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ADVENT MAGIC  
AT LAKE  
WÖRTHERSEE

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# ADVENT MAGIC at Lake Wörthersee

When the Advent markets around Lake Wörthersee open on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, one of the most magical times begins again with atmospheric music, culinary delights, and handicrafts. This year too, the lake is presented in its entirety with five attractive destinations: Velden, Pörtschach, Klagenfurt, Maria Wörth, and the Pyramidenkogel.

**Velden** becomes a **town of angels** during the Advent period. The angel post office, the angel bakery and the floating Advent wreath with its **80,000 lights** are absolute highlights during Advent in Velden. The “lakeside village” on the lakeside



**promenade in Pörtschach** can be quickly reached with the **Lake Wörthersee boat trips** and the **Advent shuttle bus**, or the S-Bahn trains. **Carinthian traditions, open fires, an Advent path of lights** or a torch-lit hike create a peaceful atmosphere.



CARINTHIA

Wörthersee  
Klagenfurt

nearly 100 m high, it is the **highest wooden viewing tower in the world.**

At night it illuminates the Advent sky, and during the day it offers a fascinating panoramic view of the wintry Carinthian lake landscape. At the foot of the viewing tower visitors are awaited by a cosy Advent market with regional craftspeople and music groups.

**Klagenfurt am Wörthersee, the southernmost provincial capital** in Austria, also celebrates the Advent and Christmas period, from its wonderful Renaissance city centre to the peaceful Lake Wörthersee as it rests in winter slumber.

While in the **pilgrimage village of Maria Wörth**, the lead-up to Christmas is marked by ecclesiastical sounds in the nearly 900-year-old winter church, the **Pyramidenkogel** landmark can be seen from far and wide. At 920 m altitude and standing

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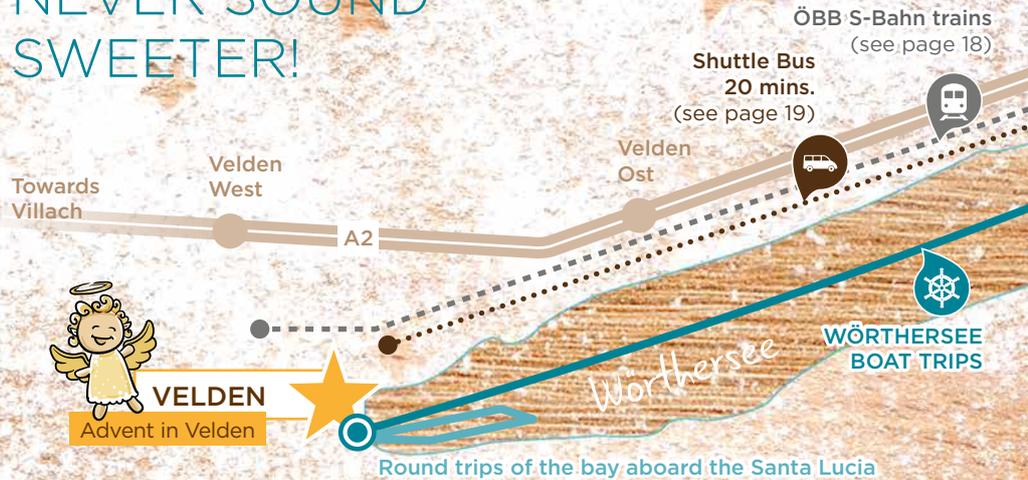
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# THE BELLS NEVER SOUND SWEETER!



The five Advent destinations - Velden, Pörtschach, Maria Wörth, Pyramidenkogel and Klagenfurt - are well-connected with one another and easy to reach with the

Advent boat, the S-Bahn trains or the shuttle buses between Velden and Pörtschach, and between Maria Wörth and the Pyramidenkogel.

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Pörschach West

Silent Advent

**PÖRSCHACH**

Round trips of the bay with the Christmas boat

Pörschach Ost

Krumpendorf

A2

Minimundus

Towards Graz, Vienna

**KLAGENFURT**

Christmas market

**KRUMPENDORF**

Wörthersee

**MARIA WÖRTH**

A romantic Advent in church

Shuttle Bus  
14 mins.  
(see page 19)

**WÖRTHERSEE  
BOAT TRIPS**

Shuttle Bus  
12 mins.

**PYRAMIDENKOGEL**

Advent above the clouds

Details, timetables and further information on pages 16-19

## VELDEN

# ADVENT IN VELDEN – a romantic Christmas fairytale

Year after year ... the vibrant Lake Wörthersee town turns into the romantic town of angels during Advent. The floating Advent wreath, the symbol of Advent in Velden, not only illuminates the bay of Velden on dark winter nights, but also brightens and warms the hearts of countless Advent visitors.

