## **MEANING**

- Derives from the Welsh god and son of the Earth Mother Goddess.
- Celebrates the autumnal equinox and represents a harvest festival time.
- The mid-harvest festival, representing the second of the Wheel of the Year's three harvest festivals.

## WHEN

- September 21-29 in the northern hemisphere.
- Observance of the autumnal equinox when day and night are of equal length.
- Please note: Precise celebration dates can vary based on tradition and the related agricultural milestones of the local region. Celebrations may occur on the astrologically precise quarter and cross-quarter days, the nearest full or new moon or the nearest weekend.

## **COMMON PRACTICES**

- Harvest rituals are common and often incorporate symbols of the season to give thanks for a bountiful harvest.
- The construction of altars with symbols of the season, specifically apples, grapes, and grains.
- Often understood as a time to give thanks for the vitality of crops and well-being of animals and livestock.
  Feasts are common as a result.

# QUESTIONS/COMMENTS?

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# Type of Calendar:

Wheel of the Year (solar)



# Mabon

Welsh

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