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Munich’s Christmas Markets and Activities 2019

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Every year...

...Christmas comes a little earlier. Chocolate Father Christmases wave merrily from the supermarket shelves in autumn. Now you can give them a cheerful wave back, as you’ve got all the time in the world to enjoy the festive season in Munich with its Christmas bakeries, angel workshops, festive concerts, Christmas shopping and markets, winter’s strolls through the enchanted Nymphenburger Schlosspark (Nymphenburg Palace park), and the world’s largest nativity collection. We’ve also got some great sport and leisure activities for you, and you can find the nicest spots in Munich to watch the New Year’s fireworks. We’ll also show you everything the city has to offer on New Year’s Day.

Have a wonderful Christmas in Munich!

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Markets in Munich

Munich Christkindlmarkt at Marienplatz

Munich's original Christmas market has its roots in the 14th century. Visitors are captivated by the little wooden huts with their Old Bavarian charm and the romantic backdrop of the neo-Gothic Rathaus (town hall) around Marienplatz. It's an exciting experience for all the senses with vibrant traditions, old handicrafts and Germany's largest nativity market. You'll find everything you need here to make a real nativity scene, from the lantern for the stable to the gifts brought by the Three Kings. An independent nativity market was first held in Munich in 1757. The Himmelswerkstatt is a nice workshop for creative children aged 6-12, where they can have lots of fun with free arts and crafts. Don't be frightened by the gruesome and shaggy figures on show during the Krampus Run through the Christkindlmarkt! Bavarian folk music, wind ensembles, singers and choirs will be performing live every day from the town hall balcony.

www.christkindlmarkt-muenchen.de

Christmas Carols
During the Christmas season, famous local musicians will sing Bavarian and German carols every Thursday from 4.30pm in the pedestrian zone in front of the Peterskirche (St. Peter's Church, also called “Alter Peter”). Hundreds of passers-by will gather round the stage to sing along.

Thursdays (Dec. 5, 12 and 19, 2019) from 4.30pm
www.mk-online.de (enter the search term “Adventssingen”)

Nov. 27 to Dec. 24, 2019
Location: Around Marienplatz
Opening times:
Mon-Sat 10am - 9pm,
Sun 10am - 8pm,
Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) 10am - 2pm
Himmelswerkstatt:
Nov. 26 to Dec. 15, 2019
Winter magic on Viktualienmarkt with festive lights decking out the May tree

The Viktualienmarkt offers fresh variety and the chance to experience the Munich lifestyle up close. And the famous market exudes a special charm in the Christmas period with lots of delicious treats. Visitors can also look forward to Christmas illuminations and winter magic with additional market huts. It's worth seeing the nativity set by the beer garden, where the figures wonderfully reflect the hustle and bustle of the market.

www.viktualienmarkt.de

Christmas Village in the Kaisershof of the Residenz

Sheltered from the winter wind and snow, a Christmas village can be found on the large courtyard at Munich City Palace (the “Residenz”). People of all ages can enjoy Hansel and Gretel in the Fairytale Forest and a delightful Kasperltheater (puppet theatre). And it wouldn’t be a true Bavarian village without workshops: goldsmiths, fur tanners and glass blowers let you look over their shoulders as they work their magic.

www.dasweihnachtsdorf.de

Bright Lights on Brienner Strasse

Brienner Strasse shines in a special light during the Christmas season, as 16 silver LED chandeliers create a spectacular glow. As modern as the technology may be, you really do feel like you’ve been taken back into the history of the magnificent boulevard. Lots of exclusive, traditional shops and a separate Christmas market on Wittelsbacher Platz are permanent fixtures in this unique setting.

Mid-Nov. 2019 to mid-Jan. 2020
Location: Starting at Odeonsplatz, along Brienner Strasse and finishing at Platz der Opfer des Nationalsozialismus

TIPP!

