ANIMALS

- Expect rain when dogs eat grass, cats purr and wash, sheep turn into the wind, oxen sniff the air, and swine are restless.
- If the bull leads the cows to pasture, expect rain; if the cows precede the bull, the weather will be uncertain.
- When cats sneeze, it is a sign of rain.
- When cattle lie down in the pasture, it indicates early rain.
- Bats flying late in the evening indicates fair weather.
- If the groundhog sees its shadow on Candelmas Day (February 2), six more weeks of winter remain.
- When horses and cattle stretch out their necks and sniff the air, it will rain.
- If the mole digs its hole \( \frac{3}{2} \) feet deep, expect a severe winter; if two feet deep, not so severe; if one foot deep, a mild winter.
- When pigs gather leaves and straw in fall, expect a cold winter.
- When rabbits are fat in October and November, expect a long, cold winter.
- If sheep ascend hills and scatter, expect clear weather.
- Wolves always howl more before a storm.

PLANTS

- When the ash leaves come out before the oak, expect a wet season.
- Aspen leaves trembling in calm weather indicates an approaching storm.
- When the bushes are full of berries, a hard winter is on the way.
- Dandelion blossoms close before a storm.
- Frost will not occur after the dogwood blossoms.
- When the perfume of flowers is unusually perceptible, expect rain.
- If autumn leaves are slow to fall, prepare for a cold winter. (Corn husks, apple skins, and nut shells are thought to be similar indicators.)
- The sunflower raising its head indicates rain.
- When the leaves of trees turn over, it foretells rain.

RAIN

- Unusual clearness in the atmosphere, with distant objects seen distinctly, indicates rain.

- Onion skins very thin, Mild winter coming in; Onion skins thick and tough, Coming winter cold and rough.

If birds in the autumn grow tame, The winter will be too cold for game.

Birds singing in the rain indicates fair weather approaching.

Partridges drumming in fall means a mild and open winter.

Chickens cackle and owls hoot just before rain.

If crows fly in pairs, expect fine weather; a crow flying alone is a sign of foul weather.

When fowls roost in daytime, expect rain.

The whiteness of a goose’s breastbone indicates the kind of winter: A red or dark-spotted bone means a cold and stormy winter; few or light-colored spots means a mild winter.

When domestic geese walk east and fly west, expect cold weather.

Hawks flying high means a clear sky. When they fly low, prepare for a blow.

Petrels gathering under the stern of a ship indicates bad weather.

When the rooster goes crowing to bed, He will rise with watery head.

When sea gulls fly inland, expect a storm.

When the swallow’s nest is high, The summer is very dry; When the swallow buildeth low, You can safely reap and sow.
A full Moon in April brings frost.

In the old of the Moon a cloudy morning bodes a fair afternoon.

When the Moon runs high, expect cool or cold weather.

When the Moon runs low, expect warm weather.

When the horns of the Moon are sharp, it indicates dry weather.

The full Moon eats clouds.

Two full Moons in a calendar month bring on a flood.

A lunar halo indicates rain, and the number of stars enclosed, the number of days of rain.

The old Moon is a sign of fair weather.

If the full Moon rises pale, expect rain. If the full Moon rises red, expect wind.

As many days old as the Moon is at the first snow, there will be as many snows before crop-planting time.