

The Magic of Advent in Radstadt

Radstadt, surrounded by high mountains and a wintry natural backdrop, is filled with Christmas romance during the time of Advent. No shopping marathons, but a bit of medieval flair and traditional Advent events, helps to create an idyllic mountain Christmas.



Romantic Crib Path along the city wall

The crib path, along the inside and outside of the city wall, will be presented from end of November until January 6th and invites to a romantic walk, especially in the evenings, when the city wall is illuminated. A stroll around the city wall takes approx. 45 minutes.



The 15 cribs, presented in shop windows, are built by locals and crib builders from the surroundings. Each of the models is a miniature work of art and a very personal way of portraying the Christmas story. An information flyer for the tour can be picked up at the tourist office.

The path starts at the city square – just few meters from the Hotel Stegerbräu. On the Advent weekends, your walk can be rounded off perfectly with a visit afterwards at the Christmas market.

Christmas Hike

A romantic atmosphere, you can feel by the traditional “Radstadt Christmas Walk”, which leads you through the torchlit “Kaiserpromenade”. **The hiking trail is open and illuminated on:**

★ **Saturday, Dec 12th and Dec 19th and also on December 26th from 5.00 pm to 7.30 pm**

★ **Admission: € 7.—(children up to the age of 14 free of charge)**



You start this peaceful hike through the torch lit promenade on your own (it is not a guided walk). You will need between 1 and 1,5 hours, while passing several stations along the circular trail, that invites you to a visually and acoustically journey through the winter forest.

Beginning at the „Schwaiger Chapel”, you are accompanied by the **music of a brass ensemble** all the way to the Loreto church, where you are invited inside by **organ music and Christmas carols**. Then the tour takes on an edgy feel as Max Steiner tells his **fairy-tales** before everybody steps down into the gorge at Lärchenbach surrounded by the “sounds of the rockface”.

In-between you are invited to enjoy a warm punch. The path continues past the scented cottage exhibiting Johann Mayrhofer’s beautiful **nativity scene**. The winter forest looks to be enchanted by the many **colourful floodlights** after which an Advent quartet awaits you, along with an angel to lead the way. **24 windows, illuminated** from within, are positioned along the path, portraying Advent, Christmas and heritage themes. On the way back to the city square, you can enjoy a **wonderful view of the illuminated city**, before arriving on the Christmas Market on Main Square with **its live nativity scene**.

Christmas market in Radstadt

In Radstadt the christmas market is still very personal with lovely decorated Christmas cottages. The exhibitors show local handicrafts, knit and crochet, jewellery and home-made goods, including local delicacies, from bacon on varied hard sausages, bread or Schnaps – a good chance to find something for your loved ones. Swedish ovens and bonfire generate a warm atmosphere and provide kids with a chance to grill sausages. Enjoy hot mulled wine or punch, try some original “Pongau meat pouches” and listen to the accompanying program with musical and traditional performances, offered besides.



Market: every Saturday and Sunday from Nov 30th until December 20th and on December 26th and 27th always open from 3.30 pm to 8.30 pm with advent program from 5.00 pm to 6.30 pm

Salzburger Christkindlmarkt

...at the Dom- and Residenzplatz



Opening Hours 2020: from 20.11. to 26.12.2020

Monday to Thursday: 10.00 am to 8.30 pm / Friday and Dec 7th from 10.00 am to 9.00 pm

On Saturday: & Holiday: 09.00 am to 9.00 pm

On Sunday: 09.00 am to 8.30 pm

Dec 24th: 09.00 am to 3.00 pm Dec 25th: 11.00 am to 6.00 pm / Dec 26th: 11.00 am to 6.00 pm

Free admission and dogs are allowed to bring with you.

Der Salzburger Christkindlmarkt at the Dom and Residenzplatz has deep historical roots (a history of more than 525 years) and is one of the world's oldest Advent markets. The market – as known today around the world, has existed since 1974 and you will discover practically everything you could possibly wish for, concerning Christmas decorations or gifts.

The market isn't only a location for around 100 market stands. The organizers have also ensured that visitors are treated to a colourful daily events program: readings of Christmas stories for children, Krampus parades, guided Christmas tours, choral concerts, visits by the "Christ Child", festive melodies performed from the surrounding towers, and so much more. ...

Hellbrunner Advent

...right outside the city of Salzburg



From mid-November the facade of the Hellbrunn Palace with its 24 windows turns into a huge Advent calendar and in front of the palace arises a fairy-tale forest with more than 400 conifers, decorated with thousands of red Christmas baubles and fairy lights. The ambience is truly impressive and creates a very special atmosphere.

There are many small huts offering a wide selection of culinary treats as well as arts & crafts. The former Orangery becomes an Advent café and you can also visit the restaurant "Gasthaus zu Schloss Hellbrunn" offering culinary delights (closed on Mondays).

Hellbrunn Advent Magic for children

Kids of all ages are enchanted with a petting zoo, pony rides, children's bakery and the opportunity to grill sausages over an open fire. They can also send off their personal wish list at the Christmas Post Office. The „Krampus Station“ introduces children to the history of this mystical tradition through original masks and costumes.

The Salzburg Zoo is also part of the Advent experience and offers free entrance from Monday to Thursday during the Advent time.

Opening Hours in 2020:

from December 19th to December 24th

Monday to Friday: from 1.00 pm to 8.00 pm

Saturday & Sunday, Holiday:

from 10.00 am to 08.00 pm

On December 24th: from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm

On Saturdays from 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm and on Sundays from 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm, the Advent market is accompanied by real folk music, musicians and carious choirs on the stage.

Details to the **Children's Christmas World** or more information about this beautiful market, please find here under [Hellbrunner Adventzauber](#)

Christmas Hiking through the Hellbrunn Trick Fountains



The grounds of the Trick Fountains are open to the public during the Advent. Bathed in atmospheric lighting, the path which leads past baroque grottos out to the Star Pond becomes an extraordinary experience.

On the same grounds as the grottos and fountains, visitors can now marvel at an eight-meters-tall Christmas angel. The bright spotlights and a wind machine turn the angel into a dynamic sculpture with a wafting dress.

Prices for the Hellbrunner Advent Magic:

Monday to Thursday: free entrance for the market and for the ZOO Salzburg.

Friday / Saturday / Sunday / Holiday: € 5.- per person until 6.00 pm (kids up to 6 years for free)

This entrance price includes a hot drink (mulled wine or punch, worth € 3.70) as well as admission to Salzburg Zoo.

Parking: principally there are sufficient parking spaces available on site. During week-ends, they might quickly be occupied but you can use the parking places at the Zoo as well and then use the foot-path, leading through the Hellbrunn Park to the Advent market, reachable after a 5 minutes' walk.

Parking fee: € 2.—for 2 hours, each further hour € 1.—(maximum parking fee: 4.--)

When arriving by train or bus – use the busline 25 (going directly to the Advent market from train station or from the inner city).

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