Nov. 21 to Dec. 22. 2019
Location: Munich Residenz, entrance by Residenzstrasse, Odeonsplatz
Opening times: Opening (Nov. 11) 2pm, Open daily 11am - 9pm, Dec. 22 until 8pm,
On Nov. 24 (“Totensonntag”) closed

Nov. 21 to Dec. 22, 2019
Location: Munich Residenz, entrance by Residenzstrasse, Odeonsplatz
Opening times: Opening (Nov. 11) 2pm, Open daily 11am - 9pm, Dec. 22 until 8pm,
On Nov. 24 (“Totensonntag”) closed
Medieval Christmas Market

History at your fingertips: The Middle Ages are brought back to life with dozens of lovingly designed wooden huts. Stall-holders in historical costumes offer their goods and craftsmen put their artisanal products on display. Artists perform at the weekends, and Lady Sansa of Winterfell and Daenerys Mother of Dragons will arrive on horseback every Sunday at 11am. And the medieval food isn’t too bad either: bakers make Flammbröt (tarte flambée) at their market stalls and grilled sausages sizzle over an open beech wood fire. Hot drinks like Drachenglut (“dragon fire”) fruit wine and spiced wine are made from recipes that have been passed down through the ages.

www.mittelaltermarkt-muenchen.de

Pink Christmas: the Gay & Lesbian Christmas Market

The little Stephansplatz (square) in the middle of Munich’s Glockenbach district will be tickled pink again this year when the Pink Christmas gay and lesbian market is held for the fifteenth time. The diverse range of visitors can look forward to mulled wine, presents, tasty food and illuminations. The little stage will also welcome drag artists, talented young singers and even household names like Eurovision legend Johnny Logan and German pop star Patrick Lindner. Small, sophisticated and simply different!

www.pink-christmas.de
Local Feuerzangenbowle by the Isartor gate

Munich’s own “Feuerzangenbowle” will be selling like hot cakes again this winter. The punch is a fragrant mixture of red wine, rum and spices, which is scooped out of a huge cauldron with a crown of flames. A joint exhibition will be held once again with the history workshop and other partners in 2019. You’ll also find a delicious selection of hearty food. The stalls will be open until 3am on New Year’s Eve. Punch will be served from Jan. 1 to 6.

www.muenchner-feuerzangenbowle.de

Haidhausen Christmas Market

The peaceful, family atmosphere of the Christmas market around the fountain at Weissenburger Platz is not only cherished by the locals in the district of Haidhausen - visitors also come from far and wide. Live Christmas music and children’s entertainment can be enjoyed here almost every day. The hand-carved figures in the South Tyrolean Christmas nativity set are also a sight to behold.

www.haidhauser-weihnachtsmarkt.de
Christmas Market at the Chinesischer Turm

Christmas melodies rain down from the top of the Chinesischer Turm as horse-drawn carriages make their rounds. The lights of the romantic market twinkle and glisten in the midst of the wintry Englischer Garten (English Garden), almost hidden by the old chestnut trees. The stalls are filled with goodies like sheepskin slippers, hand-made dolls and little wooden angels, and visitors can grab a bite to eat with lots of sweet treats from the local area. Younger guests can look forward to the reading grandma and carpenter grandpa, who will be reading stories and making wooden toys with the children.

www.weihnachtsmarkt-chinaturm.de

Schwabing Christmas Market

Over 40 years have passed since artists, craftsmen and restaurateurs opened an atmospheric Christmas market on the Münchner Freiheit square with lots of little items and gift ideas. And this year’s Christmas market will be no different with lots of culinary delights, an artists’ tent, a sculpture trail, installations, free concerts, performances, guided tours, children’s activities and, above all, a special and unique atmosphere.

www.schwabingerweihnachtsmarkt.de

Nov. 29 to Dec. 23, 2019
Location: Englischer Garten at the Chinesischen Turm
Opening times:
Mon-Fri 12pm - 8.30pm,
Sat-Sun 11am - 8.30pm

