

Christmas in Finland

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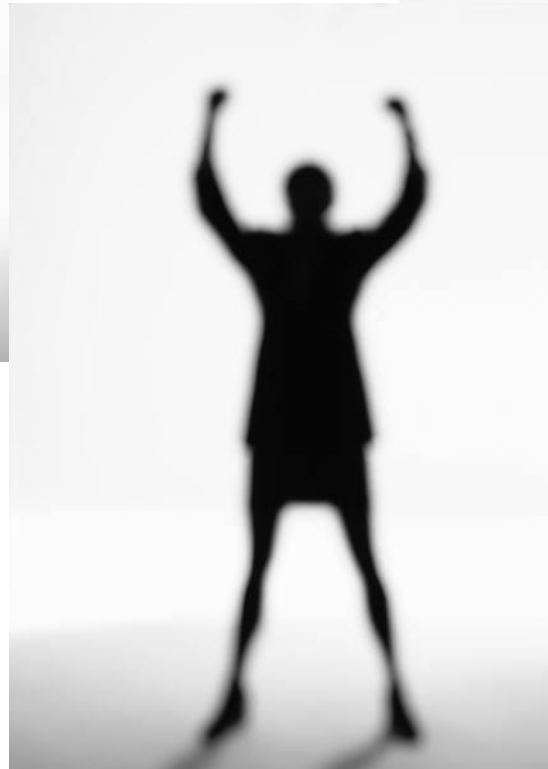
Finlands map



In Finland Merry christmas is said like this Hyvaa
Joula.



The population of Finland is 25 000 people



Christmas is celebrated on December 24th to the 26th unlike most contries.



Finland speaks the language Finnish and
Swedish



In Finland the Christmas tree is set up on Christmas Eve. Fir trees are felled, tied onto sleds, taken home to be decorated beautifully with candies, paper flags, cotton, tinsel, apples and other fruits. Candles are used for lighting trees.



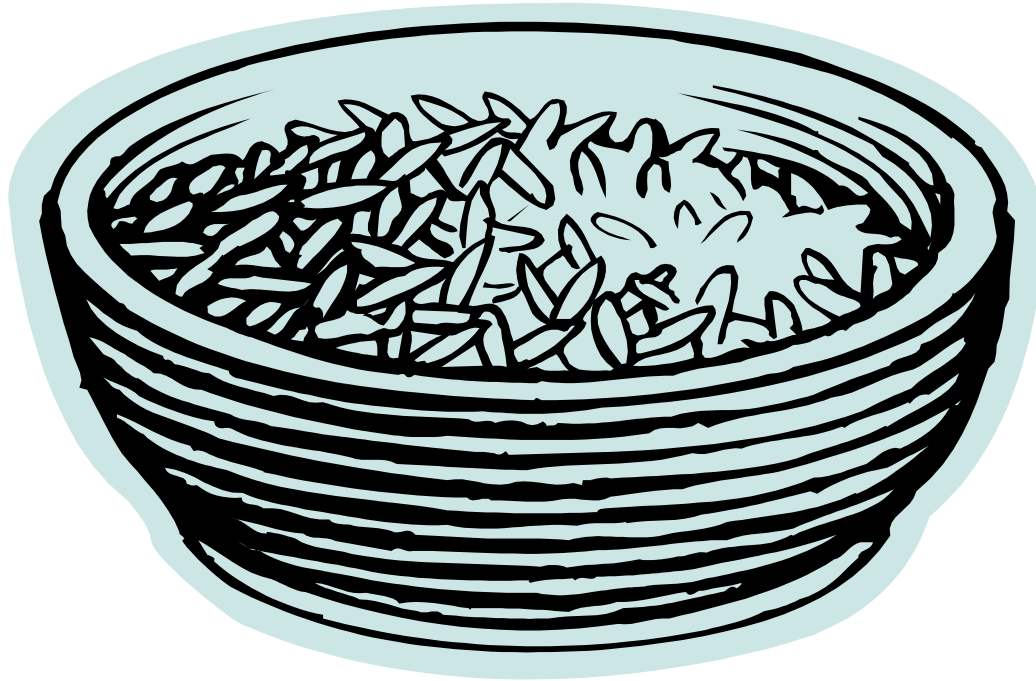
Finland has Santa and they call him
St. Nickolas.



Joulupukki is a Christmas character.
Joulupukki is also known as santa.



They eat rice pudding.



Cook 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of rice in boiling water till just tender. Strain and add rice to 5 cup of very hot whole milk. Boil slowly for ten minutes and add the folloing mixture

1 egg well beaten

$\frac{1}{3}$ cup of cream

$\frac{2}{3}$ cup of sugar

3 tpsp flour

$\frac{1}{2}$ tsp of salt

That's how you make rice pudding

Good boys and girls get toys. Bad boys and girls get coal.



Christmas traditions in Finland have become known to over 140 countries largely because of a traditional event that has occurred every year, save one, since the mid 1300's. In the city of turku, in southern Finland, the people gather just before noon. After the turku Cathedral bell strikes twelve, the Declaration of Christmas peace is read.

- I got all my information off of <http://www.worldofchristmas.net/christmas-world/>
- <http://www.thehistoryofchristmas.com/traditions.htm>
- <http://www.crewsnest.vispa.com/journey.htm>