**Wani Cokan (Dec 21st)**

Beginning of Winter, Constellation:
Tayamni Cankahu (Backbone of 3 parts of Womb)

Location: Ointipi (Purification Lodge)

- Make offerings at Mato Paha (Bear Butte on Sept 21, Fall Equinox)
- Gathering of Decti Sakowin (7 Council Fires)
- Make offerings on full moon at Pte Ta Topa (Entrance of the buffalo to the Sacred Black Hills, near Buffalo Gap)

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**Ptanyetu (Sept 21st)**

Beginning of Fall Constellation:
Pte Pute (the nose of the buffalo)

- Wi Wayang Wacipi (Sundance) offerings at Pte He Hota – Grey Horn Butte, “Devils Tower” - June 21st
- Conduct/Participate Summer ceremonies
- Wanasa Pi (Hunt for meat and prepare hides for the Winter)

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**Bliketu (June 21st)**

Beginning of Summer Constellation:
Mato Tipila (Bear Lodge)

- Welcome Back Thunder!
- Hishan Kaga Paha (Imitates Owl Mountain, “Black Elk Peak”), March 21st
- Pe S’ta – Wiping of Tears
- Inyan Kaga (gathering stones for purification lodge, near Sundance Wyoming), early June
- Prepare for Summer Ceremonies (Hunkan, Caje Wicatunpi - naming)

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**Wetu (March 21st)**

Beginning of Spring Constellation:
Wincinlaka Sakowin (7 little girls)

- Gather Cansasa (Red Willow Bark)
- Cut Canunpa Iuhpa (Sacred Pipe Stems)
- Tell The Ohunkakan (creation Stories; told at night)

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