

“Bei uns ist immer was los!”

ADVENTSSITTEN / ADVENT CUSTOMS
ADVENTSKALENDER / ADVENT CALENDAR
calendar: der Kalender, die Kalender

GERMAN ADVENT WORD OF THE DAY: DER ADVENTSKALENDER

How is it used?

Some advent calendars have fabric pockets, which can be filled with treats, slips of paper with Christmas messages, or small items.

The most popular Advent calendars today contain chocolate for each day leading up to Christmas. These can be found across Germany from speciality chocolatiers as well as in most grocery stores. They are a favourite part of the Christmas season among children and adults alike.

Generally speaking, Advent calendars are much more popular in Germany and the UK than in the US. They are a widespread and important holiday tradition.

Sometimes, Germans will even have homemade Advent calendars for their loved ones, filled with personalized treats for each day of the countdown. There are a wide variety of non-chocolate Advent calendars available as well, filled with goodies for adults, such as tea, wine, jewellery, skin care products, and a whole host of other treats.

Example sentences:

"Mama, kaufst du mir bitte einen Adventskalender? Ich möchte Schokolade essen."

"Mama, would you please buy me an advent calendar? I want to eat chocolate."

"Jeden Dezember haben wir einen Adventskalender zu Hause."

"Every December we have an advent calendar at home."

"Welche Art von Adventskalender magst du am liebsten?"

Which type of Advent calendar do you like the most?