Advent in Velden – a town of angels to wonder, dream and laugh; a place of contemplation, tranquillity and tradition – a real insider tip for families!

The entire town becomes the scenery. A colourful potpourri of traditional Advent huts and handicrafts, delicious smells, such as fir wood, beeswax and mulled cider, as well as the Christmas sounds of local choirs, combine to create a distinctive symphony for the pre-Christmas period.

With its unique pre-Christmas programme for children, Advent in Velden has been delighting young and old visitors for many years. Nowhere else is the hope greater of perhaps meeting Father Christmas personally, nowhere else is the wait until Christmas more entertaining.



Hello,  
I'm the  
Velden Advent  
angel!





Don't miss  
the Velden  
Children's  
Advent

Young Advent visitors are magically drawn to the angel post office, the angel bakery and the angel craft lounge, where hardworking angels are making the most important preparations for Christmas and are pleased to have some help from the children.

The room is filled with the fragrance of freshly-baked gingerbread, real beeswax, and happy children's laughter. Countless white angel balloons disappear into the dark night sky, accompanied by hopeful gazes that the secret wishes sent to Father Christmas will soon be fulfilled. Taking time, reflecting and getting into the true spirit of Christmas - this is what Advent in Velden is all about. Also a fairytale boat trip on board the Santa Lucia, a pony ride through the magically illuminated Velden or a slow train ride are very special highlights for children.

**OPENING TIMES:**  
23.11. - 23.12.2018

**Velden Advent:**  
Fridays 3pm - 8pm  
Saturdays and Sundays  
11am - 8pm

**Children's Advent in Velden  
at the council offices:**

**Angel post office/  
Angel bakery:**  
Fridays 3pm - 7pm  
Saturdays and Sundays  
1pm - 7pm

**Angel craft lounge:**  
Saturdays and Sundays  
2pm - 6pm

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## PÖRTSCHACH

# SILENT ADVENT in Pörtschach

**The authentic “lakeside village” on the promenade in front of the Park-hotel is not only an attractive and thematic eye-catcher for the Silent Advent, but is also the central venue for numerous Carinthian Advent concerts.**

No Advent day is like another – a wide variety of folklore groups and associations create a pre-Christmas programme for guests – all typically and authentically Carinthian.

Particularly worth recommending is the romantic torch-lit walk along the peninsula to the living crib, which takes place every Saturday in Advent.

Real handicrafts and tradition are a main feature of the Silent Advent at the lakeside. From a “Krampus” parade of scary beings and a visit from St Nicholas to the small children, to the wonderful Advent songs sung by

*This year the Silent Advent on the lake promenade is connected to the illuminated Advent trail by a new path of lights!*





Carinthian choirs, which are broadcast throughout the Advent market. There is no raucous “Jingle bells” to disturb this unique Christmas atmosphere at Lake Wörthersee.

This experience for the senses is heightened by open fires and a path of lights at the lake, along the promenade.

**This year the new “sea of stars” directly in Lake Wörthersee is supplemented by a new starry path along the Advent promenade to the flower island.**



#### OPENING TIMES:

##### **Silent Advent:**

24.11. – 23.12.2018, every Friday  
3pm – 7pm, every  
Saturday and Sunday 1pm - 7pm

##### **“Krampus” parade:**

Friday 23.11. from 6pm

##### **Opening of “Silent Advent at the Lakeside”:**

Saturday 24.11. from 4.30pm

##### **Magician and fire show:**

Every Friday from 5pm  
for all the family

##### **Advent songs – sung by various choirs:**

Every Friday to Sunday from  
4.30pm

##### **Advent boat with message in a bottle:**

Every Saturday and  
Sunday 2pm - 4pm

##### **Advent boat trip on the Christmas boat through the sea of stars:**

Every Saturday and  
Sunday 4pm - 7pm

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Tip!  
Advent boat  
trip through the  
sea of stars



## KLAGENFURT

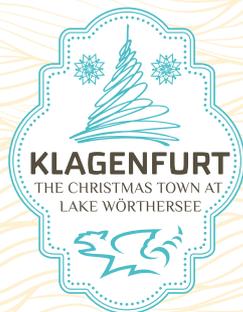
# CHRISTMAS CAPITAL at Lake Wörthersee

**Austria's southernmost provincial capital celebrates Advent and the Christmas period at various locations between its beautiful Renaissance city centre and Lake Wörthersee.**

### MODERN CHRISTMAS

THE CHRISTMAS MARKET ON NEUER PLATZ

This year, Austria's best-known story-teller - Folke Tegetthoff - has written stories for the Christmas market in front of Klagenfurt's town hall, which tell of traders, grilled sausages and fragrant frankincense and can be read in the magical fairytale corner on the Neuer Platz and on the "City Guide Klagenfurt" Christmas app.



