



Navidad en Chile

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Decoraciones

Decorations in Chile usually consist of nativity scenes, christmas trees, and figurines that represent “the Holy Family” and other important figures. They decorate by putting lights and Christmas up, and setting nativity scenes around. The nativity scene is significant to them, because it represents the birth of baby Jesus, their savior. They also use this to represent Mary and Joseph, Jesus’ virgin parents.



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Tradiciones

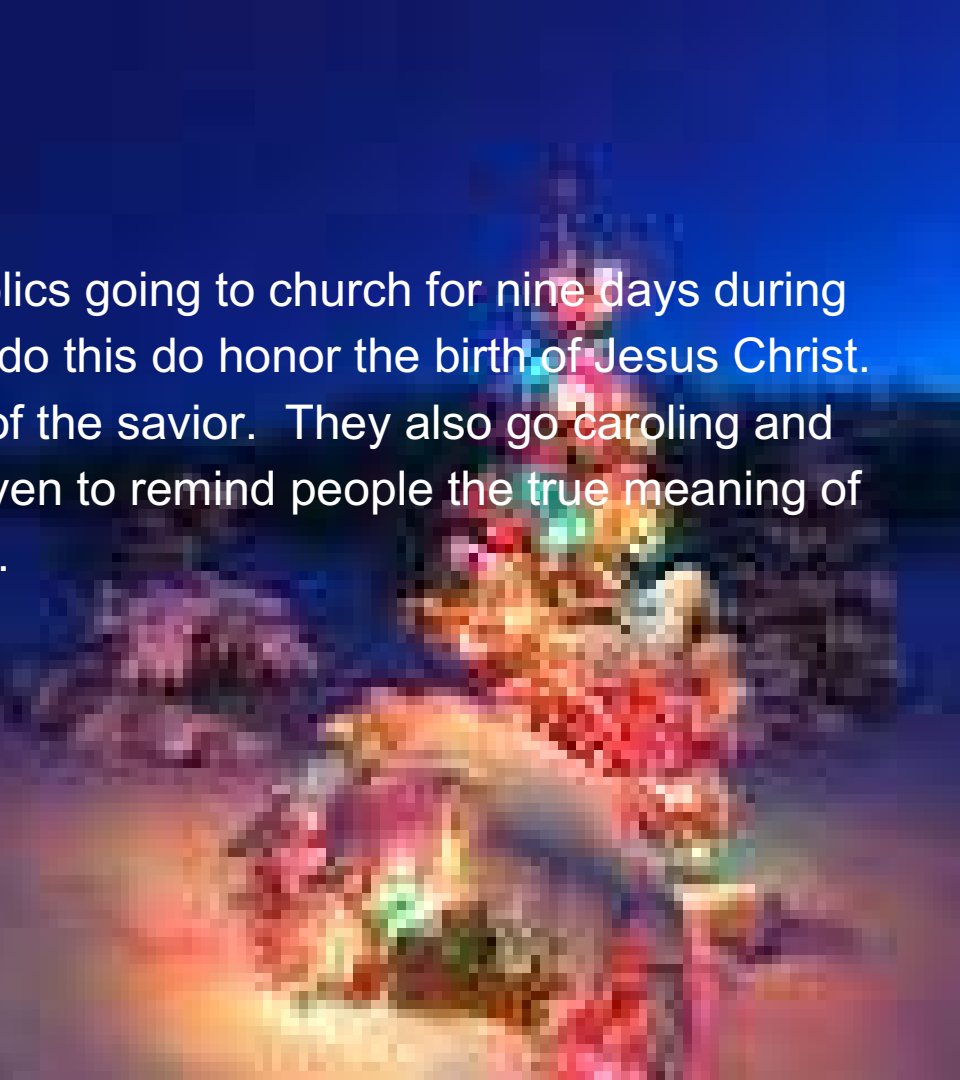
A tradition Chileans have is to worship the birth of Jesus Christ. The Catholics usually have a tradition of going to church for nine days before Christmas. It's called Novena. During Christmas, the biggest tradition is families gathering and having a big feast to eat and gather. They also eat around 9-10 PM. Another big tradition is to eat chicken, pork, and/or beef. They do this all throughout Christmas. icken, pork, and/or turkey. They open presents at midnight every Christmas. Tradition is very important to Chileans.

