Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be.
– Abraham Lincoln

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Web Sites

Eiffel Tower Day
31st Mar each year

Eiffel Tower Day is a holiday that is all about celebrating the wonderful monument that stands proudly in the city of lights. The day marks the completion of the Eiffel Tower in 1889, taking 2 years, 2 months and 5 days in total to build. It was constructed for the International Exhibition of Paris, during the 100th anniversary of the French Revolution, and was named after the principal engineer, Gustave Eiffel. Celebrate this iconic day by planning a trip to the historic landmark and have a bite at the Le 58 Tour Eiffel Restaurant. For people who are anywhere else in the world, there are plenty of ways to celebrate. Wear clothes or jewelry that feature the Eiffel Tower, bake a scrumptious Eiffel Tower cake and invite friends and family to admire and enjoy it, or throw a picnic party with French flags and treats to get everyone in the spirit of the day.

Wikipedia: Eiffel Tower
The article from Wikipedia on the Eiffel Tower discusses the history of the monument and its construction. It also describes the tower's famous ironwork and tells of its significance to the city of Paris.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eiffel_Tower

Awesome Stories: Eiffel Tower – The Original Idea and Sketch
This video clip (Part 1) from True Legend of the Eiffel Tower focuses on the design and construction of The Eiffel Tower, built for the Universal Exhibition of 1889 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the French Revolution. It began as a competition to "study the possibility of erecting an iron tower on the Champs–de–Mars." Gustave Eiffel, an engineer already famous for bridges and the Statue of Liberty, was one of the participants. Drawings were submitted; his tower was to be 300 meters tall, designed in sections, and assembled on site. The tower was to be temporary; only one vote saved it from disassembly after 20 years. Links are provided to other segments. [10:03] (Free registration is required in order to access certain features of the Awesome Stories website.)
https://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Eiffel–Tower–The–Original–

Google Cultural Institute: Eiffel Tower's Inauguration and First Visitors

Take an online tour of the Eiffel Tower and view an illustrated account of the official inauguration ceremony that took place on May 15th, 1889

https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/beta/exhibit/AQLhwHRz

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Hardware/Software

Image export

Open an image in *Preview* but want to export it in a format that's not listed when you choose the '**Export'** command? No problem, just hold down the **Option** key when you click the **Format** drop down list. You'll find a selection of new image export options.

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Hints/Tips

Quick conversion

To get a quick conversion just launch *Spotlight* and type the figure you want to convert, $100 or 76Kg, for example.

Spotlight will show you a range of conversions for that figure, though things like currency conversion will only work when your Mac is online.

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Riddles You Can Tell in Class

1 – Why did the chicken cross the basketball court?
2 – What did the sick chicken say?
3 – What do you get when you cross a chicken with a duck?

1 – He heard the referee calling fowls!.
2 – I have the people pox!
3 – A bird that lays down.

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This Day in History

Birthdates which occurred on April 3:

1783 Washington Irving New York NY, American writer (Legend of Sleepy Hollow, Rip Van Winkle)
1822 Edward Everett Hale US, clergyman/author (Man without a Country)
1898 George Jessel toastmaster general/entertainer (Diary of Young Comic)
1904 Iron Eyes Cody Tulsa OK, actor (Black Gold, Ernest Goes to Camp)
1916 Herb Caen Sacramento CA, columnist (San Francisco Chronicle)

1924 Doris Day Cincinnati OH, "girl next door" actress (Pillow Talk)
1941 Jan Berry Los Angeles CA, rock vocalist (Jan & Dean-Deadman's Curve)
1942 Marsha Mason St Louis MO, actress (Blume in Love, Cinderella Liberty)
1942 Wayne Newton Roanoke VA, singer (Danke Schön)
1944 Tony Orlando New York NY, singer (& Dawn-Tie a Yellow Ribbon)
1958 Alec Baldwin Amityville NY, actor (Joshua-Knots Landing, Beetlejuice)
1959 David Hyde Pierce Saratoga Springs NY, actor (Niles Crane-Fraiser)
1961 Eddie Murphy Brooklyn NY, actor (Saturday Night Live, 48 Hours, Beverly Hills Cop, Raw)
1971 Picabo Street skier (Olympics-gold-94)

On This Day:
1657 English Lord Protector Cromwell refuses crown
1776 Washington receives honorary Ll.D. degree from Harvard College
1848 Thomas Douglas becomes 1st San Francisco public teacher
1910 Highest mountain in North America, Alaska's Mount McKinley climbed
1923 2 "Black Sox" sue White Sox (unsuccessfully) for back salary
1927 Interstate Commerce Commission transfers Ohio to Eastern time zone
1933 1st airplane flight over Mount Everest
1936 Al Carr KOs Lew Massey on 1 punch, :07 of the 1st round (shortest boxing bout with gloves)
1941 Churchill warns Stalin of German invasion
1948 Harry Truman signs Marshall Plan ($5B aid to 16 European countries)
1949 North Atlantic Treaty, pact signed by US, Britain, France & Canada
1962 Jockey Eddie Arcaro retires after 31 years (24,092 races)
1964 US & Panamá agree to resume diplomatic relations
1968 North Vietnam agrees to meet US representatives to set up preliminary peace talks
1975 Bobby Fischer stripped of world chess title for refusing to defend
1977 Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's 1st meeting with President Jimmy Carter
1986 US national debt hits $2,000,000,000,000
1995 57th NCAA Men's Basketball Champion UCLA Bruins beats Arkansas 89-78

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