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# 5 REASONS TO CELEBRATE AUSTRALIA DAY

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# AUSTRALIA DAY IS UNDER ATTACK.

Labor, the Greens, the mainstream media, big business and woke local governments have a plan to cancel Australia's national day.

Every year they push harder.

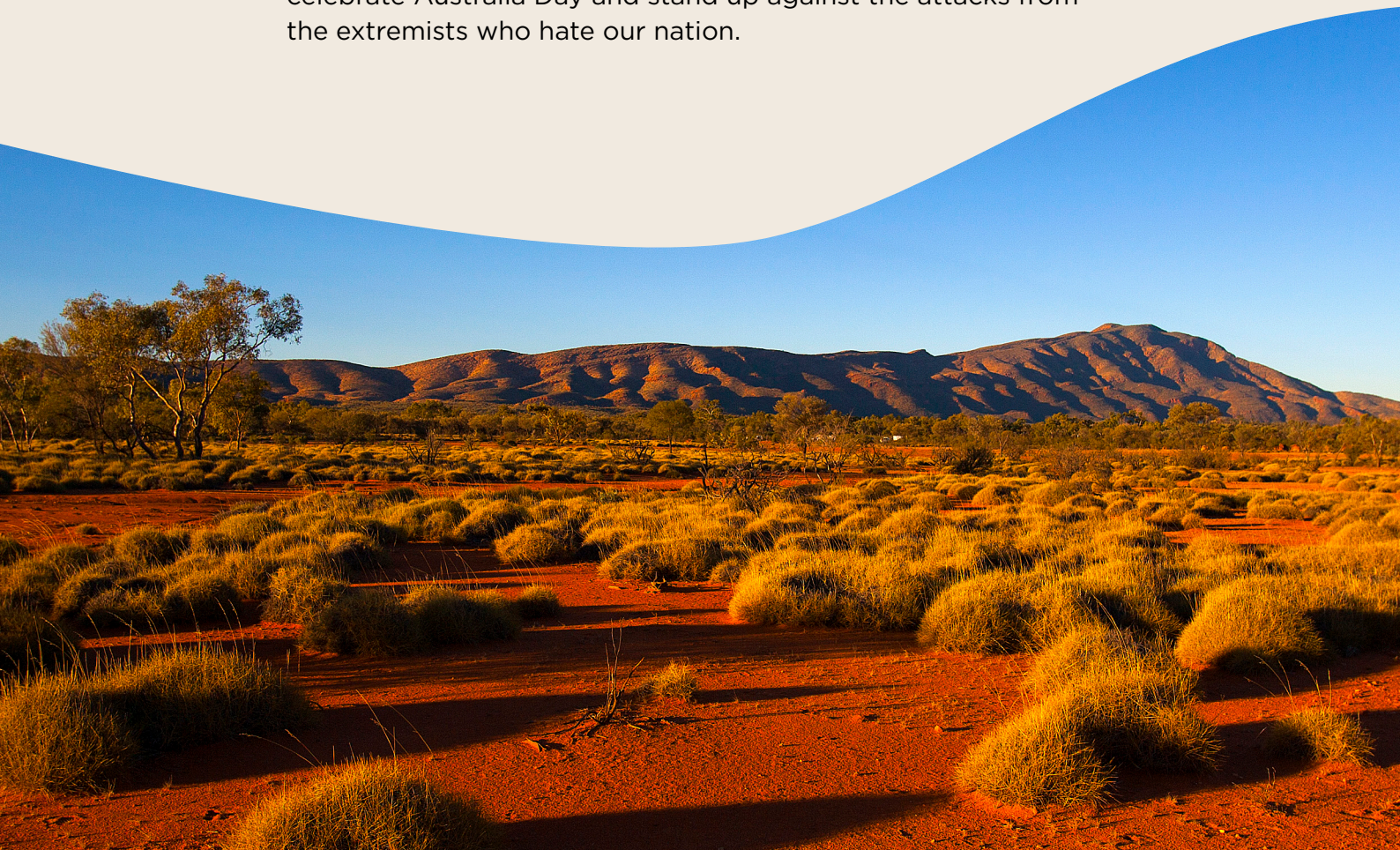
Why? In the words of Labor senator Sue Lines, Australia Day is a celebration of "white supremacy and the legacy of colonisation".