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Ceremonias/Eventos

In Chile, some events are Catholics going to church for nine days during Christmas. This is called Novena. They do this to honor the birth of Jesus Christ. To them, Christmas represents the birth of the savior. They also go caroling and hand Bibles to people. The Bibles are given to remind people the true meaning of Christmas. They also do this in hospitals.

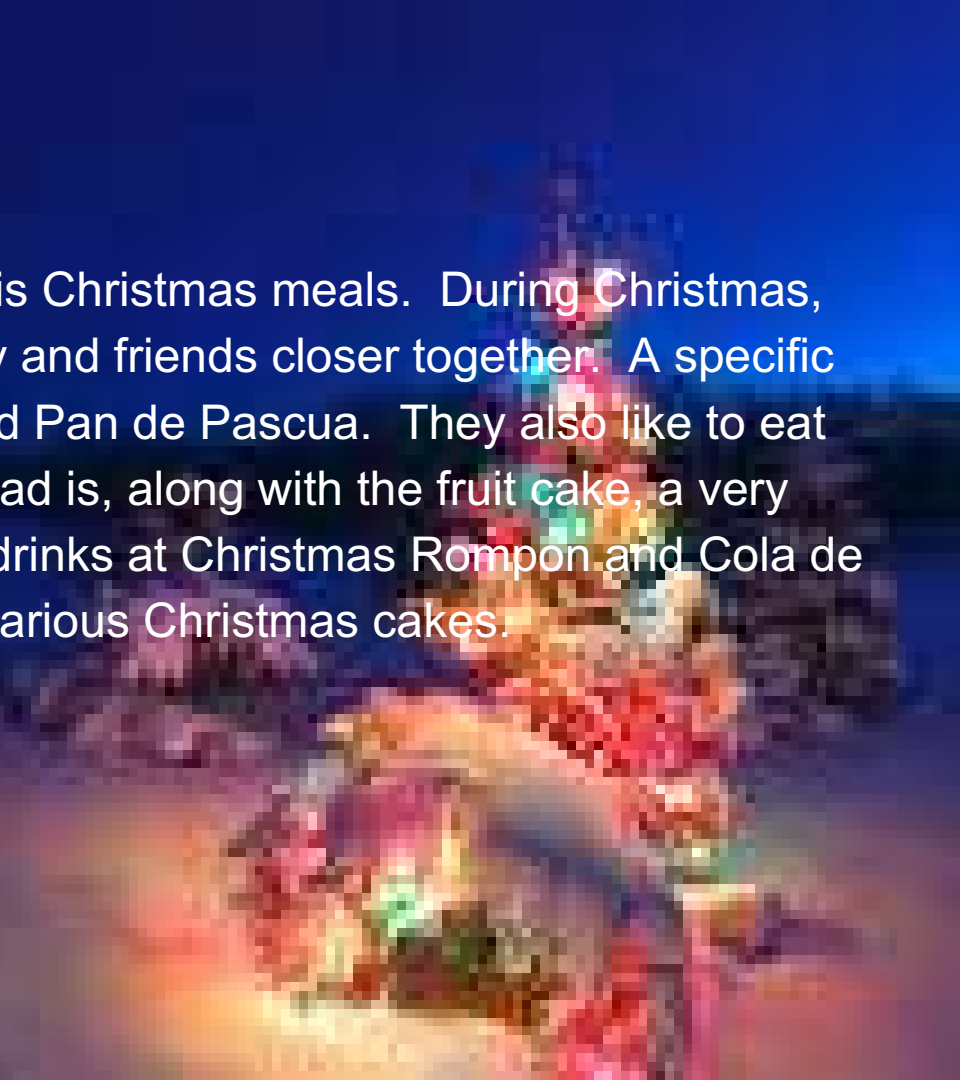


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Comida

One thing Chileans really enjoy is Christmas meals. During Christmas, they have very big meals that bring family and friends closer together. A specific food they love is a special fruit cake called Pan de Pascua. They also like to eat rice with different meats. Pudín de Navidad is, along with the fruit cake, a very common dessert in Chile. Their favorite drinks at Christmas Rompon and Cola de Mono (Monkey's Tail). They also make various Christmas cakes.

