

# Celebrate Maulidur Rasul

Maulidur Rasul, also colloquially known as Mawlid or the Birthday of the Prophet, is a holiday to observe and celebrate the birthday of the Islamic prophet Muhammad. The word Mawlid comes from an Arabic word which means birth. However, this day is also known by other names in other languages. For instance, in Turkish, it is known as Mevlid Serif and in Malay it is known as Maulidur-Rasul.

In some Islamic countries, Maulidur Rasul is a public holiday in which many governmental agencies, businesses and other agencies are closed. It is often observed on the 12th day of the third month of the Islamic calendar. While Sunni Muslims often celebrate it on this date, Shi'a Muslims usually celebrate it on the 17th day of the month. When this day is celebrated, it is celebrated with large street parades. It is often customary for devotees to decorate their homes, businesses, and mosques. Most people will make donations of food and clothing to their favorite charities on this day. This holiday is sometimes celebrated by some Muslim communities in Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States. Not all Muslims in these countries celebrate this day and some spend their free time reading the Koran.

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