



# Christmas in Catalonia (Spain)

# *Christmas decorations*



*A few days before Christmas, we  
decorate our houses with a  
Christmas tree and a Nativity  
scene that we call "Pessebre"*



Christmas tree



Pessebre

# Santa Lúcia fair

Santa Lúcia fairs are held everywhere where you can buy all kind of decorations and things needed to celebrate Christmas in an appropriate way.







Santa Llúcia fair

# El tió



Some days before the holidays, the Christmas log comes to the homes where children live. He even goes to the schools. If he doesn't come and knock on the door, children go with their parents to look for him in the woods. He stays there and children feed him.





# *At school*

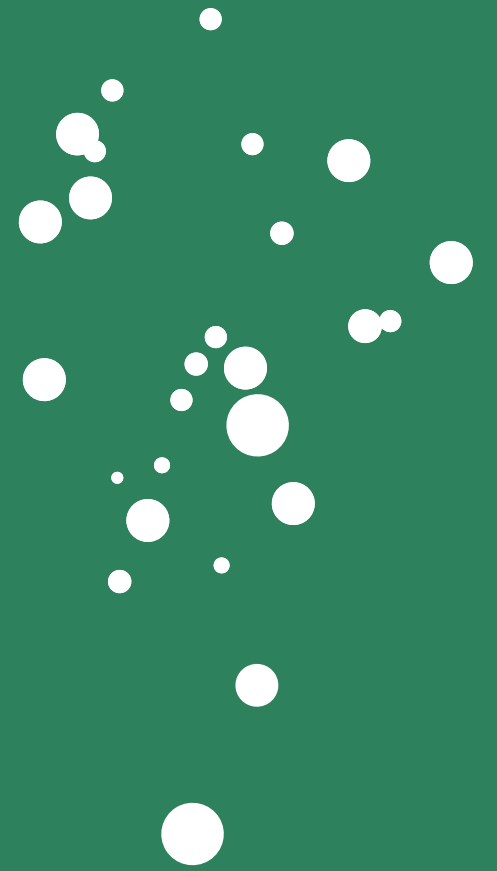
*The previous days we decorate our school  
and do Christmas crafts . We also  
prepare the Christmas festival where we sing  
carols and do plays for our families*







# Christmas day



These days we meet the family for a great meal. It is typical to eat a kind of soup called "sopa de galets" and "canalons". As a dessert we eat sweets called "torrons".





sopa de galets



canalons



torrons



# Make the log poop



Children hit the log to make him poop sweets and little presents.



# Representations of the Nativity



The main representations of Jesus birth are "El Pessebre vivent" where you can be part of the Jesus Nativity with real people and plays like "Els Pastorets" where shepherds fight against the Devil at Christmas day.



