

Putin's Birthdays Through the Decades, in Photos

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Russian President Vladimir Putin celebrates his 69th birthday on Thursday. While he typically spends his birthdays at work, ending the day with family and friends at home, he occasionally marks the big day with special celebrations like a hockey game with NHL stars or drinking vodka with Chinese and Japanese heads of state. Here's a look back at how Putin has spent his birthdays, both as president and prime minister:



Putin and Russian Defense Minister Sergei Shoigu on vacation in Siberia for Putin's birthday in 2019. [kremlin.ru](https://www.kremlin.ru)

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