

GREEN CHRISTMAS

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I wish you a green Christmas
With boughs of holly and a wreath, nat'rally
A little sprig of mistletoe to laugh about with Mr. Ho Ho Ho
Plenty of Earthly goodies to eat

I wish you a very green Christmas
Where nothing is wasted and the wrappings are true
Every present you receive doesn't harm a forest or a flea
And brings peace on Earth, peace for the Earth

I wish you a green Christmas
Where every gift and greeting comes straight from the heart
A flock of chicks or a hive of bees in someone's honor to a family
Who knows what traditions you might start?

I wish you a green Christmas
With all the wonders of a bright eastern star
A long walk by a waterfall or the very best gift of all
Peace on Earth and peace for the Earth

I wish you the greenest Christmas
Even if you're surrounded by snow or by sand
Whatever holiday you celebrate I honor your belief and think that's great
Kwanzaa, Hanukuh, Ramadan, or Yuan Tan, or Chinese New Year

I still wish you a green Christmas
With gratitude for every sweet breath of air
Joy and laughter with the ones you love, a pear tree and turtle doves
But most of all, peace on Earth and peace for the Earth

Who but a Baby could teach us to see we're all one big family
We need peace on Earth and peace for the Earth