They say Australia Day should be called "invasion day".

They say Australians who celebrate Australia Day are "racists".

But they couldn't be more wrong.

So here is ADVANCE's top five reasons every Australian should celebrate Australia Day and stand up against the attacks from the extremists who hate our nation.



# AUSTRALIA + Australia Day IS A GOOD THING

Australia was not founded on racism, hatred or bigotry.

This great country was founded upon the great principles of Western civilisation – like democracy and the rule of law, and individual rights ... and there are few countries that have upheld these ideals more consistently than Australia.

The history books prove our point.

From the very beginning, Australia sought to be the very opposite of an oppressive, racist colonial state.

For example, when Arthur Phillip was appointed Governor of New South Wales in 1786, he wrote up a manifesto detailing his plans for his new colony in which he declared:

“The laws of this country [England] will, of course, be introduced in [New] South Wales, and there is one that I would wish to take place from the moment his Majesty’s forces take possession of the country: That there can be no slavery in a free land, and consequently no slaves”.



PHILLIP’S OBJECTION TO SLAVERY WAS NOT ONLY AHEAD OF HIS TIME. IT WAS RADICAL.

While he established New South Wales as a settlement without slavery, the merchant fleets of Liverpool were transporting slaves to the Americas, Britain’s Caribbean colonies were dependent on slave labour, and slavery was rife in the Raj.

Even more impressive is how Phillip wrote his anti-slavery proclamation eight months before the leader of the British abolitionist movement William Wilberforce even took up the issue.

It doesn’t stop there.

After Phillip was ordered by King George III to “endeavour, by every possible means, to open an intercourse with the natives, and to conciliate their affections, enjoining all subjects to live in amity and kindness with them”, he announced that “any Man who takes the life of a Native, will be put on his Trial the same as if he had kill’d one of the Garrison”.

And even when speared through the shoulder by an Aboriginal warrior at Manly Cove in September 1790, Phillip refused to retaliate.

You don’t hear about all this on the ABC, do you?

# MOST AUSTRALIANS WANT TO KEEP AUSTRALIA DAY

The inconvenient truth for the radical activists wanting to change the date of Australia Day is that Australians want to keep January 26.

According to polling research conducted by the Institute of Public Affairs<sup>1</sup>

**15%** ONLY 15% AUSTRALIANS WANT TO CHANGE THE DATE OF AUSTRALIA DAY.

**14%** ONLY 14% BELIEVE AUSTRALIA DOESN'T HAVE A HISTORY TO BE PROUD OF.

So how many Australians are onboard with the radical activists who hate Australia?

**5%** OF US AREN'T PROUD TO BE AUSTRALIAN.

According to the IPA's polling, just 5 per cent of us aren't proud to be Australian.

**82%** 18-24YR ARE PROUD TO BE AN AUSTRALIAN

On the other hand, 82 per cent of Australians between the ages of 18-24 agreed "I am proud to be an Australian".

**52%** 18-24YR AGREED AUSTRALIA HAS A HISTORY TO BE PROUD OF

**22%** 18-24YR DISAGREE THAT AUSTRALIA HAS A HISTORY TO BE PROUD OF

And more than half – 52 per cent – of Australians between the age of 18-24 years agreed "Australia has a history to be proud of". The rest disagreed (22 per cent) or sat on the fence (25 per cent).

Those numbers are bad news for Labor, the Greens and the mainstream media.

**AND THEY PROVE THE POINT – MOST AUSTRALIANS WANT TO KEEP AUSTRALIA DAY RIGHT WHERE IT IS.**

<sup>1</sup> <https://ipa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/IPA-Poll-Australia-Day-2022.pdf>



## JANUARY 26 DOES NOT SIGNIFY 'WHITE SUPREMACY'



The extremists who hate Australia Day don't understand the significance of January 26 and what it means in its entirety.

