

# AUGUST

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## LAMMAS

Traditional early harvest festival, acknowledging summer's waning and the swift approach of fall.

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### ARRIVAL OF THE SHAKERS IN AMERICA

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Dj g\ddY [gZcYhVi '8] dhZc 'AVcY! 'i] Z'  
H] V Zg8db b j c 'inVi 'HWWW] Yh'AV ZI'  
B VcZi 'XaZVMZ'idYhI | Z< adg^dj hHmi]!  
[dg 'nZVghVd! 'dc i] ZHmi] 'd[ '6j \j hi!  
! 'B di] Zg6cc 'AZZVcY] Zg'hb VaaWcY'  
d[ 'daadl ZghVggkZY'^c i] ZCZl 'L dgay'  
ViZghZi'^c \ 'hVa[gdb : c \aVcY#l ] Zn'  
l ZgZi] Z:dg^cVaH] V Zgh'l ] d'hiVgZYV  
b dkZb Zci'i] Vi [dj cY[Zg^Z'\gdj cY'^c'  
6b ZgX#l ] ZH] V ZghVgZ'6b ZgXbdi  
daZhi gZa^'dj hXdb b j c 'in#

*Summer night full moon.*

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### ASSUMPTION OF MARY, FERRAGOSTO

In Italy, it is the height of the summer holidays; most folks close up shop now and head to the sea in a late summer tradition that dates back to Ancient Rome.

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### BARTLEMAS WAYZGOOSE

St. Bartholomew is a patron saint of bookbinders, and he's important to papermakers and printers, as well. His feast day, known as *Bartlemas*, brings the traditional Wayzgoose celebration, marking the day each waning summer when printers in Britain papered their windows and resumed setting type by the light of lanterns and candles.

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### ST. AUGUSTINE'S DAY

Yet another reason to raise a glass for a toast: St. Augustine is a patron saint of printers and of brewers, too. Huzzah and cheers!

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### DOG DAYS OF SUMMER CONCLUDE

Sirius, the Dog Star, has been rising with the sun since the third of July. The two stars now part for another year.

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### OBON

This beautiful summer festival of Japan honors the dead with food, music, regional *Bon Odori* dances, street markets, and home altars. These days and nights of Obon conclude with the ancestors returning to their distant shore in the form of illuminated lanterns set sail across the water. Some prefectures celebrate in July, but for most, the celebration comes now, in mid-August.



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Two full moons this August: one at the start of the month, the other at the month's close.

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