

Christmas in South Africa



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krismesi emnandı (krismesi emNoNdE)

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This is the Flag of South Africa. In this room we are going to learn all about Christmas in South Africa. To say Merry Christmas in South Africa, they say *krismesi emnandi* (*krismesi emNandE*)



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South Africa is in the Southern Hemisphere, so it is summer during the Christmas season. Many families swim, play games outside,

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and go camping for Christmas.

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There is a month-long break for Christmas, which means a LOT of playing! Also, because it is in the summer, there is a lot of sunshine and there are a lot of beautiful flowers. Some areas have gatherings where they use beautiful shields and masks for dancing during celebrations. Some tribes use rainsticks to summon the rain.

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Christmas in South Africa is a time of singing. Children gather to sing Christmas Songs for their families and at home, families usually sing Christmas songs together.

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Santa Clause in South Africa is known as Sinterklaas. Like in America, Sinterklaas is believed to bring toys to good boys and girls.



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Instead of having a big Christmas dinner, in South Africa, they have turkey for Christmas lunch outside. One of the most common things they serve with their turkey is yellow rice. A favorite Christmas dessert is Rum Cake.

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Some treats and snacks in South Africa include Chin Chin, Plantain Chips, and Jelly Tots.

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A favorite outside game in South Africa is playing with a Hacky Sack, which is usually made with fancy beads.

