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Notes 25 number 10 of the lunar month according to the lunar calendar. Holiday Zul the Kalmyks adopted to meet clean and new clothes. So on the eve of it is necessary to make General cleaning in the house, to wash dirty things. Zul marks the beginning of a new year. And the New year, according to the legend, you have to meet, not leaving anything in the house dirty, this dirt is in the past all the bad things that haunted you in the past year. This year Kalmyk people celebrated it on the 18-th of December

By tradition on the eve of the Kalmyks prepare borcoci

Early in the morning on the day of the holiday Zul

the lady of the house cooks an aromatic Kalmyk tea, without which none of the Kalmyk and the feast, pouring from the pot the first bowl, put the offering (dei), lights the lamp and prays, his prayer bead

The whole family sits down to the Breakfast table. Breakfast this unusual, because holiday, and if holiday, then on the table everything has to be in abundance, because, according to superstition, what will be the table for the celebration of Zul, so shall the year. That is, if the table is poor, then the owners of the whole year have to be interrupted somehow, and if the table is rich, it is for the whole year in the house dwell well-being. That Kalmyks are traditionally exhibited on a festive table? Of course, traditional foods, and primarily: oil, tea, meat, borcoci, sweets. In the holiday Zul the Kalmyks decided to treat each other, to invite to tea guests: relatives, neighbors, and acquaintances. Themselves go to visit. Such is the hospitable tradition of the Kalmyk people. By the way, guests do not go empty handed and bring the Goodies: candy, borcoci, nutmeg... Used in 'zhul slaughtered animals, cooked fresh meat, put deer from a meat dish. This day should certainly pay tribute to the parents, just older people: to treat their heart to make them gifts. Gifts can be inexpensive, for example, in the form of candy, tea packs, packs of butter, nutmeg. Zul is a very important day for all us but it is a very day for children- they are waiting for it because they get some presents and get some money too.

Zul means the end of autumn and beginning of winter, beginning of new year.