MEDIEVAL CHRISTMAS AT CHILLON

WEEKEND 3 12.12 & 13.12

The arts at Chillon



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My noble ladies and gentle lords!
Winter is coming to Chillon Castle and, with it, our medieval residents brought back to life! Music and dancing weaving through the walls, the sound of crackling fireplaces, lights twinkling all around and a touch of festive magic in the air... Come along and enjoy this unique experience with friends or family.

The arts at Chillon

For this third weekend, we're paying homage to the arts. Music reverberating around the courtyards, dancing like you've never seen it before, and illuminations adorning parchment...

Experience the Middle Ages through the world of our amazing artists. Warm up with an ancient treat and get swept up in the poetry of Advent...



Experience Christmas as in the Middle Ages !

Hauvoy

▶ **Room 14 / Room 26**
Room 26: 10:30am
12pm. Room 14: 2pm / 3:30pm

The Hauvoy musicians proudly present a treat for your ears! Armed with their instruments, they will be lighting up the castle with their ancient melodies and harmonies. (Outdoors, weather permitting)

Medieval choir

▶ **Room 6 / Room 14**
Room 6: 11:30am
3pm Room 14: 12:30pm

A poetic pause, a magical moment. Rediscover some of the ancient songs echoing from the castle walls. An unmissable musical performance!

Music and dancing

▶ **Room 26 / 1st and 3rd courtyard**
11am / 12:30pm / 2:30pm / 4pm

Do you know which foot should lead in a medieval dance? The left, of course! Join in the dancing, move to the beat and stick around to dance a medieval 'branle' or a traditional European 'bear dance'. (Outdoors, weather permitting)

Blacksmithing workshop

▶ **Bernese Garden**
All day. Break from 1pm-2pm.

Embers flicker and coal crackles as the hammer beats a tune on the anvil – transforming metal into tools, weapons or even jewellery... Uncover the secrets of this master of fire and iron – the blacksmith.

Wax workshop

▶ **Room 13**
All day. Workshops from 10am

Beekeepers have set up shop right by the fireplace. Discover the fruit of their labour and head over to the cauldron to make your very own medieval candle. (age 7 and up, 5 CHF, no booking required)

Pottery and ceramics

▶ **Room 13**
All day.

Watch these masters of clay create bowls, cups and pots. See some of the potter's most beautiful creations. You can even take home your new favourite plate.

Medieval market

▶ **Room 13**
All day

Discover the myriad treasures in store at the Chillon market. Check out our artisans' delightful creations and take home your very own lucky charm!

Bookmark making

▶ **Room 26**
1pm / 3pm

Let the Bracalyons team guide you as you create your own medieval creation to adorn your favourite books. Your very own souvenir to take home with you! (age 8 and up, sign-up on the day, subject to availability)

Calligraphy workshop

▶ **Room 26**
10am-12pm / 1pm-4pm /
all day, breaks during dance sessions

Discover the world of letters, from carolingian to gothic via uncial script! You can even try your hand at calligraphy and scribe your very best E or A. (age 8 and up, sign-up on the day, subject to availability).

Travel back to the Middle Ages

▶ **Room 26**
All day

Step into the Aula Magna, the largest room in the castle, and step back in time. Discover what Chillon residents ate and wore in the Middle Ages.

Christmas workshop

▶ **Room 27**
All day

Work together as a family to create your own Christmas crafts that will take pride of place at home. The Chillon elves will help you craft something that even Santa himself would be proud of. (age 6 and up, subject to availability)

Illumination workshop

▶ **Room 28**
1pm / 2:30pm

Dive into the delicate art of medieval illumination – the real masterpieces of the Middle Ages. Choose your colours and top with gold leaf... This is your chance to explore the craft of medieval copyists. (age 8 and up, sign-up on the day, subject to availability)

Christmas storytelling

▶ **Room 30**
12:30pm / 2pm / 3:30pm

Listen to some of the castle's festive stories... A dreamy moment to share with little ones and grown-ups!

Medieval drinks and treats

▶ **3rd courtyard**
All day. (Room 26 in the event of rain)

Warm up with a toasty hippocras fresh from the cauldron and discover some of the flavours behind the medieval dishes concocted by l'Arboulastre. Go on a journey through time and taste.

Chillon farm

▶ **3rd courtyard** All day.