For example, Captain Cook didn't arrive in Sydney on January 26 as so many of them mistakenly think. He landed on April 28, 1770.

The First Fleet didn't arrive at Botany Bay on January 26. It anchored on January 18, 1788.

And although it's true that Governor Arthur Phillip and his First Fleet sailed into Port Jackson on the 26th for the first time, there's far more to the date than just that.

**For on the 26th of January 1949, the Nationality and Citizenship Act of 1948 came into effect, meaning Australians, whether Indigenous or non-Indigenous, were no longer regarded as British subjects but Australian citizens.**

Not only did this mean Australians became free citizens of an independent country with their own passports and national identity, but it marked the beginning of reconciliation between the native and settler populations.

Soon after, Aboriginal Australians were voting in Australian elections.

For instance, in 1971, the first Aboriginal parliamentarian, Queensland Liberal Senator Neville Bonner was sworn into the Senate.



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As of the May 2022 federal election, a total of 11 Aboriginal Australians are serving in the Australian Parliament, including Senator Jacinta Nampijinpa Price, a staunch defender of Australia Day.

In December, 2022, she said she was “sick to death of all these privileged individuals who have decided they know what’s best for us”.

She said *attacks on Australia Day were about taking down Australia, not just about changing the date.* And

local councils wanting to cancel their Australia Day citizenship ceremonies were ruining it for countless migrants who had made Australia their home.

Senator Price smashed the elites who want to change Australia Day.

*“It’s too difficult for them to talk about raped children in remote communities that are out of sight, out of mind. Or women who keep losing their lives, while they are experiencing the highest rates of domestic violence in this nation,” she said.*

*“These are the issues... that should be at the forefront. But instead we’re always being distracted by the argument about Australia Day, by the arguments around the Voice.*

*“It’s all these top-down elites who keep wanting to drag that attention away from those who actually really need it.*

*“They are quite safe in their homes, in their capital cities.”*



Senator Jacinta Nampijinpa Price



# THERE'S NO WAY AUSTRALIA IS A RACIST COUNTRY

Australia has the highest human development index in the world outside of Europe.

**Our government spends more than double the amount of money per capita on our Indigenous population than our non-Indigenous population.**

We have one of the highest per capita immigration intakes in the world after the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and Switzerland.

Our life expectancy ranks 7th highest in the world thanks to our generous

public healthcare system which even international visitors have access to.

While Australians have fought – and given their lives – in every major conflict since the Boer War, our shores were only rarely directly threatened.

**...and we persistently acknowledge the “violence, disempowerment and displacement of our Indigenous communities” every year.**

In fact, there are several days of the year dedicated to Aboriginal interests including:

**13 FEBRUARY**

National Apology Day anniversary

**18 MARCH**

Close the Gap Day

**26 MAY**

National Sorry Day

**27 MAY**

Anniversary of 1967 Referendum

**3 JUNE**

Mabo Day

**27 MAY TO 3 JUNE**

Reconciliation Week

**1 JULY**

Coming of the Light Day

**1ST WEEK OF JULY**

NAIDOC Week

**4 AUGUST**

National Aboriginal Children's Day

**1 SEPTEMBER**

Indigenous Literacy Day

**OUR NATION IS ALREADY PROUD TO  
CELEBRATE INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS.  
SO LET'S KEEP AUSTRALIA DAY FOR EVERYONE.**



# CANCELLING AUSTRALIA DAY WOULD JUST BE THE BEGINNING...

Not only do the elites who hate Australia Day want to cancel your national day, they have a hit list of other celebrations enjoyed by mainstream Australians.

**If they are successful in cancelling Australia Day, next will be Anzac Day. Then they will come after Christmas.**

In fact, any day of public recognition or celebration that doesn't conform to their woke ideology is in the firing line.

That's the way Labor, the Greens, the mainstream media, and big business work. Their long march through our institutions is like a military operation. They land on a beach, organise a front, which they build on.

If we don't stop them in their tracks, they spread and before we know it, they've changed or cancelled everything we hold dear about this nation.

