Merry Weihnachten, y’all!

Mix an Old World German Christmas with warm Texas hospitality, and what you get is Christmastime in Fredericksburg, a month-long celebration of the holiday season. Whether it’s our beautiful light-filled Marktplatz with its hand-carved, 26-foot tall, wooden Christmas pyramid, or events like the annual Tannenbaum Ball, or the nostalgic and gaily decorated shops filled with one-of-a-kind treasures, you’ll find the whole town decked out in its holiday finest. Why, there’s even an ice skating rink! Join us. In our historic Fredericksburg. For a Fröhliche Weihnachten you’ll never forget. ★

Warm Up Your Kreditkarte

And get ready to shop! Because tucked away in over 150 shops, art galleries and boutiques, you’ll find creations by a variety of local artists. Women’s fashion ranging from vintage and hand-sewn to upscale contemporary. A staggering collection of home décor. Antiques, Western wear, antiquarian and Texana books. Gourmet food. Several shops selling award-winning wine from local wineries. You’ll find something for everyone on your list, including yourself!

You’ll have to remind yourself. I’m shopping for others.... I’m shopping for others.... I’m shopping for others....

Historisch Holidays

Take a trip back in time this holiday season! Visit the Lyndon B. Johnson State Park and Historic Site and attend the Christmas Tree Lighting and Evening Tour to get a unique opportunity to visit with the family of the late President and see how early German settlers decorated for the season at the Sauer-Beckmann Living History Farm. Or head into town and let the kids play at the Pioneer Museum’s Kinderfest — where children can experience holiday customs from generations past.
Architektur & Home Tour

Main Street becomes a veritable picture postcard with its magnificent lighting display dotting the silhouette of our historic shopping area. Venture out beyond Main St. by car or horse-drawn carriage, and you’ll see many historic homes “dressed” for the season, too. But don’t stop there. You can even go inside some of Fredericksburg’s most beautiful residences during the annual Christmas Home Tour—an experience on the wish list of any Architektur or design lover.

Theater, Entertainment & Musik

If entertainment is on your wish list, then you won’t be disappointed. From spectacular chorale concerts and theater productions to honky tonk dances, there’s something to suit everyone in your group. There’s even a live—and quite moving—drive-through play depicting the Biblical Christmas Journey. In fact, the best gift of the season just might be the calendar on back. Read. Plan. Enjoy. And hold your Applaus till the end.

Tannenbaum & Parade

On November 27th, you won’t want to miss the official lighting ceremony of our genuine German pyramid and community Christmas tree on our Main Street Marktplatz. It’s wunderbar! Then, on December 4th, take in the annual Light the Night Christmas Parade! It’s enough to jump-start anyone’s holiday cheer. This evening parade filled with floats, music, lights and fun provides plenty of picture perfect moments for the whole family. Just smile and say “Käse”!

Wein Trail and Food

Forget milk and cookies for Santa. How about wine and cheese! Celebrate the season with our many local wineries during the Holiday Wine Trail. Tastings, tours and special holiday entertainment abound during this time of year. And don’t forget Fredericksburg’s unique culinary diversity. You can savor authentic German cuisine or more adventurous fare such as seared duck breast with ginger/orange glaze. Tender steaks. And very naughty desserts. Guten Appetit!
Ongoing Holiday Events

11/27–1/1 Texas Hill Country Regional Christmas Lighting Trail – various communities; self-guided tour
(830) 997-8515
www.tex-fest.com

11/27–1/2 Eisbahn in Fredericksburg (outdoor ice skating rink) – Marktplatz
Mon.–Thurs. 4pm–8pm; Fri.–Sat. and School Holidays 10am–10pm; Sun. 1pm–8pm; Closed Christmas Eve & Christmas Day; Closes at 2pm on New Year’s Eve.
www.skateinfred.com

Ongoing Holiday Shows at Rockbox
Check the website below for the show schedule for Rockbox Theater this holiday season.
(830) 997-ROCK
www.rockboxtheater.com

Thanksgiving Weekend

11/27 Annual Lighting of Community Christmas Tree and German Pyramid Marktplatz – 7pm
(830) 997-6523

11/27–29 Fredericksburg Trade Days
7 miles east of Fbg. on Hwy. 290
Fri.–Sat. 9am–6pm; Sun. 9am–4pm.
(830) 990-4900
www.fbgtradedays.com

11/27–29 The Peddler Show – Gillespie County Fairgrounds
Fri. noon–8pm; Sat. 9am–6pm; Sun. 11am–4pm
(800) 775-2774
www.peddlershow.com/fbgnov

11/28 Holiday Cookie Decorating & German Traditions at Sauer-Beckmann Living History Farm – Lyndon B. Johnson State Park and Historic Site, Stonewall
10am–3pm
(830) 644-2252
www.tpwd.state.tx.us/state-parks/lyndon-b-johnson

11/28 Thanksgiving Dance with Roger Creager – Luckenbach Dance Hall
Doors at 7pm; Show at 8:30pm.
(830) 997-3224
www.luckenbachtexas.com

