

Gu Yu: ^{6th} Solar Term 'Grain Rain' April 20, 2013 Sun = 30°

Gu Yu occurs this year on April 20 and is known as **'Grain Rain'**. It is the sixth of the 24 Solar Terms which divide the year into 24 'terms' or seasonal markers. Based on the 360° passage of the Earth around the Sun, each term is 15° which translates into 15 days per term.

Gu Yu begins as the sun reaches the celestial longitude of 30°. It is considered a turning point after which the temperatures begin to ascend more consistently. The rainfall increases and nourishes the seedlings. It is also a time where, although the daytime temperatures are more consistently higher, dawn and dusk tempratures can still be unstable. Therefore be mindful of wind, damp, and cold until your wei qi stabalizes.