

PRIDE, LGBTQIA+:

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Event	Date	Description
Midsumma Festival (Melbourne)	23 rd Jan– 13 th of Feb 2022 *	A 22 Day festival celebrating LGBTQIA+ Pride, art and culture in Melbourne.
Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Festival	18 th of Feb - 6 th of March 2022*	The largest Pride event in Oceania, an annual LGBT parade and festival
Zero Discrimination Day	1 st of March	Theme changes every year but revolves education and promoting inclusion, compassion, peace and change.
Chillout Festival – Queer Country Pride	10 th of March- 14 th of March 2022 *	Australia’s longest running and largest regional pride festival
Transgender day of Visibility	31 st of March	Celebrating transgender people and their achievements, as well as raising awareness of transphobic discrimination faced by transgender people worldwide.
Day of Silence	Second Friday of April*	A student-led demonstration for LGBTQIA+ people and their allies to take a vow of silence to protest and raise awareness of LGBTQIA+ Student harassment and discrimination in school.
Lesbian Visibility Day	26 th of April	Celebrating lesbians and their achievements, recognising them and raising awareness of the discrimination lesbians face.
International Family Equality Day	First Sunday of May *	Celebrating the diversity of families.
IDAHOBIT (International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia)	17 th of May	A day to recognise and raise awareness for LGBTQIA+ rights violations.
Pride Month	June	A month of pride parades, picnics, parties, workshops, history and more.
Stonewall Riots Anniversary	28 th of June	June 28, 1969 was the beginning of the Stonewall Uprising, a protest that redefined the LGBTQIA+

		activism movement, and the birth of the first Pride.
Non-Binary Awareness Week	Week surrounding July 14 th *	Started in 2020, a week to recognise and raise awareness for Non-Binary people.
International Non-Binary people's day	14 th of July	A day to celebrate, recognise and raise awareness of Non-Binary people.
Wear it Purple	26 th of August 2022 *	A LGBTQIA+ awareness day focused on young people in Australia. Wear purple to celebrate diversity and young people from the LGBTQIA+ community.
Celebrate Bisexuality Day	23 rd of September	Celebrating bisexual people and their achievements and history, as well as raising awareness of biphobic discrimination.
Bisexual Awareness week	16 th -23 rd of September	Learn about the history, culture, community, and current policy priorities of bi+ communities.
International Lesbian Day	8 th of October	International Lesbian Day celebrates lesbian culture and visibility. It is a day to be shared by lesbians and allies of lesbian rights.
National Coming Out Day	11 th of October	A day of support for LGBTQIA+ people to 'come out of the closet'
Intersex Awareness Day	26 th of October	Celebrating intersex people and their achievements and history, as well as raising awareness of intersex discrimination. Marks the first public demonstration for Intersex rights.
International Pronouns Day	3 rd Weds of October *	Normalising respecting, sharing and educating people about pronouns.
Ace Week	23 rd –29 th October 2022 * (Last Full Week of October)	Raising awareness and expanding education about asexuality, aromantics, demisexuality and grey-asexuals.

Intersex Solidarity Day /Intersex Day of Remembrance	8 th of November	Marks the birthday of Herculine Barbin, a French intersex author and discussing the struggles of intersex people.
Transgender Awareness Week	13 th -20 th of November	A week to celebrate transgender people, learn about trans identities and take action to support the trans and gender diverse communities.
Transgender Day of Remembrance	20 th of November	A day to memorialise and remember those who have been murdered as a result of transphobia and highlight the violence against transgender people.
World AIDS Day	1 st of December	A day to raise awareness of the AIDS pandemic and mourn those who have died of the disease.

