

# Kaw Valley Almanac

January 25 - 31, 2021

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	02:37 PM	10:20 PM	05:07 AM	91%
Tuesday	03:30 PM	11:14 PM	06:04 AM	96%
Wednesday	04:30 PM		06:56 AM	99%
Thursday	05:35 PM	12:09 AM	07:43 AM	Full Moon
Friday	06:44 PM	01:04 AM	08:24 AM	99%
Saturday	07:54 PM	01:57 AM	08:59 AM	95%
Sunday	09:04 PM	02:48 AM	09:31 AM	89%



January sunrises and sunsets seem more spectacular because there are more flat stratus and cirrus clouds to reflect the setting sun colors. The air is cooler (and therefore drier) and more stable compared to the warmer, less stable air of summer which produces its own kind of spectacular: thunderstorms!



Mars S, Mercury SW after dusk

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	06:32 AM	07:32 AM	05:34 PM	06:34 PM
Tuesday	06:32 AM	07:31 AM	05:36 PM	06:35 PM
Wednesday	06:31 AM	07:30 AM	05:37 PM	06:36 PM
Thursday	06:31 AM	07:30 AM	05:38 PM	06:37 PM
Friday	06:30 AM	07:29 AM	05:39 PM	06:38 PM
Saturday	06:29 AM	07:28 AM	05:40 PM	06:39 PM
Sunday	06:28 AM	07:27 AM	05:41 PM	06:40 PM

Live outside the Lawrence area? Get rise and setting times, moon

data where you live at: <https://www.timeanddate.com/astronomy/>

§ Cottontail and jackrabbits are quite active this time of year as they don't hibernate or store food caches like many other mammals. They find nourishment this time of year by eating twigs, buds and bark from trees and shrubs or eating their own droppings, covering a wider area than in the spring and summer in their search for nourishment.

§ Muskrats, cottontails and redtailed hawks are beginning their mating season now, partially triggered by the lengthening daylight--we gain 12 minutes this week alone and 47 minutes more sunlight since the winter solstice on Dec. 21.

§ Morning walks when the ground is still frozen will give your feet a massage as the ground in fields is very bumpy from the freezing and thawing of the ground.

§ Many moths are still in their cocoons, which you can find attached to sticks. Beetles, millipedes and other insects can be found under logs in the leaf litter. Dragonfly, mayfly and caddis fly nymphs can be found under flat rocks in shallow creeks.

§ On warm days in coming weeks, look for the first maple and elm flowers, which open up first at the top of the tree, then working their way down. When this starts happening, with nighttime temps below freezing and daytime above, the rising sap can be tapped if the sugar maple trunk diameter is more than 10 inches.