



HOW TO CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR IN SPAIN

**New year is a holiday that is expected with great anticipation and hopes for happiness by millions of people. For some, it is an occasion to gather the whole family, for someone-to see old friends, even for some important customs and traditions. The holiday is loved all over the world. What can we say about the people of Spain – emotional, hot, sensual, fun. The traditions of the new year in Spain can simply impress a person ignorant, unfamiliar with the culture of the country. Carnivals, processions, festivals, all kinds of events – this is a kind of way of life for the population of this country, they can not live without fun. The new year In Spain is no exception. Traditions, customs, we now consider.**



About the holiday in general

Festive table

Traditions

What happens at midnight?



Winter carefree fun here begins on December 25. On this day, the Spaniards celebrate Christmas. Holidays last as much as 12 days, until The day of the Magi (6 January). Each of these dates has its own traditions. New year in Spain waiting for adults and children, it's an occasion to have fun from the heart, and not at home in front of the TV, as is customary here, and on the streets. On this day you will not get to any theater or cinema, everything is closed. It is believed that all possible should be on the streets.



**Regarding this part of the holiday there are special traditions Of the new year in Spain. Photos posted in our article will help you to better feel the whole atmosphere, at least mentally visit Spain in the solemn days. As we have already said, before going out on the streets of the city people sit at the richly laid holiday table. For such a holiday, they prepare traditional dishes and their favorite dishes. This is an appetizer of melon with ham, and tarts with various fillings. Tables are usually full of fish and seafood. Naturally, it is impossible to imagine a full holiday without a mass of sweets – cookies with cumin, pies, almond cakes. Also on the table must be a bottle of very high quality wine, it's no wonder that Spain is famous for the whole world of winemaking. As you can see, in relation to the magnificent feast and richly laid tables are very similar to our traditions Of the new year in Spain. It is almost impossible to briefly tell about all the delights of the holiday in this country. But still we will try to describe the main, the most significant moments.**



There is little English spoken here, although on this day you can hear such congratulations, songs. There is another tradition in these parts, which is alien to us. As you already know, after a home feast people gather to continue the fun on the streets. While some dance and sing, others meet at the Church and for several hours remember all the significant events of the year. Then there is a fun competition among young people. They write on paper the names of all present, throw them in the bag and pull at a time. Thus formed "couples" for the whole new year's eve. Though it is a joke, but still they all night should behave as if they have long loved each other.



**As soon as the clock marks The new year, all those gathered in the city square begin to hug, kiss each other, congratulate, even some hand over nice things to complete strangers. It looks very nice and at the same time solemnly, when complete strangers behave as if relatives or best friends. After that, the real festivities with crackers, sparklers, dances, songs, fireworks begin.**