First Nation and Torres Strait Islander:

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National Close The Gap Day	17th of March 2022- (Always on a Thursday) *	A day to pledge support for achieving Indigenous health equality by 2030
Harmony Week	15-21 st March	Celebrates Australia's cultural diversity.
Harmony Day	21 st of March	Celebrates Australia's cultural diversity and coincides with the UN's International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
National Sorry Day	26 th of May	Remembers and mourns the mistreatment of Australia's Indigenous population.
National Reconciliation week	27 th May –3 rd of June	A day for all Australians to learn about shared history, culture and achievements and to work towards reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders

Mabo Day	3 rd of June	Commemorates the day that 'Terra Nullius' was overturned in Australian High Court.
National NAIDOC week	First Week of July that incorporates the second Friday	A day to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day	4 th of August	A day for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families and communities to celebrate the strengths and culture of their children.
International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples (International recognition)	9 th of August	A day to raise awareness and protect the rights of the world's indigenous population, and their achievements.
Indigenous Literacy Day	First Weds of September *	Raising awareness of education struggles for Indigenous Australians and collecting literacy resources for children.

Women:

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International Women's Day	8 th of March	A day to celebrate women and their social, economic, cultural and political achievements, as well as raising awareness for the fight for gender equality.
International Day of the Girl Child	11 th of October	A day to promote girls' empowerment for young girls and to address the challenges they face as women.
White Ribbon Day (also known as International Day for the Eradication of Violence Against Women)	18 th of November 2022*	A day to recognise, mourn and commit to action to prevent male violence against women.

Disability, illness and Neurodiversity:

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World Braille Day	4 th of January	A day to celebrate awareness of the importance of Braille.
World Cancer Day	4 th of February	A day to raise awareness of cancer and encourage prevention, detection and treatment.
International Asperger's Day	18 th of February	A day to highlight and celebrate people with Asperger's.
National Epilepsy Awareness Month	March	A month to highlight and raise the voices of people living with epilepsy
Hearing Awareness Week	1-7 th of March	A week to raise awareness of issues of hearing loss, causes, and what you can do to help
International Wheelchair Day	1 st of March	A day to celebrate the lives and work of people who are in wheelchairs, make wheelchairs or who help wheelchair users.
World Hearing Day	3 rd of March	To raise awareness on how to prevent deafness and hearing loss.
March into Yellow	March	Wear yellow during March and start conversations around Endometriosis to raise awareness.
World's Greatest Shave	16 – 20 th of March 2022 *	Cut, shave or dye your hair raise money and awareness for leukemia foundations.
Bandaged Bear Picnic	18 th – 24 th of March 2022*	Host a picnic to raise funds for children in hospital.
World Down Syndrome Day	21 st of March	A day for awareness about Down Syndrome and celebrating those who have it
Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness	26 th of March	Raising awareness and starting conversations about epilepsy by wearing purple
Bob 'Tug' Wilson's Walk	10 th of April 2022*	A day to walk and raise money for the Cancer Centre for

		Children at the Children's Hospital
Parkinson's Awareness Month	April	A month to raise awareness about Parkinson's disease, and fundraise for treatment and research
World Autism Awareness Day	2 nd of April	A day to raise awareness about people with Autistic spectrum disorder
World Health Day	7 th of April	A day to draw attention to the importance of global health
World Parkinson's Day	11 th of April	A day to raise awareness about Parkinson's disease
International Guide Dog Day	27 th of April 2022 * Last Weds In April*	A day to celebrate the role of Guide Dogs
World Immunization Week	Last Week of April	A week to raise awareness about the importance of vaccines and encourage people to get immunized
Tourette Syndrome Awareness Week	2-8 th of May 2022 *	A week to raise awareness and acceptance around Tourette's.
World Asthma Day	First Tuesday of May	A day to improve asthma awareness and care
World Red Cross Day	8 th of May	A day to check in with others and donate blood.
May12th International Awareness Day	12 th of May	<p>An awareness day for Myalgic Encephalomyelitis / Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS), and Chronic Immunological and Neurological Diseases (CIND)</p> <p>Wear a colour associated with the illnesses you want to raise awareness for.</p> <p>The illnesses that are included under the Chronic Immunological and Neurological Diseases (CIND) umbrella are ME/CFS (wear blue), Fibromyalgia (wear purple), Lyme disease (Wear green), Multiple Chemical Sensitivity</p>

