

Slavic and Celtic Cinderella

Gael and Donn are jealous of Crítheanch.

Crítheanach's two sisters make her do their bidding and never let her go to balls or fairs with them because she is so beautiful.

She meets Boabh, the fairy godmother like character who helps her go to a dance.

When she gets home her clothes change back to normal and all the chores are done.

Crítheanach also loses a shoe, and then marries a prince,

Duncan. Her sisters are not happy though. Donn steals Crítheanch's clock, and Gael pushes her off a cliff thinking it's Crítheanach. Gael then realizes what she's done and actually pushes Crítheanach off of a cliff, into a whales mouth. She is rescued by Duncan and then Gael is sent off to sea with no oars.



Geal, Donn and Crítheanach



Cinderella

Cinderella has a very mean step mother and step sisters.

She is forced to do the daily chores for them. Cinderella meets her fairy godmother who gives her a dress to go to the ball. Cinderella meets the prince, yadda yadda everyone knows Cinderella. The difference here is that no harm ever comes to her step-sisters an step-mother, in fact, she helps them.

Marushka is ordered to find violets, strawberries and apples for her sister and mother because she is so beautiful.

Holen, her sister, and her mother were very jealous of Marushka.

Marushka meets the Twelve Months, who are the "fairy-god mother" characters.

Each time they assist Marushka in finding what she's after. In the end Holen goes out to see where marushka has found the apples and she never comes home, so the mother goes looking for her and also never comes home. Marushka of course gets married in the end.



Marushka in "The Twelve Months"