

*For a folk magic twig
(sourvachka) in Bulgaria*





In the rich diversity of the requisites in Bulgaria a special place is occupied by the newly accepted folk magic twigs (sourvachki). In Bulgaria, the name of props is found in its corners under your different name. The etymology of the word is associated with the use of "crude".





The rods should be of raw wood cut before the new year. Ordinarily, it is cornel, hazel, apple or oak. They are a symbol of health, longevity and wisdom.





The decoration of the twigs is very varied and colorful. There are mainly two types of jewelry: the decoration made on the stick and the decoration hung on the stick.





The first group of ornaments include: cutting the bark of the handle with a knife - spiral, zigzag, on circles or entirelyly.
The second group of decorations - wool, beans, popcorn, greenery, etc. - are put on the tree additionally.





In southwestern Bulgaria, as midnight emerges, the mother and father visualize a tray of sofras (table) and going at the animals in the stable.

After going to the orchard and stopping at a barren tree.



The magic twig (sourvachka) is connected with the idea of raw wood with certain qualities - to be strong, healthy and juicy. The twig does necessarily have a gift-giving decoration. This decoration is an unabated custom.





Thanks!