



Tour Operator
Austria



EUROPE

CHRISTMAS MARKET





Christmas in Vienna

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Christmas in Salzburg & Innsbruck

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DAY 1 VIENNA

Arrival in Vienna and transfer to the hotel. In the evening, departure to visit the **Spittelberg market**, located in this old quarter of baroque houses from the 17th century. The houses with various decorations and handicrafts are alternated with typical food and drinks, such as "Glühwein" (hot spiced wine) or "Punsch" (punch). Do not miss out on the chance to try them! Accommodation.

DAY 2 VIENNA

Prepare yourself today to discover the true meaning of Christmas by visiting the markets set up in various parts of the city. We will start at Schönbrunn Palace, the "**Weihnachtsmarkt Schloss Schoenbrunn**". Installed in the entrance square, it is presided over by a large fir tree in the center of the square around which the decorative, craft and

gastronomic houses, among others, are distributed.

We return to the city center. The first stop will be at **Am Hof Square**, where one of the oldest Christmas markets in the city has been held since 1842. It is ideal for finding gingerbread, honey, wax or wool clothing specialties, wooden toys and various antiques. From this square we go to the parallel Freyung square to visit the "**Altwiener Christkindlmarkt**", surrounded by several palaces and which offers Christmas decoration, wicker baskets and castes, ceramics, textiles, waxes and candles, soaps and cosmetics.

We continue to Karlsplatz, where the imposing Church of St. Charles stands. Here we can enjoy the most artistic market of the city, the "**Art Advent - Kunst & Handwerk am Karlsplatz**". Daily concerts, and a wide range of

handcrafted products from local artists, from ornaments to soaps, from glass creations to natural cosmetics, from kitchen items to wooden toys are offered. It is the only market with certified organic gastronomy.

We will finish our tour at the most famous market, the "**Christkindlmarkt am Rathausplatz**". With the imposing City Hall as a backdrop, it is the main meeting point for locals and visitors. The imposing Adventkranz with its four candles (one per Advent weekend) welcomes visitors. Throughout the park there are small houses where you can find all kinds of decoration, figures of Bethlehem, scarves and hats, music and various gifts, as well as an extensive range of cuisine, with soups in bread, sausages, baked potatoes, and sweets such as fruit in chocolate, baked apples, buns with cream, as well as hot spiced wine or punch. Accommodation.

DAY 3 VIENNA

Free day at leisure to enjoy the city and more Christmas markets, like the "**Weihnachsdorf Maria Theresien Platz**," between the Museums of Fine Arts and Natural History; the "**Adventmarkt Blumengärten Hirschtetten**", located outside the center, in the Botanical Garden of Hirschtetten and in which every year the market is presented under a different theme, being decorated as such; or the **St. Stephen's Cathedral Market**, am Stephansplatz. Accommodation

DAY 4 VIENNA

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to Vienna Airport.

DAY 1 MUNICH – SALZBURG

Arrival at Munich airport and transfer to the hotel in Salzburg. Then visit of the **Salzburger Christkindlmarkt** in the historic center. Do not forget to try the "Ofenkartoffeln", baked potatoes stuffed with ham and cheese and au gratin. Accommodation.

DAY 2 SALZBURG

Breakfast and departure for a visit to the birthplace of the musical genius Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, passing through Mirabell Palace, the Mozarteum (the University of Music), the Puppet Theatre, Mozart's residence and the Church of the Holy Trinity, the Music Festival Theatres, the Getreidegasse and Hellbrunn Palace, where we can admire the magic of Christmas in its "**Hellbrunner Adventzauber**" market. We will then return to the city centre to discover the "**Weihnachtsmarkt am Mirabellplatz**", the Christmas market located around the Mirabell Palace. Accommodation.

DAY 3 SALZBURG – INNSBRUCK

Departure in the morning for Innsbruck. Arrival and visit of its main market, "**Christkindlmarkt am Goldenen Dachl**", located in the historical center at the foot of the famous Golden Roof. 70 small houses spread out along the medieval streets offering all kinds of tree decoration, handicrafts, wool products and souvenirs. In the parallel street Erzherzog-Friedrich-Strasse, figures from famous fairy tales greet the passers-by from the house gates and street corners. Tradition gives way to modernity in the **Maria - Theresien - Strasse market**,

where glass balls of several meters in diameter welcome 30 little houses where you can find all kinds of gifts and gastronomic offers. Accommodation.

DAY 4 INNSBRUCK

After breakfast, we continue with the visit of the Innsbruck Christmas markets. Today we start the tour at the **Marktplatz Market Square**, built in the image of a Tyrolean village where you can find various games and attractions ideal for families and small children. Crossing the river Inn we will arrive at the best kept secret of the city: the **Christkindlmarkt St Nikolaus market**, the most peaceful and authentic market, which welcomes visitors with traditional

Christmas music and cookies made with grandma's best recipes.

We can't leave Innsbruck without going up the mountain to visit our last Christmas market, the "**Adventstimmung auf der Hungerburg**". The Nordkettenbahn funicular will take us to this refuge with a terrace from which we can admire the panoramic view of the city surrounded by mountains. Accommodation.

