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The Nuremberg Christkindlesmarkt 2025

The probably most well known German Christmas market is the Christkindlesmarkt in Nuremberg. There is a written record of it as early as 1678. The Nuremberg Christ Child, who is elected by the Nuremberg citizens every two years, always opens the market with a ceremonial prologue on the Friday before the first Advent. This year the opening will take place on Friday, November 28, 2025, at 5.30 pm. More than two million visitors from all over the world are expected by Nuremberg Christkindlesmarkt. The special charm of the Christkindlesmarkt lies in the historic backdrop of the Nuremberg main market square with the Church of our Lady, the Beautiful Fountain and the view of the Old Town Gothic Church of St. Sebaldus.

The "little town of wood and cloth" consisting of approximately 168 stalls with red-and-white-striped canvas roofs forms a Christmas ensemble. Great value is attached to a traditional selection of wares. Along with the typical Nuremberg gingerbread and fruit bread visitors can purchase confectionary goods, toys, Christmas and Christmas tree decorations as well as arts and crafts. Mulled wine and grilled sausages provide refreshment. A stroll through the market of the sister cities is also interesting, where handcrafted articles and specialties from countries like Nicaragua, China, Scotland or the Ukraine are found.

Small visitors get their money's worth at the Children's Christmas with its historic fun rides, a children's cultural program in the Star House and trips on the mail coach.

The traditional character of the Nuremberg Christkindlesmarkt has become a model for many other Christmas markets, including the

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Christkindlmarket in Chicago or Philadelphia, and is also in demand as a picturesque setting for television productions.

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The Christkindlesmarkt is open Friday, November 28, 2025, from 10 am to 10 pm. From Saturday, November 29, to Tuesday, December 23, from 10 am to 9 pm. On the final day, Wednesday, December 24, the market is open from 10 am to 2 pm.

More detailed information on the Christkindlesmarkt can be found on the Internet under www.christkindlesmarkt.de.