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**Freedom Square** (náměstí Svobody),  
**Dominican Square** (Dominikánské náměstí)

**November 23 – December 28, 2018**

**9 am – 9.45 pm**

Moravian Square  
(Moravské náměstí)

The image is a stylized map of the city center of Brno, Czech Republic. It shows a network of streets and building footprints in shades of gray. Several key locations are highlighted with text boxes and arrows. The text boxes are either black or red. Black boxes point to Moravian Square, Freedom Square, and Dominican Square. Red boxes point to Parking at Janáček Theatre, Domini car park, Hotel Grand Bus Station, THIS IS BRNO Information Centre, Main Station Information Centre, and Under the Crocodile Information Centre. A gray box points to the Vegetable Market. Arrows indicate the direction from the text box to the location on the map.

Parking at Janáček Theatre  
(Janáčkovovo divadlo)

Freedom Square  
(náměstí Svobody)

Dominican Square  
(Dominikánské náměstí)

Domini car park

Hotel Grand Bus Station  
(Autobusové nádraží  
Grand)

Vegetable Market  
(Zelný trh)

THIS IS BRNO  
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(IC TO JE BRNO),  
Panenská Street

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(IC hlavní nádraží)  
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Under the Crocodile  
Information Centre  
(IC pod krokodýlem),  
Radnická Street

**#brnenskevanoce**

**Music** on Freedom Square every day.

**Excellent food** on Dominican Square.

**Winter bar, design market, virtual reality, wooden nativity scene, Christmas wish lists**, and much more.

Advent is coming, bringing markets to four of Brno's squares.

**Downtown is the best place to wait for Baby Jesus!**

And just like many of you asked for, this year's Brno Christmas will be **open until December 28!**

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## Tree lighting ceremony



- 4 pm Grand opening of Brno Christmas
- 4.50 pm Video mapping
- 5 pm Tree lighting ceremony on Freedom Square with city representatives and Brno bishop Vojtěch Cikrle
- 4-8 pm Smigmator & Swinging Q, videomapping, Dětský sbor Brno (Brno Children's Choir), DJ Paolo di Maki, Cirkus trochu jinak – Trampoty s Ježíškem (Slightly Different Circus – Troubles with Baby Jesus)

## Freedom Square (náměstí Svobody)

Freedom Square is the natural centre point of Brno, which is especially true during the holiday season. The dynamic and vibrant “Svobodák”, as the locals call it, is a great place to meet, have fun, and make new friends.

Come admire the traditional Christmas tree as well as an unconventional installation on the fountain. The square is dominated by the white cupola of the Winter Bar serving popular local drinks, and this year even various punches inspired by ancient recipes.

Come to the glass modules at the December Design Days and buy some stylish Christmas gifts.

Every day on Freedom Square offers a unique program full of music and different performances, which creates a pleasant Advent atmosphere during the day and long into the evening as well.

The program begins in the morning with performances by children from kindergartens, elementary schools and art schools, as well as various ensembles. In the afternoon, there will be theatre performances, and the program will end with music of all kinds of genres, including pop, rock, folk, blues, swing, gospel, punk, world music, cover music, crossover, ethno, country, and many more.

Brno is a city of music and boasts the title of a UNESCO Creative City of Music. You can find the complete program for Brno Christmas at [www.brnenskevanoce.cz](http://www.brnenskevanoce.cz).

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# Evening concerts (Freedom Square)

