

Press Release

Weimar's Traditional Side - Markets and Festivals

Weimar. Weimar shows off its traditional side at various events throughout the year: Whether it is the over 370-year-old Onion Market in the fall, the wine festival for Goethe's birthday or the pottery market in September, Weimar is steeped in tradition. We also recommend the daily Farmer's Market, especially from Wednesday to Saturday, when the most vegetable farmers and florists offer their fresh products in front of the town hall.

Easter Market

March 23 + 24, 2024

Grouped around the decorated Neptune Fountain on Market Square, artisans and marketers set the mood for the upcoming Easter holiday, offering inspiring ideas for spring decorations and Easter gifts.

Flower Market

May 19, 2024

Back in the day, flowering ornamentals and exotic plants delighted the ducal court and many of Goethe's contemporaries. It was a fashionable hobby to trade the rarest varieties. Upholding that tradition, the region's nurseries offer a magnificent selection to attract visitors to the flower market to the present day.

Wine Festival

August 29 - September 1, 2024

Every year around Goethe's birthday on August 28, the wine festival is celebrated on Frauenplan opposite Goethe's home. Winegrowers travel from all over Germany to complement the local suppliers.

Pottery Market

September 7 and 8, 2024 / September 6 and 7, 2025

Potters from Thuringia and beyond offer their precious wares for sale on the market square, where they also demonstrate their craft. The diversity of the assortment has become the trademark of the Weimar pottery market with more than 40 stands on Market Square.

371st Weimar Onion Market

October 11 - 13, 2024 / October 10 - 12, 2025

For three days, Weimar is "all about onions": piled on savory cake, pan-fried, woven in braids, in flower arrangements and crafted into the crown of the Onion Market Queen. The Heldrungen onion farmers dominate the traditional market activities with their decorative onion-braids, dried bouquets, and onion figurines. For three days, a wide spectrum of music performed live on multiple stages provides entertainment for all.

Weimar Christmas

November 26, 2024 to January 5, 2025 / November 25, 2025 to January 4, 2026

When Weimar's historic center is aglow with lights at dusk, skaters race swiftly around the ice rink at the foot of the Goethe and Schiller monument and the scent of candied almonds mingles with mulled wine spices, then Christmas has begun in Weimar. The four oldest squares in the city center are transformed into a Christmas market. Market Square, Frauenplan and Herder Square invite you to linger and enjoy the surroundings, while Theater Square offers lively music, ice-skating, and a cozy atmosphere.