

Cologne   
**Harbour-Christmas-Market**  
at the Chocolate Museum

**Travel advice: Exceptional Christmas Highlight in Cologne!**



In a picturesque setting overlooking the Rhine, the Cologne Harbour Christmas market at the Chocolate Museum will this year bring again the gateway to the Rheinauhafen to life and give festive Cologne a maritime flavour.

New this year: An imposing 50m-high ferris wheel with a gorgeous view over Cologne, the rhine, the dome and the cosy lights of the Harbour Christmas Market

As befits the location, the themes "harbour and christmas" will be reflected in the design, decoration, stage performances and products on offer at the new Harbour Christmas market at the Chocolate Museum. Snow-white, festively decorated pagoda tents with wooden floors and pointed roofs that remind you of the planks

and sails of a ship give the new market a stylishly modern yet cosily festive touch. With 70 exciting stands, this very special Harbour Christmas market at the Chocolate Museum is one of the largest Christmas markets in Cologne.

In a lively atmosphere, hearty "seafarers" offer a wide variety of fish specialities, fine foods and drinks from around the world along with a diverse range of high-quality goods and crafts, all on the themes of the harbour, seafaring, Cologne and Christmas. Do not miss the impressive wooden three-mast boat in 15m length serving tasty mulled wine out of its hull or the authentic Harbour Lighthouse-Pub serving "Feuerzangenbowle" and mulled beer. New: The special Craftbeer-Maritime-Container offering international beers, beer tastings and Hot-Gin-Cider.



Our culture and entertainment programme highlights the lively harbour atmosphere and festive mood. From sea shanties to traditional Christmas songs - you'll enjoy relaxing here with a delicious mug of mulled wine. Also the "Rhine Pirates" with their sailor's yarns and pirate juggling, some play boats for the little ones and the merry-go-round are unmissable highlights of the market, particularly for children and families.



Surrounded by the medieval Malakoff Tower, the historic harbour swing bridge, the much-visited Chocolate Museum, the intriguing designed art'otel and of course the Rhine, the new atmospheric Cologne "Christmas market on water" will be an exciting, attractive must-see for visitors from near and far.

In addition to our Christmas market, you should visit the German Sports- and Olympic Museum and the famous Chocolate Museum.

Free entrance! The harbour Christmas market opens on 14 November as Cologne's first Christmas market!

**Opening hours: 14<sup>th</sup> Nov until 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2025**, open daily 11am until 9pm, Fr & Sa til 10pm and even longer (Memorial Day 16<sup>th</sup> Nov open from 1pm / feast sunday in commemoration of the dead 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov open from 6pm)

*Afterwards: Extension with food and drinks in front of the ferris wheel 26<sup>th</sup> Dec 2025 until 28<sup>th</sup> Dec 2025!*

**Within easy walking distance:** 5 min. from old town via beautiful promenade at the bank of the Rhine

**Bus:** Line 133, Stop Schokoladenmuseum, **Tram:** Line U1,7,9 Stop Heumarkt (walk to the rhine then right)

**Car parking:** entrance Rheinauhafen, (Navi: Harry-Blum-Platz 2, Köln), follow "Museen", exit at the market

**Contact:** mail@eventleute.de, Tel. 0049.221.3101887, **www.harbour-christmas-market.com**

**Tour-Bus:** Passenger bay directly at the market. (Navi: Holzmarkt 4, 50678 Köln)

Each bus driver / courier receives on request a voucher for a hot drink

**Drop your passengers** directly at the special bus parking lot at the Chocolate Museum and enjoy the stressless traffic situation. Your passengers can reach the other christmas marktes and the old town within 5 minutes walking distance at the banks of the Rhine. Guided by road signs (just straight ahead the same road), you can park the bus in a few minutes at Cologne's central coach parking "Buspark Köln". Pick up easily your passengers again at the parking lot of the Chocolate Museum.

**Some beautiful attractions** and sights nearby: the river Rhine, the Chocolate Museum, the Sport- & Olympiamuseum, the new architectural impressive „Rheinauhafen“, the Mustardmuseum, the oldest harbour swing bridge of Cologne or the traditional cologne brewery „Malzmühle“, just 5 minutes walk on the banks of the Rhine to the picturesque old town - Germany's oldest city - and the famous cathedral ...

A night in the modern and stylish art'otel directly at the harbour christmas market will complete your stay in Cologne perfectly.

