

Seasonal Cycle for the *Nimiipuu*
(a generalized approximation)

We-Lu-Poop (January)
“Season of cold”

**height of ceremonial and oral tradition season
winter hunting continues**

Ha-Oh-Khoy (December)
“New life begins in the cow elk”

Ah-La-Tah-Mahl (February)
“Fires are needed”

large semi-permanent winter villages of tule-mat longhouses

foods are adequate

foods becoming scarcer

Sekh-Lee-Wahl (November)
“Trees shed leaves”

Lah-Tee-Tahl (March)
“First flowers bloom”

**prepare winter villages
hunting continues**

**small mobile groups with foods scarce
begin root digging and continue hunting**

Hope-Lul (October)
“Needles fall from Tamarack”

Kah-Khee-Tahl (April)
“Time to dig keh-kheet roots”

**smaller mobile groups
foods are adequate**

**begin larger summer camps
continue root digging and begin fishing**

Pe-Kuhn-Ma-Ahl (September)
“Fish go downstream and salmon to ocean”

Ah-Pah-Ahl (May)
“Time to dig kous roots”

after the horse, travel to buffalo country

**large summer camps with foods superabundant
fishing continues with berry gathering and root digging throughout summer**

Wa-Wa-Ma-Ahl (August)
“Chinook salmon to headwater’s and spawn”

Toose-Tee-Ma-Sa-Tahl (June)
“Late season for kous roots”

travel to falls for trading and gathering

Khoyt-Sahl (July)
“Time of blueback salmon at Wallowa Lake”