Via a ramp the photo point at the Lindwurm - the emblem of the city - can be reached, where the heraldic animal and the Christmas tree can be snapped as a photo souvenir. Christmas stories from the Alps-Adriatic region can be read in over 20 city centre shops.

In the evenings, young and old meet in the cosy food and drink huts, to chat and warm up with hot drinks and Carinthian specialities.





Fairytales,  
concerts,  
traditions, and  
much more!



## TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS

THE CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE ON DOMPLATZ

On Domplatz childhood memories are awakened by baked apples, straw stars and hand-blown Christmas baubles. The sights, sounds and smells of the Cathedral Christmas market recreate the magic of the traditional Christmas that was handed down over generations.

## PEACEFUL ADVENT

CHRISTMAS SOUNDS

The arcades of one of the oldest buildings in the city, the Landhaus, set the scene for the "Peaceful Advent" with Carinthian choirs. No other province in Austria captures the special mood of Christmas time as well as Carinthia, with its songs sung by outstanding choirs.

### OPENING TIMES:

**Christmas market on Neuer Platz:**  
17.11. - 23.12. daily 10am to 8pm,  
gastronomy until 11pm, on 24.12.  
until 2pm

**New Year's Eve market:**  
27. - 31.12. daily 10am to 8pm,  
gastronomy until 11pm, on 31.12.  
gastronomy until midnight

**"Traditional Christmas"  
on Domplatz:**  
29.11. - 23.12. Thursday to Sunday  
11am to 6.30pm

### DATES:

**"Krampus" parade:**  
Saturday 1.12. 7pm

**St Nicholas on Neuer Platz:**  
Thursday 6.12. at 4pm

**Peaceful Advent:**  
**Carinthian choirs at Landhaushof:**  
7.14 and 21.12. at 6pm  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Farmers' New Year's Eve  
on Neuer Platz:**  
Sunday 30.12. from 7.30pm

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## MARIA WÖRTH

# ROMANTIC CHURCH ADVENT in Maria Wörth

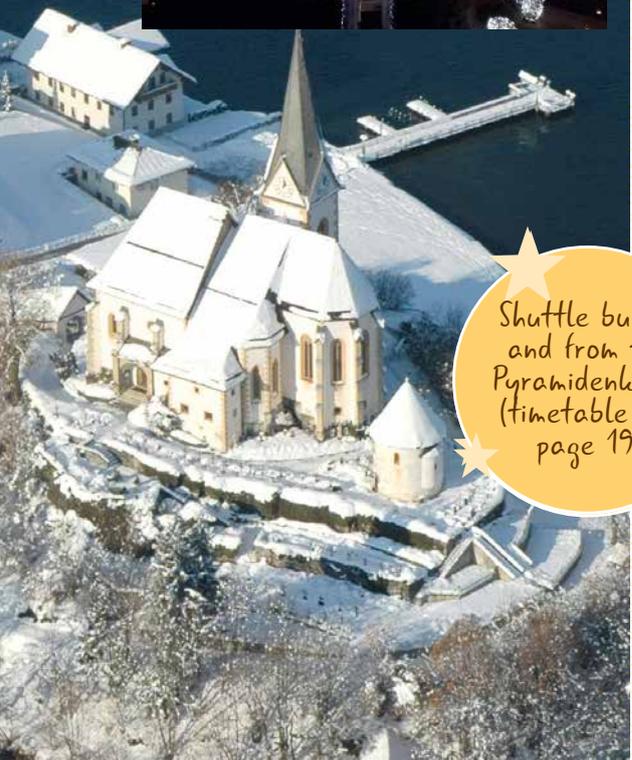
**The peninsula of Maria Wörth, located on the idyllic southern shore of Lake Wörthersee, retains its charming character with the two churches, which are located “in the middle of the lake”, and are known as “the heart of the Wörthersee”.**

*The peninsula of Maria Wörth with the nearly 900-year-old winter church is an atmospheric Advent location.*

During the Advent period, the churches also present a very romantic programme. As well as festive and atmospheric Advent concerts in the Gothic pilgrimage church, the pre-Christmas period is also reflected in the nearly 900-year-old winter church. With various programme highlights, such as Advent guided tours, choir singing and musical performances, Maria Wörth invites visitors to spend some romantic time there.