Nov. 29 to Dec. 24, 2019
Location: Münchner Freiheit (square)
Opening times:
Opening (Nov. 29) 6pm - 8.30pm,
Mon-Fri 12pm - 8.30pm,
Sat-Sun 11am - 8.30pm,
Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) 11am - 2pm
Werksviertel

A Pegasus-themed Christmas? The mythical beast is the main theme of the magical Christmas market held on two weekends from Thursday to Sunday with a mix of stage performances for people of all ages. The range of goods on offer at the market reflects the diversity of the locals – creative minds, artists and restaurateurs always ensure new “wow” moments.

www.werksviertel-mitte.de/zauberhafter-weihnachtsmarkt/

Nov. 05 to Dec. 15, 2019
From Thursday to Sunday every week
Location: Knoedelplatz (near Ostbahnhof station)
Opening times:
Thu-Fri 5pm - 9pm,
Sat 2pm - 9pm,
Sun 2pm - 7pm

Fairytale Bazaar

Nostalgic circus tents radiate homeliness and warmth, a cosy bar can be found on a film set in the middle of the grounds, and visitors can enjoy delicious delicacies from Bavaria and the rest of the world. Clothes, leather goods, original jewellery and wooden carvings make for tempting purchases. The Fairytale Bazaar also offers a diverse range of artistic, cultural and musical side events for grown-ups, and plenty of action and surprises for children. These exciting activities include candle-making, a funny puppet theatre and even story time with a moon goddess.

www.maerchenbazar.de

Nov. 28 to Dec. 29, 2019
The venue was yet to be decided at the time of printing
Opening times:
Mon-Thu 4pm - 11pm,
Fri 4pm - 1am,
Sat 12pm - 1am,
Sun 11am - 9pm,
Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) closed,
Christmas Day and Boxing Day 12pm - 11pm

Alte Utting

A Christmas port in Sendling. In 2019, twinkling lights and enchanting fragrances will lead the way to the “Sternenflotte” Christmas port in Sendling for the second time. The “Alte Utting” is situated on a bridge between the Grossmarkt (wholesale market hall) and the Viehhof quarter. It’s a disused pleasure boat that has been transformed into an exciting venue with music, mulled wine, food and gifts.

www.alte-utting.de

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Sat 12pm - 1am,
Sun 11am - 9pm,
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Tollwood –
The Winter Festival

The Tollwood Winter Festival immerses the Theresienwiese fields in a sea of lights. The alternative Christmas market is known for its range of tasty organic produce and all sorts of original arts and crafts – it really is a “market of ideas”. The contemporary circus troupe “Recirquel” from Hungary will be hosting their programme “Paris de Nuit” from Nov. 27 to Dec. 30, 2019. Many of the events are free of charge and include theatre, music, performances and even environmental initiatives and varied children’s activities. The festival ends with the traditional New Year’s party.

www.tollwood.de

Christmas and Winter Market at Munich Airport Centre

The sweet scent of roasted almonds and aromatic mulled wine will start drifting through the large covered winter market in Bavaria on 16 November. More than 50 market stalls, over 400 Christmas trees, numerous acts and an ice rink make the winter market a special attraction. You can even enjoy free parking for the duration of your visit.

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Nov. 26 to Dec. 31, 2019
Market of ideas until Dec. 23, 2019
Location: Theresienwiese
Opening times:
Mon-Fri 2pm-1am,
Sat/Sun 11am-1am,
On Nov. 24 („Totensonntag“) closed

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Nov. 16 to Dec. 29, 2019
Location:
Munich Airport Center Forum (MAC-Forum)
Opening times:
Open daily 11am - 9pm
Christmas Eve (Dec. 24): 11am - 5pm
At a glance

Take the time to stroll through the festively decorated centre of Munich or visit the markets in each district: each Christmas market has its very own appeal and most of them offer more than just a range of festive goods with a stage for fireworks, craft workshops and music from wind ensembles to rock concerts.

