

Nisser

I gamle dage troede man at nisser var på gårdene hele året, og det var man rigtig glad for, for man mente, at den hjalp gården, senere flyttede ideen om nisser også ind til byen. Det siges at nisser er syv gange så stærke som mennesker. Man har fra gammel tid troet at nisser blev sure, hvis man ikke gav dem risengrød og nisseøl. Hvis man ikke gav sin nisse noget at spise, så blev de til drillenisser og det var ikke så godt, for så ville de spolere høsten. Men der kan også være gode nisser. Som giver gaver til dem de bor hos, men kun hvis nisserne får mad. De fleste nisser er omkring 15 cm høje uden hue.

I Danmark laver vi kravlenisser som julepynt. Der er næsten altid nisser i børnenes jule-tv-kalender.

Elves/Pixies

In the old days people thought that Elves/pixies lived on the farms the entire year, and people were happy about that, because they thought that they helped with work on the farm, later the idea of elves moved to the city so they also began to “live” there. It is said that elves is seven times as strong as humans. People had from old times meant that elves got angry, if you pulled a prank on them or didn’t feed them. If you didn’t give them anything to eat, they became goblins, and that wasn’t good, because then they would ruin the harvest, and stuff like that. But there can also be nice elves, that gives presents to the people, whose loft they live in. Most elves are about 15 inches high, without a hat.

In Denmark we make elf/pixies in paper, for Christmas decorations.