

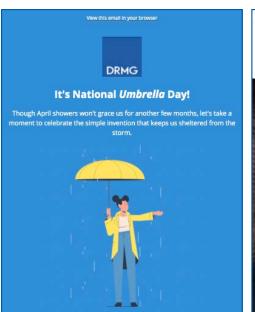
From National Pizza Day to Small Business Saturday, holidays are the perfect opportunity to have some fun and get creative with your marketing. This calendar will help take the stress out of planning by easily identifying the dates and opportunities for you to promote your business.

#### **CHECK OUT THESE PRO TIPS TO GET STARTED**

- Email Marketing is a great way to reach prospects who want to learn more about your product or service.
- Start a Blog! Writing posts for relevant holidays will help drive New businesses and brand awareness.
- Get Social! Create a contest or giveaway around a specific holiday. This is a great approach for collecting contact information from potential clients.
- Send out highly targeted direct mail campaigns to increase your redemption rates.











#### **Mother's Day Marketing for Small Businesses**

Mother's Day is one of the busiest times for businesses. Mom's special day is the third biggest holiday of the year, generating \$21.5 billion in 2018, and has seen large increases in consumer spending year over year. Small businesses shouldn't shy away from mom's special day, but instead, leverage the holiday for an opportunity to tap into customers' share of wallet and increase sales. Though there's less than a month until Mother's Day, there is still time for you to organize your marketing strategies. Here are some simple Mother's Day marketing tactics you can use for your small business:

#### **Offer Promotions**

Everyone loves saving money, and holiday promotions themes are always eye-catching. Try different price points or a percentage off to entice shoppers to purchase specific items. Offering a perceived value dramatically raises your average order cost. Ensure your advertising and communications bring attention to your sale by using Mother's Day copy and theme.







# JANUARY 2023

### **NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH**

| SUNDAY             | MONDAY                                     | TUESDAY                        | WEDNESDAY              | THURSDAY                          | FRIDAY                           | SATURDAY            |
|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1                  | 2  | 3                              | 4                      | 5                                 | 6                                | 7                   |
| New Year's Day     | National Personal<br>Trainer Awareness Day |                                | National Spaghetti Day |                                   | National Technology<br>Day       |                     |
| 8                  | 9  | 10                             | 11                     | 12                                | 13                               | 14                  |
|                    |  | Houseplant<br>Appreciation Day |                        | National<br>Pharmacist Day        |                                  | Dress Your Pet Day  |
| 15                 | 16   | 17                             | 18                     | 19                                | 20                               | 21                  |
| National Bagel Day |  | Martin Luther King Jr.<br>Day  |                        | Get to know your<br>Customers Day |                                  |                     |
| 22                 | 23   | 24                             | 25                     | 26                                | 27                               | 28                  |
| Chinese New Year   | National Pie Day                           | National<br>Compliment Day     |                        |                                   | National Have Fun At<br>Work Day | Bell Let's Talk Day |
| 29                 | 30   | 31                             |                        |                                   |                                  |                     |
|                    |  | National<br>Hot Chocolate Day  |                        |                                   |                                  |                     |

PRO TIP Now that the new year is upon us, it's a fresh start to stay organized! Ensure you are keeping accurate records of all finances, set and stay on deadlines that have been made and plan your social media content ahead!

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# FEBRUARY 2023

#### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH / HEART MONTH**

| SUNDAY            | MONDAY                  | TUESDAY                     | WEDNESDAY     | THURSDAY           | FRIDAY                                  | SATURDAY  |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------------|---|---|
|                   |                         |                             | 1             | 2                  | 3                                       | 4   |
|                   |                         |                             |               | Groundhog Day      | National Women<br>Physicians Day        | National Thank a Mail<br>Carrier Day<br>National Homemade<br>Soup Day |
| 5                 | 6                       | 7                           | 8             | 9                  | 10                                      | 11  |
|                   |                         |                             |               | National Pizza Day | National Umbrella Day                   |   |
| 12                | 13                      | 14                          | 15            | 16                 | 17                                      | 18  |
| Super Bowl Sunday |                         | Valentine's Day             |               |                    | National Random Acts<br>of Kindness Day |   |
| 19                | 20                      | 21                          | 22            | 23                 | 24                                      | 25  |
|                   | Family Day              | Mardi Gras<br>(Fat Tuesday) | Ash Wednesday | National Tile Day  | National Skip<br>the Straw Day          |   |
| 26                | 27                      | 28                          |               |                    |   |   |
|                   | National Strawberry Day | National Science Day        |               |                    |   |   |

**PRO TIP** As markets and trends change, your business needs to be able to adjust accordingly. Don't be afraid to pivot when needed!



