



bugs & katchkie farm

2020



About The Photographer

Dan Caligor has been an avid photographer since childhood. Capturing insects and small creatures in their natural environments is one of his particular interests.

You can see more of Dan's photography at www.caligor.net





January

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 New Year's Day	2	3 FIRST QUARTER	4
5	6 National Bean Day	7	8	9	10 FULL MOON	11
12	13	14	15 National Have a Bagel Day	16	17 LAST QUARTER	18
19	20 MLK Day	21	22	23	24 NEW MOON	25 Chinese New Year
26	27	28	29	30	31 National Hot Chocolate Day	

Praying Mantis | *Mantis religiosa*

The Praying Mantis got its name from its forelegs that look like hands held up in prayer. They are considered blessings in gardens or farms because they eat large amounts of insects daily. In some cases, they eat frogs, lizards and hummingbirds.



February

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● FIRST QUARTER
Groundhog Day
Superbowl

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National
Homemade
Soup Day

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● FULL MOON
Tu Bishvat

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Valentine's Day

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● LAST QUARTER

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Katchkie
Birthday

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Presidents' Day

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National Drink
Wine Day

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● NEW MOON

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Mardi Gras

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Ash Wednesday

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Flower Fly | *Toxomerus geminatus*

The tiny Flower Fly is hard to miss because it looks very similar to bees and wasps. The larvae prey on troublesome aphids—smaller insects that deplete plants' nutrients and that can quickly infest a garden.



March

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 ● FIRST QUARTER	3 World Wildlife Day	4	5	6	7 National Cereal Day
8 Daylight Savings Time / Int'l Womens Day	9 ● FULL MOON Holi Purn	10 Holi	11	12	13	14 Pi Day
15	16 ● LAST QUARTER	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 March Equinox	20	21 World Planting Day
22 World Water Day	23	24 ● NEW MOON Nat'l Agriculture Day Nat'l Cocktail Day	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Blunt Ambersnail | *Oxyloma retusum*

The Blunt Ambersnail's shell tends to become vividly golden when it reaches its maximum size. Snails feed on a wide variety of organic matter: rotting wood, dead plants, algae and fungi. Their feces make a nitrogen-rich mineral-laden fertilizer.



April

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☾ FIRST QUARTER
April Fools' Day

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National Burrito
Day

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Palm Sunday

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World Health
Day

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☀ FULL MOON
Passover Begins
at Sunset

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Good Friday
National Farm
Day

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Easter Sunday

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Songkran
Begins

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☾ LAST QUARTER

15

Tax Day

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National Park
Week Begins

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Earth Day

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Ramadan
Begins at
Sunset

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Arbor Day
National Pigs-in-
a-Blanket Day

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☾ FIRST QUARTER
National Raisin
Day

Asian Multi-Colored Lady Beetle | *Harmonia axyridis*

In 1978 the U.S. Department of Agriculture released this beetle, an important predator of aphids and scale insects, in the U.S. Slightly larger than native beetles, they have a distinctive black M on their cream-colored heads. They are attracted to sunlight.



May

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Cinco de Mayo

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● FULL MOON

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Mother's Day

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National Eat
What You Want
Day

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International
Hummus Day

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● LAST QUARTER

15

National Bike to
Work Day

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World Bake Day

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National Pick
Strawberries Day

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● NEW MOON
World
Biodiversity
Day

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Ramadan Ends

24

Eid al-Fitr

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Memorial Day
National Wine
Day

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● FIRST QUARTER

31

Spur-Throated Grasshopper | *Melanoplus ponderous*

These grasshoppers actively affect plant growth, decomposition and regrowth. Grasshoppers are a nutritient rich food source for animals, insects, and humans: in Afrida, Central and South Americas they are considered a delicacy.



June

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5 ● FULL MOON World Environment Day	6 National Trails Day
7	8 World Oceans Day	9	10 CSA Season Begins	11	12	13 ● LAST QUARTER
14	15 International Lobster Day	16	17	18 International Picnic Day	19	20 Summer Solstice
21 ● NEW MOON Father's Day	22 National Insect Week Begins	23	24	25	26	27
28 ● FIRST QUARTER	29	30				

East Amberwing | *Perithemis tenera*

This fiery dragonfly, with its bright orange and copper wings, prefers the water. They are known for mimicking the behavior of wasps. Apart from their beauty, these dragonflies contribute by eating small aquatic insects found in ponds and other still waters.



July

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3 Independence Day Observed	4 Independence Day
5 ● FULL MOON	6 National Fried Chicken Day	7 World Chocolate Day	8	9	10	11 Farm to Table Dinner at Katchie Farm
12 ● LAST QUARTER	13 National French Fry Day	14 Bastille Day	15	16	17	18
19 National Ice Cream Day	20 ● NEW MOON	21	22	23	24 National Tequila Day	25
26	27 ● FIRST QUARTER	28	29 National Lasagna Day	30 National Friendship Day Eid al-Adha Begins at Sunset	31	

Monarch Butterfly | *Danaus plexippus*

The Monarch's migratory patterns have been celebrated for centuries across many regions. They pollinate a wide variety of brightly colored wildflowers though their main source of food is poisonous milkweeds, which helps protect them from predators.



