



CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS IN POLAND, ENGLAND AND GERMANY

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Christmas in Poland

- Christmas time in Poland is very special time. We spend time with family. Polish people wait for it all year. We have a lot of Christmas symbols.

Christmas Tree

In Poland we decorate the Christmas tree together before Christmas. This is a special time for all of us. We chose baubles, Christmas chains and Christmas tree lights. We also decorate our houses. The Christmas tree is a symbol of life and rebirth.



Twelve dishes

- Herring
- carp
- Gingerbreads
- borsch with dumplings
- poppy seed cake
- dumplings
- pie
- doves
- noodles
- potato salad
- noodles with poppy seeds
- Vegetable Salad



Presents

- In Poland we give presents to each other. We can find them under the Christmas tree after Christmas Eve. The Children are very happy at this time. Presents are cheap and expensive. Sometimes just a gesture is enough. The most important thing is that we spend time together with family.



Santa

- Santa is an old man with a white beard. He wears a red jacket, trousers and black boots. He has a friendly face with glasses. Santa has a long story. Children believe that Santa gives presents. All of his presents are in the Santa Claus sack. He comes to our homes through the chimney and leaves presents under the Christmas tree. In the evening after Christmas Eve we can check what Santa brings for us. That is the happiest moment during Christmas.



Wafer

- What is a wafer? The wafel is a mixed flour and water. We share each other on Christmas Eve. The wafer is very cheap in Poland. Everyone can buy it. The Christmas wafer is a symbol of reconciliation and forgiveness, a sign of friendship and love.



Mistletoe

- Mistletoe is, next to the decorated Christmas tree, an obligatory element of the Christmas decoration at your home. A bunch of mistletoe hanging from the ceiling is to ensure our prosperity and drive away evil forces. Mistletoe is one of the symbol of Christmas.



Christmas In England



Boxing day

- This is one day after Christmas. People wait in front of the shops and buy a lot of things at a low price.



Christmas cracker

- What is this? It isn't a mandatory element but often we can find them on the Christmas table in England. This is a big candy. When the Christmas Cracker will break you can find inside a small gift for example a paper crown or a card with a fortune.



Christmas in Germany

- German people is a very important time. They have a lot of symbols. They celebrate Christmas very intensely. It is a very colorful time rich in symbols and traditions.



Advent

- In Poland we also have an Advent Calendar. Everyday we open one window from the calendar. We check how many days are left until Christmas.



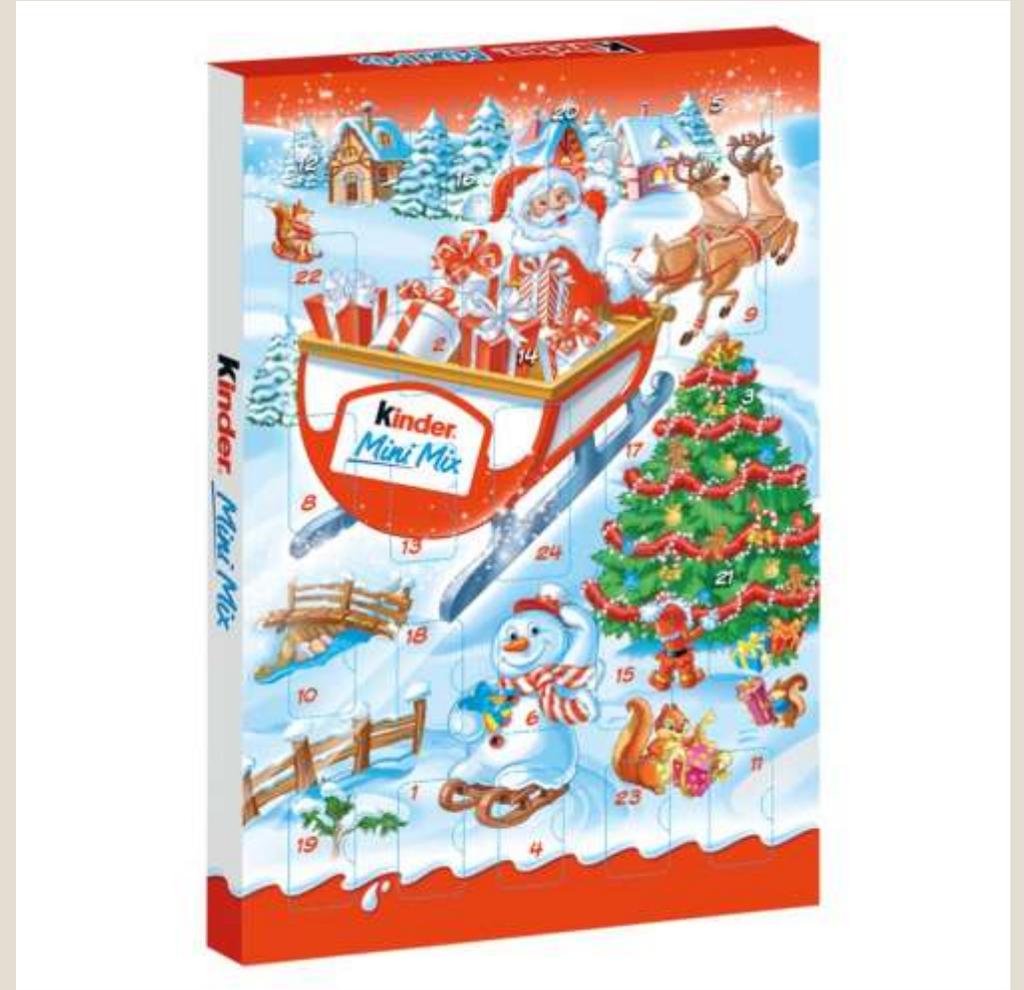
Christmas market

Christmas markets in Germany have a long tradition and are an integral part of culture. Each year, they attract thousands of locals and tourists with their unusual smells and gorgeous decorations.



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- Thank you for your attention, we hope you enjoyed the presentation.
- Merry Christmas:
- wish you Oliwia Toboła and Oliwia Król

