

Wildlife

in Britain 2025



Digital Sample



January 2025

1	Wed	New Year's Day
2	Thu	Bank Holiday (Scotland)
3	Fri	
4	Sat	
5	Sun	
6	Mon	Wk 2
7	Tue	
8	Wed	
9	Thu	
10	Fri	
11	Sat	
12	Sun	
13	Mon	Wk 3
14	Tue	
15	Wed	
16	Thu	
17	Fri	
18	Sat	
19	Sun	
20	Mon	Wk 4
21	Tue	
22	Wed	
23	Thu	
24	Fri	
25	Sat	
26	Sun	
27	Mon	Wk 5
28	Tue	
29	Wed	
30	Thu	
31	Fri	

December 2024

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
49	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
50	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
51	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
52	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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February 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5							1
6	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
7	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
8	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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January 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Red Squirrel

The red squirrel, with its russet fur and tufted ears that grow longer in winter, is native to Britain but rarely seen, apart from in a few UK regions in coniferous or mixed woodland. It is very elusive and lives mainly in the trees, hunting for nuts, seeds and acorns. The drey, built in the branches, can be shared among several squirrels.



February 2025

1	Sat	
2	Sun	
3	Mon	Bank Holiday (Eire) Wk 6
4	Tue	
5	Wed	
6	Thu	
7	Fri	
8	Sat	
9	Sun	
10	Mon	Wk 7
11	Tue	
12	Wed	
13	Thu	
14	Fri	
15	Sat	
16	Sun	
17	Mon	Wk 8
18	Tue	
19	Wed	
20	Thu	
21	Fri	
22	Sat	
23	Sun	
24	Mon	Wk 9
25	Tue	
26	Wed	
27	Thu	
28	Fri	

January 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1				1	2	3	4
2	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
4	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
5	26	27	28	29	30	31	

March 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9							1
10	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
11	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
12	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
13	23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29

February 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5							1
6	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
7	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
8	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
9	23	24	25	26	27	28	



Sika Deer

Sika deer are medium in size with a yellow-brown coat with white spots, changing to a greyish-brown during winter. Sika deer have a smallish head and a heart-shaped rump. The stags have pointed antlers. Native to China, they were introduced into deer parks from 1860. Many have escaped and bred in the wild, especially in areas of acid soils.



March 2025

1	Sat	St David's Day (Wales)
2	Sun	
3	Mon	Wk 10
4	Tue	
5	Wed	
6	Thu	
7	Fri	
8	Sat	
9	Sun	
10	Mon	Wk 11
11	Tue	
12	Wed	
13	Thu	
14	Fri	
15	Sat	
16	Sun	
17	Mon	St Patrick's Day (BH N Ireland & Eire) Wk 12
18	Tue	
19	Wed	
20	Thu	
21	Fri	
22	Sat	
23	Sun	
24	Mon	Wk 13
25	Tue	
26	Wed	
27	Thu	
28	Fri	
29	Sat	
30	Sun	British Summertime starts
31	Mon	Wk 14

February 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5							1
6	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
7	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
8	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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April 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
14			1	2	3	4	5
15	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
16	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
17	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
18	27	28	29	30			

March 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9							1
10	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
11	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
12	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
13	23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29



Red Fox

Widespread in the British countryside and towns, resourceful and highly adaptable, red foxes are territorial animals, mostly living in family groups of a pair and their cubs. They have excellent low-frequency hearing and can detect small animals moving underground. After breeding, the female usually makes several dens in case she is disturbed.



April 2025

1	Tue	
2	Wed	
3	Thu	
4	Fri	
5	Sat	
6	Sun	
7	Mon	Wk 15
8	Tue	
9	Wed	
10	Thu	
11	Fri	
12	Sat	
13	Sun	
14	Mon	Wk 16
15	Tue	
16	Wed	
17	Thu	
18	Fri	Good Friday
19	Sat	
20	Sun	
21	Mon	Easter Monday Wk 17
22	Tue	
23	Wed	St George's Day (England)
24	Thu	
25	Fri	
26	Sat	
27	Sun	
28	Mon	Wk 18
29	Tue	
30	Wed	

March 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9							1
10	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
11	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
12	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
13	23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29

May 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18					1	2	3
19	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
22	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

April 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
14			1	2	3	4	5
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17	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
18	27	28	29	30			



Bottlenose Dolphin

Intelligent and graceful, with a short beak, bottlenose dolphins can be spotted along parts of the Scottish, Welsh and Cornish coasts, surfacing to breathe and jumping out of the water. They generally live in family groups in pods, and communicate by squeaks and whistles as well as body language, such as slapping their tails on the water.