## **MARCH** 2023

#### **WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH / NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH**

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY                 | TUESDAY             | WEDNESDAY                                  | THURSDAY                     | FRIDAY                       | SATURDAY             |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
|   |                        |                     | 1  | 2                            | 3                            | 4                    |
|   |                        |                     |  |                              | Employee Appreciation<br>Day | National Grammar Day |
| 5   | 6                      | 7                   | 8  | 9                            | 10                           | 11                   |
|   | National Dentist's Day | National Cereal Day | International<br>Women's Day               | National Meatball Day        |                              |                      |
| 12  | 13                     | 14                  | 15   | 16                           | 17                           | 18                   |
| National Plant<br>a Flower Day<br>Daylight Savings<br>Time Begins |                        |                     |  |                              | St. Patrick's Day            |                      |
| 19  | 20                     | 21                  | 22   | 23                           | 24                           | 25                   |
|   | First Day of Spring    |                     |  | National Chip<br>and Dip Day |                              |                      |
| 26  | 27                     | 28                  | 29   | 30                           | 31                           |                      |
|   |                        |                     | National Mom and Pop<br>Business Owner Day | National Doctor's Day        |                              |                      |

**PRO TIP** Utilize the tools and software programs you have. Send an automated email to a new client within 24-48 hours, set up a chatbot on your website if you cannot offer 24/7 customer service.

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# **APRIL** 2023

### LAWN AND GARDEN MONTH / NATIONAL CAR CARE MONTH

| SUNDAY                                  | MONDAY | TUESDAY                                  | WEDNESDAY                           | THURSDAY                          | FRIDAY                 | SATURDAY         |
|---|--------|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
|   |        |  |                                     |                                   |                        | 1                |
|   |        |  |                                     |                                   |                        | April Fools' Day |
|   |        |  |                                     |                                   |                        |                  |
| 2                                       | 3      | 4  | 5                                   | 6                                 | 7                      | 8                |
| National Peanut Butter<br>and Jelly Day |        |  | National Deep Dish<br>Pizza Day     | National Burrito Day              | Good Friday            |                  |
| 9                                       | 10     | 11                                       | 12                                  | 13                                | 14                     | 15               |
| Easter Sunday                           |        | National Pet Day                         |                                     |                                   |                        |                  |
|   |        |  |                                     |                                   |                        |                  |
| 16                                      | 17     | 18                                       | 19                                  | 20                                | 21                     | 22               |
|   |        |  |                                     | Get to Know Your<br>Customers Day |                        | Earth Day        |
| 23                                      | 24     | 25                                       | 26                                  | 27                                | 28                     | 29               |
| 30                                      |        | National Hairstylist<br>Appreciation Day | Administrative<br>Professionals Day |                                   | National Superhero Day |                  |

**PRO TIP** Always keep that human and personal touch to every interaction you have with your client's or customers.







# **MAY** 2023

### **WOMEN'S HEALTH MONTH**

| SUNDAY                           | MONDAY                         | TUESDAY                              | WEDNESDAY                      | THURSDAY                        | FRIDAY                   | SATURDAY                   |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                  | 1                              | 2                                    | 3                              | 4                               | 5                        | 6                          |
|                                  |                                |                                      |                                | Star Wars Day                   | Cinco de Mayo            | National Nurses Day        |
|                                  |                                |                                      |                                |                                 |                          |                            |
| 7                                | 8                              | 9                                    | 10                             | 11                              | 12                       | 13                         |
| National Packaging<br>Design Day |                                | National Teacher<br>Appreciation Day | National<br>Receptionist's Day |                                 |                          |                            |
| 14                               | 15                             | 16                                   | 17                             | 18                              | 19                       | 20                         |
| Mother's Day                     | National Chocolate<br>Chip Day |                                      |                                | National No Dirty<br>Dishes Day | National Pizza Party Day | National Rescue<br>Dog Day |
| 21                               | 22                             | 23                                   | 24                             | 25                              | 26                       | 27                         |
| National Waitstaff Day           | Victoria Day                   |                                      |                                | National Wine Day               |                          |                            |
|                                  |                                |                                      |                                |                                 |                          |                            |
| 28                               | 29                             | 30                                   | 31                             |                                 |                          |                            |
| National<br>Hamburger Day        |                                |                                      |                                |                                 |                          |                            |

PRO TIP You can't be everything to everyone. Stick to what you know to keep your business focused and on track. The results will prove this to you!







