

Fun and Interesting Facts (Historical facts about Christmas celebration)

1. Do you know that Christmas is not celebrated on 25 December all over the world?

[Christmas](#) is the festival of Christians that is observed by many, but not all, around the world on December 25th. Some countries in the world celebrate Christmas on a different day. In [Ethiopia](#), [Egypt](#) (Coptic Orthodox), [Georgia](#), [Kazakhstan](#), and [Serbia](#), Christmas is celebrated on the January 7th. The Christmas celebration dates vary due to the use of a different calendar. This is because the Orthodox Church uses the [Julian calendar](#), which is 13 days behind the [Gregorian calendar](#).

2. Do you know where the Christmas tree was first seen?

In the 16th century, [this tree](#) was seen for the first time in [Germany](#). German people decorated this tree with nuts and fruits. The [Christmas tree](#) symbolizes new life

3. Have you heard of Norway's Christmas tradition?

Every year since 1947, [Norway](#) has sent a Christmas tree to London as a token of appreciation for Britain's support during World War II, which is displayed in [Trafalgar Square](#).

4. Was Jingle Bells originally a Christmas song?

Jingle Bells was not actually composed as a Christmas song. [James Lord Pierpont](#) wrote the song, titled "One Horse Open Sleigh," for a Thanksgiving giving show in America, and it later became a Christmas song.

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