The peninsula of Maria Wörth can easily be reached by Advent boat. The shuttle bus also goes from here at regular intervals to and from the Pyramidenkogel.





Shuttle bus to and from the Pyramidenkogel (timetable see page 19)



- **Fridays** peaceful concerts in the Maria Wörth pilgrimage church
- **On Advent weekends** from midday to 8pm small romantic Advent market in Maria Wörth - LIG meadow/boat pier

**OPENING TIMES:**

**Church Advent in Maria Wörth:**

From Sat 24.11. 2.30pm - 3pm,  
3.30pm - 4pm, 4.30pm - 5pm,  
5.30pm - 6pm

**Opening of Maria Wörth:**

Saturday 24.11. 4pm

**Atmospheric Advent programme:**

Sun 25.11., Sat 1.12., Sun 2.12.,  
Sat 8.12., Sun 9.12., Sat 15.12., Sun  
16.12., Sat 22.12. and Sun 23.12.

**Church Advent guided tour by Astrid Legner:**

2.30pm - 3pm

**Advent prayers with Margot Loibneger in the winter church:**

3.30pm - 4pm

**Romantic Church Advent with regional choirs:**

4.30pm - 5pm  
and 5.30pm - 6pm

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## PYRAMIDENKOGEL

# ADVENT ABOVE THE CLOUDS

## Pyramidenkogel in the Keutschach lake valley

The landmark of the Wörthersee region which can be seen from far away, the world's highest wooden viewing tower, the Pyramidenkogel, illuminates the Advent sky in a very special way.

At 920 m altitude, visitors are awaited by a unique panoramic view of the wintry Carinthian lake landscape. The viewing platform is easily reached by panorama lift or, with a little more effort, up the stairs.

At the foot of the viewing tower visitors are awaited by a cosy, atmospheric Advent market with exceptional craftspeople and special music groups.

### The fairytale house at the Pyramidenkogel

There is lots to discover in the Christmas house specially designed for children. The Advent calendar wheel of fortune in particular will set children's eyes shining. They can also visit and stroke the donkeys and goats in the Christmas stable. And now and then llamas visit the atmospheric Advent market.

Shuttle service  
to and from  
Maria Wörth  
(boat)





Advent above the clouds –  
enjoy the Carinthian winter  
mood from above.

### **Heavenly a cappella music**

As well as traditional Christmas music, the Advent market also provides new interpretations. Blues, Soul, Jazz and Gospel are all represented here together with local choirs and groups. What makes it unique is the way the music groups mix directly with guests and sing a cappella there.

### **Advent market above the clouds**

A quality range of products is offered by the small yet impressive Advent market at Pyramidenkogel. Foodies will love the farm products such as pastries, gingerbread and baked goods of all kinds, as well as organic honey products, homemade preserves and dried fruit. Wooden products and baskets, feltwork and glass art are just a small selection from the gift ideas the market offers.



### **OPENING TIMES:**

23.11. - 23.12.2018, every  
Saturday and Sunday 11am to  
7pm, every Friday 2pm - 7pm

### **A MUSICAL SELECTION:**

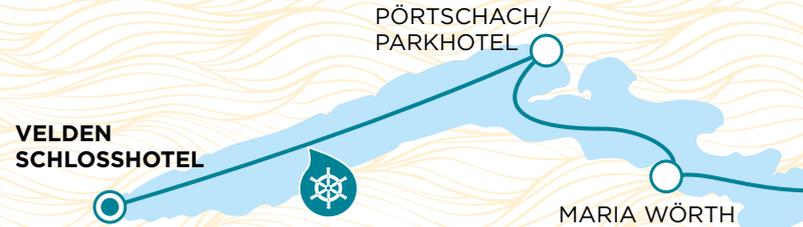
- ☞ Sax4Christmas
- ☞ Die Neffen von Tante Eleonor
- ☞ Sound of Church
- ☞ Seentalstimmen Keutschach
- ☞ Father & Suns,  
and many more

