

Holidays Around the World

Research Graphic Organizer

Directions: Use the internet or other resources to help you find out information about a winter holiday.

When is the holiday celebrated?

It is celebrated on January 1 to 6

In which countries is the holiday celebrated?

The Diablada de Píllaro is one of the most popular festivals in Ecuador.

What are some popular traditions associated with this holiday?

The main tradition is that in January it summons thousands of people who participate in the so-called "partidas" or traditional parades that travel, amid dances and songs, through rural communities to the center of Píllaro

Holiday

What are some common foods eaten during this holiday?

There are no common foods in this festivity, since the gastronomy varies.

A symbol that represents the holiday:

What most represents this celebration are the people dressed up as devils.

Why is this holiday celebrated?

A tradition of more than 100 years that represents the indigenous and mestizo protest against the exploitation and oppression of the Catholic Church during the colonial era in Ecuador.

How is the holiday celebrated? Describe music, clothing, customs, and other interesting facts about how people celebrate this holiday.

Members of all ages and backgrounds dress up as devils and enter the main "comparsa" to join in the festivities (which last for eight hours), and it is common to see hundreds of tourists mingling in the merriment. As the devil's dance, they offer shots of aguardiente to people and also play practical jokes by placing a chili bell pepper in the mouth of some sent-minded person.