# **JUNE** 2023

## PRIDE MONTH/ MEN'S HEALTH MONTH

| SUNDAY               | MONDAY           | TUESDAY              | WEDNESDAY           | THURSDAY          | FRIDAY                | SATURDAY |
|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------|
|                      |                  |                      |                     | 1                 | 2                     | 3        |
|                      |                  |                      |                     |                   | National Doughnut Day |          |
|                      |                  |                      |                     |                   |                       |          |
| 4                    | 5                | 6                    | 7                   | 8                 | 9                     | 10       |
| National Fitness Day | National Veggie  | National Eyewear Day |                     |                   |                       |          |
|                      | Burger Day       |                      |                     |                   |                       |          |
| 11                   | 12               | 13                   | 14                  | 15                | 16                    | 17       |
|                      |                  |                      |                     |                   |                       |          |
|                      |                  |                      |                     |                   |                       |          |
| 18                   | 19               | 20                   | 21                  | 22                | 23                    | 24       |
| Father's Day         |                  |                      | First Day of Summer | National HVAC Day |                       |          |
|                      |                  |                      |                     |                   |                       |          |
| 25                   | 26               | 27                   | 28                  | 29                | 30                    |          |
|                      | National         |                      | National Insurance  |                   | Social Media Day      |          |
|                      | Beautician's Day |                      | Awareness Day       |                   |                       |          |
|                      |                  |                      |                     |                   |                       |          |

**PRO TIP** Do not be afraid of analytics. In order to improve, you need to have something to measure.









### **INDEPENDENT RETAILER MONTH**

| SUNDAY                               | MONDAY | TUESDAY                      | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY                          | FRIDAY | SATURDAY                     |
|--------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|--------|------------------------------|
|                                      |        |                              |           |                                   |        | 1                            |
|                                      |        |                              |           |                                   |        | Canada Day                   |
|                                      |        |                              |           |                                   |        |                              |
| 2                                    | 3      | 4                            | 5         | 6                                 | 7      | 8                            |
|                                      |        | National Caesar<br>Salad Day |           | National Fried<br>Chicken Day     |        |                              |
| 9                                    | 10     | 11                           | 12        | 13                                | 14     | 15                           |
|                                      |        |                              |           | National French<br>Fries Day      |        |                              |
| 16                                   | 17     | 18                           | 19        | 20                                | 21     | 22                           |
| National Ice Cream Day               |        |                              |           | Get to know your<br>Customers Day |        |                              |
| 23                                   | 24     | 25                           | 26        | 27                                | 28     | 29                           |
| <b>30</b><br>National Friendship Day | 31     |                              |           |                                   |        | National Chicken<br>Wing Day |

PRO TIP Attend industry lead events or create new campaigns to help grow your business while prospecting for new clients.







# **AUGUST** 2023

#### **FAMILY FUN MONTH / BLACK BUSINESS MONTH**

| SUNDAY | MONDAY    | TUESDAY                 | WEDNESDAY                   | THURSDAY                    | FRIDAY | SATURDAY            |
|--------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|---------------------|
|        |           | 1                       | 2                           | 3                           | 4      | 5                   |
|        |           |                         |                             |                             |        |                     |
|        |           |                         |                             |                             |        |                     |
| 6      | 7         | 8                       | 9                           | 10                          | 11     | 12                  |
|        | Civic Day |                         | National Book<br>Lovers Day |                             |        |                     |
| 13     | 14        | 15                      | 16                          | 17                          | 18     | 19                  |
|        |           | National Relaxation Day |                             | National Nonprofit Day      |        | National Potato Day |
|        |           |                         |                             |                             |        |                     |
| 20     | 21        | 22                      | 23                          | 24                          | 25     | 26                  |
|        |           |                         |                             | National Waffle Day         |        | National Dog Day    |
|        |           |                         |                             |                             |        |                     |
| 27     | 28        | 29                      | 30                          | 31                          |        |                     |
|        |           |                         | National Beach Day          | National Eat<br>Outside Day |        |                     |

PRO TIP Maintain a friendly and positive attitude to optimize the best customer service your team has to offer. Keep the language consistent with your brands voice.







## **SEPTEMBER** 2023

#### **SELF IMPROVEMENT MONTH**

| SUNDAY                                      | MONDAY                       | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY                       | THURSDAY | FRIDAY              | SATURDAY                                     |
|---|------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|----------|---------------------|--|
|   |                              |         |                                 |          | 1                   | 2  |
|   |                              |         |                                 |          |                     |  |
|   |                              |         |                                 |          |                     |  |
| 3   | 4                            | 5       | 6                               | 7        | 8                   | 9  |
|   | Labour Day                   |         |                                 |          |                     |  |
|   |                              |         |                                 |          |                     |  |
| 10  | 11                           | 12      | 13                              | 14       | 15                  | 16   |
| Grandparent's Day                           |                              |         |                                 |          | National            |  |
| Granaparents bay                            |                              |         |                                 |          | Tradesman Day       |  |
| 17  | 18                           | 19      | 20                              | 21       | 22                  | 23   |
| 17  | 18                           | 19      | 20                              | 21       | 22                  | 23   |
| National Professional<br>House Cleaners Day | National<br>Cheeseburger Day |         | National Pepperoni<br>Pizza Day |          |                     | First Day of Fall                            |
|   |                              |         |                                 |          |                     |  |
| 24  | 25                           | 26      | 27                              | 28       | 29                  | 30   |
|   |                              |         |                                 |          | National Coffee Day | National Day for Truth<br>and Reconciliation |
|   |                              |         |                                 |          |                     | National Family Fitness<br>and Health Day    |

**PRO TIP** Keep an eye on the competition, what are they doing that you aren't? What do they post, how do they generate leads? Noticing what your competitors do can help you see what you are doing well and what you can improve on. Healthy competition is a good thing!