DAY 5 INNSBRUCK – MUNICH

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to Munich Airport.





Christmas in Budapest



Christmas in Prague



DAY 1 BUDAPEST

Arrival in Budapest and transfer to the hotel. Your first contact with the city will be the visit of the **Christmas Market at Vorosmarty Square**, the main square of the historical center. Let yourself be fascinated by its lights and aromas while you taste one of the famous "Kurtoskalac" or chimney cake because of its spiral shape, made with light dough with yeast, cooked in a tube shape and seasoned with sugar, lemon, cinnamon or chocolate. Accommodation.

DAY 2 BUDAPEST

Breakfast and panoramic city tour. You will discover the city, separated in two by the Danube River. First, the city of Buda situated on the top of the hill, in whose old town you can find the castle and the Fishermen's Bastion, from which you can admire a fascinating

panoramic view. Then we discover the part of Pest, the new city, passing by the Boulevard Andrassy, the Opera, the Great Synagogue, Heroes Square and the Great Market, where you can discover and taste typical specialties of the country. We finish the tour after visiting the **market by the St Stephan Basilica**, where there is also an ice skating rink. Enjoy a wine tasting and Hungarian specialties. Accommodation.

DAY 3 BUDAPEST

Free day to discover the city on your own, relaxing in one of its famous spas or having a rest at a "Ruin bar", bars installed in ruined pre-war buildings. Accommodation.

DAY 4 BUDAPEST

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the airport.



DAY 1 PRAGUE

Arrival in Prague and transfer to the hotel. Then departure to visit the **Christmas market located on the square in the historical centre "Staromestske namesti"**, where you will have the opportunity to taste local gastronomy and typical drinks, such as "Grog" (hot drink mixed with liquor and aromatizer) or "Medovina" (hot honey liquor). Accommodation.

DAY 2 PRAGUE

After breakfast, visit of the castle quarter located on a hill. Here you can see the Cathedral of St. Vitus, the Royal Palace, the Chapel of St. George and the Golden Street. Then visit to the **castle's Christmas market**, with more than 70 little houses where you can taste hot spiced wine, ham specialties or typical Czech cinnamon cookies.

Following the other markets of the city, such as in the **Square of Wenceslas Václavské Náměstí**, in the **Square of the Republic Náměstí Republiky** and the **Square of the Peace** (Náměstí Miru, located in the district of Vinohrady) we will be able to find all type of decorations for the tree and gifts, as well as we will also go through the main points of the city like Mala Strana and the Charles Bridge. Accommodation.

DAY 3 PRAGUE – KARLOVY VARY – PRAGUE

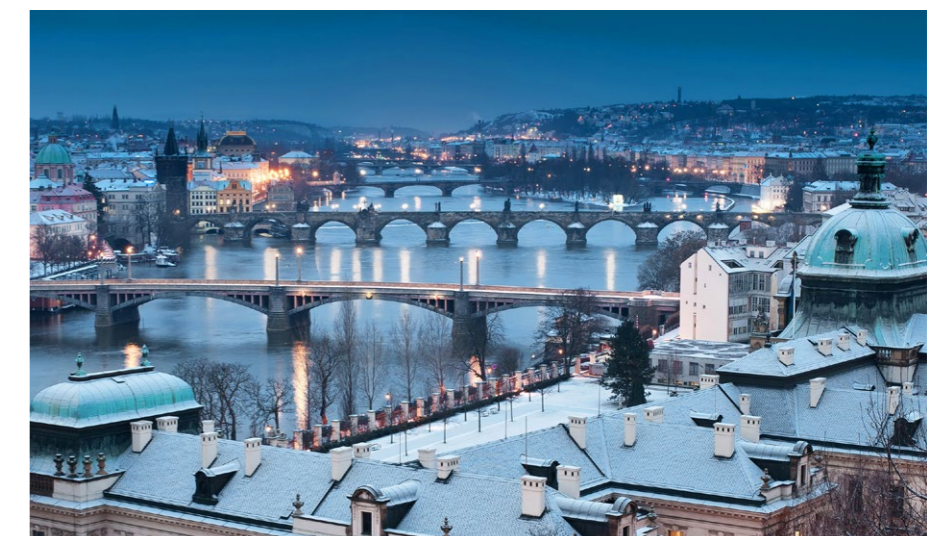
Today we will go on a full day trip to Karlovy Vary, a spa town and holiday destination of the European aristocracy

in the 18th-19th centuries. Enjoy a walk around the different hot springs, try out their therapeutic properties and mingle with the locals at the Christmas market.

Return to Prague and accommodation.

DAY 4 PRAGUE

After breakfast, transfer to Prague Airport.





Christmas in Freiburg & Heidelberg

DAY 1 FRANKFURT – FREIBURG IM BREISGAU

Arrival at Frankfurt airport and transfer to Freiburg im Breisgau, in the heart of the Black Forest.

