



CHRISTMAS IN POLAND



CHRISTMAS, IN POLISH BOŻE NARODZENIE

CHRISTMAS IN POLAND IS THE MOST FAMILIAR, TRADITIONAL AND JOYFUL TIME. DURING CHRISTMAS PEOPLE TRY TO BE KIND, FRIENDLY AND GENEROUS TO ONE ANOTHER. THE BEGINNING OF CHRISTMAS TIME IS CALLED ADVENT. DURING ADVENT PEOPLE PREPARE THEIR HOUSES FOR CHRISTMAS.



CHRISTMAS EVE „WIGILIA”

CHRISTMAS EVE, WIGILIA,
IS A VERY IMPORTANT
DAY. ON THIS DAY
FAMILIES DECORATE
CHRISTMAS TREE AND
PREPARE THE CHRISTMAS
EVE SUPPER. THE SUPPER
SHOULD TRADITIONALLY
CONSISTS OF TWELVE
DISHES.



THE MOST POPULAR DISHES

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DISHES ARE:

- RED BORSH WITH PIES,
- MUSHROOM SOUP,
- FISH SOUP,
- CARP: FRIED, IN A JELLY,
- BOILED OR FRIED
'PIEROGIS' WITH
SAUERKRAUT AND
MUSHROOMS,
- POPPY-SEED CAKE,
- DRIED FRUIT COMPOTE „
- KUTIA”(IT'S A DESSERT).



**THE TABLE IS USUALLY
COVERED WITH A
WHITE TABLECLOTH
AND HAY IS SPREAD
UNDER IT. WHEN THE
FIRST STAR APPEARS
IN THE SKY, PEOPLE
TAKE SEATS AT THE
CHRISTMAS TABLE.
THEY DO NOT FORGET
LEAVING AN EMPTY
PLACE FOR AN
UNEXPECTED GUEST.**



**BEFORE THE
SUPPER MEMBERS
OF THE FAMILY
SHARE THE HOLY
WAFER, AFTER
SUPPER THEY GIVE
EACH OTHER
PRESENTS WHICH
WERE PUT UNDER
THE CHRISTMAS
TREE AND SING
THE CHRISTMAS
CAROLS.**



**AT MIDNIGHT MANY
PEOPLE GO TO
CHURCH TO
ATTEND THE
MIDNIGHT MASS.**



- IN POLAND THE FIRST DAY OF CHRISTMAS - 25TH DECEMBER IS USUALLY SPENT AT HOME. THE SECOND DAY OF CHRISTMAS IS SPENT IN A DIFFERENT WAY. PEOPLE VISIT ONE ANOTHER, TALK OR SING CAROLS. FROM THAT DAY THE CARNIVAL BEGINS .



NEW YEAR'S EVE

IN POLAND A NEW
YEAR'S EVE IS
CALLED
SYLVESTER. MOST
POLISH PEOPLE
CELEBRATE NEW
YEAR'S EVE AT
FORMAL BALLS.





TRADITIONAL WISHES

• IN POLI



IN ENGLISH

WESOŁYCH
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MERRY
CHRISTMAS

SZCZĘŚLIWEGO
NOWEGO ROKU

HAPPY NEW
YEAR

