

Armenian Christmas

Événement national  Free



Armenian Christmas is celebrated on January 6. The holiday has a deep religious significance, and believers prepare for it by observing a week-long fast, which they end on January 5, after the service, on Christmas Eve.

The food on Christmas Eve is called hetum. The final fasting hetum usually consists of light meals such as rice, herbs, a yogurt-based wheat soup called tanabur or spas, dried fruits, and nuts. Wine is drunk as a symbol of the blood of Jesus.

In the evening it is customary to light candles in houses and churches as a symbol of the coming of God.

The next day, believers gather in temples to celebrate the Epiphany.

On January 7, people in Armenia remember the departed, visit cemeteries, decorate the graves with flowers and leave Christmas dishes on them as an offering. On this day, the family gathers together to remember the life stories of their ancestors and raise toasts in their memory.

Schedule

 5 - 6 Jan 2025  00:00 - 23:59

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