

Fredericksburg

THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

Christmas & Holiday Guide 2012



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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 and bustling St. Nikolausmarkt 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....
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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.

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Architektur & Home Tour

Main St. 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.



Glide on the ice or slip into a theater seat for a genuine Hill Country Christmas!

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 and a rockin' Santa performing Motown hits, 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.

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Parade & Markt

On December 7th, you won't want to miss the annual Christmas Parade and St. Nikolausmarkt. It's enough to jump-start anyone's holiday cheer. This evening parade filled with floats, music, lights and St. Nikolaus is only trumped by the authentic German festival that follows—a bustling market filled with German crafts, food, music and more. Get a picture with the whole family in front of the German Christmas Pyramid. Just smile and say "Käse"!

Make a new tradition of family fun!



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!*

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ONGOING HOLIDAY EVENTS

**Every weekend November 16
through December 24**

Rockbox Theater's Christmas Show

Fridays & Saturdays at 4:30 & 8pm

(No 4:30 show on Nov. 22)

Sundays at 1:30pm; Thursday shows on

Nov. 29, December 6, 13 and 20 at 7pm.

Show at 1:30pm on Dec. 24. No show on Dec. 25.

Call to confirm schedule and reserve tickets.

Reservations recommended.

(830) 997-ROCK

www.rockboxtheater.com

11/23–12/22 St. Nick's Christmas Tree Farm

Choose-n-cut that perfect Christmas tree from a field of thousands just 12.5 miles off Fredericksburg's Main Street on the Llano Hwy. Please call (830) 685-3412 for more information.

Sat. & Sun. 10am–5:30pm

Weekdays noon–5:30pm

Closed Mon. and Tues. (or by appt. only)

**11/23–1/1 Texas Hill Country Regional
Christmas Lighting Trail – various
communities; self-guided tour**

(830) 997-8515

www.tex-fest.com

**11/23–1/6 Eisbahn in Fredericksburg (outdoor
ice skating rink) – Marktplatz**

Mon.–Thurs. 4pm–8pm; Fri.–Sat.

and School Holidays 10am–10pm;

Sun. 1pm–8pm; Closed Christmas day

www.skateinfred.com

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND

23

**Annual Lighting of Community
Christmas Tree and German Pyramid
Marktplatz 7pm**

(830) 997-6523

- 23 **Thanksgiving Friday Dance at Pat's Hall
with Darrell McCall**
Doors at 7pm; Show at 8pm.
(830) 997-7574
www.patshall.com
- 23–25 **Fredericksburg Trade Days**
7 miles east of Fbg. on Hwy. 290
Fri.–Sat. 9am–6pm;
Sun. 9am–4pm
(830) 990-4900
www.fbgtradedays.com
- 23–25 **The Peddler Show – Gillespie
County Fairgrounds**
Fri. noon–8pm; Sat. 9am–6pm;
Sun. 11am–4pm
(800) 775-2774
www.peddlershow.com/fbgfall
- 24 **Thanksgiving Dance – Luckenbach
Texas with the Robison Family**
Doors at 8pm; Show at 9pm.
(830) 997-3224
www.luckenbachtexas.com
- 24 **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](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/state-parks/lyndon-b-johnson)
- 30 **Fredericksburg Chorale Christmas
Concert — St. Joseph's Halle**
7pm
(830) 997-6869
www.fredericksburgchorale.com

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- 11/30–12/2, **Holiday Wine Trail (Hill Country)**
7–9, **various wineries**
14–16 normal winery hours
www.texaswinetrail.com
- 1 **Christmas Home Tour**
historical homes and buildings
noon–6pm
(830) 990-8441
www.pioneermuseum.net