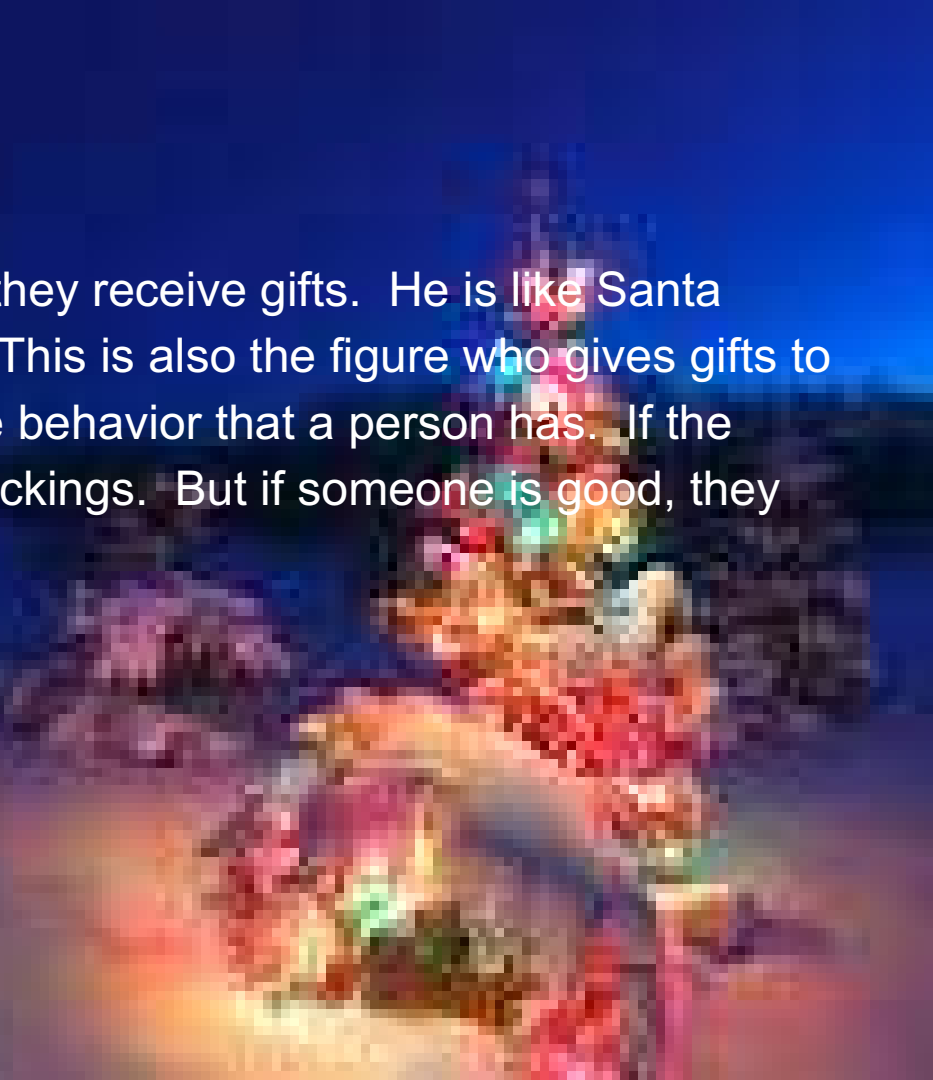


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Regalos

In Chile, Viejito Pascuero is how they receive gifts. He is like Santa Claus, but smaller, due to chimney sizes. This is also the figure who gives gifts to people. The gifts received depends on the behavior that a person has. If the person is bad, they will get coal in their stockings. But if someone is good, they will be rewarded with treats and goodies.



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Christmas Terms and its Definitions

Novena- A tradition where Chileans go to church for nine days, starting

Pan de Pascua- A christmas fruitcake, filled with people's favorite fruits, usually used around Christmas

Pudín de Navidad- A special Christmas pudding that many Chileans enjoy and share with relatives and friends during big Christmas feasts

Rompon- A special eggnog made by Chileans that they make at Christmas

Cola de Mono- A drink composed of milk, alcohol, and coffee that is served at Christmas

Viejito Pascuero- A figure, like Santa that gives gifts at Christmas

Diferencias y Similitudes

Diferencias

The US doesn't go to church for nine days during Christmas, and Chile does

The US has a fat, jolly Santa Claus, and Chile has a slimmer Santa Claus

Chile opens their presents at midnight every year, traditionally, and the US doesn't.

Similitudes

We both set up nativity scenes

We both drink eggnog at Christmas

We both have feasts with friends and family



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