August

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● FULL MOON
National Watermelon Day

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World Cat Day

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National S'mores Day

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● LAST QUARTER

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National Honey Bee Day

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● NEW MOON

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National Eat A Peach Day

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● FIRST QUARTER

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World Dog Day

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Yellow-Collared Scape Moth | *Cisseps fulvicollis*

Yellow-Collared Scape Moths are great pollinators that visit a variety of flowers each day. The caterpillars eat grass, sedge, rushes and lichens. Their orange-yellow collars contrast beautifully with their jet-black opaque wings that can reflect blue in the sunlight.



September

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 ● FULL MOON	3	4	5
6	7 Labor Day	8	9 National I Love Food Day	10 ● LAST QUARTER	11 Patriot Day	12
13	14	15	16 National Guacamole Day	17 ● NEW MOON	18 Rosh Hashana Begins at Sunset	19
20	21	22 Fall Equinox	23	24 ● FIRST QUARTER	25	26
27 Yom Kippur Begins at Sunset	28	29 National Coffee Day	30			

Honey Bee | *Apis mellifera*

The invaluable Honey Bee is a mascot of efficiency for many businesses for good reason: Honey Bees work over-time as super-pollinators of the produce we consume and directly affect agricultural growth.



October

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 ● FULL MOON World Vegetarian Day	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 ● LAST QUARTER
11	12 Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples' Day	13	14 National Dessert Day	15	16 ● NEW MOON National World Food Day	17
18	19	20 International Chefs Day	21	22	23 ● FIRST QUARTER	24
25	26 National Pumpkin Day	27	28	29	30	31 ● FULL MOON Halloween

Six-Spotted Fishing Spider | *Dolomedes triton*

This spider can row and leap across the waters' surface. They fish underwater for small aquatic insects and prey on agricultural pests. Their name derives from the six spots on its sternum.



November

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Daylight Savings Ends World Vegan Day	2	3 Election Day Sandwich Day	4	5	6	7
8 ● LAST QUARTER	9	10	11 Veterans Day	12	13	14 National Pickle Appreciation Day
15 ● NEW MOON	16	17	18 National Apple Cider Day	19	20	21
22 ● FIRST QUARTER	23	24 National Sardines Day	25	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28
29	30 ● FULL MOON					

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug | *Halyomorpha halys*

This Stink Bug has a built-in straw, called a proboscis, which it uses to pierce growing fruit leaving dimples that alter the fruit's appearance but not taste. Although this reduces the fruit's economic value, it may contribute to attracting other insects.



December

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4 National Cookie Day	5
6	7	8 LAST QUARTER National Brownie Day	9	10 Chanukah Begins at Sundown	11	12
13	14 NEW MOON Latke Festival 2020	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 FIRST QUARTER Winter Solstice	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26
27	28	29	30 FULL MOON	31 New Year's Eve		

Gnats | *Diptera*

These small flies may be irksome for humans but are an important food source for birds, bats and larger insects. They prefer humid climates and moist soils. Most gnats can't withstand high temperature, but some can survive sub-zero temperatures.

About The Sylvia Center

Started on Katchkie Farm in 2007, The Sylvia Center's mission is to open new possibilities for young people by increasing knowledge of and desire for healthy foods. We invite young people to build healthier lives by teaching them how to cook with healthy foods as a foundation. And we encourage young people to share their new-found knowledge and skills with others.

Each year, our programs reach 3,000 children, teens and families in underserved communities in Columbia County and New York City. Learn more at www.sylviacenter.org



About Katchkie Farm

In 2006, we began transformation of an undeveloped parcel of land in Kinderhook, NY into a thriving NOFA-certified organic farm.

Katchkie Farm connects us to the best Hudson Valley ingredients. The farm grows exclusively for our customers and our imagination, allowing our chefs to plan for the winter months. Our kitchen is a beehive of preservation activity throughout the summer season, when crops are robust and our party season is quiet. A few of our signature items include Katchkie Farm tomato soup (imagine a piping hot bowl on a snowy day), our amazing hot sauce which reflects the various flavors in our multi-cultural kitchen, Liz's creative collection of jams, jellies and chutneys as well as our fermented and pickled veggies. Our sauerkraut and kimchi, fermented and distinctive, are legendary!



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In our 2020 calendar, we celebrate the bugs of Katchkie Farms. Bugs, or insects, are the most common animal on the planet, with more than 1.5 million named species—three times more than all other animals combined. Although they are often maligned, squashed and swatted, they play an integral role in the diversity of our ecosystem and in our survival. “Helpful” bugs pollinate plants; make honey, beeswax, and silk; and eat harmful bugs. “Harmful” bugs eat plants and damage crops and attack animals (including humans). But both types are necessary to ensure balance of nature and a more sustainable planet.

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Bug on Cover: Eastern Carpenter Bee | *Xylocopa virginica*

The female Eastern Carpenter Bee uses her strong jaws which they use to bore holes into wooden homes, fences and patios, in which she places her eggs while her mate guards the entrance. They are beneficial pollinators although they are messy eaters and their jaws can cause damage to flower stems during their quest for nectar.



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