May 2025

1	Thu
2	Fri
3	Sat
4	Sun
5	Mon <small>Bank Holiday Wk 19</small>
6	Tue
7	Wed
8	Thu
9	Fri
10	Sat
11	Sun
12	Mon <small>Wk 20</small>
13	Tue
14	Wed
15	Thu
16	Fri
17	Sat
18	Sun
19	Mon <small>Wk 21</small>
20	Tue
21	Wed
22	Thu
23	Fri
24	Sat
25	Sun
26	Mon <small>Bank Holiday Wk 22</small>
27	Tue
28	Wed
29	Thu
30	Fri
31	Sat

April 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
14			1	2	3	4	5
15	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
16	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
17	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
18	27	28	29	30			

June 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
23	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
24	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
25	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
26	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
27	29	30					

May 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18					1	2	3
19	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
22	25	26	27	28	29	30	31



Nuthatch

The small and brightly coloured nuthatch can climb up and down tree trunks and branches, clinging on, often upside down, with its powerful toes. It nests in a tree cavity, making the hole too small for other birds to pass through by lining it with mud. Its call is a loud, cheery whistle and it makes a loud tapping noise as it hammers nuts.



June 2025

1	Sun	
2	Mon	Bank Holiday (Eire) Wk 23
3	Tue	
4	Wed	
5	Thu	
6	Fri	
7	Sat	
8	Sun	
9	Mon	Wk 24
10	Tue	
11	Wed	
12	Thu	
13	Fri	
14	Sat	
15	Sun	
16	Mon	Wk 25
17	Tue	
18	Wed	
19	Thu	
20	Fri	
21	Sat	Longest Day
22	Sun	
23	Mon	Wk 26
24	Tue	
25	Wed	
26	Thu	
27	Fri	
28	Sat	
29	Sun	
30	Mon	Wk 27

May 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18					1	2	3
19	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
22	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

July 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27			1	2	3	4	5
28	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
29	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
30	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
31	27	28	29	30	31		

June 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
23	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
24	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
25	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
26	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
27	29	30					



Water Vole

Found across Britain, this large semi-aquatic vole, with a rounded muzzle, lives in a strip of land alongside slow-flowing, well-vegetated rivers and lakes, burrowing into the riverbank above and below the waterline. Skin flaps help keep its ears watertight whilst swimming. It is rather short-sighted and relies more on its sense of hearing.



July 2025

1	Tue	
2	Wed	
3	Thu	
4	Fri	
5	Sat	
6	Sun	
7	Mon	Wk 28
8	Tue	
9	Wed	
10	Thu	
11	Fri	
12	Sat	
13	Sun	
14	Mon	Bank Holiday (N Ireland) Wk 29
15	Tue	
16	Wed	
17	Thu	
18	Fri	
19	Sat	
20	Sun	
21	Mon	Wk 30
22	Tue	
23	Wed	
24	Thu	
25	Fri	
26	Sat	
27	Sun	
28	Mon	Wk 31
29	Tue	
30	Wed	
31	Thu	

June 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
23	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
24	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
25	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
26	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
27	29	30					

August 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31						1	2
32	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
33	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
34	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
35	24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

July 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27			1	2	3	4	5
28	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
29	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
30	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
31	27	28	29	30	31		



Red Admiral Butterfly

This striking black and red butterfly is a frequent garden visitor, seen feeding on flowers on warm days and also in a variety of other habitats. Most red admirals migrate to the UK from North Africa and Europe, arriving in spring and laying eggs that hatch from July onwards. Some adults manage to survive the winter by hibernating here.



August 2025

1	Fri		
2	Sat		
3	Sun		
4	Mon	Bank Holiday (Scotland & Eire)	Wk 32
5	Tue		
6	Wed		
7	Thu		
8	Fri		
9	Sat		
10	Sun		
11	Mon	Wk 33	
12	Tue		
13	Wed		
14	Thu		
15	Fri		
16	Sat		
17	Sun		
18	Mon	Wk 34	
19	Tue		
20	Wed		
21	Thu		
22	Fri		
23	Sat		
24	Sun		
25	Mon	Bank Holiday (excl. Scotland)	Wk 35
26	Tue		
27	Wed		
28	Thu		
29	Fri		
30	Sat		
31	Sun		

July 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27			1	2	3	4	5
28	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
29	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
30	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
31	27	28	29	30	31		

September 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
36		1	2	3	4	5	6
37	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
38	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
39	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
40	28	29	30				

August 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31						1	2
32	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
33	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
34	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
35	24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30



Rabbit

Native to Britain, the endearing rabbit, with its grey-brown coat, bob tail and long incisors, lives in large colonies of 2-10 members, burrowing underground in sandy soil to form complex warrens with nest chambers. It emerges to graze grass and vegetation, mainly at dawn and dusk. Speed and agility are the main defences against predators.