The best places to see the fireworks

1. **Marienplatz**
   - There’ll be plenty of excitement again in the centre of Munich this New Year’s Eve – it’s a popular meeting place for everyone who wants to ring in the New Year in the heart of the city. (U3/U6 Marienplatz)

2. **Leopoldstrasse**
   - The last few years have shown that a walk along this magnificent boulevard in Schwabing is a great way to spend New Year’s Eve. There will be a lot to see once again, especially at the Münchner Freihaus square. (U3/U8 Münchner Freihaus)

3. **Olympiaberg (panoramic hill in the Olympic Park)**
   - You’ll struggle to find a better sight than the city skyline bathed in the light of the fireworks. You’ll have to climb to the top of the hill first, but it’s really worth the effort! (U3/U6 Olympiastadion)

4. **Monopteros (Greek temple)**
   - Visitors to Munich who would rather spend New Year’s Eve as a romantic couple than in the hustle and bustle of the crowd can head off the beaten track to spots like the Monopteros in the Englischer Garten – the perfect place for couples to declare their undying love for the next year. (U3/U8 Universitäts)

5. **Friedensengel (Angel of Peace)**
   - You can enjoy a beautiful view of Munich from here. The impressive Friedensengel monument has become a popular meeting place for New Year’s Eve celebrations. (U4/U5 Prinzregentenplatz)
Service

Münchner Tourismus can provide you with information and inspiration for your stay in Munich.

Visitor Service
Tel.: +49 89 233-96500, Mon-Fri: 9am - 5pm
E-mail: tourismus.gs@muenchen.de
Address: München Tourismus
Herzog-Wilhelm-Strasse 15, 80331 München

Tourist Information Services
• Arrangement of hotel rooms
• Sale of: the München Card and München City Pass, tickets for city tours and sightseeing walks, and trips to the surrounding area and Bavaria’s castles and lakes
• Souvenirs and tourist brochures

At Marienplatz in the Neues Rathaus (New Town Hall)
Mon-Fri 9.30am - 7.30pm
Saturdays 10am - 5pm
Sundays /Public Holidays 10am - 2pm
Closed on: Dec. 25 and 26, Jan. 1

At Hauptbahnhof (central station), Luisenstrasse 1
Mon-Sat 9am - 8pm
Sundays /Public Holidays 10am - 6pm
Closed on: Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
Subject to seasonal changes

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Tour Guides
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Groups can book trained tour guides in 29 languages for tours of the Christkindlmarkt, museum visits, bus tours and walking tours of the historic old town.

• Guided tours for individuals
If you’re travelling alone, you can tag along on a tasting tour of the Christkindlmarkt at 11.15am every Saturday in December. Guided tours are usually offered on Mondays and Fridays at 3.30pm, and on Saturdays at 11.30am and 1.30pm in the Neues Rathaus.
Tel.: +49 89 233-96500, tourismus.guides@muenchen.de
www.simply-munich.com/guides

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www.muenchen-tourismus-barrierefrei.de

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Our bodies need to build up reserves for the tough winter ahead. Visitors will find delicious festive treats wherever they go with plenty of restaurants, Christmas markets and even a Christmas tram. Nativity sets of all shapes and sizes can be seen at the Bayerisches Nationalmuseum (Bavarian National Museum) and the churches in the city centre. Christmas theatre programmes will also be tuning in to the festival of love. And listen up, sports fans: the popular Nikolauslauf (St. Nicholas Run) and magical ice skating at Karlsplatz-Stachus will put you in great shape for the festive period.

Tasting Tour of the Christkindlmarkt
This tasty tour of Munich's Christkindlmarkt offers an insight into the history of the traditional market and its stories. Visitors can taste typical festive treats like stollen bread, baked apple and punch.
www.christkindlmarkt-muenchen.de

Take the Christmas tram through Munich
If you’d like a nice glass of mulled wine in a warm setting after your exhausting Christmas shopping, the MVG Christkindl Tram is just what you need. With Christmas drinks and gingerbread on board, the festively decorated tram will be making its rounds through Munich's old town again from Dec. 1 to 23, 2019. Young passengers can enjoy children's punch, and Santa Claus will be visiting the tram on Dec. 6.
www.mvg.de/christkindltram
Welcome to the festive season in Munich! Whenever you walk around the city’s theatres, museums, churches and bakeries, you can tell with all your senses that Christmas is fast approaching.