		(Wear green) and Gulf War Syndrome. (Wear yellow)
Global Accessibility Awareness Day	Third Thursday of May	To educate people about accessibility
World IBD Day	19 th of May	To raise awareness around IBD's globally
Australia's Biggest Morning Tea	19 th of May 2022 *	A morning tea hosted within your workplace to raise funds for the Cancer Council
Schizophrenia Awareness Week	22 nd to 28 th of May 2022 *	To educate and destigmatise schizophrenia
65 Roses Day	28 th of May 2022 *	National day for Cystic Fibrosis, to send and gift roses to raise money
World MS Day	30 th of May	A day to raise awareness of people living with Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
International Men's Health Week	13 th – 19 th of June 2022*	A week to promote the health of men and encourage them to seek medical attention when needed, including therapy when needed.
World Blood Donor Day	14 th of June	A day to not only donate blood but to thank everyone who does.
Macular Degeneration Awareness Week	20 th - 26 th of June 2022*	A week to promote eye health, encourage eye testing and raise awareness of macular diseases.
Red Apple Day	Third Weds in June	A day to raise awareness and support Bowel Cancer Australia with fundraising
Dry July	July	Go alcohol-free in July to raise money for the Cancer Council
National Diabetes Week	12 th -18 th of July 2022*	A week to focus on the health and mental wellbeing on people with diabetes.
Jeans for Genes Day	5 th of August 2022 *	A day to raise funds for the Children's Medical Research Institute
Red Nose Day	12 th of August 2022 *	Raise money to help prevent unexpected infant death with support packs and resources

The Bloody Long Walk	Dates varies by state.	A challenge to walk or Run 35KM to raise money to cure mitochondrial disease.
Daffodil Day	26 th of August 2022*	Buy daffodils and merch to fundraise for the Cancer Council
Dementia Awareness Month	September	A month to raise awareness of people living with Dementia.
Footy Colours Day	Across the month of September	Raising funds of Fight Cancer Foundation's education support program
Blue September	Across the month of September	Focusing on cancer risks for men.
Liptember	Across the month of September	Dedicated to raising funds and awareness for women's mental health.
Women's Health Week	5 th - 11 th of September 2022*	A week dedicated to focusing on women's health issues and resources.
R U OK Day	Second Thursday of September	A day focused on having conversations on mental health and suicide prevention
International Week of the Deaf	19 th – 25 th September 2022 - The last full week of September*	A week to celebrate deaf people, their culture and achievements
National Week of Deaf People (NWDP) (Australia only)	20 th -25 th of September 2022 *	A week to celebrate deaf people, their cultures and achievements
World Alzheimer's Day	21 st of September	A day to raise awareness and challenge stigmas about Alzheimer's related dementia
International Day of Sign Languages	23 rd of September	A day to raise awareness of and to recognise the importance of sign language
World Heart Day	29 th of September	A day to raise awareness of heart health
Great Cycle Challenge Australia	Month of October	Ride a bike and fundraise to fight children's cancer
World Cerebral Palsy Day	6 th of October	Celebrate and raise awareness for people with Cerebral Palsy
Odd Socks Day	7 th of October 2022*	A day to wear odd socks to raise awareness and funds for mental health issues

World Sight Day	Second Thursday of October	To raise awareness about blindness and vision impairment
World Mental health day	10 th of October	A day for mental health education, awareness and advocacy against stigma
White Cane Day	15 th of October	A day for education and awareness for blindness and vision loss
World Osteoporosis Day	20 th of October	A day dedicated to raising awareness to the prevention, diagnoses and treatment of osteoporosis
Loud Shirt Day	23 rd of October	Wear a loud and proud shirt to raise money for deaf children
Movember	Month of November	Raises awareness of men's health issues like prostate cancer, testicular cancer and men's suicide.
World Diabetes Day	14 th of November	A day to raise awareness around diabetes and advocate for better treatment for people with diabetes
Decembeard/Decembhair	Month of December	A month to raise awareness and raise funds for bowel cancer. People either grow a beard or any kind of hair growing, dyeing, trimming or waxing hair.
International Day of Persons with Disabilities	3 rd of December	A day for understanding of disability issues and mobilize support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities.

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