## So why March 21st?

The fact that the 21st chromosome is 3 instead of 2 in individuals with Down syndrome increases the importance of the numbers 21 and 3. In the light of these numbers, March 21, which falls on the 21st of the 3rd month, is recognized by the **United Nations as "World Down Syndrome Awareness** Day" in order to draw attention to the problems of individuals with Down Syndrome and to raise awareness in society...



## The world is beautiful with differences

March 21

Happy World Down Syndrome Awareness Day

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## 21 MARCH WORLD DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY





What is Down Syndrome?

Down Syndrome, a genetic difference, is a chromosomal abnormality caused by the presence of an extra chromosome in the 21st chromosome pair. Down Syndrome is therefore a genetic difference rather than a disease.

Physical Characteristics of Individuals with Down Syndrome
Slanted eyes, finger curls, curled pinky fingers, flat nose, thick nape, single line on the palm of the hand, big toe being lighter than the other toes are some of the physical characteristics seen in individuals with Down Syndrome. Some, many or all of these features can be seen in individuals.

Like every individual, individuals with Down Syndrome have different levels of intelligence, abilities and personalities. With appropriate education programs, individuals with Down Syndrome can achieve many successes and build meaningful lives in society.



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