

- Kazakhstan is situated in the Central Asia, in the center of Eurasian continent, bordered with China, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan
- It is an independent country
 - Its population is about 16 million
- Astana is the capital of the Republic





Obvious facts

- It is a large partner with Russia
- In Kazakhstan there are more than 85 thousand rivers. The most famous and the most biggest are

Ural, Ulba, Ili, Syrdarya, Emba, Ishym, Irtysh, Charyn Tobol, Chu, Talas

- Its the largest landlocked country
- 9th biggest nation in the world. Population 15.3 million. Almaty the largest city population 1.22 million
- , one of the top ten exporters of oil and has an average incomes



There is one Gamma city in Kazakhstan (Almaty)



Kazakh means "free person" and Stan stands for "country". Therefore Kazakh-Stan means "Country of Free people"



The first and the biggest cosmodrome Baikonur is in Kazakhstan





Wild camels and wild horses are still meet in deserts of Kazakhstan

The highest TV tower in the world — "Kok-Tobe" - is located in Kazakhstan

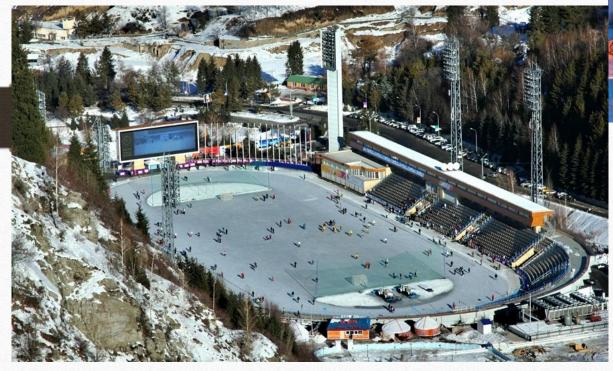






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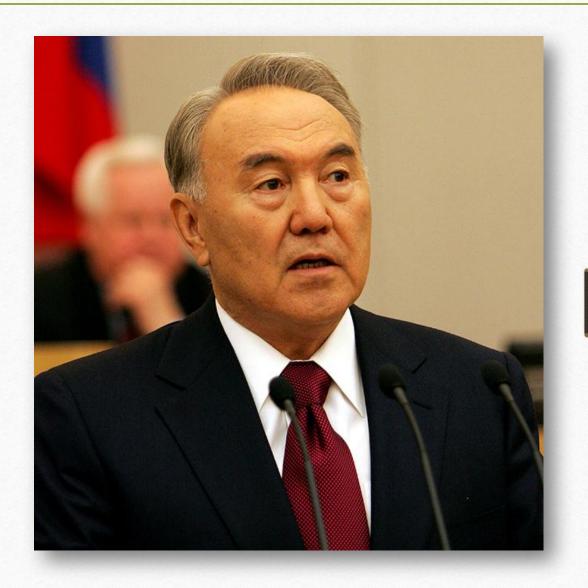
The world's largest high-mountain skating rink "Medeo"







Nursultan Abishevich
Nazarbayev is the first and the
only President of Kazakhstan



The second largest non — drying salt lake in the world — Balkhash-is located in Kazakhstan





Customs and traditions

- The main tradition of Kazakhs, which eventually transformed into a feature of national character is <u>hospitality</u>
- Respect for the elderly is another positive feature of Kazakhs





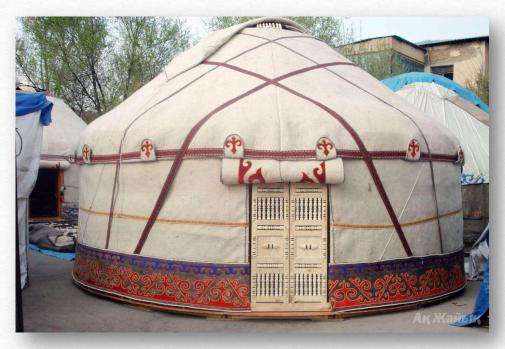






- The men's suit consists of chapan and a headdress or a hat made of Fox fur
- Women's national costume consists of white cotton or colored silk dress, velvet vest and high cap with silk scarf

Yurt is another feature of Kazakh. It is the famous "moving" house, comfortable and practical





Gift giving

Suyinshi - a custom according to which a traveller or any other person who brought home a good message receives a valuable gift from the owners in gratitude



Baygazy - a tradition of giving a gift to a person, who acquired a new valuable thing



- National holiday: Independence Day -16 - 17 December
- The state holiday: New Year 1 2
 January
- The international women's day 8
 March
- Nauryz (spring birthday) 22 March
 +23,24 March (now) Holiday of unity
 of the people of Kazakhstan 1May
- Day of a Victory (World War II) 9
 May
- The capital's Day 6July
- The Republic Kazakhstan constitution day- 30 August
- Day of Republic 25 October

What holidays are in Kazakhstan?



Traditional food facts and features

Kazakhstan cuisine includes not only traditional national Kazakhstan dishes but the best dishes of Uzbek, Russian, Tatar, Korean and other cookeries

The base of Kazakh cuisine is meat – four kinds of meat:

- Horse meat
- Sheep's meat
- Camel meat
- Cow's meat



Beshbarmak





Kazy

Traditional Kumis







Kuyrdak



Kebab

Kurt is also a Kazakh dish. It is dry cottage cheese or young cheese.

The taste is dry, salty, sweet and sour



Myths

X The Capital Of Kazakhstan is Almaty



X Kazakhstan is closed for tourism.
Women in Kazakhstan wear a
paranja

X Kazakhstan is a small backward Asian country

X Pork banned in Kazakhstan