# ChrisTmas \* Traditions \*

Italy, Canada and France, Portugal

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Tree and decorations

 On the 8th of December we start our Christmas festivities making the typical Christmas tree with all the ornaments that all of you know...

• After that, we decorate our houses and in particular our balconies with really colorful and shiny lights ©.







### Christmas Eve

- On the 24th of December all the family gets together in a house, generally the grandparents' house, and we start our longest meal of the year: the Christmas Eve dinner. During this dinner, we really eat everything: apetizers, pasta, meat, potatoes, vegetables, etc etc.
- At the end, we finish our meal with 2 very typical sweets: panettone e pandoro, some prefer the one and others prefer the other but one thing is certain: they are both good





### Pandoro VS Panettone...What do you like the most?





### Gifts,

• Finally, at midnight, we open the gifts under the Christmas tree and we spend time enjoing them and having fun together... But you can't relax too much because the day after there is the Christmas lunch... And that is truly challenging to manage!!!









### Traditions in Portugal







"Missa do Galo" (Midnight Mass)





"Bolo Rei" (King's cake)



Christmas Eve

















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- Underneath the Christmas tree;
  - Represents the birth of Jesus



## PRESENTS! • After midnight;



### Christmas Eye (dinner)



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Octopus



Peru



"Fatias Douradas"



















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Letters to Santa

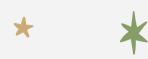


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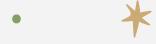


Stockings

To the North Pole... Leaving cookies and milk out for Santa Claus











La bûche de Noël





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Le réveillon de Noël



1 present on Christmas eye



### Silent Night

#### Italian "Astro del Ciel"

Astro del ciel, Pargol divin, mite Agnello Redentor!
Tu di stirpe regale decor,
Tu virgineo, mistico fior,
luce dona alle genti,
pace infondi nei cuor!
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### Portuguese "Noite Feliz"

Noite feliz, noite feliz Ó Senhor, Deus de amor Pobrezínho nasceu em Belém Eis na lapa Jesus, nosso bem

Dorme em paz, ó Jesus Dorme em paz, ó Jesus





### Silent Night



#### French "<u>Douce nuit, Sainte nuit</u>"

German <u>"Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht"</u>

Douce nuit, sainte nuit!

Dans les cieux! L'astre luit.

Le mystère annoncé s'accomplit

Cet enfant sur la paille endormi,

C'est l'amour infini! C'est l'amour infini!

Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht!
Alles schläft, einsam wacht
nur das traute hoch heilige Paar. "Holder Knabe
im lockigen Haar, schlaf in himmlischer Ruh',
schlaf in himmlischer Ruh'!"







### Silent Night



#### English "Silent night"

Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child.
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace

