

**Mool and New Moon Dates for 2023**  
**(The most inauspicious days for a baby to be born in)**



In these days many expecting mothers have a C-Section birth and thus I would advise you to consult your family priest or a competent astrologer to have a look at the dates that your doctor has given you for the birth of your baby child. And this avoids so many future complications.

If your baby was born in MOOL due to circumstances beyond your control then the father depends of which Nakshatras (see below) cannot see his child for a period of 27 days. On the 28<sup>th</sup> day the MOOL-SHANTI puja is performed by the family priest.

**WHAT ARE THE 6 NAKSHATRAS?** (Sanskrit meaning Asterism/star, lunar mansion). A nakshatra is one of 27 sectors along the ecliptic. Their names are related to the most prominent asterisms in the respective sectors. There are 12 Rashis each comprising 30 degrees. So 12 Rashis forms the circle of 360 degrees. There is 27 Nakshatras in this 360 degree circle. So each Nakshatra spans about 13.3333 degrees. A Nakshatra is further divided into Pada/quarters. So there is 4 padas for each Nakshatra (given below). Nakshatras have their lords. In Vedic astrology, from the Nakshatra the child is born in, the initials of the new born child is worked from, thus it is very essential to consult an astrologer or a priest who knows astrology to check if the child was born in an auspicious time or not and to choose a suitable name for the child. If a child is born in an "inauspicious" time it can cause the death of the child and can even wipe out an entire family. By inauspicious time I mean when a child is born in an evil nakshatra (star), for example if a child is born in the 1st pada (quarter) of Ashwini, the child may not survive, or if the child is born in the 4th pada of Ashlesha the lives of the parents may be danger and so forth. From experience I know many people cast aside astrology and say it's not necessary and it's just nonsense. But when something happens to them or their family then they want to blame God, when certain events could have been avoided. Please understand these are not mere rituals rather they are very essential for the person's/child's benefit.

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**"Pre and Post birth Purificatory Rites, Chatti Ceremony and the First outing of the child to the temple" ...**

## 2023 MOOL DATES FOR SOUTH AFRICA

January	: Starts 30 Dec 2022 @ 15h03	Ends 1 Jan @ 15h40
	: Starts 9 @ 06h09	Ends 11 @ 08h29
	: Starts 18 @ 23h15	Ends 20 @ 15h24
	: Starts 26 @ 18h12	Ends 28 @ 17h17
February	: Starts 5 @ 11h09	Ends 8 @ 12h57
	: Starts 15 @ 04h08	Ends 16 @ 23h18
	: Starts 23 @ 10h53	Ends 25 @ 08h48
March	: Starts 4 @ 16h04	Ends 7 @ 01h44
	: Starts 14 @ 05h28	Ends 16 @ 06h34
	: Starts 22 @ 16h50	Ends 24 @ 13h28
	: Starts 31 @ 22h28	Ends 3 April @ 15h46
April	: Starts 31 March @ 22h28	Ends 3 April @ 15h46
	: Starts 10 @ 16h30	Ends 12 @ 11h46
	: Starts 19 @ 07h53	Ends 21 @ 04h57
	: Starts 28 @ 12h30	Ends 30 @ 16h57
May	: Starts 7 @ 23h20	Ends 9 @ 17h43
	: Starts 16 @ 08h47	Ends 18 @ 06h31
	: Starts 25 @ 14h36	Ends 28 @ 06h25
June	: Starts 4 @ 05h41	Ends 6 @ 00h17
	: Starts 12 @ 18h28	Ends 14 @ 17h06
	: Starts 21 @ 23h01	Ends 24 @ 05h35
July	: Starts 1 @ 19h12	Ends 3 @ 12h12
	: Starts 9 @ 16h29	Ends 12 @ 02h27
	: Starts 19 @ 06h53	Ends 21 @ 16h41
	: Starts 28 @ 22h34	Ends 30 @ 22h29
August	: Starts 6 @ 03h39	Ends 8 @ 00h43
	: Starts 15 @ 14h00	Ends 18 @ 03h18
	: Starts 25 @ 11h12	Ends 27 @ 07h23
September	: Starts 2 @ 17h19	Ends 4 @ 13h10
	: Starts 11 @ 20h22	Ends 13 @ 22h35
	: Starts 21 @ 22h12	Ends 23 @ 17h58
	: Starts 29 @ 22h21	Ends 1 Oct @ 17h03
October	: Starts 29 Sept @ 22h21	Ends 1 Oct @ 17h03
	: Starts 9 @ 03h19	Ends 11 @ 14h06
	: Starts 18 @ 21h42	Ends 20 @ 19h53
	: Starts 27 @ 14h05	Ends 29 @ 09h18
November	: Starts 5 @ 10h04	Ends 7 @ 03h36
	: Starts 15 @ 08h35	Ends 17 @ 04h03
	: Starts 23 @ 17h31	Ends 25 @ 13h51
December	: Starts 2 @ 16h47	Ends 5 @ 07h47
	: Starts 12 @ 14h16	Ends 14 @ 09h51
	: Starts 21 @ 06h07	Ends 23 @ 03h40
	: Starts 30 @ 06h13	Ends 1 Jan 2024 @ 10h57



#### A child born in 'Moola' Nakshatra.

1 <sup>st</sup> Pada	Harm/Miseries to Father/Father in law
2 <sup>nd</sup> Pada	Loss/Miseries to mother.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Pada	Loss/Waste of money to parents
4 <sup>th</sup> Pada	Good results for the native.

