## A Very Druid Christmas

A Short Comedy By Brian Price and Jerry Stearns

Approx: 7-8 Minutes

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We all know that many traditions commonly associated with Christmas were drawn from a number of earlier cultures and religions. We decided to throw them all together for easy reference.

## <u>Cast</u>

Cordwainer:	Resident of Salisbury Plain, British Isles, British Isle accent of some sort, bit of a hot head, under the influence.
Lewellyn:	Resident of Salisbury Plain, British Isles, British Isle accent of some sort, less of a hot head, under the influence
Anthony:	Roman soldier, Italian accent, try the Latin for a bit of historic accuracy
Frond:	Resident of Salisbury Plain, British Isle accent of some sort, niece of Lewellyn, young, bright
Merlin:	Resident of Salisbury Plain, very old wizard, not very with it, creaky British Isle accent
Hildegaard:	Reesident of Salisbury Plain, very old witch, not very with it, creaky sing-songy British Isle accent. "Waily, waily, waily" is a bow to Terry Pratchett's Pictsies.

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1 2 3	Music	Celtic music intro
4 5 6 7	Cordwainer:	Hey Lewellyn, what cha doing out on a night like this? Snow and slop and all.
7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35	Lewellyn:	Oh, just stepping out of the hovel for a bit of air there, Cordwainer. The relations have arrived, don't you know?
	Cordwainer:	Oh that's right. A hardy winter solstice to you, Lewellyn.
	Lewellyn:	Aye, another harvest come and gone, I suppose. And where am I supposed to find a free-range, larch-roasted wild boar this time of night?
	Cordwainer:	Beowulf's not open?
	Lewellyn:	Naw, he went banging over to Denmark to fight a monster.
	Cordwainer:	Ah, it's not the monsters you've got to worry about. It's their mothers.
	Lewellyn:	Isn't that always the way.
	Cordwainer:	Bit of mead?
	Lewellyn:	Oh, don't mind if I do. I just happen have my 256 oz tankard with me. Always carry it just in case, you know.
36 37	SFX	long long pouring of beer with a few dribbles
38 39	Lewellyn:	Don't be shy. Top it off there.
39 40 41 42	Cordwainer:	Uh oh, uh oh, here comes officer Centurion. Evening officer.

1 2 3	Anthony:	(PASSING BY) I came, I saw, I conquered. Habeas Corpus. I have erected a monument more lasting than bronze.
3 4 5	(Veni, vidi, vici. Exe	egi, monumentum aere pereenius.)
6 7 8 9	Cordwainer:	(CALLS AFTER HIM LEWDLY) Oh yeah, hey, Mister Gladiator, conquer this, you Roman poofta, you. I've got your monument right here. Take a long look, would ya!
10 11 12 13	Frond:	(COMING ON) Oh shush your face, Cordwainer. They'll run you all the way to Scotland with that talk.
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	Cordwainer:	Ah, Frond, my dear. Wonderful to see ya on this fine Solstice. They'll run me nowhere I don't want to go. I'm a Druid. I got magical powers, you know.
	Frond:	No doubt your magic powers happen to be hanging between your legs, as well. Happy Solstice, Uncle Lewellyn.
	Lewellyn:	Ah, Frond, my dear a shining solstice to you. Now, what's this I hear that you've been chasing after a Roman?
	Cordwainer:	I like his wee helmet, his cowardly shield and, of course, his wee kinky short skirt. What a fashionable little gladiator he is. Ooooh, and he's got a pointy sword. (SHOUTS) I don't need any sword myself. I got one right here. If you know what I mean, love?
34 35 36 37	Frond:	I have no idea what either of you mean. Dear Anthony is a very civilized man.
37 38 39 40	Cordwainer:	Ach, I got the whole birthplace of civilization right here, as well.
40 41 42	Frond:	Please.
42 43	Lewellyn:	Would you like a spot of mead, dear?

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2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Frond:	Thank you, no, Uncle. Anthony has introduced me to the pleasures of wine.
	Cordwainer:	(SHOUTS) Ah grapes. You wanna see some grapes, do ya? How about these grapes you Roman poofta you? Get back here. How do you like the size of these?
9 10 11	Frond:	Does he ever stop?
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	SFX	Loud crash—all kinds of things falling
	Merlin:	(IN BACKGROUND UNDER THROUGHOUT) Help. Help. I'm vexed.
	Hildegaard:	(IN BACKGROUND – WAILING THROUGHOUT) Wailey, wailey, wailey.
	Frond:	What was that?
	Cordwainer:	Ah no, not again.
	Lewellyn:	Oh dear, it appears that poor Merlin has gotten himself a wee bit pissed for this evening's sacred rites and knocked over the standing stones. Again.
30 31 32	Frond:	How'd he do that?
32 33 34	Lewellyn:	I don't know, but he does it every year.
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	Lewellyn:	I don't understand it. She's usually happy as a clam on the solstice. Getting herself all arranged for the fertility rites, don't you know. A boy's got to be able to run pretty fast not to get caught under the mistletoe with Grannie Hildegaard.