On arrival, visit of the **Freiburger Weihnachtsmarkt** in the historical center, where you will have the opportunity to meet Nikolaus, make your own candle at a candle workshop, discover local craftsmanship beyond cuckoo clocks and, of course, its gastronomy with roasted chestnuts and nuts, marzipan and chocolate sweets and the “Lange rote” (typical local sausages) with “Glühwein” (hot spiced wine). Accommodation.

DAY 2 FREIBURG – COLMAR – FREIBURG

In the morning, visit of the city, whose historical center is divided by small water channels, popularly called “Bächle” (stream in German) and which highlights are the Gothic cathedral, the old town hall of the sixteenth century and the University.

Afterwards we will cross the border to visit Colmar, a Christmas paradise in France. On arrival we will take a tour through the **5 markets** that make it the first Christmas destination in France. The first stop will be at the **Place des Dominicains**, in the heart of the city and whose little houses offer all kinds of Christmas decorations; we continue to the **Place Jeanne d’Arc**, a replica of an Alsatian village awaits you with an abundant offer of local gastronomy such as foie grass, sausages, wines

and liqueurs; we follow to **Place de l’Ancienne Douane**, where traditional and modern creations come together; the fourth stop is the **Koifhus Inner Market**, where the creations of all kinds of craftsmen such as ceramists, potters, jewelers, cabinet makers, etc. are on display. The route ends at the **Petite Venice Market**, framed by the half-timbered houses and the canals that cross the city and a real magnet for children on the merry-go-round or the little houses with rabbits and sheep. Return to Freiburg and accommodation.

DAY 3 FREIBURG – HEIDELBERG

Departure in the morning for Heidelberg. Arrival and walk through the **Heidelberger Weihnachtsmarkt**. There are 6 different stages, starting at **Bismarckplatz**, the entrance to the historic center, and continuing to **Anatomiegarten, University Square** with 70 houses and a carousel, **Marktplatz** with up to 140 houses where you can find all kinds of handicrafts, Christmas decorations and local cuisine, **Kornmarkt** with its winter forest decoration, and finally **Karlsplatz**, where you can test your sports skills skating on ice. Accommodation.

DAY 4 HEIDELBERG – FRANKFURT

Breakfast and transfer to Frankfurt Airport.



Christmas in Munich & Nürnberg

DAY 1 MUNICH

Arrival at Munich airport and transfer to the hotel. In the afternoon, visit of the **Christmas market Christkindlmarkt** am Marienplatz framed by its beautiful town hall.

Christmas decorations of all kinds, lambskin jackets, antique postcards and the most varied Bavarian cuisine await you. Dare to drink fine herbal liqueurs and “Zwetschgenmandl”, figures made from dried fruits and nuts. Accommodation.

DAY 2 MUNICH

Breakfast at the hotel and free day at leisure to discover other markets such as **Am Sendlinger Tor**, smaller and further away from the usual circuit but very much appreciated by the locals; **An der Peterskirche**, next to St. Peter’s Church and dedicated to the exhibition and sale of Nativity figures; in the **Chinese Tower of the English Gardens**, with live wind music every night or the **medieval market at Wittelsbacherplatz**, whose handicrafts and gastronomic offer take you back in time. Accommodation.

DAY 3 MUNICH – NÜRNBERG

Breakfast at the hotel and departure to the Christmas market capital of Germany: Nürnberg. On the way, stop in Regensburg to get to know this beautiful city on the banks of the Danube River and whose historic center is on the UNESCO World Heritage list. With its Romanesque and Gothic architecture, the most outstanding features are St.

Peter’s Cathedral and the stone bridge over the river.

We continue to Nürnberg. Arrival and visit of the **Nürnberger Christkindlmarkt Christmas market** installed in the historical center, one of the oldest in Germany and recognized worldwide as one of the most beautiful. The wooden houses offer all kinds of handicrafts and gastronomic specialties ready to spoil you: figurines of “Lebkuchen” (gingerbread), “Spekulatius” cookies (made with butter and a mixture of spices and sugar, usually representing Christmas scenes) and, of course, the famous Nuremberg sausages, small roasted pork sausages with a slightly spicy taste. Accommodation.

DAY 4 NÜRNBERG – ROTHENBURG OB DER TAUBER – NÜRNBERG

Excursion to Rothenburg ob der Tauber, in the heart of the Romantic Route. Scene of tales and legends, Rothenburg preserves its layout and buildings from the medieval era, most notably the Town Hall Square and the St. James Church. Free time to enjoy **Rothenburg’s Christmas market** where carol concerts are offered in the town’s churches and squares; the “Käthe Wohlfahrt” Christmas Museum and its Christmas decorations and to taste its “Snowballs” (a sweet, crunchy, sugary pastry in the shape of a ball. Other versions contain cinnamon or chocolate). Dare to make your own chocolate Santa Claus or a decoration for your tree in the different workshops of the market!

Return to Nuremberg and accommodation.

DAY 5 NÜRNBERG – MUNICH

Breakfast and transfer to Munich Airport.





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