

Eid al Adha 2020

Eid al Adha 2020 will be celebrated on Friday, 31st of July 2020.

Eid ul Adha is a festival celebrated among Muslims all over the world in remembrance of the sacrifice that Prophet Ibrahim (AS) made out of his strong faith in Allah (SWT). Ibrahim (AS) showed a willingness to sacrifice his son Ismail (AS) but his son was replaced with a lamb by Allah (SWT). Allah (SWT) was so pleased with Ibrahim's (AS) submission to Him that He made this demonstration of sacrifice and faith a permanent part of a Muslim's life.

Hence, every year on the **10th of Dhul Hijjah**, Muslims all over the world celebrate **Eid ul Azha**. On this day, Muslims slaughter a lamb, sheep, goat or a camel to honor the sacrifice of Ibrahim (AS). A sense of generosity and gratitude colors this festival.

This festival is meant to make a Muslim more virtuous in his or her deeds. It should not be meant only to offer sacrifices; rather it is meant to learn hidden lessons of freedom from selfish desires and to elevate a Muslim from anything that hinders his ability to fulfill his responsibilities as a Muslim. Allah says in the Quran: **“Their meat will not reach Allah, nor will their blood, but what reaches Him is piety from you. Thus have We subjected them to you that you may glorify Allah for that [to] which He has guided you; and give good tidings to the doers of good.”** ([Surah Hajj:37](#))

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The Observance of Eid ul Adha

Let's explore the highlights of Eid ul Adha.

Lifestyle Rida Ghaffar
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Eid ul Adha is the second largest religious festival for Muslims worldwide. This occasion is also referred to as the "Festival of Sacrifice". It is fervently celebrated and marks the remembrance of Hazrat Ibrahim's (AS) willingness to sacrifice Hazrat Ismail (AS) as an act of obedience to the command that had been made by Allah (SWT). As Eid ul Adha falls on the 10th of [Dhul Hijjah](#), this year the tentative dates are accounted as the 21st or the 22nd of August 2018, depending on the region.

That they may witness benefits for themselves and mention the name of Allah on known days over what He has provided for them of [sacrificial] animals. So eat of them and feed the miserable and poor. (22:28)

Eid is just around the corner and the shopping sprees for its preparations have begun by fellow Muslims across the globe. From the purchase of sacrificial animals such as goats, cows, lambs and camels to new outfits for this happy occasion. Apart from the embarkment of several Eid preparations, the extensive Ibadaah by Muslims is not behind at all. Muslims all over the world drape this cape of protection around themselves by immersing themselves into constant dhikr around this time.

And do not eat of that upon which the name of Allah has not been mentioned, for indeed, it is grave disobedience. And indeed do the devils inspire their allies [among men] to dispute with you. And if you were to obey them, indeed, you would be associators [of others with Him]. (6:121)

The day of Eid begins with the Eid prayer, offered on the morning of 10th Dhul Hijjah after the sun rises completely; before the time for the Zuhr prayer starts. This prayer consists of two rakats and is performed with complete devotion worldwide.

After offering the Eid prayer, Muslims are meant to sacrifice the animals and divide out the meat amongst people. As far as the meat distribution of the slaughtered animals is concerned; the meat division is split into three parts; poor, relatives and friends, and family respectively.

In regards to the sacrifices offered, the term Dhabiha is used to reflect the act of [slaughtering](#) the animals in the Halal way; pronouncing Tasmiyah (The name of Allah (SWT)) and Takbir; "Bismillah Allahu Akbar". The knife to be used in the slaughter must be razor sharp; straight and smooth. Moreover, the blood should be drained completely before the removal of the animal's head. In Islam, flowing blood is considered to be impure and highly prohibited for food consumption. The reason behind this is that blood is a good medium for germs, bacteria, toxins, etc. Therefore, Dhabiha is to be done such that the meat is purified and suitable for consumption. Furthermore, the blood should ideally be drained in the corner area of the garden, so that the blood is absorbed by the land rather than being drained directly in gutters. For instance, a devastating sight of blood flooded across the streets of Dhaka was witnessed back in 2016.

