



January Birthdays

In astrology, those born between January 1–19 are Capricorn's Goats. Goats are focused on lofty goals; these hardworking souls prevail with grit and resilience. Those born between January 20–31 are Water Bearers of Aquarius. Water Bearers are deep-thinking intellectuals, unafraid of exploring new ideas.

- Betsy Ross (folk hero) – January 1, 1752
- Joan of Arc (French heroine) – January 6, 1412
- Zora Neale Hurston (writer) – January 7, 1891
- David Bowie (musician) – January 8, 1947
- Alexander Hamilton (politician) – January 11, 1755
- Faye Dunaway (actress) – January 14, 1941
- A.A. Milne (writer) – January 18, 1882
- Edgar Allan Poe (writer) – January 19, 1809
- Benny Hill (comedian) – January 21, 1924
- Virginia Woolf (writer) – January 25, 1882
- Bessie Coleman (aviator) – January 26, 1892
- Tom Selleck (actor) – January 29, 1945

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requesting that his lyrics be set to an old Scottish folk tune. The phrase *auld lang syne* roughly translates to “for old times’ sake,” and, fittingly, the nostalgic song is about preserving friendships. The tune was often sung at funerals, farewells, and other group celebrations. It finally made it to America in 1929, when the Guy Lombardo Orchestra played it at a New Year’s celebration in New York’s Roosevelt Hotel.

No New Year’s party is complete without a kiss at the stroke of midnight. In ancient times, the winter darkness was the domain of evil spirits. At New Year’s masquerade balls, scary masks were torn off at midnight, and a kiss was shared as an act of purification to chase away malign spirits. For centuries, New Year’s has been a time of celebration, nostalgia, and hope.



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January Birthdays

January 1st
Gene ISAMAN

January 25th

Gerald Norman

Cuddle Up Day
January 6

Make Your Dream Come True Day
January 13

Popcorn Day
January 19

Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 21

Puzzle Day
January 29

New Year, Lasting Traditions

Another new year begins, and all around the world people will be popping champagne, singing “Auld Lang Syne,” and kissing loved ones at the stroke of midnight. But just why, exactly, do we repeat these New Year’s traditions year after year?

Bubbly champagne is the drink of choice on New Year’s. Its invention is often credited to Dom Perignon, the Benedictine monk who oversaw the wine cellars of his abbey in the year 1697. While

others saw bubbles as a problematic sign that wine had spoiled, Perignon perfected the production of this new fermented drink known as champagne. From its beginnings in the abbey cellar, champagne was regularly used in religious celebrations such as consecrations and coronations. It then made the natural transition to secular celebrations, most notably at the soirees of the French aristocracy. As champagne became

cheaper and more accessible, it became the classiest beverage to offer during the holidays.

Scotland’s national poet Robert Burns penned the words to “Auld Lang Syne” in 1788 and sent them to the Scots Musical Museum,

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Symphony of Lights was a Blast

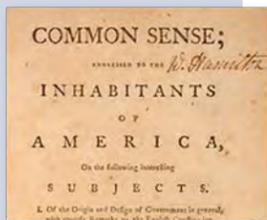




Notable Quotable

“There is nothing more deceptive than an obvious fact.”

~ Sherlock Holmes, fictional detective



Christmas Fun



Thank you everyone who came to Prairie Hills to Help Everyone get in the Christmas spirit. All the Churches, schools Boys/Girls scouts, family and friends, the Clintones, Beacon Of Hope and Many More!!

Notable Quotable

“Exploration is really the essence of the human spirit.”

~ Frank Borman, NASA astronaut

