

# The Jewish Calendar

MONTH	NAME	APPROXIMATE	FEASTS
1st	ABID, or NISAN	APRIL	PASSOVER
2nd	Ziv, or Lyar	May	
3rd	SIVAN	JUNE	PENTECOST
4th	Tammuz	JULY	
5th	Ab	August	
6th	Elul	September	
7th	ETHANIM	OCTOBER	TABERNACLES
8th	Vul, or Marcheshvan	November	
9th	CHISLEV	DECEMBER	DEDICATION
10th	Tebeth	January	
11th	Shebar	February	
12th	ADAR	MARCH	PURIM



- The **SACRED YEAR** began in the spring.
- The **CIVIL YEAR** began in the fall.
- The 7th Sacred month was the 1st Civil month.
- The year was divided into 12 lunar months, with a 13th month 7 times in every 19 years.
- The **NATURAL DAY** was from sunrise to sunset.
- The **CIVIL DAY** was from sunset to sunset.
- The Feast of Purim was begun during the time of Esther.
- The Feast of Dedication was begun during the Maccabean Period.