- 1 **Fredericksburg Chorale Christmas Concert – St. Joseph’s Halle**
3pm and 7pm
(830) 997-6869
www.fredericksburgchorale.com
- 7 **First Friday Art Walk Fredericksburg fine art galleries in historic district**
Open until 8pm
(830) 997-6523
www.firstfriday-fbg.blogspot.com
- 7 **Community Christmas Parade Main Street**
6:30pm
(830) 997-6523
www.fredericksburg-texas.com
- 7 **St. Nikolausmarkt (Christmas Market) – Marktplatz**
Fri. 3pm–11pm
(830) 997-6523
www.stnikolausmarkt.com
- 8 **St. Joseph’s Craft Sale St. Joseph’s Halle**
Fri.–Sat. 9am–5pm
(512) 355-9041
- 8 **Tannenbaum Ball St. Mary’s Event Center**
7pm–11:30pm
(830) 990-8441
www.pioneermuseum.net
- 8 **Kinderfest (Children’s Festival) Pioneer Museum Complex**
1:30pm
(830) 990-8441
www.pioneermuseum.net
- 13–23 **Fredericksburg Theater Company’s “The 1940’s Radio Hour” 1668 Highway 87 South**
Fri.–Sat. 7:30pm; Sun. 2pm
(830) 997-3588
www.fredericksburgtheater.org
- 14–15 **Bethany Lutheran Church Christmas Journey – Church Parking Lot**
6pm–8:30pm
(830) 997-2069
www.bethanyfredericksburg.com
- 14–16 **Fredericksburg Trade Days 7 miles east of Fbg. on Hwy. 290**
Fri.–Sat. 9am–6pm;
Sun. 9am–4pm
(830) 990-4900
www.fbgtradedays.com



Drive through the live production of *The Christmas Journey*, performed by Bethany Lutheran Church.

- 15 **Christmas Party Dance at Pat's Hall with Blue Clear Sky featuring Johnny Rodriguez**
Doors at 7pm; Show at 8pm.
(830) 997-7574
www.patshall.com
- 16 **43rd Annual LBJ Tree Lighting – A Centennial Year of Celebration in Honor of Lady Bird's 100th Birthday Lyndon B. Johnson State Park and Historic Site, Stonewall**
6pm
(830) 644-2252
www.tpwd.state.tx.us/state-parks/lyndon-b-johnson
- 22 **Luckenbach Christmas Ball with Gary P. Nunn**
Doors at 8pm; Show at 9pm.
(830) 997-3224
www.luckenbachtexas.com
- 24 **Christmas Eve Services**
various churches around town
- 25 **Christmas Night Dance at Pat's Hall with the Bo Porter Band**
Doors at 7pm; Show at 8pm.
(830) 997-7574
www.patshall.com
- 26 **Boxing Day – Becker Vineyards**
10am–5pm
(830) 644-2681
www.beckervineyards.com

26 **Zweite Weihnachten – Fellowship Hall,
Historical Society Building**
2pm–5pm
(830) 990-4621

26–31 **Auslander Winter Fest
Live Music Concerts**
(830) 997-7714
www.theauslander.com

NEW YEAR'S EVE

27–31 **Rockbox Theater's New Year's Show**
Dec. 27 at 7pm; Dec. 28 at 8pm;
Dec. 29 at 4:30 and 8pm; Dec. 30
at 2pm; Dec. 31 at 8pm.
Call to confirm schedule and to reserve
tickets. Reservations recommended.
(830) 997-ROCK
www.rockboxtheater.com



Attend the annual lighting ceremony of our
Community Christmas Tree and German
Pyramid on our Marktplatz
right in the center of town.

31 **New Year's Eve Party at Pat's Hall
with Johnny Bush**
Dinner at 7pm; Show at 8pm.
(830) 997-7574
www.patshall.com

31 **Stonewall New Year's Eve Dance**
Stonewall Chamber Hall
9pm–1am
(830) 644-2735
www.stonewalltexas.com

31 **Luckenbach New Year's Eve Dance
with Dale Watson**
Luckenbach Dance Hall
8pm
(830) 997-3224
www.luckenbachtexas.com

- 31 **Turner Club New Year's Eve Dance**
Turner Club – 103 W. Travis
8:30pm
(830) 997-3936
- 31 **Memorial Volkssport Walk**
Call for location and time
(210) 496-1402
www.walktexas.org
- 31 **Midnight Volkssport Walk**
212 West San Antonio Street
Reception at St. Joseph's Halle at 11pm
and walk begins at midnight – must finish
by 3:30am
(210) 496-1402
www.walktexas.org
- 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
- 31 **New Year's Eve Bash**
with Sam Bentley
Albert Dance Hall
Doors at 7pm; Band at 8:30pm
Steak dinner included or dance only ticket
(830) 644-2042
www.alberttexas.com



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Visit our website for more information about these holiday events, Fredericksburg attractions and a searchable database of all lodgings in Fredericksburg and Gillespie County. For assistance with planning a holiday group tour to Fredericksburg, please call the Fredericksburg Convention and Visitor Bureau at 866-997-3600 toll-free and ask for the sales department.