

Central Texas 2025

Holiday Fun





EVENTS

Alamo Drafthouse Cinema Holiday Screenings

VARIOUS DATES | AUSTIN

Kick back and get cozy this holiday season at Alamo Drafthouse! Laugh along to Christmas classics like National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation and A Christmas Story while enjoying themed treats and a festive movie experience. drafthouse.com/austin

The Armadillo Bazaar

DECEMBER 13 - 21 | AUSTIN

Celebrate 50 years of the Armadillo Christmas Bazaar—a true Austin tradition! This family-friendly fine art market features award-winning artists, live local music, and plenty of festive vibes for holiday shoppers. armadillobazaar.com

Ballet Austin's "The Nutcracker"

DEC 5 - DEC 23 | AUSTIN

Waltz into winter with the annual The Nutcracker, Texas' longest-running production! Join Clara's magical journey, featuring stunning costumes, dazzling sets, and live music by the Austin Symphony Orchestra. balletaustin.org

Blue Genie Art Bazaar

NOV 14 - DEC 24 | AUSTIN

Shop local this holiday season at the Blue Genie Art Bazaar! Browse a vast selection of handmade art, jewelry, ceramics, and gifts from Austin's most talented makers—all under one roof. bluegenieartbazaar.com

German-Texan Heritage Society Christmas Market

AUSTIN | DEC 6

Experience Austin's German holiday traditions with handmade crafts, imported ornaments, festive tunes, and delicious treats like stollen and German cookies. germantexans.org

Holiday Sing-Along and Downtown Stroll

DEC 6 | AUSTIN

Join the community for caroling, live entertainment, and festive fun as Congress Avenue transforms into a winter wonderland filled with music, lights, and holiday cheer. downtownaustin.com/holidays

Ice Rodeo at The Four Seasons

NOV 21 - JAN 4 | AUSTIN

Saddle up for Ice Rodeo, Austin's luxurious holiday tradition! Enjoy an open-air skating rink by Lady Bird Lake, cozy "cabins" for gatherings, and stunning décor, including a 30-foot Christmas tree and a Texas-sized gingerbread installation. fourseasons.com

The Junior League of Austin's A Christmas Affair

NOV 19 - 23 | AUSTIN

Shop for a cause at A Christmas Affair! This five-day holiday market hosts 200+ vendors and raises funds for The Junior League of Austin's programs and community partners. jlaustin.org/a-christmas-affair

Trail of Lights – Lakeway

DEC 5 - JAN 1 | AUSTIN

Take a magical stroll through Lakeway's most beloved holiday tradition! Enjoy dazzling light displays and festive cheer every night throughout the season. lakeway-tx.gov/721/Trail-of-Lights

Luminations

DEC 5 - JAN 3 | AUSTIN

Celebrate the season under a canopy of glowing lights at the Wildflower Center. Enjoy illuminated gardens, festive treats, and live music in a truly magical setting. wildflower.org/luminations

Miracle on 5th Street

NOV 13 - DEC 28 | AUSTIN

Sip themed cocktails surrounded by over-the-top holiday décor and joyful vibes. miracleon5thst.com

Mozart's Coffee Holiday Light Show

NOV 22 - JAN 3 | AUSTIN

This Austin tradition is something you don't want to miss! This free show is every evening, at the top of the hour. mozartscoffee.com

Peppermint Parkway

MID NOV - END OF DEC | AUSTIN

Drive through a mile of magical lights and Christmas displays at Circuit of The Americas! Enjoy holiday entertainment, sweet treats, and family fun. peppermintparkway.com

Trail of Lights

DEC 10 - DEC 23 | AUSTIN

The Trail of Lights in Zilker Park is a beautiful, festive mile drive through dazzling light displays. Grab a cup of hot chocolate and gather the whole family for a night of lights and fun for all ages! austintrailoflights.org

Tuba Christmas

DEC 22 | AUSTIN

Austin families are invited to hear memorable Christmas music played by various tubas and euphoniums at the Texas Capitol! tubachristmas.com

Wassail Fest & Small Business Saturday

NOV 29 | BASTROP

Sip and shop your way through Downtown Bastrop! Sample homemade hot wassail, vote for your favorite recipe, and find unique gifts while enjoying live music and holiday cheer. visitbastrop.com

Budafest

DEC 5 - 7 | BUDA

Enjoy three days of holiday fun in Downtown Buda! From live music and a craft market to the spectacular Night Parade and fireworks, it's a weekend full of small-town charm and Christmas spirit. budafest.org

North Pole Flyer

NOV 29 - DEC 14 | CEDAR PARK

Hop aboard this two-hour train ride to the North Pole! Enjoy storytime, cookies, and visits from Mrs. Claus and Santa himself aboard the historic Bertram Flyer. austinsteamtrain.org

Heritage Oak Tree Lighting

DEC 3 | CEDAR PARK

Enjoy snow play areas, crafts, games, photos with Santa, live music, and a warm community atmosphere. cedarparktexas.gov

Christmas on Mercer Street

DEC 6 | DRIPPING SPRINGS

Experience small-town holiday magic with arts and crafts booths, local food, children's activities, and photos with Santa in charming downtown Dripping Springs. cityofdrippingsprings.com

Home for the Holidays & Hot Cocoa Stroll

DEC 6 | ELGIN

Throughout the day, there will be a farmers' market, arts and crafts booths, and musical entertainment. Holiday store specials, sidewalk sales, and delicious dining options will also add to this festive celebration. elgintxchamber.com/holiday-by-the-tracks



