

CHRISTMAS TIME IN ROMANIA

In Romania Christmas is one of the most important holidays alongside with Easter. Romanians spend the Christmas time in a special way, which is closely connected with traditions and customs that are deeply rooted in history. In a broader sense the winter holiday season lasts from December 20th to January 7th but is truly in full swing from December 20th to January 7th. The highlighting events throughout this period are Christmas Day and New Year.

The most important feature of these celebrations is their unique variety. Colourful Romanian customs, traditions, beliefs, and events make the winter holidays some of the most original and spectacular spiritual manifestations of the Romanian people.

The most important Romanian Christmas tradition is that known by the name of "colindat" (carolling). Groups of "colindatori" -carollers- go from house to house and sing at the windows outside the house or in the houses, according to a variable ceremonial, ancient songs of greeting, called "colinde" (carols). These carols are sung by boys, young girls, adults or mixed groups, according to the region of the country.

Colinde/ Carols are performed in all parts of Romania with regional variations in terms of number of participants, and lyrics. However, the text of most carols is concerned with the events of the birth of Jesus.

The season inspired students to write *acrostic poems*.

Christian holiday is all about
Having good time with your family
Revealing presents
Illuminated cities
Santa Claus coming to us
Terrific weather
Marvelous stars
Avoiding being hit by snow balls
Searching in the Christmas tree.

Similachi Andrei



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Christmas is coming...
Holiday is close too, and I can't wait for it.
Rudolf is the most important reindeer for Santa.
It has a red nose and he is very pretty.
So many children are happy because of Christmas.
The Christmas tree is one of my favourite parts of this holiday.
My mother cooks the best traditional dishes.
Anything is beautiful in this period of the year.
So that's why I love Christmas.

Dan Bianca

Christmas is a holy day for us
House is filled with the smell of clementines
Reindeer are helping Santa to deliver the gifts
I am very happy because I will know him
Snow squeaking underfoot with pressing noise
The snowflakes falling on my hair in all its forms
Merry Christmas everybody is saying
And for a better world I'm praying
Santa I hope this year you'll be good.

Darie Alexia



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Christmas carols in the church
Awesome presents under my tree
Rolling my favourite chocolate dish
Outside the weather is frightful
Lovely decorations in my town
Let it snow!
Ice flowers everywhere
Nöel is coming tonight
Gratitude and love in our souls.

Curelaru Andreea

Children singing carols in the freezing Christmas night
Holiday's slowly approaching
Rushing to get presents
Ice-skating just became the main sport
Snowflakes falling all over the city
Trees went from green to white
Making traditional dishes
Along with kids the adults are waiting
Such an incredible holiday Christmas is.

Cotan Miriam



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Now the year has passed
Everyone is excited about the holiday
We are ready to celebrate, to start a new year.

Yelling outside with excitement
Everyone prepared the dishes
All of the decorations are brightly shining
Raining with wishes for the new year
Staying up and wishing they'll come true.

Everything is set up
Various foods and decorations
Ending this year with a wish.

Cotan Miriam

Candies are the best gifts Santa can give
Ho-ho-ho is what Santa says all the time
Reindeer help Santa with the presents
Ice is the most hated thing by everyone in winter
Snow is the best accessory for nature
Trees help my house look way beautiful during this time
Movies are the ones that bring the family together
Acts of kindness are the best during this time
Snow flakes are so tiny and precious for me.

Budaca Luminita



Stoica Fabian

Cars surround my house on holidays
Anytime in winter I sing Christmas songs
Robot is the gift I got for my brother
Olaf helped me picking my parents' presents
Lights are brightening the house
Love surrounds us during holidays
I enjoy the family meeting on Christmas
No one needs to be alone on holidays
Gloves help our hands from freezing.

Budaca Luminita

Can you tell me how much it will take?
How much more do we have to wait?
Right now I feel very impatient!
I have to calm down,
Stay still, wait patiently!
Time will come soon
Mom said he is close
Around the corner, right at the door
So like that, Santa Claus has come!

Andrei Raluca

Could you let us in your house?
Are you willing to listen to us?
Right now on this holy day
One good news we have to give!
Let us rejoice your soul!
In a night just like this one
Nice, foggy and quiet night;
Guess what happened! Jesus was born!

Andrei Raluca



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Christmas is here in town
Happiness is in our hearts
Reindeer are ready to go
In our hands hot chocolate
Santa Claus brings us gifts
The Christmas tree is ready
Merry Christmas everybody
And a happy Christmas Eve!
Snow everywhere on the streets.

Yasemin Biliktan

Children are ready
Hoping to play
Reindeer are harnessed
In front of the sleigh
Santa calls kindly
"Take us away"
Mrs Claus waves
At home she will stay
Sing out with joy "Happy Christmas Day!"

Alex Barcan



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Carols from the bells are
Heard everywhere
Rudolf is coming
Is Christmas Eve
Silence everywhere
The Christmas tree is ready
Must be here soon
Across with his friend
Santa is coming...

Ding Dong
Everywhere is snowing
Christmas is coming
Oh no, Santa is here
Rhapsody of the season
Along the streets
Truth to be told
Is Christmas Eve
Olaf is ready
Now, we can begin
Santa is coming, tonight, in the town.

Bararu Bianca



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Christmas is coming fast
Holidays we spending with family
Reading books all time
In the snow we played
Snow is the best gift from winte
The family are reunited
Mother and father are cooking
And the best gift is candy bar
Santa clause is coming

Anghel Bogdan

Children are singing carols
All over the country
Realizing how important this tradition is
Outside wishing good things
Lots of gifts
Love your family and friends
Imagine the snow flakes
Now every person is listening to their sweet voices
Giving them money and fruits.

Pelin Denisa



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