## **SAT Nov 24**

- 6 pm Od ucha k uchu
- 7.30 pm Adéla Jonášová

## **SUN Nov 25**

- 6 pm Ozvěny festivalu – Monty
- 7.30 pm René Souček a Marek Hlosta

## **MON Nov 26**

- 6 pm Dáša Ubrová Trio
- 7.30 pm C# Voices

## **TUE Nov 27**

- 6 pm Jiří Schmitzer
- 7.30 pm Der Šenster gob

## **WED Nov 28**

- 6 pm Petra Šany Šanclová
- 7.30 pm Ozvěny festivalu – Golden Delicious

## **THU Nov 29**

- 6 pm Dan Vertígo
- 7.30 pm Už jsme doma

## **FRI Nov 30**

- 6 pm Puding pani Elvisovej
- 7.30 pm Prozatím

## **SAT Dec 1**

- 6 pm Hovaduo
- 7.30 pm Cafe Industrial

## **SUN Dec 2**

- 5.30 pm Czech Television Advent Concert – stream

- 6.30 pm Jamaron
- 8 pm Ateliér

## **MON Dec 3**

- 6 pm Deloraine
- 7.30 pm Ozvěny festivalu – Polaris

## **TUE Dec 4**

- 6 pm Lada Šimíčková s kapelou
- 7.30 pm Soukromá škola populárního zpěvu

## **WED Dec 5**

- 5.30 pm St Nicholas
- 7.30 pm Pro tebe!

## **THU Dec 6**

- 6 pm Slávek Janoušek & Luboš Vondrák & Láďa Zítka
- 7.30 pm Ozvěny festivalu – Moras

## **FRI Dec 7**

- 6 pm Brunnfield
- 7.30 pm Kumbalu

## **SAT Dec 8**

- 7.30 pm Brixtn

## **SUN Dec 9**

- 5.30 pm Czech Television Advent Concert – stream
- 6.30 pm Beatles revival (Mrtvej brouk)

8 pm Burningboy  
**MON Dec 10**

6 pm Tomáš Kočko &  
Orchestr

7.30 pm Ozvěny festivalu –  
Nevermore  
a Kosmonaut  
**TUE Dec 11**

6 pm Ivo Cicvárek  
s kapelou

7.30 pm Brno Gospel Choir  
**WED Dec 12**

6 pm Česko zpívá koledy

7.30 pm Lucie Redlová &  
Garde  
**THU Dec 13**

6 pm Markéta Tulisová

7.30 pm 4psi  
**FRI Dec 14**

6 pm DoSrdce

7.30 pm Ypsilon  
**SAT Dec 15**

6 pm Funny Fellows  
Parade

7.30 pm Lyrics workshop  
by Slávek Janoušek  
**SUN Dec 16**

5.30 pm Czech Television  
Advent Concert –  
stream

7 pm C# Voices

8 pm Stompin' Dog  
**MON Dec 17**

6 pm Fred Madison

7.30 pm Kapela Scent  
**TUE Dec 18**

6 pm Ukulele  
Troublemakers

7.30 pm Ritmo Factory  
**WED Dec 19**

6 pm Křídla

7.30 pm Broug  
**THU Dec 20**

6 pm Černobílé olivy

7.30 pm Poutníci  
**FRI Dec 21**

6 pm Ozvěny festivalu -  
Funky Chicken

7.30 pm Věra Špinarová  
Tribute  
**SAT Dec 22**

5.30 pm Zuzana Gamboa &  
Band

7.30 pm Čankišou  
**SUN Dec 23**

5 pm Czech Christmas  
Mass by Jakub Jan  
Ryba

You can find the complete  
program for Brno Christmas in  
the program newspaper and  
at [www.brnenskevanoce.cz](http://www.brnenskevanoce.cz).  
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# Charity on Freedom Square

The beautiful tradition of the charity fundraiser on Freedom Square was actually born from a truly sad story. At Christmas in 1919, a baby girl was found wandering through the snowy woods near Bílovice. Among those who found her was local journalist Rudolf Těsnohlídek, who then began thinking about ways to help abandoned children. Inspired by the Danish capital of Copenhagen, in 1924 he organized the first charity collection under the lit Christmas tree in Brno. The tradition gradually spread to town squares all over the country.

Even in this modern age there are still those who don't have a chance to enjoy a rich and plentiful Christmas. And since Advent is all about sharing with those in need, Brno Christmas offers you several options to show your holiday spirit and help.

**Every day, under the Christmas tree**, you can find a traditional charity collection by the Czech Red Cross. Your donations there will be used to organize recovery stays for children from SOS Children's Villages and seniors as well as to help the socially disadvantaged families and individuals.

