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Great Last-Minute Holiday Shopping in Moscow

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Design lab.Market at Flakon



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High-end handmade

Design lab.Market is holding a fair at the Flakon factory that promises to be filled with

handmade, one-of-a-kind gifts and treats. Artisans are bringing in carloads of Christmas tree ornaments, hand-knitted and hand-woven sweaters, caps and scarves, not to mention mittens, clothing, jewelry and other delights for the home and personal decoration. AnyCake is bringing gingerbread men and gingerbread houses, along with boxes of other sweet temptations. Did we mention the ceramics, hand-crafted perfumes and snazzy ties?

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Four Seasons Market in Artplay Design Center



Artplay

Hip handcrafts

Any holiday market that calls itself a market is guaranteed to be filled with cool, unusual, and handmade gifts — like at ArtPlay this weekend. The organizers boast of goods from show rooms, boutiques and vintage shops as well as goods handmade by individuals. There will be plenty of holiday gifts, from thousands of unusual and arty Christmas tree decorations to toys, hats, jewelry, clothing and gifts for the home. There will also be master classes and a food court so you can take a refreshing break from supporting the local economy.

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Seasons Christmas Market in Hermitage Garden



Hermitage Garden

Reviving traditions

The Hermitage Garden is one of Moscow's miracles: a charming little park right in the city center with space for events every season of the year. This weekend the Hermitage is hosting its seventh fair organized by the interior design journal Seasons. There will be almost 50 stalls selling Christmas and holiday decorations, small gifts and jewelry, clothing and toys, as well as a Christmas tree market for those who still need a sweet-smelling holiday tree. Choirs will sing European and Russian holiday songs, and members of the "Antique Circus" will entertain you while you take a break for some traditional treats like warming cups of hot chocolate and sbiten, a drink made with honey. And while you shop, your kids can take part in activities like "creative tomfoolery."

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Sat. and Sun., noon to 9 p.m.; Admission for adults, 400 rubles ($6), children under age 10 free.

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