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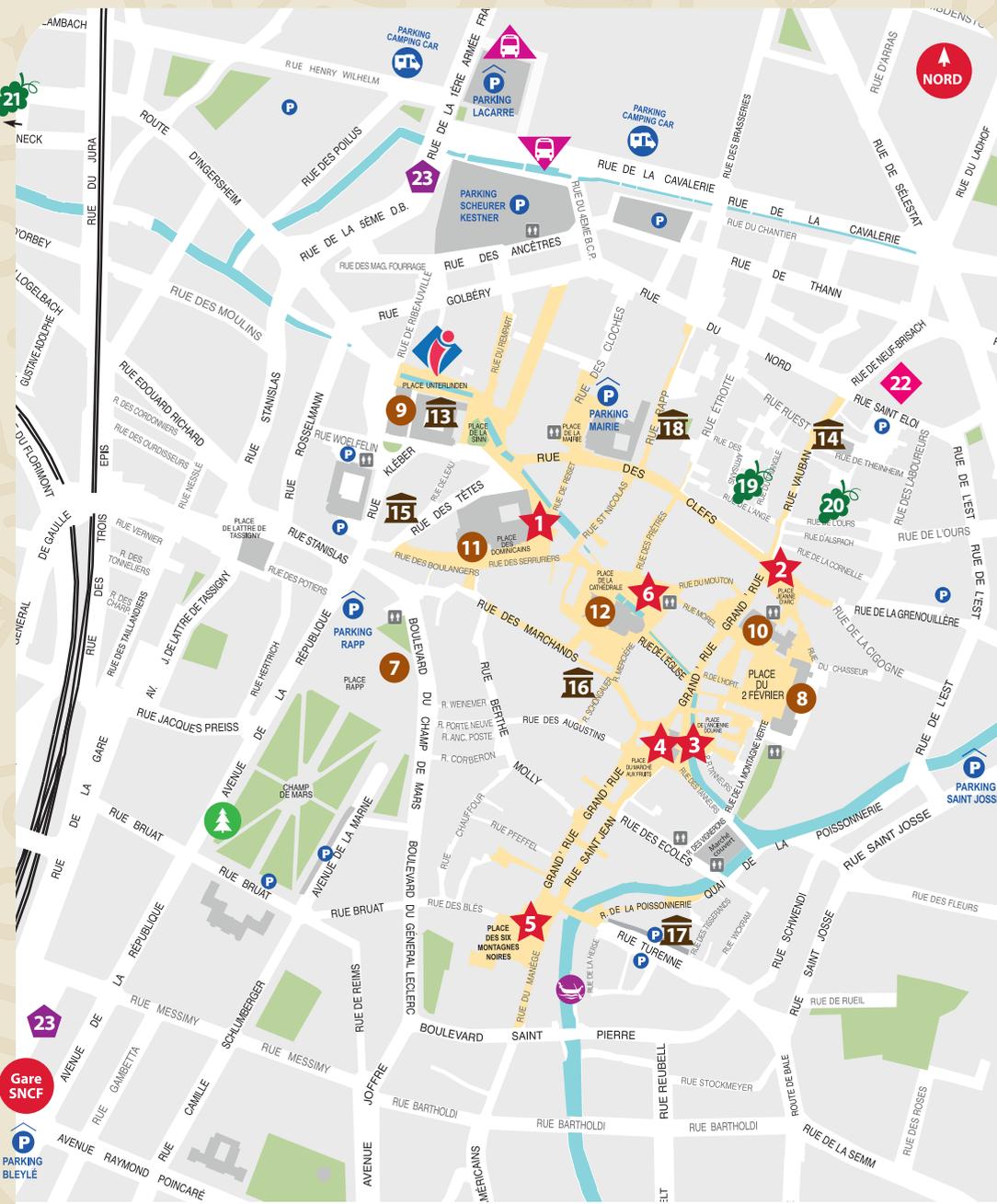


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From Friday 23rd November to Sunday 30th December 2018

Monday to Thursday: 10 am to 7 pm 24th December: 10 am to 5 pm
Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 10 am to 8 pm 25th December: 2 pm to 7 pm

Christmas Markets

EUROPEAN BEST CHRISTMAS MARKETS
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Place des Dominicains

As soon as night falls, you can admire the elegant Dominican's Church as it overlooks the market. It is beautiful with its subtly illuminated and remarkable stained glass windows. These works of art dating back to the 14th century heighten the atmosphere of this historic place which is a must when visiting Colmar. Stroll down the alleys in this market where around sixty chalets huddle together. Treat yourself to a Christmas decoration - a marvellous addition to your tree or an original idea for a present...

