

Please come in, dear guests!

Let's enter a house as it used to be not long ago and sometimes as it still is today. A wash stand would occupy a place to the right of the entrance, next to the kitchen table and shelf with kitchen utensils.

Broad benches stood again against the other two walls, sometimes covered with a woven rug. There was a table in front of the benches, always white, for it was often scraped with a knife. Against the wall where the door was, stood the chests and – in winter – the mistress's distaff.

For decoration there were icons in the corner. Another kind of decoration were woven floor coverings. Then there are embroidered hand towels. And now as I am a poor dancer, let me start dancing from the stove. The stove keeps one warm. The stove helps one get well after catching cold. The stove gives both hot and tasty food. Dozens of ledges and recesses with earthenware jugs and “liveri”, a mug with two holes. Where there is a stove, there is food cooked in it.









