































### Maori Lunar Calendar Activity

Day following New Moon		Name of day	Effects
1		Whiro	Moon entering new phase – an unfavourable day for planting food or fishing.
2		Tirea	A reasonably good day for crayfishing.
3		Hoata	A very good day for eeling, crayfishing and planting kumara and seed crops.
4		Uenuku	A good day for establishing tuber beds, planting food and fishing.
5		Okoro	This is another good day for planting food and fishing.
6		Tamatea-kai-ariki	A day for planting food. West winds that only rain will quell.
7		Tamatea-a-ngana	Eels are voracious tonight. A good day for planting food and fishing but beware of the weather.
8		Tamatea-a-aio	Eels, fish and kumara are abundant but small. A productive day to collect shellfish. Fishermen beware!
9		Tamatea-whakapau	A good morning for planting food. Not very good for fishing.
10		Ariroa	A disagreeable day. One for marking time.
11		Huna	Don't plant food. Not a good fishing day. Eel and Crayfish are wary.
12		Mawharu	A most favourable day for planting food. Kumara are very large but rot quickly. A good day for fishing and a good night for trapping crayfish and eels.
13		Ohua	A very good day for planting food.
14		Atua whakahaehae	Not a good day for planting or fishing.
15		Oturu	A very good day for bobbing eels. A good day for fishing and planting food in the afternoon.

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16		Rakau-nui	A very good day – crops are bountiful. A good day for fishing but not eeling.
17		Rakau-matohi	A very good day for fishing but not eeling. Seedplants grow vigorously.
18		Takirau	Food is bountiful but small.
19		Oike	Not a good day for planting food.
20		Korekore te whiawhia	An unproductive night on the shore – winds sweep the sea.
21		Korekore te rawea	Not a fruitful night. Food is scarce, but await the turn of the tide.
22		Korekore te piri ki Tangaroa	A good day from midday to sundown. A productive period for taking eels. Most foods are plentiful.
23		Tangaroa-a-mua	A good day for fishing, eeling and planting food.
24		Tangaroa-a-roto	A productive day for fishing and planting food.
25		Tangaroa-whakapau	A good day for fishing and cultivating seed beds.
26		Tangaroa-a-kiokio	A good day for taking eels, fishing and for setting crayfish and eel traps.
27		Otane	A good day for fishing, eeling and crayfishing. A reasonable day for planting food.
28		Orongonui	A very productive day for planting food, fishing and eeling.
29		Mauri	Not a productive day – food is scarce, fish are restless.
30 (same as 1)		Mutuwhenua	Unproductive day and night. The moon has diminished and the night is in total darkness.

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