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## **OCTOBER** 2023

#### BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH / NATIONAL PIZZA MONTH / CYBER SECURITY MONTH

| SUNDAY           | MONDAY       | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY         | THURSDAY                          | FRIDAY              | SATURDAY               |
|------------------|--------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1                | 2            | 3   | 4                 | 5                                 | 6                   | 7                      |
|                  |              |   | National Taco Day | World Teachers' Day               | National Noodle Day |                        |
|                  |              |   |                   |                                   | World Smile Day     |                        |
| 8                | 9            | 10  | 11                | 12                                | 13                  | 14                     |
|                  | Thanksgiving | World Mental<br>Health Day                                |                   |                                   |                     | National Dessert Day   |
| 15               | 16           | 17  | 18                | 19                                | 20                  | 21                     |
|                  |              | National Pasta Day<br>National Pharmacy<br>Technician Day |                   | Get to know your<br>Customers Day |                     |                        |
| 22               | 23           | 24  | 25                | 26                                | 27                  | 28                     |
|                  |              |   |                   | National Pumpkin Day              |                     | National Chocolate Day |
| 29               | 30           | 31  |                   |                                   |                     |                        |
| National Cat Day |              | Halloween   |                   |                                   |                     |                        |

PRO TIP Do not fall behind on marketing trends. Always stay on top as the algorithms are constantly changing and can have affects on your reach and visibility.







# **NOVEMBER** 2023

#### **ENTREPRENEURSHIP MONTH**

| SUNDAY                        | MONDAY             | TUESDAY             | WEDNESDAY       | THURSDAY               | FRIDAY                | SATURDAY                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
|                               |                    |                     | 1               | 2                      | 3                     | 4                       |
|                               |                    |                     | World Vegan Day |                        | National Sandwich Day |                         |
|                               |                    |                     |                 |                        |                       |                         |
| 5                             | 6                  | 7                   | 8               | 9                      | 10                    | 11                      |
| Daylight Savings<br>Time Ends |                    |                     |                 |                        |                       | Remembrance Day         |
| Time Ends                     |                    |                     |                 |                        |                       |                         |
| 12                            | 13                 | 14                  | 15              | 16                     | 17                    | 18                      |
|                               | World Kindness Day | National Pickle Day |                 | National Fast Food Day |                       |                         |
|                               |                    |                     |                 |                        |                       |                         |
| 19                            | 20                 | 21                  | 22              | 23                     | 24                    | 25                      |
|                               |                    |                     |                 |                        | Black Friday          | Small Business Saturday |
|                               |                    |                     |                 |                        |                       |                         |
| 26                            | 27                 | 28                  | 29              | 30                     |                       |                         |
|                               | Cyber Monday       | Giving Tuesday      |                 |                        |                       |                         |
|                               |                    |                     |                 |                        |                       |                         |

**PRO TIP** Love your business and never forget why you started it in the first place. Setting realistic expectations can help you and your business perform during high and low seasons.







## **DECEMBER** 2023

### NATIONAL WRITE A BUSINESS PLAN MONTH/ NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS MONTH

| SUNDAY                       | MONDAY              | TUESDAY    | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY            | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|------------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|--------|----------|
|                              |                     |            |           |                     | 1      | 2        |
|                              |                     |            |           |                     |        |          |
| 3                            | 4                   | 5          | 6         | 7                   | 8      | 9        |
|                              | National Cookie Day |            |           |                     |        |          |
| 10                           | 11                  | 12         | 13        | 14                  | 15     | 16       |
|                              |                     |            |           |                     |        |          |
| 17                           | 18                  | 19         | 20        | 21                  | 22     | 23       |
| National Ugly<br>Sweater Day |                     |            |           | First Day of Winter |        |          |
| <b>24</b> Christmas Eve      | 25                  | 26         | 27        | 28                  | 29     | 30       |
| New Years Eve                | Christmas Day       | Boxing Day |           |                     |        |          |

**PRO TIP** Review the year in full. Take a look at what worked and what didn't. Were there any processes that needed an adjustment, could anything be more efficient in the coming year? Now is the time to fine tune for 2024!

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