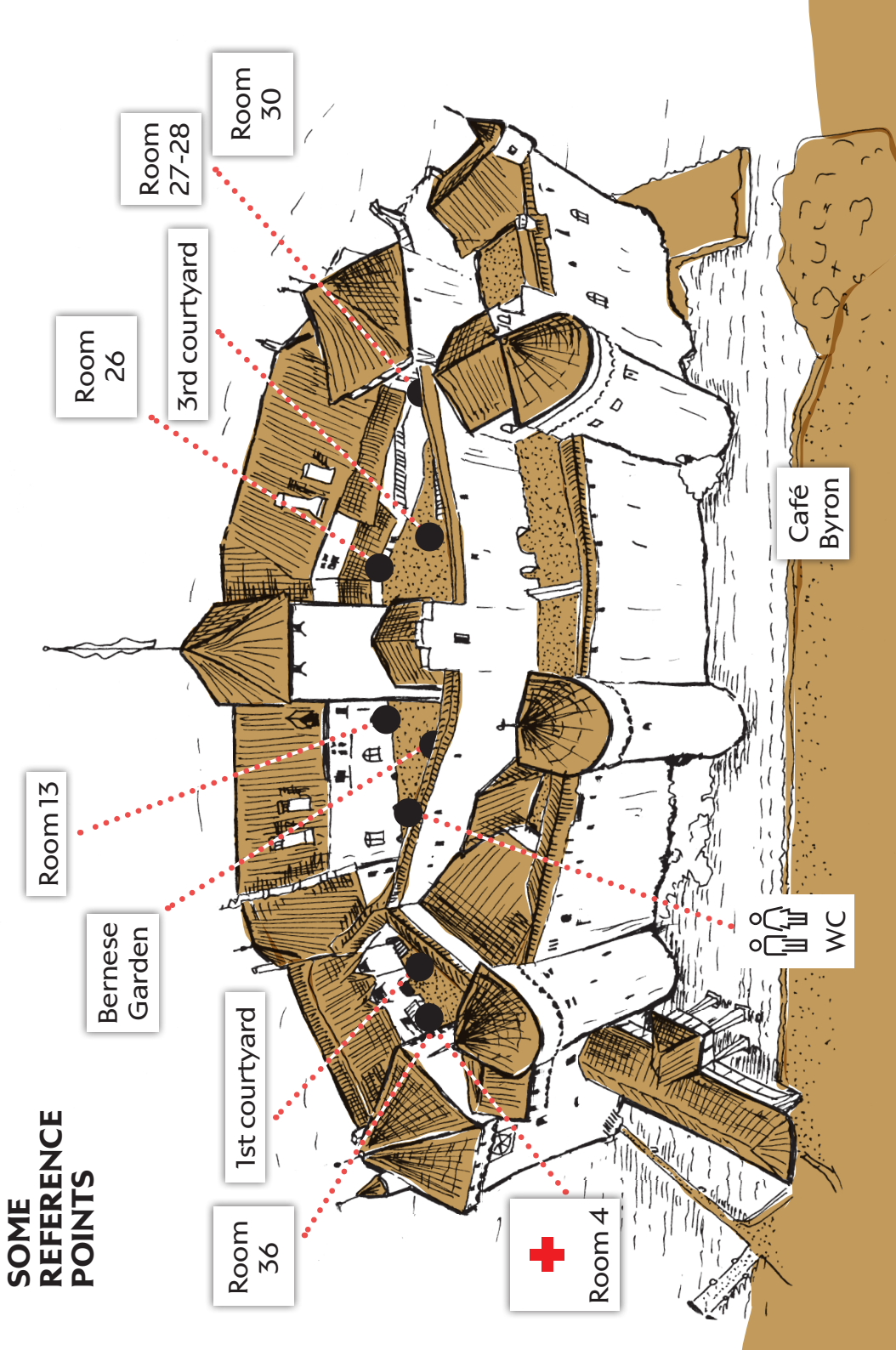
It's not just humans making the most of Chillon this Advent. Give our friendly donkeys a gentle stroke and they might just let you hop on for a ride in return. And do you see those little furballs poking out of the straw? They're bunnies!

Workshops (sign up and pay on the day)

Times		Location	Price
10am–4pm ▶ 20 mins	Candle-making	Room 13	5.- chf
1am / 3pm ▶ 30 mins	Medieval bookmark	Room 26	Free
10am-12pm / 1pm-4pm ▶ 30 mins	Medieval calligraphy	Room 26	Free
1pm / 2:30pm ▶ 90 mins	Illumination	Room 28	Free
10am-4pm ▶ 20 mins	Christmas crafts	Room 27	Free

Shows and demonstrations

Times		Location
10:30am / 12pm / 2pm 3:30pm ▶ 30 mins	Hauvoy	Room 26 / Room 14
11:30am / 12:30pm / 3pm ▶ 30 mins	Medieval choir	Room 6 / Room 14
11am / 12:30pm / 2:30pm 4pm ▶ 30 mins	Music and dancing	Room 26
12pm / 1:30pm / 3pm ▶ 30 mins	Storytelling	Room 30
10am-1pm / 2pm-4pm ▶ All day	Blacksmithing	Bernese Garden



Please bear in mind that you are in a historic monument.
We ask that you respect the site and its furnishings. Thank you!

We would like to remind you that smoking is not permitted in the castle, including in the courtyards! Thank you!
No vaping is permitted either.

Parents and guardians are responsible for their children at all times. Please do not leave them unattended!

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