



Cultural EVENTS

January 2025

SUWAT WATER FESTIVAL

January 1

Each year on January 1st residents of the Gianyar region in Bali celebrate the season's water abundance with a unique festival. After the temple worship, villagers divide into four teams and engage in Siat Yet, a joyful water fight using holy water held in the in the center of Suwat village.

PURNAMA (FULL MOON)

January 14

During Purnama, the monthly holy day of the full moon, Balinese Hindus present ceremonial offerings in accordance with their local village traditions. Many temples also hold ceremonies or piodalan on this day, as it is considered an auspicious time for starting new ventures.

SIWARATRI

January 27

Siwaratri is a sacred night regarded as a time for the atonement of sins, occurring on the eve of the seventh month in the Balinese calendar. During this night, Hindus dedicate themselves to meditation and recite sacred verses from the Vedas to receive support and strength from the god Siwa.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

January 29

In Bali, Chinese New Year is primarily celebrated in family homes and Chinese Buddhist temples, but the festive atmosphere also extends to shopping malls, which are lavishly decorated with red lanterns, money trees, and other ornaments. One prominent temple to visit during this time and enjoy the celebrations is Satya Dharma Temple, located near Benoa Port.