

Santa Out of Season



While it's accurate to say that Santa Claus worked his tail off during November and December, it's also true that spring, summer, and early fall found him with very little to do. By July, an edginess supplanted his typical jollity – so much so that Mrs. Claus, desperate for a little peace and quiet, usually kicked the grumpy old man out of the house. Santa would sulk for a few days in his workshop, then saddle up Rudolph, pack some provisions and his trusty Dragunov rifle, and go hunting – for elves. (Ed. note. Don't judge Santa too harshly. If *you* were surrounded by relentlessly cheery little creatures with pointy ears and green hats 24/7 for two long months, you'd probably act the same way!)