Narrated Anas bin Malik: The Prophet said, *"Whoever slaughtered the sacrifice before the prayer, he just slaughtered it for himself, and whoever slaughtered it after the prayer, he slaughtered it at the right time and followed the tradition of the Muslims."*

We hope that this Eid will bring immense joy for each Muslim individual and confer ease as they carry out their respective sacrifices. We wholeheartedly wish our fellow Muslim brothers and sisters a very happy Eid!

[For more information on Eid ul Adha, click here.](#)

Break barriers this Eid!

Get to know how you can contribute and be a part of something big.

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Millions of Muslims around the world perform the ritual of sacrifice on the occasion of [Eid ul Adha](#). At this time of the year, numerous less privileged individuals eagerly wait for meat distribution of sacrificed animals. This is the time when they feel they have actually fed themselves and provided their families a proper meal. The sacrifice is considered as an essential part of the whole Muslim community and its well-being on a spiritual level.

The act of dabiha refers to the [slaughtering](#) of sacrificial animals; such as camels, lambs, goats and cows, in a Halal way according to Islam. This act is performed in almost every other Muslim household on the joyful festival of Eid. However, many individuals are deprived of the basic privileges and are unable to buy the animals, let alone sacrifice them. Such people do not have the reach of entertaining themselves with the sacrifice yet Allah (SWT) has not hindered them from being a part of the occasion of Eid and celebrate it with their family. As we all know, fresh meat is a rarity when considered at a global level, for millions of people; especially those on the run from conflicts and disasters. But can these people be assisted? Yes, there are various ways and that is where the privileged step in and lend a hand for those in need.

[Eid ul Adha](#) is right on top of our heads and this is exactly the time to take action for the needy. There are a great number of organizations working on such initiatives to bring a smile on the faces of the unprivileged.

We should help our fellow Muslims cherish this beautiful religious festival by donating our share, which we know is for nothing but a good cause. We encourage all the individuals to step up and contribute, becoming a part of something big and better.

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4 ways you can make the most out of Eid this year

Learn how you can make this Eid the best one yet.

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[Eid](#) is the foremost day of celebration for Muslims across the globe. It is the day that Muslims congregate to celebrate the special day together and thank Allah (SWT) for all that He bestows upon His creations. [Eid-ul-Fitr](#) has been prescribed upon Muslims for them to realize the different ways through which Allah (SWT) continuously blesses His creations. Here are the four ways through which we can make the most of the blessed day.

1. Engage in Sunnah Activities

Allah (SWT) greatly appreciates those that follow the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet (PBUH), for He has immense love for His most premier of creations. The easy route to attain His pleasure, therefore, is to follow the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) on the day of [Eid](#) and please the Almighty (SWT) by expressing love for His Habib. Sunnah activities on Eid include eating something sweet before Eid prayer, wearing clean clothes and using perfume. While there are other beautiful Sunnah of the Holy Prophet (PBUH), the aforementioned are the easiest. Can it become easier to attain the pleasure of Allah (SWT)?

2. Amend broken relations

Eid is a day of congregation and of expressing love and gratitude to your relatives and loved ones. Allah (SWT) is All-Forgiving and loves those who forgive, and so we must take Eid as the opportunity to amend broken relations, forgive and forget, ask for forgiveness, and spread love and compassion, just like we have been prescribed to do so in the Quran and by our beloved Prophet (PBUH).

3. Thank Allah (SWT)

Eid is a manifestation of the compassion, love, mercy, and blessings of Allah (SWT) and so we must thank Him for all that He has given to his creations. Allah (SWT) continues to show us different signs of His love for us, and so we must use the day prescribed to celebrate, to thank Allah (SWT) for continuously blessing us even though we continue to invite His displeasure.

4. Help the less fortunate

In continuation with expressing gratitude, we must also acknowledge how fortunate we are as compared to those that Allah (SWT) has given harder challenges to. We must also acknowledge that we are responsible for them, and that the Muslim Ummah is a single unit that must take care of its brothers and sisters. In that, an ideal way to express gratitude to Allah (SWT) is by acknowledging that we are thankful for His blessings, and doing so by giving to the less fortunate.

May this Eid be the most fulfilling and gratifying one. [Eid Mubarak!](#)