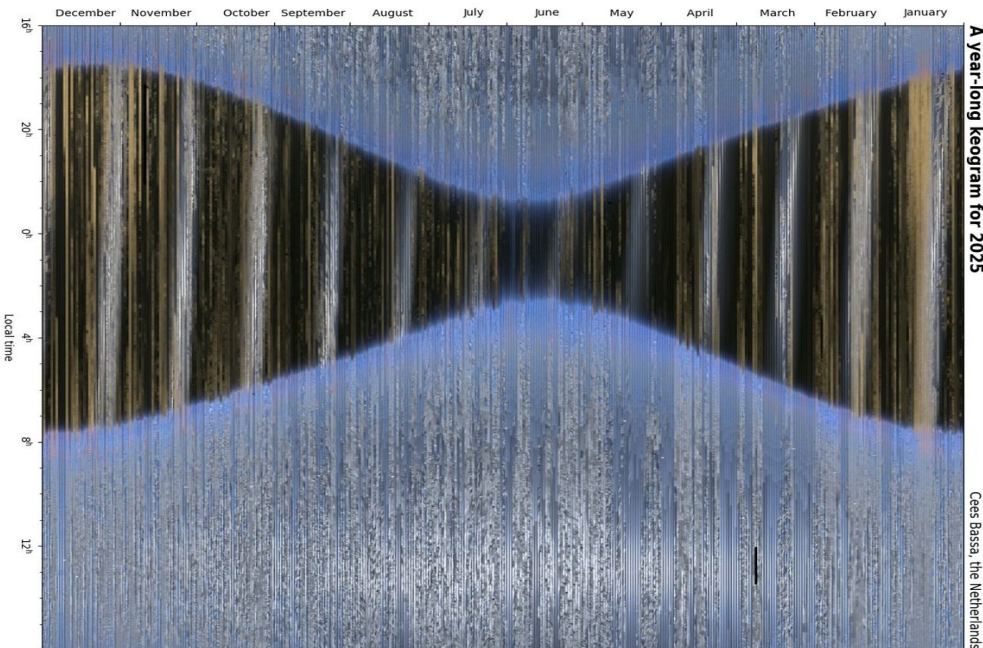


# Kaw Valley Almanac

June 22 - 28, 2026

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	02:20 PM	08:05 PM	01:17 AM	53%
Tuesday	03:23 PM	08:47 PM	01:40 AM	63%
Wednesday	04:25 PM	09:31 PM	02:04 AM	72%
Thursday	05:27 PM	10:18 PM	02:31 AM	80%
Friday	06:28 PM	11:06 PM	03:03 AM	87%
Saturday	07:27 PM	11:56 PM	03:40 AM	93%
Sunday	08:21 PM		04:24 AM	97%



By Cees Basa with [permission](#) This is a compilation of over 2 million shots of the sky taken by an all-sky camera that captured an image every 15 minutes for the whole year of 2025 in the Netherlands.

Notice how short the nights are near the summer solstice, which we just passed! The 12 white bands in the dark nights were the nights near full moon.



## Sun

Venus, Jupiter west at dusk, Saturn, Mars E at dawn

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	04:48 AM	05:55 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Tuesday	04:49 AM	05:56 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Wednesday	04:49 AM	05:56 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Thursday	04:49 AM	05:56 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Friday	04:50 AM	05:57 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Saturday	04:50 AM	05:57 AM	08:50 PM	10:06 PM
Sunday	04:51 AM	05:57 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM

Your exact times: <https://www.timeanddate.com/astronomy/>

§ In area prairies, echinacea, blackeyed susan, coreopsis, prairie clovers, sensitivebrier, yarrow, daisy fleabane, lead plant dogbane, butterfly and other milkweeds, corollata euphorbia, prairie petunia, oxeye daisy, deptford pink, beebalm and others are blooming; chickory, white sweet clover, crown vetch, mullein and Queen Anne's lace are blooming alongside roads.

§ Green colored elderberries are beginning to form and sycamores are shedding their bark, leaving green patches. Green Kansas dogwood berries are growing and will ripen, turning white, while sumac seedheads are turning reddish brown. Green Osage orange balls and green husked walnuts are growing larger by the day

§ As the nights warm up, listen for the beginning night calls of katydids, and see if you can identify all of the other sounds: which frog or toad? Which insect? Which owl are you hearing and can you make out a whippoorwill or chuck will's widow? Many animals become nocturnal this time of year to avoid the heat; it's a great time to enjoy the natural fireworks of the firefly/lightning bugs and heat lightning while you're at it.

§ Eastern gamagrass, fescue and brome seedheads have ripened. Look for ripe wild raspberries, blackberries, and gooseberries that escaped the freeze. Skunk bush and sumac berries are ripening; suck on the seeds or make sumac-ade by crushing and soaking them, straining the water.