



# Cultural EVENTS

## March 2026

### TUMPEK WAYANG

March 14

Tumpek Wayang is a Balinese Hindu ceremony held every 210 days to honor Wayang Kulit (shadow puppetry), creativity, and artistic tools such as gamelan instruments. Celebrated across Bali – especially in cultural hubs like Ubud and Sukawati – the day features offerings, puppet performances, and special rituals such as *Sapuh Leger*, a purification ceremony for children born on this day.

### NYEPI – BALI SILENT DAY

*Experience Bali's Silent Day through a series of beautiful rituals that unfold in the days leading up to it, including the following ceremonies:*

### MELASTI CEREMONY

March 16

The Melasti Ceremony is a water purification ritual conducted along Bali's coastlines, including those near Sanur, three days before Nyepi. During this event, temple communities gather by the sea to purify sacred objects and seek spiritual renewal in preparation for the new year.

### OGOHO-OGOHO PARADES

March 18

On the eve of Nyepi, the Ogoh-Ogoh parades feature giant demon effigies accompanied by traditional music. In Sanur, the parade converges at the junction of Danau Tamblingan Street and the Bypass Road, making it an ideal spot to watch the festivities. You can also spot some of the Ogoh-Ogoh showcased along Sanur's streets on the day leading up to the parade.

### NYEPI

March 19

Nyepi, the Balinese New Year, is observed with a day of complete silence across the island. For 24 hours, all outdoor activities, including flights and transport, are halted, and everyone, including tourists, remains indoors. The day is dedicated to introspection, meditation, and spiritual renewal.