Place de l'Ancienne Douane

In the very heart of the city, this square welcomes nearly fifty chalets. They are arranged around the Schwendi fountain - with its sculpture of Auguste Bartholdi - and also along one of the city's most beautiful canals. Here, on-trend designs rub shoulders with many traditional Christmas decorations. Once night falls, the Koïfhus building (the former Customs House) is illuminated with shimmering lights.

Petite Venise Children Christmas Market

At Christmas, Little Venice becomes an absolute paradise for children. Follow the amazed looks of the littlest ones... They cannot believe their eyes to watch rabbits and sheep around a chalet, before feasting their eyes upon a mechanical nativity scene. It's hard to leave this market without enjoying a delightful Colmar tradition: a cup of hot apple juice, riding the wooden horses on the merry-go-round and posting a letter to Father Christmas in the giant letterbox which is located in the alleys of this market.

Place Jeanne d'Arc "Terroir" & Tradition

Overlooked by buildings, traditional timber-framed houses but also the pure classic French architecture, this square offers visitors a clear overview of the eventful history of Alsace. This market recreates the intimate atmosphere of a traditional Alsace village. Dedicated to produce from the region, it boasts many flavoursome delights: foie gras, cured meats, wines, eaux-de-vie, Christmas bredele and gingerbread...

Indoor market Koïfhus Crafts and Antiques

The majestic medieval Koïfhus promises an exceptional experience... all warm! Here you can buy many products designed by local artisans. These designers, the heirs to an entire region's expertise, will be delighted to discuss their passion with you. On the first floor, discover the enchanting installations of the Toy Museum and explore the prestigious Décapole Hall where ancient books and jewellery are displayed alongside top quality crafted products.

Father Christmas's giant letterbox

★ From 23rd November to 20th December

Father Christmas's huge letterbox means that every child can send him a letter. With a return address clearly written on the back of the envelope, Father Christmas will answer every letter posted and every Wednesday at 4pm, he will offer presents to children selected at random.

* The gifts are offered by the Exhibitors of the Christmas Markets



Christmas Concerts

Colmar sings Christmas

★ 01/12: « Chante & Flûte »
Chorus of flutes and vocal ensemble "Elegie"

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
4 pm, Free Entrance

★ 07/12: « La flûte enchantée »
Singing students of Chantal Studes Collegium Musicum

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
8:30 pm, Free Entrance

★ 08/12: « Les Avents de St-Matthieu »
Students of the organ classes, trumpets and drama of the Music school of Colmar

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
12:15 pm, Free Entrance

★ 08/12: « Cuivres en chœur »
Brass ensemble, Voice group "La Croche Chœur"

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
5 pm, Free Entrance

★ 14/12: « Ring the bells »
Christmas revisited
Choir "Trajectoires" and choir chamber of the Music school of Colmar
Percussions : François Hagenmuller

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
8:30 pm, Free Entrance

★ 15/12: « La Pré-Maitrise de Garçons au marché de Noël »
Stand of the parent's association
"La Pré-Maitrise de Garçons"

City center
11 am, Free

★ 15/12: « Les Avents de St-Matthieu »
Students of the organ classes, trumpets and drama of the Music school of Colmar

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
12:15 pm, Free Entrance

★ 15/12: « Transhulance »
Youth Symphony Orchestra and choir
"La Pré-Maitrise de Garçons"

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
5 pm, Free Entrance

★ 21/12: « Avant concert »
By Marie-Annick Guillemin students from "Camille See" High School

