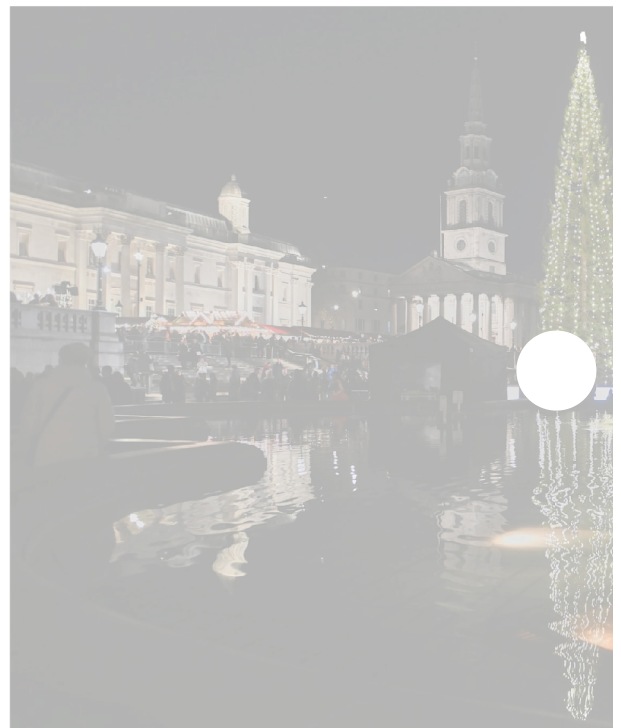


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Oslo fireworks lit in Trafalgar Square

The Christmas tree from Oslo has been lit in Trafalgar Square, and thus Christmas has begun in London.

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The Christmas tree is considered a central part of Christmas celebrations in the British capital, and remains up from Thursday evening until the thirteenth day of January 6th.

Every year, the Norwegian state sends a Christmas tree to London as a thank you for the British efforts during World War II. The tradition has existed since 1947.

In recent years, skepticism has also been expressed about whether it is sustainable to send a tree from Oslo to London, but the Oslo City Council has decided to continue the tradition until 2027 in the first instance.

This year's Christmas tree was selected several months ago. It is 20 meters tall and around 60 years old. This year's tree has grown at Aurtjern, along the forest road between Ullevålseter and Kobberhaugen.

A choir held an unannounced protest against the Equinor Rosebank oil field shortly before the ignition. A demonstration was also held during the felling, when an activist climbed the tree and delayed the felling.

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