

What is Christkindlmarkt?

In Germany, Christmas wares and gifts are sold in the festival-style setting of Christkindlmarkt.

During the weeks of Advent, toy makers, basket weavers, wood carvers, candle makers and other artisans set up booths in front of the local church, where browsers make their selections.

The custom began in the 14th century and continues today in the charming "Bavarian" village of Ferdinand, Indiana.

Ferdinand's Christkindlmarkt, held the third full weekend in November annually, features over 150 lavishly decorated booths spilling over with quality hand-created items, Christmas wares, antiques, art, delicious regional food and wine, live entertainment, free concerts, free tours and so much more.

Enjoy the delights of Christmas in an Olde World setting!

ANTIQUES MARKT (2 Locations)

More than 40 booths will feature antiques, including glass, china, bisque, books, jewelry, primitives, furniture, pottery, linens, vintage, collectibles, Christmas, etc. If the warm wood tones don't draw you in, the cinnamon roasted nuts or wine surely will!

BAVARIAN SHOPPING STALLS (4 Locations)

Handmade treasures and treats abound in over 110 stalls featuring table and wall décor, snowmen, folk art, primitives, Santas, original artwork, seasonal displays, inspirational, wood carvings, baskets, baby, herbal soaps, jewelry, scarves, purses, hats, wood crafts, quilts, candles, chocolates, jams, baked goods, cinnamon rolls, apple strudel, schnitzel, wine and much more.

LODGING:

For hotel or bed & breakfast package information, call the Dubois County Visitors Center at 800-968-4578 or go to: www.duboiscountychristmas.com

FREE CONCERTS

"Sounds of the Season" Concert by the Celebration Singers: An amazing 98-member chorus will perform seasonal and traditional Christmas carols in beautiful St. Ferdinand Church on Saturday, November 16 at 7 p.m.

Stillpoint and the Sisters of St. Benedict Concert: This group of musical nuns will be singing Advent and Christmas songs along with popular favorites from their CDs in the Monastery Immaculate Conception's beautiful, domed chapel on Sunday, November 17 at 3:00 p.m.

MORE INFO:

Visit www.ferdinandchristkindlmarkt.com, call 800-968-4578 or email dhopp@psci.net.

Finding all Christkindlmarkt sites is easy!

Just park and ride, as shuttle service is provided. Shuttles travel between the six markt sites and loop through town to other attractions and shopping venues.

This service is free!

Ferdinand is located on State Road 162, 1/4 mile north of I-64, exit 63, in Southern Indiana's Hill Country, one hour west of Louisville, KY and 45 minutes east of Evansville, IN.



Christkindlmarkt is sponsored by the Tourism Division of the Ferdinand Chamber of Commerce and the Dubois County Visitors Center.



FERDINAND, INDIANA



ART
ANTIQUES
MUSIC CAFE
WINE TASTING
MONASTERY TOURS
LIVE GLOCKENSPIEL
STILLPOINT CONCERT
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES
CELEBRATION SINGERS
MARIONETTE THEATER
HANDMADE TREASURES
DELICIOUS GERMAN FOOD
BLACK FOREST ORGAN GRINDER

Saturday
& Sunday
November 16 & 17, 2013



Over 150 booths of Christmas Wares,
Handmade Treasures, Art, Antiques,
Primitives, Regional Foods & Wines
and Collectible Gifts!

Enjoy Christkindlmarkt at 6 locations:

Ferdinand Community Center
1710 Community Drive

Tri-County YMCA Antiques Markt
131 East 16th Street

**Forest Park High School Practice Gym,
Jr. High Gym and Cafeteria**
14th & Vienna Drive

St. Ferdinand Spiritual Life Center
341 E. 10th Street

Hilgeman Auction House Antiques Markt
855 Main Street

Ferdinand American Legion
425 Main Street

Markt Hours

Saturday • November 16 • 9 a.m.-5 p.m. EST

Sunday • November 17 • 10 a.m.-4 p.m. EST

Christkindlmarkt Eve

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Herald in the Markt! 6:30 p.m. EST. The Christkindl Angel appears from the doors of the Crypt on Monastery Hill during a performance enhanced by trumpeters and chant! This outdoor, candlelit opening ceremony is free and open to the public. Enjoy dinner with entertainment at 7 p.m. in St. Gertrude Hall at Monastery Immaculate Conception. Dinner reservations required (\$28), call 812-367-1874.