Georgetown Christmas Stroll

DEC 5 - 7 | GEORGETOWN

Kick off your holiday season with some jolly, family-friendly fun at the annual Christmas Stroll in historic downtown Georgetown, Texas. visit.georgetown.org/40th-annual-christmas-stroll

Carol Of Lights & HoliDazzle Christmas Parade

DEC 6 | LAMPASAS

This is an all-day holiday event held in the Downtown Courtyard Square in Lampasas. Activities include vendors, an antique car show, and a Snow Queen Contest around our beautiful courthouse. The lighted Christmas HoliDazzle parade begins at 6:30 from Avenue B and Western Street. The parade goes West on North Avenue and left on Third Street past our beautifully lit downtown. visionlampasas.org

Christmas on the Creek

DEC 14 | LAMPASAS

Get into the Christmas spirit and enjoy a memorable event with family and friends! visionlampasas.org

Old Town Christmas Festival

DEC 6 | LEANDER

This event includes the Old Town Rudolph Run 5k, Leander in Lights Parade, a snow zone, activities for the kids, pictures with Santa, local school performances and entertainment, a food court, local vendors, and more. visitleandertx.com

Liberty Hill Christmas Fest

DEC 13 | LIBERTY HILL

Each mid-December, the whole town comes together for the Christmas Festival in downtown LHTX. The daytime event features shopping, dining, and family fun. In the evening, Main Street lights up with a magical Christmas parade, enchanting the community with sparkling floats and joyous wonder. experiencelhtx.com

A Christmas to Remember in Lockhart

DEC 5 - 6 | LOCKHART

On Friday evening and throughout the day on Saturday, you can experience a festive Christmas parade illuminated with lights and a variety of entertainment right in front of the Dr. Eugene Clark Library and around the courthouse square. Plus, there will be food and craft vendors for your enjoyment. lockhartchamber.com

Pfestival of Lights and Christmas Parade

DEC 6 | PFLUGERVILLE

The parade starts at 5 p.m. and follows a route from Railroad Avenue through downtown, heading west on Main Street. Don't miss Santa at the Best Little Plaza in Texas near City Hall for photos and a visit—don't forget your camera! pflugervilletx.gov

The Light Park

NOV 1 - JAN 4 | ROUND ROCK

Who needs the North Pole when you can light up your holidays at The Light Park? Cruise through millions of dazzling lights synced to festive beats by DJ Polar Ice. Enjoy tasty treats and zappy drinks for an electrifying experience! thelightpark.com

Light Up the Lake

DEC 5 - 6 | ROUND ROCK

The event will feature spectacular holiday cold and hot air balloons hovering over Bright Lake, a fantastic light show, live music, holiday displays, holiday food and refreshments, a Yuletide log, and more! roundrocktexas.gov

Christmas Light-Up Parade

DEC 5 | MARBLE FALLS

Nothing kicks off the Christmas season like the Light Up Parade! Celebrate as dazzling floats light up Main Street Marble Falls alongside the Walkway of Lights and Ice-Skating Rink. visitmarblefalls.org

Walkway of Lights

NOV 21 - JAN 3 | MARBLE FALLS

Annually, the Marble Falls Walkway of Lights is one of the most significant holiday gatherings in the Highland Lakes. Starting in November, over two million lights will adorn more than 130 sculptures, transforming Lakeside Park. visitmarblefalls.org

Sights & Sounds of Christmas

NOV 4 - 6, 11 - 13 | SAN MARCOS

San Marcos, Texas, transforms into a magical winter wonderland for the Sights & Sounds of Christmas. Step into Bethlehem's past with costumed actors and live animals, savor caroling and concerts, meet Santa in surprising ways, make furry friends at the petting zoo, ice skate with "snow," enjoy thrilling carnival rides, savor delicious food, and kick off your holiday season joyfully in San Marcos. sights-n-sounds.org

Trail of Lights in Wimberley

Nov 29 - Dec 26 | Wimberley

The EmilyAnn's Trail of Lights runs Nov 30-Dec 26. Enjoy 8 acres of lighted exhibits, live entertainment, complimentary treats, and visits from Santa. Free entry: donations and proceeds support the EmilyAnn's largest fundraiser. emilyann.org

CHRISTMAS TREE FARMS

Brungot Farms

Nov 23 - Dec 24 | Cedar Park

Visitors can come to Brungot Farms to pick out their fresh Fraser Fir Christmas tree. Finding a quality choose-and-cut tree experience in the Austin area can be challenging. Still, Brungot Farms focuses on providing both top-quality trees and a fun, family-friendly experience. It's the closest thing to a traditional choose-and-cut tree farm right here in the Austin area! brungotfarms.com

Elgin Christmas Tree Farm

NOV 23 - DEC 15 | ELGIN

Take the family out this year to handpick your Christmas tree at an actual Tree Farm. In addition to getting a tree, you can enjoy a scenic hayride, animals, a crazy maze, and a playground. elginchristmastreefarm.com

Evergreen Farms

NOV 28 - DEC 24 | ELGIN

Evergreen Farms is a Choose and Cut Christmas tree farm designed with fun-loving consumers in mind. Customers can experience the fresh air of the country as they pick out their perfect Christmas tree. Take a wagon ride out to the field where you can cut your own Texas-grown Christmas tree or pick a pre-cut Noble fir or Fraser fir. evergreen-farms.com/christmas-trees

Sweet Eats Farms

NOV 29 - DEC 24 | GEORGETOWN

Festive Christmas events, tree picking, and family fun! sweeteats.com