8 Pôle Media Culture Edmond Gerrer
6:30 pm, Free Entrance

★ 21/12: « Français enchantés »
Extracts from the Arlesian of Bizet, Opale concerto rom R. Galliano
Conservatory choirs, Symphony Orchestra of Colmar, Accordion: Hugo Degorre

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
8:30 pm, Free Entrance

★ 22/12: « Les Avents de St-Matthieu »
Students of the organ classes, trumpets and drama of the Music school of Colmar
"Pré-Manécanterie de Saint-Jean"

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
12:15 pm, Free Entrance

★ 22/12: « Violons en chœur »
Class of violon from Jean-Luc Bouveret, "Pré-Manécanterie de Saint-Jean"

10 Saint-Matthieu's Church
5 pm, Free Entrance

Children sing Christmas on the boats*

Wednesdays and Saturdays at 5 pm

Pont Turenne - Quai de la Poissonnerie - Free

On the picturesque canal in Little Venice, take a break and get your fill of emotions! Watch pretty illuminated boats float by with children's choirs providing an authentic spectacle, signing magnificent traditional Christmas songs.

* Subject to the right weather and technical conditions
Informations : +33 (0)3 89 20 68 92 - www.noel-colmar.com

★ 24/11: Children's choir
School - Niedermorschwihr
Direction: Marie-Claire Auclair

★ 28/11: Children's choir
School - Niedermorschwihr
Direction: Marie-Claire Auclair

★ 01/12: Children's choir
Victor Hugo School - Colmar
Direction: Nicolas Husser

★ 05/12: « Les Petites Voix »
Conservatoire - Colmar
Direction: Martine Weiss

★ 08/12: Children's choir
Jean Jacques Rousseau School - Colmar
Direction: Corinne Saulnier

★ 12/12: « Les Petites Voix »
Conservatoire - Colmar
Direction: Martine Weiss

★ 15/12: Children's choir
St Nicolas School - Colmar
Direction: Vincent Ackermann

★ 19/12: Children's choir
Les Bosquets School - Sainte-Croix-en-Plaine
Direction: Dominique Drey

★ 22/12: Children's choir
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Show: "Un bouquet de liberté"

Come and watch the deeply moving show by L'Ecole Buissonnière, an amateur theater troupe of children aged from 5 to 15! For the 21st year, directed by Nicole Schnell, they will be performing a show they have imagined and staged to mark the 100th anniversary of Armistice.

23/12: 5 pm & 6 pm

10 Toy Museum - Free Entrance

Christmas Events

Christmas Shopping

To take part in the Magic of Christmas, the shops of Colmar are opening their doors on the following Sundays:

- ★ 09/12: 2 pm to 6.30 pm
- ★ 16/12, 23/12 & 30/12: 10 am to 6.30 pm

Meisenthal Christmas balls

Discover Meisenthal blown glass balls, a marvel of glassmaking from the northern Vosges, a guarantee of authenticity and quality. You'll find also other souvenirs to buy at the Tourist Information Office.

- ★ Colmar Tourist Information Office



The ice rink & attractions

The 800m² of ice at Place Rapp invites you to enjoy skating and the many events held there throughout the Christmas period.

Through a forest of Christmas trees with illuminated decorations, come as a family for a completely astonishing and magical ride on the Christmas caterpillar.



★ From 23rd November to 23rd December:
Monday to Thursday: 2 pm to 7 pm
Friday to Sunday: 11 am to 8 pm

★ From 22nd to 30th December:
Monday to Thursday: 11 am to 7 pm
Friday to Sunday: 11 am to 8 pm

Except: 21/12, 22/12: 11 am to 10 pm,
24/12: 11 am to 5 pm

7 Place Rapp

Ice rink: 1,50€ + 1,50€ (skate hire)
1900 Carousel: 1,80€
Christmas Roller Coaster: 2€

Christmas tree market

Take a look round this market where you will find a wide variety of Christmas trees.

