

from 23<sup>rd</sup> November to 30<sup>th</sup> December 2018



# Colmar

2<sup>ND</sup> EUROPEAN BEST  
CHRISTMAS MARKETS

## Magie Christmas



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# Christmas Markets

EUROPEAN BEST  
CHRISTMAS MARKETS  
2<sup>ND</sup> COLMAR

From Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Monday to Thursday: 10 am to 7 pm  
Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 10 am to 8 pm

24<sup>th</sup> December: 10 am to 5 pm  
25<sup>th</sup> December: 2 pm to 7 pm

## 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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 purest 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 23<sup>rd</sup> November to 20<sup>th</sup> 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-Maîtrise de  
Garçons au marché de Noël »  
Stand of the parent's association  
"La Pré-Maîtrise 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: « Transhurance »  
Youth Symphony Orchestra and choir  
"La Pré-Maîtrise 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. Galiano  
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  
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★ 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

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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

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



## Christmas tree market

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

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

- 🌲 Place Rapp, Christmas tree market

## 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 23<sup>rd</sup> November to 23<sup>rd</sup> December:  
Monday to Thursday: 2 pm to 7 pm  
Friday to Sunday: 11 am to 8 pm

- ★ From 22<sup>nd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> 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€



# 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 23<sup>rd</sup> November to 30<sup>th</sup> 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 6

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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## Museums & exhibitions

### 118 Unterlinden Museum

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

Monday to Sunday: 9 am till 6 pm  
1<sup>st</sup> 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 altarpiece and a rich collection of art from the Middle Ages to today including major artists like Dubuffet, Picasso and Soulages.

### 114 Toy Museum

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

From 23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November:  
10 am to 5 pm

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

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

Over 700m<sup>2</sup>, 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.

### 115 Hansi Museum

28, rue des Têtes  
Tel : +33 (0)3 89 41 44 20  
[www.hansi.fr](http://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 700m<sup>2</sup>, recreates the vision of an ideal Alsace through a collection of unique and original works.

### 11 Dominicans' Church

Place des Dominicains

« Exceptional pieces »

From 23<sup>rd</sup> 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.

### 116 Bartholdi Museum

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

### 117 Natural History Museum

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

### 118 Contemporary Art Space André Malraux

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

Until December 23<sup>rd</sup>:  
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 bredelas 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 30<sup>th</sup> November to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> 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 specialties.

★ 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:**

**24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> november,**

**1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> december,**

**8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> december,**

**15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> december,**

**22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> december,**

**29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> 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*

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

## 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)*

## 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

25<sup>th</sup> december: 2pm - 5pm

26<sup>th</sup> 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

25<sup>th</sup> et 26<sup>th</sup> december: Closed

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