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## Double S Travel Worldchoice - Celebrating Twenty Three Years of service to residents and businesses in the South Bedfordshire area 1985 – 2008

### Christmas Markets.

#### What are they like?

Mulled wine, cheeses, puddings, stollen, Christmas decorations, local crafts, hot food, fairground rides, choirs, bands

#### Where are they held?

### UK

**Lincoln** 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. 250,000 visitor every year.

Started in 1982 with 14 stalls in the Castle Square, now has 300 stalls, funfair and eateries. Get there early as crowds and traffic can be a problem particularly on Saturday and Sunday.

**Bath** 27<sup>th</sup> Nov – 7<sup>th</sup> Dec

Held in the area between Bath Abbey and the Roman baths. 123 traditional wooden chalets adorn the streets offering handmade and unusual gifts, decorations and food.

**Winchester** 27<sup>th</sup> Nov – 14<sup>th</sup> Dec

80 log-chalets surrounding an outdoor ice-rink with Winchester Cathedral as the backdrop. No entry charge.

**Bury St Edmunds** 28<sup>th</sup> Nov – 30<sup>th</sup> Nov

16,000 people visited last year and over 150 stalls. Large continental style market and entertainers including traditional fairground 'Gallopers'.

**York** 27<sup>th</sup> Nov – 30<sup>th</sup> Nov

St Nicholas Faye is Yorks biggest open-air Christmas Market, crafts, jewellery, pottery, dolls, game, local cheeses, mulled wine etc.

### Europe

**Germany**

-**Aachen**, 1.5million visitors every year. Fresh pastries straight from the oven.

-**Berlin**, the market is in the Kurfuestendam.

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- Cochen, A picture-postcard town of half-timbered houses and a pleasant riverside promenade. Add to this a Christmas market and....
- Cologne. A floating market aboard a cruise ship moored on the promenade.
- Dresden.
- Duesseldorf. Christmas market is in the old-town of 150 stalls.
- Frankfurt. Held on Rathausplatz and attracts 3m visitors.
- Friburg. On Rathausplatz in the heart of the historic quarter.
- Goslar. In the beautiful market square of this historic imperial town
- Hamelin. 70 wooden chalets clustered around the Market Church in the old quarter.
- Hannover. In the old quarter on the Ballhofplatz. 150 stalls.
- Heidelberg. 140 stalls, with views of the castle.
- Koblenz. On the Zentralplatz where the Rhine and the Moselle meet.
- Munich**. Bavaria's capital, 14 century breweries. Market takes place in Marienplatz in the shadow of the grand Town Hall.
- Nuremberg. Christkindlemarkt, 2m visitors. 200 stalls.

#### Belgium

- Brussels. Musicians, jugglers, painters, crafts, food all round the Stock Exchange and the Fish Market.

#### Austria

- Innsbruck. A Christmas Market and an Alpine town.
- Salzburg. A truly romantic setting and a market set around the baroque cathedral.

#### France

- Amiens. One of the largest in northern France sees Amiens transformed into an 'alpine town'.

#### Czech Republic

- Prague**. The festivities are centred on the Old Town Square and feature bohemian glass Christmas decorations, ornaments and jewellery. Carols sung by international choirs.

#### Holland

- Valkenburg**. Set in the Gemeentegrot caves that were excavated by the romans. These grottos are truly atmospheric.

### What do they cost?

Dusseldorf, 4 days from £169

Brussels Valkenburg and Brugges 4 days from £195

By Eurostar to Brussels, 4 nights from £229

6 day Austrian Tyrol, featuring Innsbruck, Salzburg, Kufstein from £219.

For ladies only, 4 days Christmas markets Rheine cruise from £259

5 days Fly to Cologne/Bonn with 4 nights on board a Rheine cruiser taking in Koblenz, Cologne and Rhudesheim. From £469, or by coach from £275.

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By Eurostar and High Speed Train to Cologne, 4 days from £299.

For single travellers there is a special Rhine and Moselle valleys tour to Koblenz, Cochem, Rudesheim and Berkastel. 4 days from £365

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