

# German Ikea car park used for mass Eid prayer

An Ikea store near Frankfurt in west Germany handed over its car park to a local mosque for socially-distanced mass prayers and won praise online. Around 800 Muslims prayed in the large outdoor space to mark the end of the holy month of Ramadan on Sunday.



“The closing prayer with all Muslims in Wetzlar was like a reward for us,” a mosque chairman told [mosque invited worshippers to bring their prayers mats and face masks](#) to the Ikea car park, but reminded them of the German coronavirus rules that children under 12 should be left at home and people must keep physically apart. After a shaky start with some crowding at the entrance,