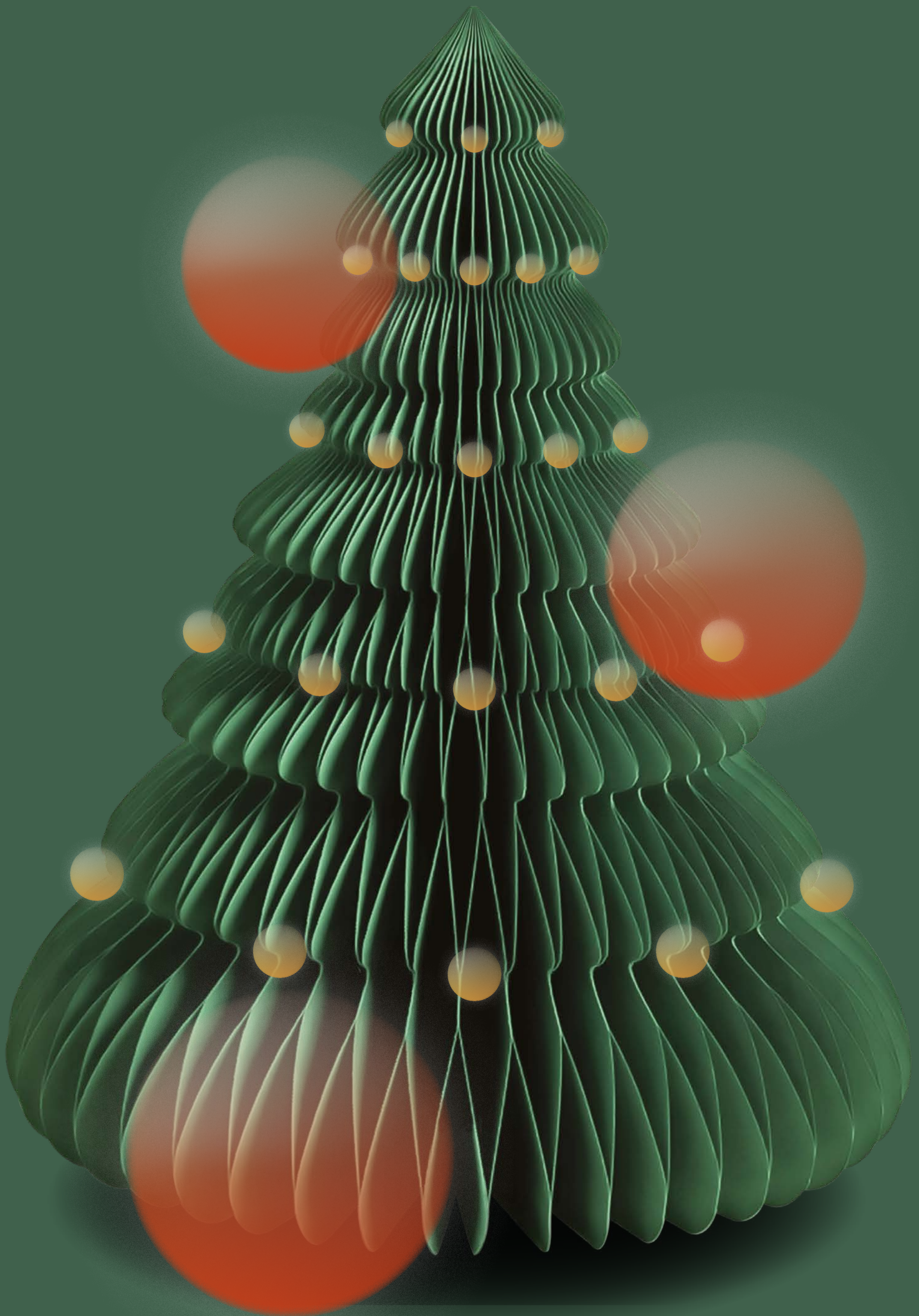


HAPPY HOLIDAYS

2023



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CHRISTMAS IN PORTO SHINES AGAIN (EVEN BRIGHTER) IN THE CITY CENTRE

The magic of Christmas embraces the city with colour, light, and lots of joy once again. Every year, around this time, we are again involved with a spirit that cannot be explained, it can only be felt. After a Christmas Palace created in Jardins do Palácio de Cristal in 2022, which transformed it with the vibes of a bright Christmas, the festivities, moved, this year, for the city centre.

Despite the cold, the heart of Porto – namely Cordoaria and Largo do Amor de Perdição – becomes very warm with a Christmas Market for all tastes, an ice rink that once again fills with joy entire families and a carousel made of memories and stories to tell, on the happiest night of the year.

The sounds of Christmas once again have Avenida dos Aliados as the stage for all emotions, with concerts for all tastes. On the billboard are names like Diogo Piçarra and Buba Espinho, a special concert with the Banda Marcial da Foz and former students from the University of Porto and a real Christmas concert with the Orquestra Juvenil da Bonjória with the enchanted voice of Sofia Escobar.

