

Nayland with Wissington 2026 Calendar





Photograph: Debbie Lewis
St James' Church lies at the heart of Nayland, surrounded by the village which has existed around it since it was built. This historic building has survived the vicissitudes of centuries gone by and sits an unenviable distance from its original site. Today St James' is a small, quiet, rural church.

January 2026

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Photograph: Joanne Kennedy
Hay bales are part of the winter scene every year on the Attlestone Field. Nayland's Attlestones were created nearly 100 years ago when ploughs were required to provide fertilizer for the topsoil of the pastures. During the Second World War there were nearly 1000 ploughs on the Attlestone, the cost was £10 per plough.

February 2026

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Photograph: Debbie Lewis
This group of cows are looking quite content grazing in their beautiful surroundings and are no doubt enjoying the turn grass near Dowdy's Farm in Nayland. The cows are from a local farmer, looking towards the Attlestone Farm in the East. The cows are a breed called Shorthorns which was originally developed in Shropshire to plough the land. It is a robust, hardy breed and is well suited to the arid conditions.

March 2026

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Photograph: Debbie Lewis
This amazing and rare photograph of the Northern Lights above Nayland highlights Birch Street with its historic cottages which were built from the late 16th century. Most of them have exposed beams and other architectural features of these period. It is a true piece of art set in the prime area of Nayland. The Northern Lights have changed colour over their peak.

April 2026

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Photograph: Anita Farber
Swans. Nayland Mobility Ltd
Each year everyone enjoys seeing the swans and their cygnets swimming along the river. Some regular visitors annually watch over them, others just pass by. The swans are a welcome sight and many visitors stop to watch them. Some regular visitors spend a little or then link around Cley Green and seem to enjoy the activities of the many visitors who come to enjoy the river.

May 2026

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Photograph: Sally Dalton
The meandering path which skirts around the Nayland Meadow is now very well established and provides a pleasant walk close to the river. The path starts at the junction of the two roads leading to the Nayland Meadow and follows the river bank. The path, which was once a track, was then in Suffolk. Lock Cottage and the two houses on the Hockley side of Anchor bridge also come into Suffolk.

June 2026

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Photograph: Joanne Kennedy
Gardens. Emily Kendal 11 Plus
This central scene on the alternative is a reminder that the differences can at times be very small indeed. Fences and hedgerows are essential to our environment, whether natural or man-made. This photograph is of the garden at the end of the Attlestone Field. The garden was created by the Fine Woodland Trust volunteers who made their homes in the garden. These days they are won by men, women and children everywhere.

July 2026

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Photograph: Mandy Cook
Barbie's Pawsome Dog Petcare & Training
The pond on the Nayland Meadow has over the years gradually become an established habitat for birds, insects and all forms of wildlife. This is due to the hard work of the Nayland Community Council and the local residents who have helped to maintain the pond and the acquisition of the meadow by the community. The pond is linked to the main river by a short channel designed to maintain fish stock.

August 2026

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Photograph: Nayland House
Optimum Architecture Ltd
This popular and well-used seat on Cley Green is the favourite place of residence of Nayland House who like to come and watch the world. The river is a great place to sit in the sun and watch the world go by. It is a busy with families and children having fun splashing about in the water, as well as watching the swans and ducks with their young. In fact there is no better place to sit and watch the world go by.

September 2026

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Photograph: Matthew Hemmings
Hemm Building Co Ltd
This is a photograph of a beautiful autumn morning from Cleygate Hill. The photographer was driving towards Nayland across the fields and the sun was just starting to rise. A full photo of the sunrise seems to be completely deserted. Weston has not church which has been demolished since 1883. It was a part of a larger one in its right. It was arranged with Nayland in 1883 except for the church which has always remained separate.

October 2026

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Photograph: Debbie Lewis
Nayland Driving School
Every 1st November, whether the weather is good or bad, the Nayland Community Council organizes a bonfire and fireworks display on the Nayland Meadow, which is one of the highlights of the village calendar. The spectacular fireworks and bonfire are put on by the local firemen and the many spectators who gather there. It is a wonderful display of salvages and fireworks enjoyed by many adults and children alike.

November 2026

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Photograph: Claire Butler
Nayland residents all look forward to the arrival of the Christmas tree which every year lights up the high street and is perfectly situated near the church. The tree is a traditional one and is a focal point for the village. The Church Bells ring out and the community comes together to sing carols together around the tree. This is the beginning of our Christmas celebrations.

December 2026

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Cover photograph: Rainbow from Newlands Lane by Mandy Cook

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