**Every Wednesday, from 2.30 to 3.30 pm**, a money box will be ready at the square for your collections. In return, you'll get a bite of something tasty and a heartfelt thank you from the people from the Brno Diocese Charity, the Dagmar Children's Home, and from the Guide Dogs Association.

The Winter Bar serves a **charity cocktail** you can buy to make a donation to the St Elizabeth Hospice in Brno.

### List of stands:

- 1 Bar Námořník
- 2 Trdelník, vafle, francouzské palačinky
- 3 Francouzské delikatesy
- 4 Langoše a grilované oštiepky
- 5 Čaje, káva
- 6 Medovina
- 7 Lokše
- 8 Valašské frgály
- 9 Vařečky a jiná dřevíčka
- 10 Churros španělská pochoutka
- 11 Starobřeclavská zabijačka
- 12 Bar Vozembouch
- 13 Domáci bramboráky
- 14 Moravské dobroty
- 15 Čokoládové nářadí
- 16 Ručně nakládané sýrové speciality
- 17 Bramborové spirály
- 18 Dobroty u Dulajza
- 19 U jitničky
- 20 Kouzlo Vánoc
- 21 Bar Vozembouch
- 22 Tutti Frutti bar
- 23 U Tlustých z Lednice
- 24 Bramboráky
- 25 Vánoční krámeček
- 26 Grilované sýrové speciality
- 27 Uzenářské speciality Bognár
- 28 Oříšky, sušené ovoce
- 29 Vánoční bramboráky
- 30 Sýry a maďarské čabajky
- 31 Punčový bar
- 32 Bramboráky, uzeniny
- 33 SITTAR.EU
- 34 Vánoční bar
- 35 Moravské speciality z grilu
- 36 Sladké potěšení - trdelníky, vafle, francouzské palačinky
- 37 Výrobky z medu, medovina
- 38 Retro café bar
- 39 Original FISH and CHIPS
- 40 Sýrové speciality
- 41 Punčový bar
- 42 Vinárna u Lišáka
- 43 Sýry a maďarské čabajky
- 44 Nejkrásnější dárek.cz
- 45 Koupelové soli MATURA
- 46 Vánoční andílci
- 47 Rukavice, čepice, šály, šátky
- 48 Vánoční ozdoby
- 49 Vykrajovátko, kameny
- 50 Keramika
- 51 Mýdlárna a svíčkárna
- 52 Voňavý hedvábný krámek
- 53 Marseillská mýdla
- 54 Dřevěné dekorace
- 55 Vlněné zboží a ovčí kožešiny
- 56 Vykrajovačky
- 57 Koření
- 58 Svíčky
- 59 Včelařovo království
- 60 Nahřívací a chladící polštářky
- 61 Andělské vitráže, originální šperky
- 62 Dřevěné dekorace

# Program on Freedom Square

## Czech Television Advent Concerts

Sunday evenings at the square will be very special thanks to traditional live broadcasts of Advent concerts.

## Czech Christmas Mass by Jakub Jan Ryba

On the fourth Advent Sunday, the Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra and the Brno Philharmonic Choir will perform traditional Czech Christmas Mass, together with soloists Jakub Tuček, Pavlína Švestková, Aleš Procházka, and Jana Janků.

## St Nicholas Day

On Wednesday, December 5, at 5.30 pm, come meet Čiko the Devil together with St Nicholas and the Angel. All the children – both the nice and the naughty ones – will get some presents.

## Reading for Children

Members of the Dvojka Brno, Královo Pole, and 28. středisko Brána Scout Groups will read **fairy tales** on the stage. Come listen and learn some interesting facts from the world of scouts.

## The Czechs Sing Carols

On Wednesday, December 12, from 6 pm with the local newspaper Rovnost.

## Winter Bar (Zimní bar)

Besides our traditional **Turbomošt®** and its various types, this year under the cupola of the Winter Bar you can taste **punches** inspired by ancient recipes. In fact, punch is the oldest documented mixed drink, dating back to the first half of the 17th century. It was created somewhere on the way from London to India to boost the morale of British sailors and colonizers headed there for attractive business opportunities. The word “punch” is

derived from “paanstch” which means “five” in Hindi, as that’s the number of original ingredients, i.e. alcohol (wine or brandy), sugar, citruses, spices, water or tea.

