

Christkindl Market, One-Day Tour

Each holiday season Mifflinburg offers its own version of an authentic Christmas Market, inspired by the 700-year-old traditional German Christkindl Market, or Christ Child Market. During this annual three-day festive event which is claimed to be the oldest authentic Christkindl Market in the US, the town's Market Street, with its many churches, is lined with over 100 festive outdoor huts featuring unique handmade crafts and traditional Christkindl treats. Plenty to see and do for kids and adults alike.

The air is filled with the enticing aroma of roasted almonds, hot chocolate, Hungarian goulash, savory sausages, gourmet coffees, German beer and Gluhwein (German hot spiced wine). Sample the delicious Christmas cookies, desserts, and the traditional German Lebkuchen (gingerbread) hearts. Browse for artisan gifts and decorations. Catch the spirit of the season as glorious holiday music is performed on outdoor stages and in churches and perhaps catch a glimpse of German St. Nicholas and Santa Claus walking through the market.

Additional highlights include a market entrance guarded by traditional nutcrackers, a "larger-than-life" Tinsel Angel glittering like gold (a 17th century tradition), and a 15-foot German Christmas Pyramid, the symbol of the market.

Bring along your holiday greeting cards and have a special Christkindl cancellation stamp placed on the cards at the market. This special pictorial cancellation stamp, designed each year by a local artist, is an Austrian Christmas tradition. It sends an extra special message with your holiday greetings.

Additional sites and activities are available to compliment a visit to the festival. Consider a tasting at a local winery or two complete with warm wassail plus a stroll in quaint historic downtown Lewisburg and/or at Country Cupboard where a variety of offerings will make short of your holiday shopping list. For more great food consider a family-style meal at an authentic Amish restaurant.

December 11-13, 2014 and December 10-12, 2015. (Thursday 4:30 - 9:00 pm, Friday & Saturday 10:00 am - 9:00 pm)



One-day tour includes:

- **Christkindl Market with Artisan and Food Vendors**
- **Complimentary Sites such as Local Winery, Historic Downtown Lewisburg and Country Cupboard, Amish Restaurant**



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