**Bake**

**Christmas stollen** bread and other tasty treats Knead the dough, stir and whip the cream, shape the marzipan flowers and have a little nibble. The pastry chefs at Café Luitpold show children how it’s done.

[www.cafe-luitpold.de/kinderbacken](http://www.cafe-luitpold.de/kinderbacken)

**Crafts, games and baking at the Himmelswerkstatt**

Artists and educators from the Munich Children and Youth Museum will be looking after little guests in their golden angel wings and shimmering costumes during the first two weeks of the festive season.

[www.muenchen.de](http://www.muenchen.de) (enter search term “Himmelswerkstatt”)

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**Hansel and Gretel – opera for people of all ages**

The popular and successful Munich version of the fairytale opera “Hansel and Gretel” will be presented once again by the Freie Landestheater Bayern (Free State Theatre of Bavaria) this year. Composer Engelbert Humperdinck makes dreams come true with his orchestral setting for the classic fairytale. Nov. 23, Dec. 08, Dec. 26, 2019 and Jan. 19, 2020.

[www.fltb.de/produktionen/oper/haensel-gretel](http://www.fltb.de/produktionen/oper/haensel-gretel)

**Bayerisches Nationalmuseum: Nativity Collection**

The Bayerisches Nationalmuseum holds the largest and artistically most valuable nativity collection in the world. The exhibition includes over 60 nativity sets that were created in the Alps and Italy between 1700 and the early 20th century.

[www.bayerisches-nationalmuseum.de](http://www.bayerisches-nationalmuseum.de)

**Nikolauslauf – just the thing for sports lovers!**

The Nikolauslauf is a three-part winter race in Munich. There are 10 km, 15 km and 20 km routes. Start and finish: Olympiapark.

[www.laufwinter.de](http://www.laufwinter.de)
Marvel

Münchner Marionettentheater (Munich Puppet Theatre)
The Münchner Marionettentheater will be celebrating the Christmas period by entertaining little visitors with “Teddy’s Great Christmas Adventure”, “The Vanished Wish List”, “A Christmas Carol” by Charles Dickens, and the fairytale opera “Hansel and Gretel”.
www.muema-theater.de

“Ronia, the Robber’s Daughter” by Astrid Lindgren
The young, wild and fearless heroine successfully stands up to the whole clan of robbers. She’s not even intimidated by the gruesome figures in the forest. The only thing she can’t overcome is the power of love. Coming in November at the “Resi”.
www.residenztheater.de

Circus Krone
The Circus Krone will be offering three different international winter programmes from Dec. 25, 2019 to early April 2020.
www.circus-krone.de

Disney Musical: “Beauty and the Beast”
The musical at the Deutsches Theater (Dec. 18, 2019 - Jan. 6, 2020) is full of energy, swirling dance scenes and captivating songs. Talking candlesticks, enchanted grandfather clocks and singing teapots will immerse you in a world full of dreams and laughter.
www.deutsches-theater.de

Traditional

Munich Nativity Trail
The Christmas story has long been depicted through nativity sets in Munich. Numerous churches in the city centre will be displaying their nativity sets into the New Year – and some with changing scenes.
www.muenchner-krippenfreunde.de

The nativity set at St. Maximilian’s Church
Shepherds and their sheep, the Wise Men from the East, the manger and Baby Jesus: Everything you’ve come to expect – but in a giant format! A 25 x 25 m nativity set is set up every year at St. Maximilian’s Church by the Isar river – some of the buildings are over six metres high! This is arguably the largest nativity set in the world – right in the heart of Munich. The organisers haven’t found a bigger one yet, anyway.
www.st-maximilian.de

