

Epicurus' Birthday 2023 - (The Most Comprehensive Picture Yet!)

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Scholarship seems to reinforce my findings that **Olympiad 109, Year 3, Gamelion 20 = January 24-25th 341 BCE.**

“He was born on the twentieth of the month of Gamelion (**24 January 341**)⁷⁴ [...] ⁷⁴The debate over the exact date of his birth was definitively resolved by Alpers 1968.” (Algra, *The Cambridge History of Hellenistic Philosophy* 43)

“Date of the birth of Epicurus, according to Apollodorus [...] that is, under the seventh archon from the archon of the year of the death of Plato, Theophilus. The tenth of Gamelion however, January 14, and the twentieth, **January 24**, are also assigned as the dates of birth.” (*Origines Kalendariae Hellenicæ; or, the history of the primitive calendar among the Greeks, before and after the legislation of Solon, Volume 2, 97; 1862*)