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<p>1 Labor Day & Constitution Day In Latvian: Darba svētki; Latvijas Republikas Satversmes sapulces sasaukšanas diena May 1, 2026 Public holiday</p> <p><small>May 1 is a double holiday in Latvia. First, it is Labor Day, as celebrated in many countries. In Latvia, it is also the anniversary of the first meeting of the 1920 Constitutional Assembly of the Republic of Latvia that gave Latvia its first democratic constitution. For most, however, it is primarily a day for rest and enjoying the late spring weather with hikes, picnics, and concerts.</small></p>	<p>2 FOLKLORE: BELIEFS LAPU DIENA (1. maijs). - Ticējumi</p> <p>WEATHER WATCHER Vilts Bukšs has revealed what beliefs determine the weather in May. "If the beginning of May is warm and dry, the end of the month will be cool and rainy, and vice versa. If it rains at the end of May and in the first two days of June, then the first month of summer, June, will be dry. If May is cool and June is wet, then collars and barrels will be filled, but if May comes like a gardener, then the granaries will be empty," informs Bukšs. Source: nra.lv</p>	<p>3 How to Celebrate White Tablecloth Holiday on May 4 - American Latvian Association</p>	<p>4 Restoration of Independence Day In Latvian: Latvijas Republikas Neatkarības atjaunošanas diena May 4, 2026 Public holiday</p> <p><small>Latvia has two Independence Days. May 4 is the anniversary of Latvia's 1900 declaration of independence following occupation by the Soviet Union for 51 years. On this day, the Supreme Council of the Soviet Socialist Republic of Latvia reestablished the 1922 Constitution of the Republic of Latvia, which remains in effect today. The council's declaration states that Latvia had been sovereign throughout the occupation and emphasized that more than 10 countries never recognized the USSR's annexation of Latvia. This holiday is marked with speeches and parades, including a military parade hosted by a different city each year. People gather for dinners featuring traditional foods served on white tablecloths, symbolic of national pride and unity. The other Independence Day is on November 18.</small></p>	<p>5 LEARN ABOUT:</p>  <p>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Supreme_Court_of_Latvia</p>	<p>6 VOCABULARY Learn Latvian_Lesson 34: Family members</p> <p>Learn Latvian_Lesson 35: Extended family members</p>	<p>7 VOCABULARY Learn Latvian_Lesson 37: Family relations</p> 	<p>8 IRREGULAR LATVIAN (DIFFICULT LIFE: Mothers-in-law, pregnancy etc) https://www.google.com/search?q=irregulār-latvian-and-mother%25%2A1-day&rlz=C15111A_enc4113CA11183ocjirregulār-latvian-and-mother%25%2A1-day&pg_lcp=EgZjohIvWwly8ggAEELUYOTIHGAEQTRigATIHCATQIRigATIHCAMQIRIPAIHCAQQIRIPAIHCjeyNTM0qjBqMTWAgwAghx8Y-vE68gvdN_4ssource:chrome&ie=UTF-8#fpst=site&vld=ci:22acf8d6_vld1cXr6ulMx2k.st.0</p>
<p>9 Last month we looked at the symbol ŪSIŅŠ, officially commemorated May 10th: A primer on Ūsinī, the start of summer - Latvians Online</p>	<p>10 MĀTES DIENA Mātes diena 2026</p>	<p>11  MĀTES ROKAS: Marija Naumova - M... ILĢI: Promise Me ... (music only)</p>	<p>12 Thrush nightingales return from their wintering grounds in Africa around the end of April (on average April 30th). They begin singing immediately upon arrival to establish territories, with peak singing activity typically occurring from mid-May through mid-June. While they can be heard during the day, they are most renowned for singing intensely at night and at dawn. Lakstīgalas dziesma</p>	<p>13 LET'S KNIT IN LATVIA Knitting Latvian Mittens Kurzeme June 1-5 https://forms.gle/rFoPkM5Mo1A6UQwJA</p> 	<p>14 SAKĀMVĀRDS: Ar vienu labu vardu vairāk panāksi nekā ar simts ļaunu. What does it mean?</p>	<p>15  TRUE LATVIAN: Parenting (dark humour) #latvian #parenting_1 TikTok</p>	<p>16 Kurus mīļus cilvēkus tu labprāt apkamptu2</p> 
<p>17  TUMŠĀ NAKTE, ZAĻĀ ZĀLE The Real Group - Tumša ...</p>	<p>18 CULINARY ARTS: RASOLS - Rasols - Latvian Fats - The Hirshon Estonian Potato, Beet And Herring Salad - Rosolje - ★ The Food Dictator ★ (a rather long article but the recipe is what Latvians in Canada would agree to call "rasols/rosolis")</p>	<p>19 NATURE: Migratory Birds mammadaba - Migratory birds are returning to Latvia</p> 	<p>20 NATURE Maijs - sējas, lapu, ziedona un dziedoņu mēnesis / Raksts (LV & ENG)</p>	<p>21 BASKETBALL IN LATVIA Latvia Basketball, News, Teams, Scores, Stats, Standings, Awards - eurobasket</p> 	<p>22  Where can you find the monument "Māte Latgale Raud"? "Māte Latgale raud" par visiem represijas cietušajiem (LV & ENG)</p>	<p>23 "Zāgēt kādam galvu" isn't as gruesome as it sounds. Check out what it really means: Funny Figurative Expressions in the Latvian Language - Talkpal</p>	<p>24 ĢIMENES KOKS Izpēti un uzzīmē savu ģimenes koku: Free Family Tree Maker (No Limits, Create Instantly)</p>
<p>25 How far back can you trace your Latvian ancestors (senči)?</p>	<p>26 COMIC HEROES This Latvian-born artist is the author of the Green Lantern.</p>	<p>27 LITERATURE: Aspazija - Wikipedia In 2025: Aspazija's 160th birthday marked minus monument Šveicē svin Aspazijas dzimšanas dienu</p>	<p>28 Mini Miklas! Miklas no vecmāmiņas pūra lādes (LV and ENG)</p>	<p>29 IESVĒTĪBAS Atbild Nacionālā enciklopēdijā (ENG & LV) Iesvētības Latvijā, 1936 Zudusi Latvijā - Iesvētības Toronto - Iesvētības - Sv. Andreja Latviešu Draudze - St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Latvian Church</p>	<p>30 LATVIEŠU ŽARGONS When is an "autiņš" NOT a "diaper"? </p>	<p>31 SAKĀMVĀRDS: Koks nekrīt uz pirmā cirtiena. What does it mean?</p>	