However, from 1 to 23 December, there is still a program for all genres, in marquees where the magic of Christmas becomes even more enchanting, with shows, workshops and many surprises. The Jardim da Cordoaria transforms into an Enchanted Forest and the Largo Amor de Perdição promises to be a (happy) meeting point at a unique time in the city.

It is Christmas in Porto. A time of joy and friendship, of living even more in a place that, in this time, and together, shines even brighter.

Christmas Lights Opening

DIOGO PIÇARRA

DEC 1st

FRIDAY

6:00pm

Avenida dos
Aliados

Discovered on the SIC program “Ídolos” in 2012, Diogo Piçarra made his recording debut in 2015, with “Espelho”. Followed by “do=s”, in 2017, performed in more than 130 concerts, including major music festivals. In 2019 he released his third album, “South Side Boy” and last year he launched “Vem Dançar Comigo”, a song that set the tone for a tour that has sold out venues all over the country. He is preparing to release a new album next year.

BUBA ESPINHO

with
**BANDIDOS
DO CANTE**

DEC 9th

SATURDAY

6:00pm

Avenida dos
Aliados

In this concert, together on stage, will be Buba Espinho and Bandidos do Cante. The new concert establishes him as the singer – songwriter that had been awakening within him for a long time, introducing us to fado and pop. Bandidos de Cante present new fusion sounds, without losing or distorting the identity of a Heritage elevated to Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. This concert takes place nine years after UNESCO approved the Alentejo song as Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

A FILARMÓNICA NO NATAL IN PORTO

DEC 16th

SATURDAY

6:00pm

**Avenida dos
Aliados**

The most beautiful Christmas melodies for everyone to sing along, with neighbours, friends, family, will take place this time to the sound of Banda Marcial da Foz do Douro with voices from the University of Porto – Students and Alumni. With their motto and the direction of maestro Manuel da Costa, nobody will resist singing this Christmas season.

DESporto NO BAIRRO

DEC 22nd

FRIDAY

9:00pm

**Avenida dos
Aliados**

A moment for kids and adults, professionals, and amateurs, in a show that closes another edition of the municipal program that takes several forms to the city's Burroughs. Directed by Max Oliveira, the centre of Porto will host a huge show of breaking, skate, surf, and street basket. An extreme Christmas, in a city whose magic is not limited to the lights that further embellish the streets.

SOFIA ESCOBAR & ORQUESTRA JUVENIL DA BONJÓIA

DEC 23rd

SATURDAY

6:00pm

Avenida dos
Aliados

This Christmas, Sofia Escobar and the Orquestra Juvenil da Bonjóia take the stage on Avenida dos Aliados for a unique concert.

Sofia Escobar is from Guimarães, concluded the singing course at the Conservatório de Música do Porto and studied singing and acting in Guildhall School of Music and Drama. She played Christine Daaé, in the Phantom of the Opera, by Andrew Lloyd Webber and the role of Maria in 50th anniversary production of West Side Story, by Leonard Bernstein.

The Orquestra Juvenil da Bonjóia was created in 2011, as a result of the work developed within the scope of the “Música para Todos”, project implemented by Porto City Hall in partnership with Curso de Música Silva Monteiro and the Agrupamento de Escolas do Cerco do Porto.

This concert features the Coro do Curso de Música Silva Monteiro.

FOR S TO NO U ND S

SECRET

BATIDA

PRESENTS

NEON COLONIALISMO

DEC 10th

SUNDAY

5:00pm

Silo Auto,
7th floor

Capacity: 300 people

Free entry, on a first-
come, first-served basis

Pedro Coquenão has created and developed work in the areas of music, radio, dance, visual and plastic arts under the name Batida.

This will be the opportunity to see the new show where he presents live, his last record "Neon Colonialismo". This moment, almost five years later, marks Batida's comeback to concerts with his very particular way of composing on the stage.

MILHANAS

DEC 17th

SUNDAY

5:00pm

Silo Auto,
7th floor

Capacity: 300 people

Free entry, on a first-
come, first-served basis

The artist began studying music from an early age. In 2023, she received nominations for the Golden Globes – in the Best Music categories with "Mais Que ao sol" and in the Newcomer category. "De Sombra a Sombra" is an album that tells and explores chronologically all the shadows, all the artist's sorrows, alluding to several poets and musicians who have accompanied Milhanas' growth as a person and artist.

INTERVENTION IN THE ACUSTIC SHELL OF THE JARDINS DO PALÁCIO DE CRISTAL

“AURORA” BY ARISCA

Everything that is pushed to its limit becomes its opposite. Arriving at the Winter solstice, we are faced with the longest and darkest night, and it is at this moment that hope is heightened. We know that every day that follows will be bigger and more radiant. For this Christmas, and to make the jardins do Palácio even more magical, we challenged artist Inês Arisca to explore her imagination in the Acoustic Shell.

