children's Day
- 31 Inspire Your Heart With Art Day

**FEBRUARY**  
Water

- 2 World Wetland Day 15
- 5 World Cancer Day 3
- 18 World Whale Day
- 20 World Day of Social Justice 16
- 27 Polar Bear Day
- 28 Leap Day for Frogs

**MARCH**  
Energy

- 3 World Wildlife Day 15
- 8 Int. Women's Day
- 17-23 National Water Week
- 20 Meat Out Day 2
- 21 Human Rights Day South Africa
- 22 World Water Day 6
- 23 World Meteorological Day 13
- 24 Earth Hour 13

**APRIL**  
Climate Change

- 2 Family Day 3
- 4 International Day for Mine Awareness 16
- 7 World Health Day 3
- 20-26 World Day of Actions 4 17
- 22 Int. Earth Day 15
- 22 Int. Mother Earth Day
- 25 Malaria Day
- 27 Freedom Day

**MAY**  
School Grounds

- 1 Workers' Day 8
- 3 World Press Freedom Day
- 7-13 Int. Composting Awareness Week
- 13 Mother's Day
- 15 Int. Day of Families
- 18 Int. Museum Day 11
- 22 Int. Day for Biological Diversity 15
- 23 World Turtle Day

**JUNE**  
Biodiversity & Nature

- 1 Int. Children's Day
- 5 World Environment Day 15
- 8 World Oceans Day
- 16 Youth Day 8
- 17 World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought 13
- 17 Father's Day
- 20 World Refugee Day

**JULY**  
Transport

- 4 Shark Awareness Day
- 11 World Population Day 4
- 12 Malala Day
- 15 World Youths Skills Day
- 18 Nelson Mandela Day
- 29 Int. Tiger Day
- 30 Int. Day of Friendship
- 30 World Day Against Trafficking in Persons

**AUGUST**  
Eco-Tourism

- 9 Int. Day of the World's Indigenous People
- 9 National Women's Day 8
- 10 World Lion Day 15
- 12 Int. Youth Day 8
- 12 World Elephant Day 15
- 19 World Humanitarian Day
- 20 World Mosquito Day 3
- 23 Int. Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition
- 31 African Traditional Medicine Day

**SEPTEMBER**  
Clean-Up

- 1-30 Arbor Month 15
- 5 Int. Day of Charity
- 8 Int. Literacy Day 4
- 15 Int. Coastal Cleanup Day
- 15 Int. Day of Democracy
- 10-16 Cleanup and Recycle SA Week 14
- 16 Int. Day for the Presentation of the Ozone Layer
- 21 Int. Day of Peace & Zero Emissions Day
- 22 World Rhino Day
- 24 Heritage Day
- 26 World Environmental Health Day
- 27 World Tourism Day 8 12
- 28 World Rabies Day 3

**OCTOBER**  
Marine & Coastal

- 2 World Habitat Day 15
- 2 Int. Day of Non-Violence
- 4 World Animal Day 15
- 5 World Teacher Day 4
- 9-15 National Marine Week 14 15
- 10 Int. Day for Natural Disaster Reduction
- 13 African Penguin Day 15
- 16 World Food Day 2
- 17 Int. Day for the Eradication of Poverty 4
- 24-30 Disarmament Week 16
- 31 World Cities Day 11
- National Weedbuster Week - date TBC

**NOVEMBER**  
Health & Wellbeing

- 10 World Science Day for Peace and Development 16
- 14 World Diabetes Day
- 19 World Toilet Day
- 20 Universal Children's Day 3
- 21 World Fisheries Day
- 23 Buy Nothing Day 12
- 24 Birding Big Day
- 25 Int. Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women

**DECEMBER**  
Community & Heritage

- 1 World Aids Day 3
- 2 Int. Day for the Abolition of Slavery
- 3 Int. Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 5 World Soil Day 15
- 10 Int. Human Rights Day
- 11 Int. Mountain Day 15
- 16 Day of Reconciliation 16
- 20 Int. Human Solidarity Day