

Reindeer Stolen From Russian Father Frost's Urals Residence

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A reindeer has been stolen from a reindeer park known as Father Frost's Urals Residence on the outskirts of Yekaterinburg, the TASS news agency reported Monday.

A reward of 20,000 rubles (\$312) has been promised for any information on the whereabouts of Bugor, an eight-year-old reindeer who went missing in the early hours of Sunday, the report said, citing the park's head Natalya Skorokhodova.

“The reindeer was used during the holiday season to transport Father Frost and the Snow Maiden, and give rides to children,” a spokesman for the regional branch of the Interior Ministry, Valery Gorelykh, was cited as saying.

The head of the park said Bugor's disappearance would not affect this year's celebrations.

“We will probably have to travel to Yamal and buy another reindeer,” Skorokhodova said, according to the report.

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