11/28–29 Chuckwagon Dinner, Breakfast and Cowboy Church at the Texas Rangers Heritage Center
1618 E. US Hwy. 90
Sat. 6pm, Chuckwagon Dinner
Sun. 8am, Breakfast and Cowboy Church
(830) 542-1100
www.trhc.org/news--events.html

Fredericksburg shopkeepers get into the holiday spirit with decorations galore — which creates a picturesque shopping ambiance for you.
December

12/4  First Friday Art Walk Fredericksburg
     Fine art galleries in historic district
     Open until 8pm
     (830) 997-6523
     www.ffawf.com

12/4  Light the Night Christmas Parade
     and AfterGlow – Main Street
     6:30pm
     (830) 997-6523
     www.fredericksburg-texas.com

12/4  Fredericksburg Theater Company
     Classic Christmas Cinema
     “Scrooge: The Musical”
     7:30pm
     (830) 997-3588
     www.fredericksburgtheater.org

12/4–20  2015 Christmas Wine Affair
     Participating wineries
     Normal winery hours
     www.texaswinetrail.com

12/5  Holiday Home Tour
     Historical homes and buildings
     11am–5pm
     (830) 990-8441
     www.pioneermuseum.net

12/5  Kinderfest (Children’s Festival)
     Pioneer Museum Complex
     10am
     (830) 990-8441
     www.pioneermuseum.net

12/5  Fredericksburg Theater Company
     “The 4 Proches: The Road
     Less Traveled”
     7:30pm
     (830) 997-3588
     www.fredericksburgtheater.org

12/5  Fredericksburg Chorale Christmas
     Concert – St. Joseph’s Halle
     3pm and 7pm
     (830) 997-6869
     www.fredericksburgchorale.com

12/11–12  Bethany Lutheran Church Christmas
          Journey – Church Parking Lot
          6pm–8:30pm
          (830) 997-2069
          www.bethanyfredericksburg.com

12/11–20  Fredericksburg Theater Company
          “A Tuna Christmas”
          Thu.–Sat. 7:30pm; Sun. 2pm
          (830) 997-3588
          www.fredericksburgtheater.org

12/12  St. Joseph’s Halle Craft Sale
     St. Joseph’s Halle
     9am–5pm
     (512) 355-9041

12/12  Tannenbaum Ball
     St. Mary’s Holy Family Center
     7pm–11:30pm
     (830) 990-8441
     www.pioneermuseum.net

12/14  Canto Chamber Choir
     Christmas Concert
     Hill Country Evangelical Church
     7:30pm
     (830) 998-0898

Attend the annual lighting ceremony of
our Community Christmas Tree and
German Pyramid on our Marktplatz
right in the center of town.
12/18–20  Fredericksburg Trade Days  
7 miles east of Fbg. on Hwy. 290  
Fri.–Sat. 9am–6pm;  
Sun. 9am–4pm  
(830) 990-4900  
www.fbgtradedays.com

12/19  Luckenbach Christmas Ball  
with Gary P. Nunn  
Luckenbach Dance Hall  
Doors at 7pm; Show at 8pm.  
(830) 997-3224  
www.luckenbachtexas.com

12/20  46th Annual LBJ Tree Lighting –  
Lyndon B. Johnson State Park  
and Historic Site, Stonewall  
6pm  
(830) 644-2252  
www.tpwd.state.tx.us/state-parks/lyndon-b-johnson

12/22–23  Fredericksburg Theater Company  
“The English Brother’s Cowboy Christmas”  
7:30pm both shows.  
(830) 997-3588  
www.fredericksburgtheater.org

12/24  Christmas Eve Services  
Various churches around town

12/26  Boxing Day – Becker Vineyards  
10am–4:30pm  
(830) 644-2681  
www.beckervineyards.com

12/26  Zweite Weihnachten  
Fellowship Hall, Historical Society Building  
2pm  
(830) 997-7928

12/26  Candlelight Tour  
Pioneer Museum  
5:30pm  
(830) 990-8441  
www.pioneermuseum.net

12/31  Luckenbach New Year’s Eve Dance  
with Thomas Michael Riley  
Luckenbach Dance Hall  
8pm  
(830) 997-3224  
www.luckenbachtexas.com

12/31  Turner Club New Year’s Eve Dance  
Turner Club  
Doors at 7pm. Dance at 8:30pm.  
(830) 997-2204

12/31  USO Style Hanger Dance  
Hangar Hotel  
8–9pm Swing Dance Lessons  
9pm–12:30am Dancing  
155 Airport Road  
(830) 997-9990  
www.hangarhotel.com

12/31  Memorial Volkssport Walk  
St. Joseph’s Hall  
Register from 11am–2pm  
(830) 980-5723

1/1  Midnight Volkssport Walk  
St. Joseph’s Halle  
Register from 11pm–midnight 12/31  
(830) 980-5723