September 2025

1	Mon	Wk 36
2	Tue	
3	Wed	
4	Thu	
5	Fri	
6	Sat	
7	Sun	
8	Mon	Wk 37
9	Tue	
10	Wed	
11	Thu	
12	Fri	
13	Sat	
14	Sun	
15	Mon	Wk 38
16	Tue	
17	Wed	
18	Thu	
19	Fri	
20	Sat	
21	Sun	
22	Mon	Wk 39
23	Tue	
24	Wed	
25	Thu	
26	Fri	
27	Sat	
28	Sun	
29	Mon	Wk 40
30	Tue	

August 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31						1	2
32	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
33	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
34	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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October 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
40				1	2	3	4
41	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
42	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
43	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
44	26	27	28	29	30	31	

September 2025

Wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
36		1	2	3	4	5	6
37	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
38	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
39	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
40	28	29	30				



Osprey

This large brown and white bird of prey is a UK summer visitor, breeding at sites in Scotland and northern England. Thanks to a reintroduction programme, ospreys now also breed in England and Wales. Ospreys feed on fish, catching them by diving towards lakes and lochs, stretching out their talons and scooping them out of the water easily.



October 2025

1	Wed	
2	Thu	
3	Fri	
4	Sat	
5	Sun	
6	Mon	Wk 41
7	Tue	
8	Wed	
9	Thu	
10	Fri	
11	Sat	
12	Sun	
13	Mon	Wk 42
14	Tue	
15	Wed	
16	Thu	
17	Fri	
18	Sat	
19	Sun	
20	Mon	Wk 43
21	Tue	
22	Wed	
23	Thu	
24	Fri	
25	Sat	
26	Sun	British Summertime ends
27	Mon	Bank Holiday (Eire) Wk 44
28	Tue	
29	Wed	
30	Thu	
31	Fri	

September 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
36		1	2	3	4	5	6
37	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
38	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
39	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
40	28	29	30				

November 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
44							1
45	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
46	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
47	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
48	23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29

October 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
40				1	2	3	4
41	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
42	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
43	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
44	26	27	28	29	30	31	



Scottish Wildcat

Britain's only wild species of cat, resembling a large tabby cat, with long, thick fur, a powerful body and a blunt, bushy tail marked with black rings, the wildcat is found in Scotland on remote hills, moors and in forestry plantations. Rather timid, it usually hunts alone or in a pair at dawn or dusk, resting up during the day in a den.



November 2025

1	Sat	
2	Sun	
3	Mon	Wk 45
4	Tue	
5	Wed	
6	Thu	
7	Fri	
8	Sat	
9	Sun	
10	Mon	Wk 46
11	Tue	
12	Wed	
13	Thu	
14	Fri	
15	Sat	
16	Sun	
17	Mon	Wk 47
18	Tue	
19	Wed	
20	Thu	
21	Fri	
22	Sat	
23	Sun	
24	Mon	Wk 48
25	Tue	
26	Wed	
27	Thu	
28	Fri	
29	Sat	
30	Sun	St Andrew's Day (Scotland)

October 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
40				1	2	3	4
41	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
42	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
43	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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December 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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November 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
44							1
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Stoat

A long, slender mustelid, with short legs, an orange-brown back, a creamy white throat and belly, and a black-tipped tail, the stoat is larger than the weasel, with a distinctive bounding gait. It often runs about in zigzag moves in search of prey. In winter in northern areas, its fur turns white, known as ermine, for camouflage in the snow.



December 2025

1	Mon	Wk 49
2	Tue	
3	Wed	
4	Thu	
5	Fri	
6	Sat	
7	Sun	
8	Mon	Wk 50
9	Tue	
10	Wed	
11	Thu	
12	Fri	
13	Sat	
14	Sun	
15	Mon	Wk 51
16	Tue	
17	Wed	
18	Thu	
19	Fri	
20	Sat	
21	Sun	Shortest Day
22	Mon	Wk 52
23	Tue	
24	Wed	
25	Thu	Christmas Day
26	Fri	Boxing Day
27	Sat	
28	Sun	
29	Mon	Wk 1
30	Tue	
31	Wed	

November 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
44							1
45	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
46	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
47	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
48	23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29

January 2026

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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5	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

December 2025

wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
49		1	2	3	4	5	6
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Mute Swan

Britain's most common swan, with an orange bill and snow-white plumage, is mostly silent, although it will hiss aggressively if disturbed. Its long, curved neck is used to search for underwater plants. Males and females mate for life and often entwine their graceful necks in courtship rituals. Young cygnets are often carried on the mother's back.