## **December Design Days**

Brno Christmas is very much about design as well. If you want to buy some original and quality gifts, make sure to come to the glass city modules located downtown from **December 4.-23**.

Fashion accessories, jewels, clothes, porcelain, chandeliers and artwork will be presented there.

## **Souvenirs**

In Brno, you’ll forget about the everyday rush and won’t have to stand in long queues to buy tasteful gifts. Our returnable cups and mugs are popular Christmas souvenirs and you can always choose from a brand new collection of souvenirs in line with the visual style of this year’s Brno Christmas. And there’s even a mug by TIMO, the Brno street art legend! Also, you can choose from other original gifts by TIC BRNO, such as an exclusive collection of porcelain with a new look of the Brno dragon or a memory matching game with Janáček motifs and beautiful drawings by local artist Vendula Chalánková.

## **Virtual reality**

Step into virtual reality and enjoy Freedom Square covered in snow. About to miss the train? Just hop on! Ready for a snowball fight or to protect the Christmas tree from snowmen? You can do all this in the virtual world. Visit the glass module and get ready for some fun!

Share your experiences with #brnenskevanoce on Instagram and your photos will also be displayed on the huge LED screen right in the square! Don’t forget to let us know if you find our markets **#authentic #design #ecological #gourmet #charitable #local #innovative #family #global #traditional or #lively!**

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# Authentic Dominican Square

Dominican Square is a pedestrian zone located in a romantic setting between the **New Town Hall** and the **Church of St Thomas**. During the Christmas markets, it turns into a place of excellent cuisine and Christmas traditions with a **nativity scene**, a **Christmas farm** and a **mailbox to send your Christmas wish list to Baby Jesus**. Here you can buy **good food and drinks** and, unlike elsewhere downtown, you can enjoy them **comfortably in special zones** or sit down on the benches on the church terrace.

## Nativity scene

The 100-piece display was sent to Brno by woodcarver Jiří Halouzka and includes the Baby Jesus, Mary and Joseph, and lots of animals.

## Christmas farm

At the nativity scene, our youngest visitors can enjoy not only wooden animals, but live ones too! Come say hi to the sheep and pygmy goats. They are very friendly and like to be stroked.

## Christmas wish lists

Do your children have some very special gifts in mind? Let them send their wish lists to Baby Jesus, as is the custom here! This year's letters can be sent using the mailbox on Dominican Square.

## Christmas workshops

Every afternoon in December, children are invited to come create Christmas decorations for their trees or windows. The craft area is located right next to the mailbox for their wish lists.

## Light up your home!

On December 17–23, from 3 to 6 pm, come to this stall for the Peace Light of Bethlehem and some other surprises!

# Gourmet Christmas

Among the main attractions of Brno Christmas are the good food and drinks served mainly on Dominican Square. During Advent, famously successful restaurants and bistros from Brno and its surroundings will be serving food from their stalls, offering modern, unique, tasty, and varied products. If you're looking for a quiet place to eat and drink during the holiday season, this square is perfect for you.

The unconventional and fresh concept of Gourmet Christmas brings to Brno only the best tastes and aromas of Christmas, with fish and poultry dominating the menu, as has been the tradition since the interwar period. And the excellent food comes with both traditional and unconventional drinks as well as sweet desserts, and visitors can even pick up some tasty gifts to take home.

Want to try carp fries with punch from the U Čápa pub? Or you can choose some other fish at Fish & Chips, warm up with a cup of excellent mulled wine from the Just Wine winery, taste a hot strudel drink or Aperol Spritz from the Mandarin bar or warm mixed drinks from the Jägermeister bar. Come taste exotic curry and kimchi soup or home-made meat specialties from the Samsara farm. Of course, there's Turbomošt® and popular Hromek mead, and the Ježíškův bar has hot chocolate, various coffee drinks, mulled wine, and a selection of desserts. Have a sweet tooth? Come enjoy American Christmas with donuts and minidonuts by Funky Donuts.