The result can be seen during the opening hours of the Jardins do Palácio de Cristal, with free entry.

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Jardim da Cordoaria

Jardim da Cordoaria hosts a Christmas Market with regional exhibitors with proposals from crafts to jewellery, handmade toys, clothing, and food products.

Opening hours:

Monday to Thursday:

02:00 – 07:00 pm

Friday and holiday's eve

02:00 – 08:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am – 08:00 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am – 07:00 pm

December 1st and 8th:

10:00 am – 08:00 pm

ICE RINK

Largo do Amor de Perdição

Free Entrance

Opening hours:

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PARISIAN CAROUSEL

Jardim da Cordoaria

Free Entrance

Use up to 10 years old

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ENCHANTED FOREST

Jardim da Cordoaria

There are 13 Christmas trees, painted by various urban artists, which will colour (even more) the lively Jardim da Cordoaria during the month of December.

Guest Artists: Arisca, Costah, DUB, Gabriela Araújo, Heitor Correa, Mariana de Castro, Mariana Ptk, MR Kas, MYNAMEISNOTSEM, Oaktree, Paula P. Rezende, Rafi Die Erste and RA.SO.AL.

SANTA'S HOUSE

Jardim da Cordoaria

Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays: 04:00–06:00 pm

The most famous “old man with a white beard” in the world will be in Jardim da Cordoaria waiting for the children to visit, ready to take note of all their wishes for this Christmas.

Adults can also come in to listen the requests, take pictures and feel the season's magic.

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ARTS AND CRAFTS 2023

From 1-23 December
Avenida de D. Afonso
Henriques

Showcase and sell of artisanal products, including textiles, ceramics, vegetal elements, wood and cork, work in stone and metal work and other arts and crafts. This market will feature 23 stands, including daily demonstrations of live work performed by the artisans.

Promoter: Associação Santa Clara

CHRISTMAS MARKET MERCADO DA ALEGRIA

1 – 30 December
Praça da Batalha

Handicrafts market, jewellery and various bijou, handmade toys, clothing and fashion accessories, regional food items, with two food and drinks stands. This market will feature the participation of 23 exhibitors and a Santa house, only for decorative purposes, to be placed at the centre of Mercado da Batalha.

Promoter: Mercado da Alegria

FLEA MARKET

December 16th
08:00 am – 06:00 pm
Praça de Francisco
Sá Carneiro

The flea market aims to protect and promote the taste for testimonies of the past, translated into objects of symbolic value, attending their period of production or manufacture. Sale of ancient and outdated objects, namely books, porcelain, furniture, decorative objects, coins, jewellery, tapestry, and paintings..

MERCADO DO SOL

Thursday to Sunday
10:00 am to 08:00 pm
Praça Parada Leitão

Mercado do Sol is an urban fair with a thematic nature and is intended for the sale of handcrafted and semi-industrial objects, which may have traditional or modern characteristics.

MERCADINHO DA RIBEIRA

Thursday to Sunday
10:00 am – 08:00 pm
Cais da Ribeira

This urban fair contributes to maintaining the typical and picturesque character of the old street sales and is part of the city's animation strategy. Sale of linens as well as other city tourism promotion products.

MERCADO DAS ARTES

Friday to Sunday
10:00 am – 06h00 pm
Avenida de Dom Afonso Henriques

This is a market that aims to promote artistic expression, providing, outdoors, the exhibition and sale of works of the city's artists.

FEIRA DE ARTESANATO DA BATALHA

1 to 31 December
09:00 am – 08h00 pm
Rua de Santo Ildefonso e Praça da Batalha

This is a market selling handmade objects (like bags, belts, and jewellery).

MERCADO PORTO BELO

2, 9, 16, 21, 22, 23 and 30 December
09:00 am – 06:00 pm
Praça de Carlos Alberto

Mercado Porto Belo is an urban market especially focused on the categories of paper, music, and organic products. This market aims to promote unique projects and products developed by its participants.

MERCADO DA ALEGRIA

3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 December
09:00 am – 06:00 pm
Jardim do Passeio Alegre

The mercado da Alegria is an urban market with sales activities organized by a group of artisans whose aim is the dissemination of their activity. In this space, are sold pieces of clothes, bijou, fashion accessories and fresh food products and regional gastronomical products.

MERCADINHO DOS CLÉRIGOS

10 and 24 December
10:00 am – 07h00 pm
Praça de Carlos Alberto

Mercadinho dos Clérigos is an urban market whose focus is the exhibition and sale of antiques and crafts aiming to provide space and visibility to traders with products that stand out for their difference.

MERCADO “FAMÍLIA DESCE À RUA”

3, 17 and 31 December
10:00 am – 07:00 pm
Praça de Carlos Alberto

The market “Família Desce à Rua” is an urban market focused on selling urban craft products. In this market you can find unique and quality products.

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