★ From 28th November to 24th December:
Every day: 9 am to 7 pm
Except: 24/12: 9 am to 5 pm

- ▲ Place Rapp, Christmas tree market



Colmar The Magic of Lights

Guided tour: the magic of Christmas

Day and night, discover the historic heart of Colmar on a guided tour... Cobble streets edged by timber-framed and brightly coloured houses are all illuminated by amazing winter decorations. Sporting its most beautiful illuminations, the old town becomes a place for dreams on a tour where Alsace's Christmas traditions and customs are explained.

★ From 23rd November to 30th December:
Every day: 11 am & 5 pm
Except: 24/12: 11 am
*Tour in French only

Bookings:

+33 (0)3 89 20 68 92 or
info@tourisme-colmar.com

Adults: 5€ - ages 12 to 18 years: 2,50€
Under 12 years: free

Gourmet Market

Place de la Cathédrale 

A gourmet food market with 9 cabins and 9 chefs, master restaurateurs who will prepare divine dishes for you...

From starter to dessert, oysters, Alsace specialities... there's something for everyone! Plates of food to enjoy on the premises (high tables will be available for visitors) or take away, to share with friends and family.

A culinary show: to spice up your aperitifs, famous chefs will be here to put on an amazing spectacle and delight your senses, at a culinary show in the centre of the market.

Every day, from 10 am to 10 pm
and until 11 pm on Fridays and Saturdays



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Informations :

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Museums & exhibitions

Unterlinden Museum

Place Unterlinden
Tel : +33 (0)3 89 20 15 50
www.musee-unterlinden.com

Monday to Sunday: 9 am till 6 pm
1st Thursday of each month: 9 am till 8 pm
(closed Tuesdays and 25/12)

Adults: 13€ - 12 to 17 years: 8€
Under 13 years: Free

Unterlinden Museum is a place where you can admire the famous Isenheim alterpiece and a rich collection of art from the Middle Ages to today including major artists like Dubuffet, Picasso and Soulages.

Toy Museum

40, rue Vauban
Tel : +33 (0)3 89 41 93 10
www.museejouet.com

From 23rd to 30th November:
10 am to 5 pm

From 1st to 31st December:
10 am to 6 pm (closed 25/12)

Adults: 5,50€ - 8 to 18 years: 4,20€
Under 8 years: Free

Over 700m², this museum presents 19th and 20th century collections like old teddy bears, Barbie dolls, video games, models, robots and little trains... The current temporary exhibition is all about space toys. Come and admire toys from 1930 to the present day, like flying saucers, robots and Star Wars toys, then round things off with a game of Space Invaders.

Hansi Museum

28, rue des Têtes
Tel : +33 (0)3 89 41 44 20
www.hansi.fr

5€ full price: from 14 years
3€ : children 5 to 13 years

Enter in the world from the famous Colmar artist Hansi who, over 700m², recreates the vision of an ideal Alsace through a collection of unique and original works.

Dominicains' Church

Place des Dominicains

« Exceptional pieces »

From 23rd November to 30th December:
Sunday to Thursday: 10 am to 6 pm
Friday & Saturday: 10 am to 7 pm
24/12 & 31/12: 10 am to 5 pm
(closed 25/12)

Adults: 2€, 12 to 18 years: 1,5€
Under 12 years: Free

The Fédération Régionale des Métiers d'Art d'Alsace invites you to admire... Come and admire around twenty unique pieces, produced for the occasion by professional artists! Ceramic artists, illuminators, cabinetmakers, glassmakers... all are proud to showcase the fruit of their age-old expertise.

Bartholdi Museum

30, rue des Marchands
Tel : +33 (0)3 89 41 90 60
www.musee-bartholdi.fr

In the family home of the creator of the Statue of Liberty, admire sculptures, drawings and paintings by the great Auguste Bartholdi !

Natural History Museum

11, rue Turenne
Tel : +33 (0)3 89 23 84 15
www.museumcolmar.org

Discover the collections of zoology, mineralogy, ethnology and Egyptology, as well as an African Christmas market, from 23/11 to 23/12, from Wednesday to Sunday.

