November 2022

# YOUR SPECIAL MONTH

"November comes and November goes, With the last red berries and the first white snows."

~ Elizabeth Coatsworth



## Dog of the Month - Golden Retriever

Golden retrievers are well known and admired for having cheerful, exuberant personalities, hard-working natures, endearing smiles, and lovely golden coats. It's no wonder they are one of the most popular dog breeds and are often picked as family pets. They live 10 to 12 years and stand about 24 inches tall. While they are strong and active, they are also very gentle, affectionate, mellow, and snuggly. These highly adaptable, trainable, and eager-to-please pups were originally Scottish hunting dogs, trained to retrieve game. They are smart and do



well as skilled workers, including tracking and locating contraband for police. They also make excellent therapy and service animals. The breed comes in three different shades: golden, dark golden, and light golden. They are also divided into English, Canadian, and American golden retrievers. However, they are all part of the same breed.

## **Special Days**

All Saints' Day
November 1

Book Lovers Day November 5

Election Day (U.S.) November 8

Veterans Day (U.S.) November 11

Remembrance Day (Canada) November 11

Thanksgiving Day (U.S.) November 24

## Flower - Chrysanthemum



November's birth flower is the chrysanthemum. Commonly called mums, the vibrant perennial is a favorite of gardeners and florists alike. *Chrysos* is Greek for "gold"; although mums grow in a variety of shades today, their

wild ancestors were a brilliant yellow-gold hue. In addition to their beauty, mums are used for teas, wine, and medicine. Additionally, NASA has found that chrysanthemums planted indoors can clean the air of your home.

## Birthstone - Yellow Topaz



Yellow topaz, known as "precious topaz," is November's birthstone. This stone was the symbol of Ra, the Egyptian sun god, because of its golden glow. Topaz was named

for the ancient island of Topasos, now known as St. John. A topaz is most commonly found in shades of yellow. However, it also comes in other colors, including blue, red, orange, green, and black. Pure topaz itself is a colorless stone. A gift of a yellow topaz symbolizes friendship and hospitality. Topaz is said to give the wearer strength and mental clarity.

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## Birthday Bough

#### November 1-8: Pine

You're a nature lover who feels most at home on a walk in the woods or strolling along a stream. You also enjoy a robust social life and have many friends who call on you when they are in search of fun—or a shoulder to cry on.

#### November 9-15: Spruce

You are dependable, strong, and smart as a whip. People seek out your advice and call on you when a leader is needed. You have a hearty sense of humor that helps you —and your family and friends —cope during tough times.

#### November 16-21: Willow

You move about with the wind, but you can always be counted on when it matters most. You have a carefree spirit that draws others to you, though you sometimes seek alone time. Your grace and kindness are legendary, too.

#### November 22-30: Oak

You are a sweet, colorful person with a big laugh, an even bigger heart, and an easy sense of humor. Your intuition, work ethic, and sense of justice are very strong. People feel safe, relaxed, and happy around you, so you're never short on friends.

#### Weather or Not

Use this November weather lore to predict the weather in the future months: Ice in November brings mud in December. As the weather is in November, so it will be in March. Thunder in November means a fertile year to come.



#### **November Zodiacs**

Scorpio (The Scorpion) November 1–21

Sagittarius (The Archer) November 22–30

**November** is the eleventh month on the Gregorian calendar, but it was the ninth month before January and February were added to the calendar. November is widely considered a month dedicated to remembering deceased ancestors and loved ones: The Roman Catholic holiday All Souls' Day, Mexico's Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), United States' Veterans Day, and Canada's Remembrance Day are all celebrated in November.

## A Redheaded Day

Do you have red hair or any redheaded pals? November is the time to toast them (or yourself). That's because November 5 is National Redhead Day, the day to celebrate the gingers among us. An estimated 2% of the world's population have naturally red hair, with millions of them living in America. Many redheads have Irish, English, Scottish, North African, or Jewish heritage.

## What's Lucky in November?

Lucky Color: Orange Lucky Animal: Chipmunk Lucky Letters: *B* and *G* Lucky Day: Wednesday Lucky Plant: Pine



## November Birthdays

Marie Antoinette (queen) – November 2, 1755
Art Carney (actor) – November 4, 1918
Maria Shriver (journalist) – November 6, 1955
Marie Curie (scientist) – November 7, 1867
Carl Sagan (astronomer) – November 9, 1934
Jonathan Winters (comedian) – November 11, 1925
Grace Kelly (actress) – November 12, 1929
Laura San Giacomo (actress) – November 14, 1962
David Ortiz (ballplayer) – Nov. 18, 1975
Scott Joplin (composer) – November 24, 1868
Tina Turner (singer) – November 26, 1939
William Blake (poet) – November 28, 1757
Mandy Patinkin (actor) – November 30, 1952