Christmas Around Europe

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Toot toot! Here comes the steamboat! In the Netherlands and Flanders, Saint Nicholas arrives by boat from Spain. That idea comes from a children's book written in 1850. Eva waves from the quay, Milo wags so hard his whole back end waves too, and the steam from the chimney makes a cloud that looks exactly like a mitre.



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In Iceland, not one but thirteen Yule Lads come down from the mountains, one each night before Christmas. They are silly troublemakers: one licks spoons, one steals sausages, one peeks through windows. Children put a shoe in the window, hoping for a treat. Eva and Milo hide behind the snow and count them. Thirteen. That is a lot of mischief.



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In Italy, the Befana flies on her broom on the night of 5 to 6 January. She fills stockings with sweets, and naughty children get coal, made of sugar of course. Tonight she has two extra passengers: Eva has climbed on the broom, and Milo is standing on the very back like a tiny surfer. Hold on tight!

