**CHRISTMAS MARKETS IN TRENTINO**

**From the Adige Valley to the Dolomites, numerous locations come to life between November and January thanks to the many festive markets that fill the air with scents of roasted chestnuts, hot chocolate, and steaming mulled wine.**

The **Trento Christmas Market** reaches its 29th edition this year and will return to animate two historic squares in the centre, Piazza Fiera, and the new Piazza Mostra, in front of the Buonconsiglio Castle entirely reserved for crafts and typical food and wine, from Saturday 18 November to Sunday 7 January 2024. The traditional wooden houses will offer the best of local craftsmanship and regional culinary specialities, with the streets and squares of the historic centre festively decorated.

During the Christmas period, the streets of **Rovereto, the “City of Peace”,** are filled with lights, sounds and words of Peace. Here too there will be the traditional market houses where you can buy local artisan products and enjoy a cup of mulled wine as well as traditional dishes and desserts. The entire historic centre will come alive from 24 November to 7 January.

**Even the baroque village of** **Ala** dresses up to the nines from 25 November to 24 December to captivate visitors thanks to the architectural beauty of its historic buildings, the artisanal offerings, and the entertainment. The buildings of the historic centre will open their doors to celebrate the excellence of local producers and wineries, of artisans and artists who will take turns every weekend offering original and quality artefacts to place under the tree. Every day travelling shows, concerts in the palace, exhibitions and interesting lantern-light guided tours will entertain visitors.

**In Avio from 25 November to 17 December the medieval castle is the centre of the marke**t, with the stands arranged in the internal garden. Four weekends and an extraordinary opening on the day of the Immaculate Conception to enjoy the flavours and traditions of Christmas in Trentino and beyond exhibitors from Vallagarina and the upper Verona area will liven up the Baronial Palace and its large courtyard with an evocative market. In addition to the traditional market, choral concerts, activities for children and guided tours will also mark the nine days of extraordinary opening.

**In the Garda Trentino area, you can choose between three distinct markets**. Habsburg atmospheres while walking through the historic centres with stops for a taste of traditional flavours. In **Arco**, in the weeks before and after Christmas, from 17 November to 7 January, you can breathe and observe all this, walking among the stalls and wooden houses that flank the church and in the main squares.

In **Riva del Garda**, the real novelty for the little ones will be the Venetian Bastion that dominates the town which from 1 December to 1 January and becomes the "Home of the Grinch", ready to steal and spoil Santa's party. But here there will be no shortage of themed shows, displays and decorations. Crossing the bridge that leads to Rocca di Riva, the North Pole supply chain awaits them with many workshops and activities dedicated to the little ones.

The Garibaldi and Battisti squares are meeting and conviviality points in every season, but from 17 November to 7 January, the "Gusto in Gusto Christmas Market" comes to life here, an invitation to indulge in pleasure on the tastiest side of Garda Trentino.

In mid-winter **the medieval village of** **Canale di Tenno** appears even more evocative. Among the narrow alleys that seem to climb the mountain slopes, the doors of the courtyards and cellars open up to welcome the stalls of an extraordinarily beautiful Christmas market. Here the shades of the works of art, the stones of the jewels and the ceramic objects handmade by local artisans and artists colour the alleys of one of the "Most Beautiful Villages in Italy". The market takes place on weekends from 25-26 November until 16-17 December.

**Another of "The Most Beautiful Villages in Italy",** **Rango**, will come alive on the weekends from 18 November to 31 December with a typical Christmas market, including agricultural tools, wooden toys and ‘peasant specialties’, to be admired where everything has remained how it was. In front of the entrance halls that once housed the stables, in the cellars where the farmers stored the products of the land and traditional cured meats, next to the fireplaces located on the external walls of the houses.

In **Ossana in Val di Sole** you can browse through the houses of the Christmas Market set up within the walls of Castel San Michele and in the Central Square from 1 December to 7 January, every weekend and every day from 24 December to 7 January. Don't miss the route from the town to the castle dedicated to around 1,600 nativity scenes, which can be visited every day from 10am to 10pm. The final destination of this fascinating route is Castello San Michele. Here you can visit a particular nativity scene created within its walls which tells of soldiers and trenches, recalling episodes that actually happened on a Christmas night during the First World War.

Further info on Trentino Christmas Markets here:  
<https://www.visittrentino.info/en/guide/christmas-markets>