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## BOAT TRIPS

# ADVENT MAGIC on board



## ADVENT BOAT TRIPS TIMETABLE:

●	<b>KLAGENFURT</b>	DEP.	<b>11:30</b>	<b>13:00</b>	<b>14:30</b>	<b>16:00</b>	<b>17:30</b>	<b>19:00</b>
○	KRUMPENDORF	DEP.	11:40	13:10	14:40	16:10	17:40	19:10
○	MARIA WÖRTH	DEP.	12:05	13:35	15:05	16:35	18:05	19:35
○	PÖRTSCHACH PARKHOTEL	DEP.	12:20	13:50	15:20	16:50	18:20	19:50
●	<b>VELDEN SCHLOSSHOTEL</b>	ARR.	<b>12:50</b>	<b>14:20</b>	<b>15:50</b>	<b>17:20</b>	<b>18:50</b>	<b>20:15</b>
		DEP.	<b>13:00</b>	<b>14:30</b>	<b>16:00</b>	<b>17:30</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>20:15</b>
○	PÖRTSCHACH PARKHOTEL	DEP.	13:30	15:00	16:30	18:00	19:30	20:40
○	MARIA WÖRTH	DEP.	13:55	15:25	16:55	18:25	19:55	21:00
○	KRUMPENDORF	DEP.	14:15	15:45	17:15	18:45	20:15	21:20
●	<b>KLAGENFURT</b>	ARR.	<b>14:25</b>	<b>15:55</b>	<b>17:25</b>	<b>18:55</b>	<b>20:25</b>	<b>21:30</b>



## DATES:

- Saturday 24.11.
- Sunday 25.11.
- Saturday 1.12.
- Sunday 2.12.
- Saturday 8.12.
- Sunday 9.12.
- Saturday 15.12.
- Sunday 16.12.
- Saturday 22.12.
- Sunday 23.12.

KRUMPENDORF

KLAGENFURT



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### DAY TICKET

Adults	€	15
Children (6 to 15 yrs)	€	7
under 6 yrs		free
Groups (20+ pers.)	€	12
(every 21 <sup>st</sup> person goes free)		

### MULTIPLE STOP TICKET

max. 4 stops. NB: If changing boats,  
a day ticket is required.

Adults	€	10
Children (6 to 15 yrs)	€	5
under 6 yrs		free
Groups (20+ pers.)	€	9
(every 21 <sup>st</sup> person goes free)		

### COMBITICKETS

#### All-in-one ticket

#### Minimundus, Pyramidenkogel and boat trip

Adults	€	37.80
Children (6 to 15 yrs)	€	19.90

#### Pyramidenkogel & boat trip

Adults	€	22.90
Children (6 to 15 yrs)	€	10.80

#### Minimundus & boat trip

Adults	€	25.50
Children (6 to 15 yrs)	€	12.90

## ADVENT MAGIC ON THE LAKE

Wörthersee round trip  
(Klagenfurt - Velden & return)  
incl. mulled wine, mulled cider  
and alcohol-free punch, Christmas  
cookies, a portion of traditional  
smoked sausage with sauerkraut  
and bread and a small Christmas  
surprise

Adults	€	30.90
Children (6 to 15 yrs)	€	19.90

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## TRAIN

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**Train timetables and tickets available at [tickets.oebb.at](https://tickets.oebb.at), on the ÖBB App, at the ÖBB ticket machines, and ÖBB ticket offices.**



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## BUS AND SHUTTLE

# Travel safely with the ADVENT SHUTTLE!

The Advent shuttle bus brings guests comfortably from **Velden** (bus stop at Billa) to **Pörtschach** or from **Maria Wörth** (peninsula, in front of Hotel VIVAMAYR) to the **Pyramidenkogel and back**.



## TIMETABLE for all Saturdays and Sundays during Advent

### SHUTTLE BUS PÖRTSCHACH - VELDEN

○ PÖRTSCHACH / train station	DEP.	15:00	15:30	16:00	16:30	17:00	17:30	18:00	18:30
○ PÖRTSCHACH / Monte Carlo Platz	DEP.	15:01	15:31	16:01	16:31	17:01	17:31	18:01	18:31
○ TÖSCHLING / stop > Velden	DEP.	15:05	15:35	16:05	16:35	17:05	17:35	18:05	18:35
○ VELDEN / Billa	DEP.	15:15	15:45	16:15	16:45	17:15	17:45	18:15	18:45
○ TÖSCHLING / stop > Pörtschach	DEP.	15:22	15:52	16:22	16:52	17:22	17:52	18:22	18:52

### SHUTTLE BUS PYRAMIDENKOGEL - MARIA WÖRTH

○ MARIA WÖRTH	DEP.	12:15	14:05	15:35	17:05	18:35			
○ PYRAMIDENKOGEL	ARR.	12:40	14:30	16:00	17:30	19:00			
○ PYRAMIDENKOGEL	DEP.	12:45	14:35	16:05	17:35	19:05			
○ MARIA WÖRTH	ARR.	13:10	15:00	16:30	18:00	19:30			

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