



## Market in your diary

With only four weeks until Christmas, it's the perfect time to start shopping for gifts and where better than one of London's festive markets?

HERE'S MetroTravel's pick of the markets – and advice on how to get there.

### Christmas in Leicester Square

#### Open now

This famous square in central London has been transformed into a wonderland. Expect traditional stalls, handcrafted gifts and warming food and drink. If you're visiting with little ones, be sure to head over to Santa's grotto where children can meet the man in red himself.

**Nearest station:** Leicester Square (Northern and Piccadilly lines) and Piccadilly Circus (Bakerloo and Piccadilly lines)

### Winter Wonderland

#### Open now

This winter event in Hyde Park (pictured) is back for its eleventh year and is as popular as ever. Tick off your present list as you stroll through the Bavarian-style markets. Then head to the giant observation wheel for panoramic views across the capital, watch a cabaret show with the family and top off the day with a twirl on the ice rink.

**Nearest stations:** Hyde Park Corner (Piccadilly line) and Marble Arch (Central line). The stations closest to Hyde Park are expected to be busier than usual so visitors are advised to use alternative stations and walk.



### Greenwich Market

#### Open now

Find your perfect pressie at this covered market which is open every day until Christmas Eve. There are more than 150 stalls to explore, selling crafts, jewellery, fashion, antiques and more.

**Nearest station:** Greenwich (National Rail and DLR)

### Kingston Christmas Market

#### Open now

The twinkly wooden cabins at this annual market are packed with goodies, arts, crafts and decorations. Look out for the Candy Cane Forest – a children's fairground with festive fun.

**Nearest station:** Kingston (National Rail)

### Christmas by the river

#### From Thursday

For a spot of scenic shopping, visit the London Bridge City Christmas Market. It's located along The Queen's Walk from Hay's Galleria and London Bridge City Pier to The Scoop at More London. Enjoy stunning views of the Thames as you browse magical wooden cabins selling bespoke gifts and enjoy lots of festive food and drink.

**Nearest station:** London Bridge (Jubilee and Northern lines)

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### Oxford Street Closes December 17

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