Contemporary Art Space André Malraux

4 rue Rapp
Tel : +33 (0)3 89 20 67 59

Until December 23rd :
Tuesday to Sunday: 2 pm to 6 pm
except: Thursday from 12 to 5 pm.
(closed on Mondays)

Free

Exhibition of the artist Laure Tixier

Christmas Wine cellars

In the heart of the Alsatian vineyards, the Christmas wine cellars are specially decorated for the occasion, offering a chance to meet the region's winemakers, who will introduce you the great Alsatian white wine, local spirits and liqueurs, as well as the tasty produce of the Alsatian region, during a wide range of events.

19 Martin Jund Domain

12, rue de l'Ange - Colmar
Tél: +33 (0)3 89 41 58 72

★ 28/11, 5/12 & 12/12

Wine tasting and workshop for making Advent wreaths.
2 pm, 20€ (booking required)

★ 01/12

Concert by the «Pré-manécanterie de Saint-Jean» (Colmar) with mulled wine degustation.
2 pm, Free

20 Karcher Domain

11, rue de l'Ours - Colmar
Tél: +33 (0)3 89 41 14 42

★ 06/12, 13/12 & 20/12

Tour of wine cellars dating back to 1602, tasting wines from barrels with bredelas biscuits, degustation, folk entertainment.
5 pm, Adults: 5€ - Children: Free (booking required)

21 Colmar's Domain

2, rue du Stauffen - Colmar
Tél: +33 (0)3 89 79 11 87

★ 06/12 & 19/12

Christmas wine and food pairings. Tasting with wines and foie gras.
3 pm, Adults: 8€ (booking required)

★ 5/12 & 12/12

Fragrance game with Christmas spices. Tasting of 2 wines and 1 sparkling wine, served with bredele biscuits.
3 pm, Adults: 6€ (booking required)

Armand Husrt Domain

8 rue de la Chapelle - Turckheim
Tel: +33 (0)3 89 27 40 22

★ 29/11 & 30/11

Making and Tasting of Alsatian «Bredelas»
3 pm, Free (booking required)

★ 13/12 & 14/12

Tasting with food-wine pairing of Indian bites
4:30 pm, 15€ (booking required)

Cave de Turckheim

16 rue des Tuileries - Turckheim
Tel: +33 (0)3 89 30 23 60

★ 01/12 & 02/12

Exhibition of greeting cards.
10 am - 5 pm, Free

★ 06/12

St. Nicholas' Festival «Manalas and mulled wine»
9 am - 5 pm, Free

★ 17/12, 18/12, 19/12 & 20/12

Tasting of Christmas bredelas accompanied by mulled wine.
9 am - 6 pm, Free

l'Envol Domain

Chemin Mattensteinweg - Ingersheim
Tel: +33 (0)3 89 72 84 82

★ 05/12

Mulled white wine-making in a Christmas atmosphere. Followed by a tasting.
4:30 pm, Adult: 12€ - under 14 y.o: Free (booking required)

★ 12/12

Greetings card-making in a Christmas atmosphere. Followed by a tasting.
4:30 pm, Adults: 14€, 12-18 y.o: 7€, under 12 years: Free (booking required)



Turckheim

The Elves' Christmas Market

From Friday 30th November to Sunday 30th december 2018

A few kilometres from Colmar, discover a magical village, built by the elves, on the Place de l'Hôtel de Ville and take part in the Rhine Advent Calendar tradition: a ceremony where, each night, children unveil a new illuminated window. Then stroll through the narrow streets to taste, smell and discover regional specialities.

★ From 30/11 to 24/12: Monday to Thursday from 3 pm to 7 pm

Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 10 am to 7 pm

★ From 26/12 to 30/12: Every day, from 10 am to 7 pm

The Advent calendar

As is traditional in the Rhine area, one window of the calendar is opened every evening during the Advent period. A ceremony with children carrying lights and a lamplighter reveals an illuminated window, celebrating a person or event in Advent, to the delight of onlookers.