**Attention please! This year, you can enjoy good food and drinks on Dominican Square even after Christmas, as the markets remain open until December 28.**

# Returnable cups

Brno was the first Czech city to introduce a **system of returnable cups** at Christmas markets. You can enjoy your favourite drinks from an eco-friendly returnable cup or mug, once again decorated with original Christmas motifs! All the stalls sell their drinks in returnable cups.

**All the stalls** sell their drinks in returnable cups.

**When buying another drink,** you will always get a clean cup/mug in return for the one you return.

**When leaving the markets,** you can return the cup at any stand serving drinks and get the deposit back.



Do you like the returnable cups? Then do not return them and take them home as a souvenir.

At Brno Christmas, you can drink from two types of returnable cups – a ceramic mug (70 CZK) and a plastic cup (50 CZK).

# Our Baby Jesus, the patron of Brno Christmas

For the third year in a row, Our Baby Jesus is the patron of Brno Christmas.

Our traditional Baby Jesus is depicted on the returnable mugs and cups and comes together with our favourite Advent and Christmas characters, popular songs, traditions, and folk customs.

**Let's enjoy Christmas!  
Baby Jesus is here with us!**





**Authentic** – the pleasant atmosphere of the Moravian capital, with its friendly inhabitants and local specialties.

**Design** – light design and original, quality Christmas gifts by our famous designers.

**Ecological** – our system of returnable cups and mugs saves 190 thousand litres (3,800 trash cans) of waste.

**Gourmet** – modern, unique, tasty, and varied menus of restaurants and bistros from Brno and its surroundings.

**Charitable** – helping people in need at Rudolf Těsnohlídek's Christmas tree on Freedom Square.

**Local** – local gourmet as well as design specialties, including Turbomošt®, that you can't get anywhere else in the world.

**Innovative** – come make new friends and discover various tastes, aromas, music, virtual reality, videomapping, and more.

**Family** – a special program for families and children, including workshops and a popular Christmas farm.

**Global** – the Christmas markets in Brno are being compared to those in Vienna more and more every year, and we're aiming even higher than that.

**Traditional** – a nativity scene by woodcarver Halouzka and Our Baby Jesus, a traditional partner of Brno Christmas.

**Lively** – both planned and accidental meetings and more than just Christmas melodies at dozens of live concerts in this UNESCO Creative City of Music.

# Brno at Christmas

## Advent tower of the Old Town Hall

Enjoy the Christmas atmosphere of the Brno downtown and a view of the lit streets from the top of the Old Town Hall tower.

Mon–Thu 2–8 pm

Fri 12–10 pm

Sat 10 am – 10 pm

Sun 10 am – 8 pm

## Minibus tours

Get on a heated minibus and join the tour!

When? **On Saturdays and Sundays.**

Where to? **To see many of Brno's villas.**

**Nov 24–25, Dec 1–2, 8–9, 15–16 at 10 am and 1 pm**

## Advent walks

Join TIC BRNO guides and explore the city full of Christmas decorations and fully enjoy the holiday season.

## Walking through Brno in Advent

Saturdays on **Dec 1, 8, 15, and 22** at **4 pm** at the Old Town Hall

## Brno nativity scenes

Thursday **Dec 27**, at **4 pm** at St James Church

## Brno underground

Descend into the Brno underground to experience a mysterious Christmas atmosphere. Brno Underground – Labyrinth under the Vegetable Market and The Ossuary at the Church of St James.

Tickets and information at [www.ticbrno.cz](http://www.ticbrno.cz), in TO JE BRNO IC at Panenská 1, and in Pod krokodýlem IC at Radnická 8.

## The Christmas tram (šalina)

The word šalina stands for a popular form of transport in Brno (a tram) and is the best-known word in the local dialect. Šalina is a legend, an icon, and you couldn't even get through Brno Christmas without it. The Christmas šalina is the only means of transport by which you can regularly get through the crowds in the centre without making them angry. Its Advent decorations light smiles on the faces of passersby and everyone wants a picture. How about first taking a ride? Christmas shouldn't only be about shopping but also shared experiences. So catch a Christmas šalina and experience the most celebratory ride available in public transport.



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