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Russia's Arctic Reindeer Herders Gather for Annual Festival

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All through April, indigenous nomadic communities across Russia's Far North are celebrating one of the most important festivities of the year: the Reindeer Herders' Festival. Observed annually for nearly 70 years, the festival gives nomadic herders a chance to see their extended family and friends, compete in traditional indigenous games and showcase centuries-old traditions to curious spectators from across the country. Here is a closer peek at what the celebrations looked like in Russia's northern Taimyr Peninsula:



Herders of all ages joined in the traditional Reindeer Herders' Day festivities this year. **Alexander Ryumin / TASS**

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