

Ramadan Information for 2023

Beginning of Ramadan.

The astronomical New Moon occurs on 21st of March 2023. On this day Moon sets at 1810 hours and Sun sets at 1821 hours. On this day moon is not visible as it goes below the horizon before Sun set.

On the 22nd of March 2023, moon sets at 1902 hours and Sun sets at 1821 hours. On this day Moon is above the horizon nearly 41 minutes, hence Moon is seen by the naked eye provided the sky is clear.

End of Ramadan

The astronomical New Moon occurs on 20th of April 2023, Sun sets at 1818 hours and Moon sets at 1833 hours. Therefore moon is almost 15 minutes above the horizon after Sun sets and civil twilight ends at 1839 hours on this day. Hence Moon is hardly visible to naked eye.

On 21st April 2023 Sun sets at 1818 hours and Moon sets at 1926 hours. Therefore moon is almost 68 minutes above the horizon after Sun sets. Hence Moon is seen by the naked eye provided the sky is clear.

(However this date may change with +one day at the committee deployed to determine the Ramadan date)

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