Reflective

Festive church services
It might be cold and dark outside, but the candlelight and festive sounds are enough to warm the heart of every church-goer. Visitors can look forward to festive Christmas services, children’s Midnight Mass and nativity games.
www.muenchen.de/themen/glaube-kirche
Simply visit a Museum

Munich’s exhibitions are a great way to escape the winter weather and discover testimonies of 5,000 years of art and cultural history. The museum cafés provide a special ambience for visitors to share their impressions. Some museums are even open during the Christmas holidays and New Year, giving you lots of time to admire the masterpieces you’ve always wanted to see. You’ll find lots of nice gifts in the museum shops.

www.museen-in-muenchen.de

Bagels and Bloody Mary – Guilty Pleasures at the Museum

Munich’s museums are mainly about education and art, but they attract just as many people with their sumptuous scones, tremendous tuna tartare and wonderful white sausage. And this doesn’t take away from the cultural enjoyment. If you plan a culinary break in a café at one of Munich’s museums, your senses will be inspired when you return to the exhibition space. And you can end the day in style with an exquisite cocktail at the museum bar. Here’s a selection:

Biker’s Lodge at BMW Welt  www.bmw-welt.com
Restaurant and café at the Kunsthalle  www.kunsthalle-muc.de
Café and Restaurant at the Bayerischen Nationalmuseum  www.museum-muenchen.de
Café Goldene Bar at the Haus der Kunst  www.goldenebar.de
Café Isarlust at the Alpenen Museum/DAV  www.alpenverein.de/kultur/museum
Café Klenze at the Alten Pinakothek  www.victorianhouse.de
ELLA in the Lenbachhaus restaurant/café  www.ella-lenbachhaus.com
Cafe at the Museum Brandhorst  www.museum-brandhorst.de
Käfer Café at the Museum Villa Stuck  www.villastuck.de/information/cafe.htm
Stadtcafé in the Stadtmuseum  www.stadtcafe-muenchen.de
Turmstüberl in the Valentin-Karlstadt Museum  www.turmstuberl.de
Glistening Eyes – Munich’s Museum Shops


CEDON Museum Shops GmbH (at the Pinakotheken art galleries) www.cedon.de/ CEDON-MuseumShops-Muenchen
Der Shop at the Museum Villa Stuck www.villastuck.de/information/shop.htm
Deutsches Museum Shop in the Deutsches Museum www.deutsches-museum-shop.com
Book shop at the Jewish Museum https://literaturhandlung.com/filialen
KulturGut – Schloss Nymphenburg www.kulturgut.de
Museum shop at the Bayerisches Nationalmuseum www.museumsladen-bnm.de/
Museum-Shop BMW Museum www.bmw-museum-shop.de
MuseumShops GmbH Hypo-Kunsthalle (art gallery) www.kunsthalle-muc.de/ informations/shop/
Museumshop at the Residenz Munich www.residenz-muenchen.de/ deutsch/shop/shop.htm
Servus Heimat – Museum Shop (Münchner Stadtmuseum) www.servusheimat.com/ stadtmuseum-muenchen

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The Munich Residenz …

… and other festively decorated concert halls will be hosting lots of events to get you in the mood for Christmas. There’s a wide range of festive music on offer, from the smallest ensembles to the most famous and largest orchestras. There’s something for everyone, including theatre, musicals, cabaret and pop.

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<td>Deutsches Theater</td>
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Ringing in the New Year Together

Locals and visitors come together to celebrate New Year in style. If you’re looking for a rousing New Year’s party or you’d rather have a sporty start to the New Year, you’ll always find plenty of like-minded people in Munich.

