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**Lithuanian Christmas Decorations**

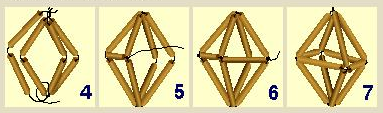
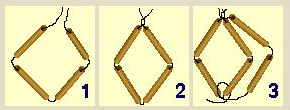
Lithuanian Christmas traditions are a combination of old and new and Christian and pagan, and they have similarities with traditions from the other two Baltic nations.

Handmade straw ornaments are particularly traditional. They can decorate Christmas trees or be used as decoration for other parts of the house.

The custom of decorating a fir tree and the giving of presents became part of the Lithuanian Christmas tradition after World War I, having adopted it from Germany.

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Here are images from the site that illustrate the process of creating triangular shapes, the basic foundation of the ornaments:



Putting together the shapes to create lanterns, stars and other patterns they can finish simple.

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| **P1150122**  Photo:Straw ornament, by Lauryna,GVC1114 | P1150121  Photo:Straw ornament, by Lauryna,GVC1114 |
| **P1150133**  Photo:Straw ornament, by Lauryna,GVC1114 | **101_1552**  Photo:Decoration, byRaminta,GVC1114 |
| **Photo:**  **Star, by Paulina, GVC1114**  **2011.12.09** | **Photo:**  **Star, by Gintare, GVC1114**  **2011.12.09** |
| It was typical to have Christmas decorations made of glass. Usually our grandparents have such Christmas decorations | |
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| Christmas trees in Lithuania |  |
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<http://portal.sliderocket.com/BJMRX/Christmas-decoration>