

Shechen Monastery Events Calendar: Winter/Spring 2023

Tibetan date	Western Date	Time	Program of Events Winter/Spring 2023
18th day, 12th month	8-Feb	all day	Ceremonies for anniversary of Kunkhyen Longchen Rabjam◉ .
		6.00 pm	Dialectics debate by the Shedra Students
21st day, 12th month	11-Feb	8.00 am	Yamataka Drupchen Begins: Blessing of the Ground
22nd day, 12th month	12-Feb	6.00 pm	Blessing of the Torma
23-29th 12th month	13-19th Feb	6.00 am	Yamantaka Gutor, "torma throwing rites" to avert negativity of the new year.
28th day, 12th month	2/18th/2023	4.00 am	Prayers
		11.30 am	Cham, sacred lama dances related to the Yamantaka ritual
29th day, 12th month	2/19th/2023	3.00 am	Prayers
		1.00 pm	Conclusion of the ceremony with the burning of the Torma
30th day, 12th month	2/20th 2023	4.00 am	Offering tormas to dharmapalas and offering thanks.
Tibetan New Year "Losar" (21st February 2023)			
8th day, 1st month	27/2/2023		Vajrasattva Drupchen begins (Minling Dorsem)
		8.00 am	Blessing of the Ground and Tagön (Introductory ritual) for the Vajrasattva Drupchen
9th day, 1st month	28/2/2023	3.00 pm	Closing the Mandala for the Minling Dorsem Drupchen
10th-15th day 1st month	1-7th March	6.00 am	Main part of the Minling Dorsem Drupchen for seven days (15th day also marks Chotrul Duchon)
16th day 1st month	8-Mar	3.30 am	Receiving Blessing from the Mandala of Minling Dorsem Drupchen
20th day 1st month	3/12th/2023	8.00 am	Blessing of the Ground and Tagon For the Tsokchen Duepa & Four Ka'ma Drupchens(Five Ka'ma Drupchen and Ceremonies begin)

21st day 1st month	3/13th/2023	9.00 am	Ka'ma Tsal Cham (Lama Dance associated with Ka'ma Teachings) Anniversary of Jamyang Khyentse Wangpo
23th day 1st month	15-Mar	1.00 pm	(Gyenkod) Closing the Mandala For the Five Ka'ma Ceremonies
24th- 1st day 2nd month,	16th-22/2023	6.00 am	Main part of the Tshokchen Duepa Dupchen & Four Ka'ma Drupcho for Seven Days
30thth day 1st month	21-Mar		Puja and Garcham (Dance)
1st day 2nd month	22-Mar		Fire Puja & Five Ka'ma Drupchen Receiving Blessing
2nd day 2nd month	23-Mar	3.00 am	Receiving Blessing from the Mandala of Tshokchen Duepa & Four other Drupchens Anniversary of Terdak Lingpa
<i>4th to 6th 2nd month</i>	25-27/3/2023	<i>9.00 am</i>	<i>All Shechen Annual General Executive Meeting for Three Days</i>
8th day, 2nd month	29/3/2023	6.00 am	<i>Ceremony of Lama Sangdu for Three Days</i>
9th day, 2nd month	30/3/2023	5.00 am	Lama Sangdu Puja
		11.00 am	Rehearsal of the Tse-chu Dance Festival in the Courtyard
10th day, 2nd month	31/3/2023	3.00 am	Lama Sangdu Puja
		9.00 am	Great Tse-Chu Festival of Sacred Dances
11th day, 2nd month	1-Apr	9.00 am	Executive Meeting
<i>12th day, 2nd month</i>	2-Apr	<i>9.00 am</i>	<i>Announcement for Annual Examination Results</i>
			Monastery Vacation