

# Yule Prosperity Ornament

## Directions:

1. Open plastic package to reveal two halves of an ornament.
2. Choose your fillings and fill one half of your ornament.
3. Seal the ornament by connecting the other half so that the holes on the both sides align.
4. Place the string, ribbon, or bow through the holes to make a tie for your ornament to hang.

## Yule colors & symbolism:

Red- for prosperity and love

Green- for abundance and the promise of the spring time

White- for cleansing and light

Silver- for the moon

Gold- for the sun and the radiant energy that comes along with it

## Yule elements & symbolism:

Bells- they were rung in the morning as everyone began to wake to chase away the dark days and herald in the warmer, brighter days following the solstice

Candles- symbolizes the light and warmth of the sun and were used to chase away evils and lure back the returning sun/son.

Holly- symbolizes hope

Evergreens- symbolizes renewal or everlasting life

Pine- symbolizes healing and joy

Yew tree- symbolizes rebirth

## Yule:

Yuletide, also known colloquially as Yule, is a 12-day indigenous Germanic festival and holiday that typically falls sometime between November and January. Yule is a traditional holiday holding roots in various northern European traditions, particularly that of the pre-Christian Germanic peoples. When the days grew colder and the nights grew longer, people of ancient times would light candles and gather round fires to lure back the sun. They would bring out their stores of food and enjoy feasting and festivities including wassail. Dances were danced and songs were sung and all would delight in decorating their homes. Such were the Yule traditions of those times—traditions similar to what we call Christmas (Yule eventually underwent Christianized reformulation).

Watch the video on the CLPL YouTube Channel as Shannan creates 3 different versions:

[https://youtu.be/u\\_7PfwUGdKk](https://youtu.be/u_7PfwUGdKk)