

Christmas Events in Chester 2008

Christmas Lights Switch On

Thursday 13 November 6pm
Join Chester's Lord Mayor Cllr Brian Bailey officially launching Christmas in Chester with a parade around the city.

Frost Fair

27 November – 11 January
Chester Zoo opens its ice rink, craft stalls and of course Father Christmas will be there to welcome you.

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November tbc

Chester Lantern Parades

Thursday 20 & 27 November 7pm
Starting from the Cathedral and winding around the City Centre. School children parade with their hand made lanterns.

Italian Market

November dates tbc
Returning by popular demand to Chester Town Hall Square between 9am and 5pm.

Local Cheshire Producers Christmas Market

Wednesday 3 December
A special market in Town Hall Square, offering some of the finest fresh fruit, vegetables, dairy products, fish and meats. Open 9am to 4pm

Continental Christmas Market

December 6 – 21 tbc
Another Christmas favourite, back in the Town Hall Square. From tasty bites and warming drinks to gifts and presents.

Winter Watch Parades

Thursday 4 & 11 December 7pm
Chester's Lord of Misrule leads his mediaeval parade of cooks, devils, angels and assorted revellers around the city centre.

A Medieval Christmas

Saturday 6 December
Medieval pilgrims visit Chester Cathedral Chapter House for the festive season; with music, mumming plays and much more.

Something Wishful

Friday 12th December
The spectacular closing celebration for Cheshire's Year of Gardens 2008. Based on the Thai, Loy Krathong or floating candle ceremony, on and around the River Dee.

A Tudor Christmas

Saturday 13 December
Help us prepare for Christmas with characters from a Tudor household, and see how herbal remedies were used to keep people hale and hearty. Stanley Palace, Watergate Street

Silent Night - Theatre in the Quarter

December tbc

Christmas Walking Tours

December
Fun filled look at customs, origins and traditions of Chester's festive season.

Ice Sculptures

December tbc

Carols & Concerts

There are Carol Services and Concerts across Chester throughout November and December.

Christmas Shopping Times

From Thursday 13 November the following shops will be open until 6pm each night of the week and until 9pm each Thursday

- Marks and Spencer -
- Boots -
- New Look -
- Next -
- Debenhams -

The Grosvenor Shopping Centre will open from 1 December onwards.