Christkindlmarkt Events

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Markets Open: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST

Black Forest Organ Grinder at the Ferdinand Community Center Markt site, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Live Musical Entertainment: All day on center stage at the Forest Park Practice Gym Markt site

Book Sale: Ferdinand Branch Library, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Holiday Safari - at the Ferdinand Branch Library, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Children's Craft Workshops at FPHS Jr. High Gym, Usborne Books Booth, 10:30, 11:30, 12:30, and 2:30

Live Glockenspiel Performances at the Forest Park Practice Gym Markt site, 11 a.m., 12 and 1 p.m.

Free Guided Tours of Monastery Immaculate Conception: Any time between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Afternoon Visits with Sankt Nikolaus: All Markt sites

Visit with Santa Claus: German American, 1020 Main Street, 1 - 4 p.m

"Holiday Cabaret on Strings" Marionette Theater: 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. in the Forest Park Auditorium

Handmade Paper Ornaments at the Library, 2 - 3 p.m.

Lights on the Grotto: On the grounds of the Monastery (after dusk)

"Sounds of the Season" Concert: Celebration Singers at St. Ferdinand Church, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Mass with German Hymns at St. Ferdinand Church, 8:30 a.m.

Markets Open: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. EST

Black Forest Organ Grinder at the Ferdinand Community Center Markt site, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Live Musical Entertainment: All day on center stage at the Forest Park High School Practice Gym Markt site

Live Glockenspiel Performances at the Forest Park High School Practice Gym Markt site, 11 a.m., 12 and 1 p.m.

Children's Craft Workshops at Usborne Books Booth in FPHS Jr. High Gym site, 11:30, 12:30 and 2:30 p.m.

"Holiday Cabaret on Strings" Marionette Theater: 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Forest Park High School Auditorium

Afternoon Visits with Sankt Nikolaus: All Markt sites (exact times not known)

Free Tours of Monastery: Any time between 12 and 2 p.m.

Stillpoint/Sisters of St. Benedict Concert: 3 p.m., Monastery Church

Lights on the Grotto: On the grounds of the Monastery

Live Entertainment Continuous live musical performances, unforgettable concerts, and more.

Holiday Safari-Ferdinand Branch Library, Saturday, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Children and the "young at heart" will enjoy a special program presented by Animal Tales of Mayfield, KY. Six unique animals from around the world have been chosen for this event. Volunteers from the audience will select a present from beneath a small Christmas tree which corresponds to one of the surprise guest animals. Participants will have an opportunity to get "hands-on" experiences. A door prize will be awarded; you must be present to

win. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by adult. Refreshments will be served.

Live Glockenspiel A Cuckoo Clock comes to life. Saturday and Sunday at 11, 12 and 1:00 EST at the Forest Park High School Practice Gym Markt site.

Children's Craft Workshops: Deanna and her elves love to work with children creating crafts! Hands-on, free sessions... both days, FPHS Junior High Gym site.

Sankt Nikolaus Visits All sites both days.

Visit with Santa Claus Tell Santa what you want for Christmas! Children of all ages are welcome 1-4 p.m., Saturday at German American, 1020 Main Street.

Marionette Theater Half life-size Melchior Marionettes will perform on Saturday, 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. and on Sunday, 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Forest Park High School Auditorium.

Hand-cast Paper Ornaments - Ferdinand Branch Library-Saturday, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Ages 9-99 roll up your sleeves and have fun making a hand-cast paper ornament. Choose from a variety of cookie molds to create your own version of this exciting and beautiful art form using some simple techniques that have been around for centuries. Using recycled materials will add a modern twist.