New Year’s Eve

**Tollwood**

New Year’s Eve at Tollwood – the winter festival has long been the place to party into the New Year! Guests can ring in the New Year with a dinner and artists at the gala event and/or with live music and a DJ. [www.tollwood.de](http://www.tollwood.de)

**Muffatwerk (cultural and art centre)**

The New Year’s party at the Muffatwerk promises “a night of uplifting club sounds” in the café as well as in the concert halls “Ampère” and “Muffathalle”. [www.muffatwerk.de](http://www.muffatwerk.de)

**Night Life in Munich**

The “Night Map” highlights some of the best clubs, lounges and bars for New Year’s Eve. [www.nightmap.org](http://www.nightmap.org)

**More Parties, Galas and New Year’s Events**

An updated New Year’s calendar will be published at [www.muenchen.de/veranstaltungen/events/silvesterparty.html](http://www.muenchen.de/veranstaltungen/events/silvesterparty.html)

Fit for the Winter

**New Year’s Day Race**

The Munich New Year’s Day Race is a great way to make a sporty and mindful start to the New Year. The 7 km route takes you through the Englischer Garten. [www.neujahrslauf-muenchen.de](http://www.neujahrslauf-muenchen.de)

**Ice Skating / Curling**

Munich has four great places to get your body working: the Prinzregentenstadium (Prince Regent Stadium), the Eissportzentrum Olympiapark (Olympic Park Ice Sport Centre) and the Eis- und Funsportzentren West / Ost (Ice and Fun Sport Centres East/ West). If curling is more your thing, you can do this against the magnificent backdrop of Schloss Nymphenburg – or on one of Munich’s “eight lakes” as soon as they’ve been officially opened. Alternatively, there are six artificial ice and plastic rinks that can be used in any weather.

[www.muenchen.de/freizeit/eislaufen](http://www.muenchen.de/freizeit/eislaufen)
[www.muenchen.de/freizeit/eisstockschiessen](http://www.muenchen.de/freizeit/eisstockschiessen)

**Skiing Trips**

Once the festive season has come to an end, the ski slopes and cross-country ski trails will draw you to the mountains outside the gates of Munich. The rail companies Bayerische Zugspitzbahn AG and Bayerische Oberlandbahn (BOB) offer cheap combined tickets for a 2nd-class return trip, including a one-day ski pass.

[www.zugspitze.de](http://www.zugspitze.de), [www.alpenplus.com](http://www.alpenplus.com)
**Tasting Tour of the Christkindlmarkt**

**Culinary Tour of the Christkindlmarkt for Individuals**

Take a nice stroll past tempting scents and local delicacies like stollen bread, cheesy flatbreads and punch, listen to surprising stories about ancient customs and traditions, and enjoy Munich’s festive flair.

**Dates:** Saturdays Nov. 30 / Dec. 7 / Dec. 14 and Dec. 21, 2019 at 11.15am

You can book this tasting tour via München Tourismus

**Information, registration and bookings:**
e-mail: tourismus.guides@muenchen.de; tel.: +49 89 233-30234, www.simply-munich.com/booking

**Meeting point:** Rathaus, in the Prunkhof (grand courtyard) to the left of the nativity set

**Price:** 20 EUR per person.
(Children and young people aged 4-14: 12 EUR; children aged 0-3: free)

**Group tours are also available:** Fee for up to 18 persons: 135 EUR
(or from 140 EUR in a foreign language) plus approx. 53 EUR per group for food samples.

www.simply-munich.com
Sports, recreation and wellness
Just around the corner: the M-Bäder

Christmas eve
December 24, 2019
The M-Bäder are open until 2 pm (admission until 1 pm). Ice-skating at Prinzregentenstadion: 9:30 am to 2 pm (admission until 1 pm)

New year’s eve
December 31, 2019
The M-Bäder are open until 2 pm (admission until 1 pm). Ice-skating at Prinzregentenstadion: 9:30 am to 2 pm (admission until 1 pm)

Christmas holidays
December 25 and 26, 2019
The regular Wednesday and Thursday opening hours apply for the M-Bäder and M-Saunen. Ice-skating at Prinzregentenstadion: 9.30 am to 9:30 pm

New year’s day
January 1, 2020
The M-Bäder and M-Saunen open at 10 am, regular Wednesday closing times apply. Ice-skating at Prinzregentenstadion: 10 am to 9:30 pm