★ From 1/12 to 24/12

Place de l'Hôtel de Ville - Turckheim
5 pm, Free

Le Wiehnacht's Stewala (Christmas Café)

Café and exhibition in a Christmas spirit, traditional and modern at the same time. In a festive atmosphere, the relaxing place that is "Le Wiehnacht's Stewala" is hosting an exhibition of decorative objects and handmade original creations. There will be storytelling in a cosy evening atmosphere, with the possibility to enjoy mulled wine or hot chocolate.

★ From 30/11 to 24/12

Corps de Garde - Turckheim

Monday to Thursday from 3 pm to 7 pm - Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10 am to 7 pm

The Night Watchman's rounds during Advent

Come, take part and discover the unique and authentic Night Watchman. Dressed in period costume with a halberd, tricorn, lantern and horn, he goes on his rounds every evening, telling the story of the town with anecdotes and songs in the Alsatian language along the way. Written records of the tradition he keeps alive date back as far as 1540.

★ From 1/12 to 23/12 and 26/12 to 30/12: 9 pm

★ 31/12: midnight

Corps de Garde - Turckheim
Free





Park & Ride Free

ONLY THE WEEK-ENDS

With park and ride available at the Exhibition center (Avenue de la Foire aux Vins), use the free shuttle bus for your journey.

Shuttles will drop you off every ten minutes, a short walk from the Christmas markets.

Exhibition centre ->  Rue Saint Eloi

The car park is open, from Saturday 8 am to Sunday 10 pm:

- 24th - 25th november,
- 1st - 2nd december,
- 8th - 9th december,
- 15th - 16th december,
- 22nd - 23rd december,
- 29th - 30th december

SHUTTLE TIMES:

★ Saturday: 9 am to 11.30 pm

First departure at 9 am and shuttles every 10 minutes from 9:30 to 21:30, and every 20 minutes from 21:30. (from 9.30pm, every 20 minutes)
Last shuttle to the Exhibition Centre at 11.30pm

★ Sunday: 9 am to 9.10 pm

First departure at 9 am and shuttles every 10 minutes from 9:30 to 21:10
Last shuttle to the Exhibition Centre at 9.10pm

Parkings

Covered car parks near the Christmas markets

Parking Mairie

Monday to Saturday: 7:30 am to 9 pm
Sundays and 25, 26/12: 10 am to 9 pm
24/12: 7:30 am to 6 pm (subject to change)
No exit possible after 9 pm

Parking Rapp

Monday to Saturday: 7 am to 9 pm
Sundays and 25, 26/12: 10 am to 8 pm

Parking Lacarre

Monday to Saturday: 7 am to 1 am
Sundays and 25, 26/12: 10 am to 8 pm

Parking St Josse

Monday to Saturday: 7 am to 9 pm
Sundays and 25, 26/12: 10 am to 8 pm

Parking Gare/Bleyle

Monday to Saturday: 5:30 am to 11 pm
Sundays and 25, 26/12: 10 am to 9 pm

Car parks near the Christmas markets

- Parking Scheurer Kestner
- Parking St Eloi
- Parking Haslinger
- Parking de l'Est

Larger pedestrian Area

From 23rd November to 30th December Access to Colmar town centre is closed to all vehicles, to facilitate visitor access to the Colmar Christmas Markets.

Monday to Thursday: 11 am to 7 pm
Friday to Sunday: 10 am to 8 pm
(see map of town centre)

For security reasons, the Christmas markets close exactly at the scheduled time. Thank you for your understanding.

TOURIST INFORMATION COLMAR & ITS REGION

Colmar Information Center

Place Unterlinden, 68000 COLMAR
+33(0) 3 89 20 68 92
info@tourisme-colmar.com

Monday to Saturday: 9am-6pm
Sunday: 10am - 1pm / 2pm - 5pm
25th december: 2pm - 5pm
26th december: 10am - 1pm

Turckheim Information Center

Rue Wickram, 68230 Turckheim
+33(0) 3 89 27 38 44
infoturckheim@tourisme-colmar.com

Monday to Saturday:
9am-12pm / 2pm - 6pm
Sunday: Closed
25th et 26th december: Closed