

I dedicate this Christmas story about Rudolph and his reindeer friends to my grandson.

We have both heard a lot about » **Rudolph**, **the reindeer** with the bright flashing nose« and the original story of Robert L. May from 1939 also read.

The book, published by Applewood Books, is in my bookshelf. My grandson loves the original song *»Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer«* by Movie Star Gene Autry so much, that we often sang or whistled it at Christmas time. Recently, the song has been played more often on the radio or on television.

At some point the question automatically came up: "Who gave Rudolph his name, where did he come from and where did he live?"

Where did he come from?

How did he grow up?

Who called him Rudolph?

## **Foreword**

The »modern« story of the world's most famous reindeer tells of his parents, his birth and the funny way he got his name. How Rudolph then grew up in his reindeer village, which was called »Red-Nose-Country«, and further developed on the long road to »Toyland« at the North Pole. It shows what he experienced in »Santa-Claus-City« and how he was chosen as the »leading reindeer« of Santa's reindeer crew.

Santa Claus lives in Toyland at the North Pole with Mrs. Santa, surrounded by his helpers like elves, goblins and gnomes, who stand by his side and help him with his tasks. Throughout the year, all children's greatest wishes arrive the »Santa-Claus-Post-Office« at the North Pole. His helpers not only have to search through the *wish-list«*, but also *wemails«*, *wfaxes«* and the craziest *wSMS«*, *wMMS«* and *wWhatsapps«*. To fulfill all wishes for Christmas, Santa Claus at the North Pole built huge production halls for the toys, electronic devices and all other small and large gifts.

In order for Santa Claus to be able to travel to Earth on time for Christmas season, to fulfill all wishes of the big and small children, he needs a reindeer crew, who can transport all presents by sledge.

This reindeer crew consists of 8 reindeer:

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»Dasher« - Lake Baikal, Siberia/East-Russia,
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<sup>»</sup>Dancer« - Lake Ladoga, Karelia/West-Russia,

<sup>»</sup>Prancer« - from Labrador, Eastern-Canada,

<sup>»</sup>Comet« - from Lapland, Norway,

- »Cupid« from Greenland,
  »Vixen« from Patagonia, Argentina,
  »Donner« and »Blitzen« Erzgebirge, Germany and of course
- »Rudolph« the reindeer with the bright flashing nose.