



Dia De Los Muertos



Decorations/Crafts





Candles

The candles are used so the spirits have an easier seen path to be welcomed by their families. The path would be lit so they could see.





Sugar skulls

- As symbols of death and the afterlife, sugar skulls are not only given as gifts to the living during Day of the Dead, they are also placed as offerings on the altar.
- The sugar skull are made for people to eat to resemble the dead relative.
- On the afternoon of November 2nd they go and clean tombs, play cards,
 - and listen to village music.
- They can also be chocolate skulls.

Photo of the deceased

A framed photo of the dead person to whom the altar is dedicated, usually positioned in a prime spot on the altar. They believe that the pictures will help the spirit come to the altar easier.



Marigolds

These yellow-orange flowers, also called cempasúchitl, symbolize death. Their strong fragrance also help lead the dead back to their altars. Marigold petals may also be sprinkled on the floor in front of the altar, or even sprinkled along a path from the altar to the front door, so that the spirit may find her way inside.



Pan de Muerto

(Spanish for bread of the dead), also called pan de los muertos or dead bread in the U.S. People use this decoration because it represents the deceased body.







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