



2017



gichi-manidoo-giizis (January) Great Spirit Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 ○ Full Moon	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 ● New Moon	28
29	30	31				

namebini-giizis (February) Sucker Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 ○ Full Moon	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				
● New Moon						

onaabani-giizis (March) Hard Crust on the Snow Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 ○ Full Moon	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Spring Begins	28	29	30	31	
	● New Moon					

iskigamizige-giizis (April) Maple Sugar Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 ○ Full Moon	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30			● New Moon			



waabigwanii-giizis (May) Flower Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 ○ Full Moon	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31		● New Moon	

ode'imini-giizis (June) Time for Picking Strawberry Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 ○ Full Moon	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Summer Begins	28	29	30 ● New Moon	

aabita-niibino-giizis (July) Half Way Through the Summer Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 ○ Full Moon
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 ● New Moon	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

manoominike-giizis (August) Ricing Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 ○ Full Moon	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 ● New Moon	28	29	30	31		

Anishinaabe floral patterns are beautiful and highly recognizable patterns often found within beadwork designs. Colorful shapes pop against dark, often black, backgrounds. Most designs are symmetrical and very ornate. They depict four different parts of a plant—the bud, the stem, the leaves, and the flower—connected by a vine. This was thought to be representative of the four stages of life, all connected.

Historically, it was common for Anishinaabe girls to learn how to bead around the age of seven. They would begin by sewing an outline around a shape marked out on cloth or deerskin. Originally, many communities utilized quills from the gaag (porcupine) to create designs and patterns. Quills could be dyed utilizing natural methods from various plant species. Beads were carved from materials such as shell, stone, or animal bone.

Today, glass beads are the material of choice. Contemporary artists making beadwork draw inspiration from traditional floral patterns used by their ancestors to develop their own style. To this day Anishinaabeg continue to bead the plants, animals and objects seen in their surroundings.

Floral design by Jessica Gokey, an award winning Native American artist who lives in Minnesota. She uses traditional Ojibwe floral designs in her art to help keep traditional floral patterns alive.

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*Treaty seasons in the 1837 and 1842 Ceded Territories of MN, WI and MN.

waatebagaa-giizis (September) Leaves Changing Color Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 ○ Full Moon	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 ● New Moon	28	29	30
					Fall Begins	

binaakwii-giizis (October) Falling Leaves Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 ○ Full Moon	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 ● New Moon	27	28
29	30	31				

gashkadino-giizis (November) Ice is Forming Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 ○ Full Moon
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 ● New Moon
26	27	28	29	30		

manidoo-giizisoons (December) Little Spirit Moon						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 ○ Full Moon	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 ● New Moon	26	27	28	29	30
31				Winter Begins		