#### A child born in 'Jyeshtha' Nakshatra.

1 <sup>st</sup> Pada	Loss/Miseries to elder brother
2 <sup>nd</sup> Pada	Loss/Miseries to younger brother
3 <sup>rd</sup> Pada	Loss/Miseries to father
4 <sup>th</sup> Pada	Miseries to self or Early death.

#### A child born in 'Ashlesha' Nakshatra.

1 <sup>st</sup> Pada	Benefic/Good results for the native
2 <sup>nd</sup> Pada	Loss of Wealth loss of Native
3 <sup>rd</sup> Pada	Loss/Miseries for Mother/Mother in law
4 <sup>th</sup> Pada	Loss/Miseries to father/Father in law.

#### A child born in 'Magha' Nakshatra.

1 <sup>st</sup> Pada	Loss/Miseries to mother/relatives
2 <sup>nd</sup> Pada	Loss/Miseries to father
3 <sup>rd</sup> Pada	Loss of happiness and wealth.
4 <sup>th</sup> Pada	Loss of wealth

#### A child born in 'Revati' Nakshatra.

1 <sup>st</sup> Pada	Courageous/kingly status for the native.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Pada	Happiness from Government
3 <sup>rd</sup> Pada	Happiness and gain to native
4 <sup>th</sup> Pada	Miseries and many difficulties to the Native

#### A child born in 'Ashwini' Nakshatra.

1 <sup>st</sup> Pada	Miseries to Native Father or child may die.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Pada	Destruction of wealth and happiness in the family.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Pada	High Position and status of the child
4 <sup>th</sup> Pada	Honour from government for the child



There is a lot of confusion regarding birth on Amavasya - is it good or bad for a baby to be born on Amavasya. As per Sanatan Dharma (Hinduism), there is an increase in negative energy and forces on Amavasya (New Moon) night. As per Vedic astrology, birth on the no moon night is bad because Surya and Chandra (sun and moon) will be in the same house in Kundali or horoscope, thus a baby born in Amavasya (New Moon) is considered as per Vedic Astrology inauspicious.

An Amavasya Shanti puja needs to be performed for the baby.

## **2023 Amavasya (New Moon) Dates for South Africa**

How to understand the information below. For example, Amavasya begins on the 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023 @ 12:48 PM and ends on the 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 @ 09:05 AM. So Amavasya is spread over two days. So you should note Amavasya within the times provided below.

January 21, 2023, Saturday  
Magha, Amavasya  
Begins - 02:47 AM, January 21  
Ends - 10:52 PM, January 21

February 20, 2023, Monday  
Phalgun, Amavasya  
Begins - 12:48 PM, February 19  
Ends - 09:05 AM, February 20

March 21, 2023, Tuesday  
Chaitra, Amavasya  
Begins - 10:17 PM, March 20  
Ends - 07:22 PM, March 21

April 19, 2023, Wednesday  
Vaishakha, Amavasya  
Begins - 07:53 AM, April 19  
Ends - 06:11 AM, April 20

May 19, 2023, Friday  
Jyeshtha, Amavasya  
Begins - 06:12 PM, May 18  
Ends - 05:52 PM, May 19

June 17, 2023, Saturday  
Ashadha, Amavasya  
Begins - 05:41 AM, June 17  
Ends - 06:36 AM, June 18

July 17, 2023, Monday  
Shravana, Amavasya  
Begins - 06:38 PM, July 16  
Ends - 08:31 PM, July 17

August 16, 2023, Wednesday  
Adhik Maas, Amavasya  
Begins - 09:12 AM, August 15  
Ends - 11:37 AM, August 16

September 14, 2023, Thursday  
Bhadrapada, Amavasya  
Begins - 01:18 AM, September 14  
Ends - 03:39 AM, September 15

October 14, 2023, Saturday  
Ashwina, Amavasya  
Begins - 06:20 PM, October 13  
Ends - 07:54 PM, October 14

November 13, 2023, Monday  
Kartika, Amavasya  
Begins - 11:14 AM, November 12  
Ends - 11:26 AM, November 13

December 12, 2023, Tuesday  
Margashirsha, Amavasya  
Begins - 02:54 AM, December 12  
Ends - 01:31 AM, December 13

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