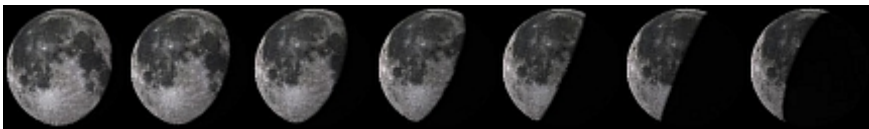


Kaw Valley Almanac

August 31 - Sept. 6, 2026

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	09:25 PM	03:38 AM	10:29 AM	90%
Tuesday	09:55 PM	04:26 AM	11:40 AM	83%
Wednesday	10:33 PM	05:18 AM	12:53 PM	74%
Thursday	11:19 PM	06:15 AM	02:07 PM	63%
Friday		07:16 AM	03:16 PM	3rd Quarter
Saturday	12:17 AM	08:19 AM	04:19 PM	41%
Sunday	01:24 AM	09:21 AM	05:10 PM	30%



Cup plant, or *Silphium perfoliatum*, is blooming right now and it's called this because the leaves envelope the stem, creating a cup that can hold up to 1/2 cup of water from rain and dew, which is so important to birds and insects this time of year.

The deep roots keep this plant blooming and vital even in drought, which is spreading due to our hot dry conditions.



Sun

Venus southwest at dusk, Saturn S, Jupiter, Mars E at dawn

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	05:53 AM	06:48 AM	07:52 PM	08:57 PM
Tuesday	05:54 AM	06:49 AM	07:51 PM	08:56 PM
Wednesday	05:56 AM	06:50 AM	07:49 PM	08:54 PM
Thursday	05:57 AM	06:51 AM	07:48 PM	08:52 PM
Friday	05:58 AM	06:52 AM	07:46 PM	08:51 PM
Saturday	05:59 AM	06:53 AM	07:45 PM	08:49 PM
Sunday	06:00 AM	06:54 AM	07:43 PM	08:47 PM

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

§ Bird migrations have started including shorebirds and hummingbirds; fall warblers will soon arrive, and monarch butterflies have started to pass through.

§ There's a reason for so many butterflies this time of year, and wildflowers are that reason. Among the profusion of species currently blooming are blue gentians, lady's tresses, boneset, an increasing number of various goldenrods and annual/perennial sunflowers, swamp milkweed, euphorbia corollata, snow-on-the-mountain, gayfeather, snakeroot and russian thistle. Asters are just starting up, and ragweed pollen is becoming increasingly abundant now, too!

§ Deer will be increasing their presence as September continues; buck antlers are growing for mating season late October/November.

§ Grasshoppers are becoming more prevalent, with insect songs and activity levels boosted by recent rain. Here's another great site to identify daytime and nighttime insect songs: <https://songsofinsects.com/>

§ Daddy longlegs are plentiful this year, and box elder beetles, the ones with bright red markings, are starting to gather in groups on sunny days.

§ If you have moths and other bugs on your windows at night, look for hungry tree frogs hanging on the window, waiting for an unsuspecting 6-legged to get too close!