Pessebre vivent

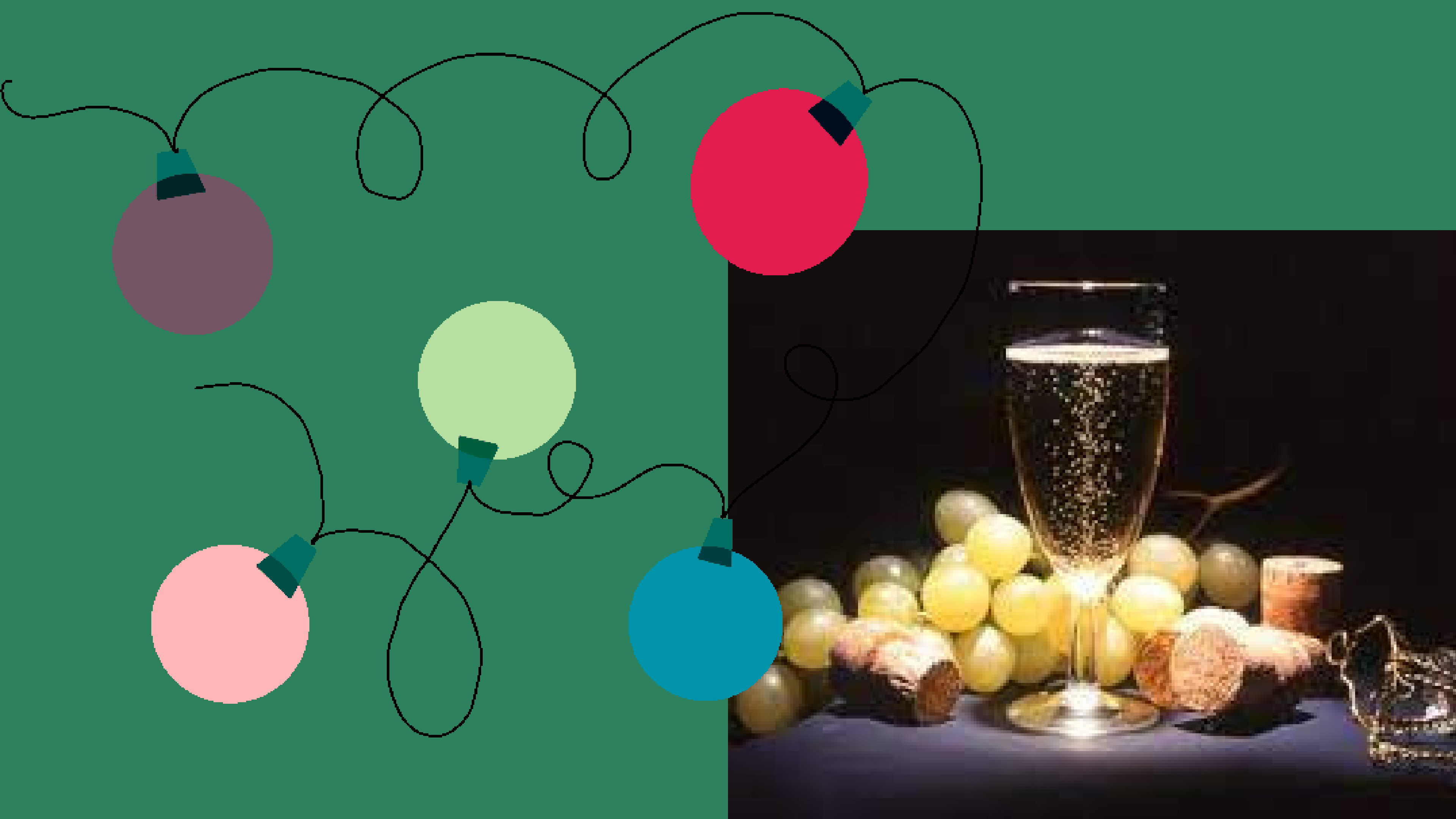


Els pastorets

# New year's Eve



We celebrate a New Year's Eve dinner with family and friends. When the clock strikes the twelve bells we eat twelve grains of grapes to be lucky throughout the new year.







# *The three wise men*

Children write letters to the three wise men that bring presents to the kids who have been nice throughout the year. Their pages (people at the service of the wise men) collect the letters for their Lords.







# January 6th



On January 6th we celebrate the Epiphany. The previous day we attend the three wise men parade and children have their presents from them. During the night, we should leave some biscuits and milk for them and their camels on the windowsill.







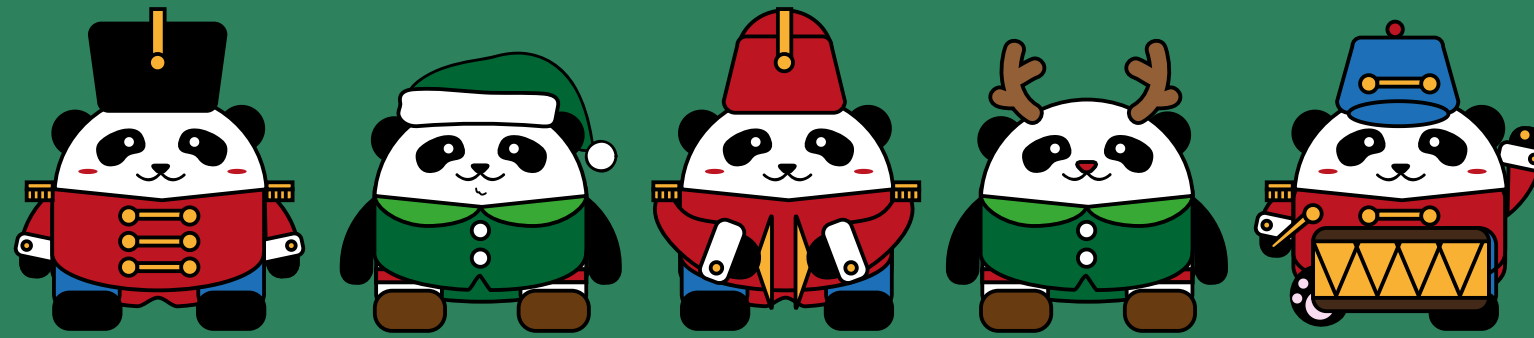
# A special cake

In this day, we eat a cake called "tortell de reis". There are two little surprises inside the cake: a bean and figurine of a king. If you find the bean you will pay for the cake, but if you find the figurine you will be crowned as a king or queen





# Our Christmas carols



Here you are some links where you can listen our most popular Christmas carols in catalan, language of Catalonia (a region in Spain)



# Fum, fum, fum



# El rabadà

# El dimoni escuat



# El petit vailet

