

DFW Area 2025

Holiday Fun





EVENTS

Addison

Vitruvian Lights | Nov 22 – Jan 1

The most dazzling and spectacular time of the year, Vitruvian Park transforms into a magical holiday wonderland. Stroll through the park, enjoy the view, and grab dinner at local restaurants. udr.com

Arlington

Interlochen Lights | Dec 19-25

Interlochen Christmas lights, a holiday tradition spanning over 40 years, is an extravaganza that attracts thousands of families to cruise through Arlington every December, providing miles of smiles to kids of all ages. lakeinterlochentx.com

Cedar Hill

Holiday on the Hill | Dec 4

Celebrate the holiday season with the annual Holiday on the Hill celebration in Cedar Hill. There will be plenty of holiday kids' activities and games, live performances, photos with Santa, festive photo ops, and the official lighting of the City of Cedar Hill tree. cedarhilltx.com

Celina

Christmas on the Square | Dec 3

Enjoy live performances by local choirs, dance groups, and musicians, and visit local artisans and food vendors! visitcelina.org

Miracle on 134th Street | Select evenings from Nov 23 - Dec 23

A festive outdoor holiday event featuring a Santa and Mrs. Clause meet and greet, Santa's workshop, and over 2 million Christmas lights! miracleon134thst.com

Dallas

Dallas Holiday Parade | Dec 6

The Dallas Holiday Parade is the City's largest one-day outdoor event. More than 350 television stations in 159 markets have syndicated the parade. dallasholidayparade.com

Dallas Zoo Lights | Nov 14 – Jan 4

Cruise the mile-long route through the Dallas Zoo and enjoy many magical holiday moments! dallaszoo.com/zoolights

The Highland Park Christmas Light Tradition | Dec 1 - 30

Touring Highland Park's beautiful lights and homes has been a grand holiday season tradition for many years. The leisurely pace of a horse-drawn carriage ride allows you to see and appreciate the beauty of the homes and lights of Highland Park at this joyous time of the year. brazoscarrage.com/christmas

Holiday at the Arboretum | Nov 14 – Jan 4

Enjoy the family Christmas village, Nativity, musical tree, and the 12 days of Christmas! dallasarboretum.org

The Trains at Northpark | Nov 15 – Jan 4

See miniature trains travel 1,600 feet of track through Dallas and iconic cityscapes. Fun for all ages, with new scenes, S.T.E.A.M.-inspired activities, and Sensory Friendly days in 2025–2026! trainsatnorthpark.org

Fort Worth

Parade of Lights | Nov 23

Join the GM Financial Parade of Lights at 6:00 PM, starting at Weatherford and Throckmorton Streets and winding through Downtown. Come early to enjoy pre-parade festivities, dine at local restaurants, and snag early shopping deals at Downtown retailers to make the most of your day. fortworthparadeoflights.org

Gift of Lights | Nov 27 - Jan 4

The Gift of Lights at Texas Motor Speedway is a 1 1/2 mile light park with over 500 fantastic light displays benefiting local charities in North Texas. giftoflifetexas.org

Grapevine

Annual Carol of Lights | Nov 24

Take a stroll along Historic Main Street, where you can savor live performances and engage in family-friendly activities like posing for photos with live reindeer, bouncing in holiday-themed inflatables, creating seasonal crafts, and indulging in delicious food offerings. grapevinetexasusa.com

Christmas at the Gaylord Texan | Nov 14 – Jan 4

Enjoy dazzling displays, festive treats, holiday shows, and ICE! featuring Elf™ in stunning ice sculptures. christmasatgaylordtexan.com

Highland Village

Christmas at the Ranch | Dec 13

Celebrate the season at this free event featuring reindeer, snow sledding, a snow play area, trackless trains, bounce houses, photos with Santa, and more! highlandvillage.org

Keller

Holly Days | Dec 5

Holly Days features The Very Merry Light Parade, photos with Santa, a Christmas tree lighting, and more festive activities! cityofkeller.com

Mansfield

Hometown Holidays | Nov 21 – Dec 24

Get ready for midway rides, an ice slide, carnival games, interactive arts, Santa visits, food vendors, Toys for Tots drop-offs, and notable highlights each day, such as the Toy Drop-Off Parade, Tree Lighting and Fireworks, Drone Show, and Dance Spectacular. mansfieldhometownholidays.com

Mesquite

Christmas in the Park | Dec 6-7

Christmas in the Park is Mesquite Parks and Recreation's largest annual event to kick off the holiday season. Come for kid entertainment, an ugly sweater contest, food, and more! cityofmesquite.com

McKinney

Home for the Holidays | Nov 28-30

Downtown McKinney's premier festival. It's a new spin on an old favorite with horse-drawn carriages, traveling carolers, visits with Santa Claus, a Christmas tree lighting ceremony, and activities for all ages. Plus, it lets you finish all that holiday shopping in one place with over 100 boutiques, art galleries, bookstores, apparel stores, gift shops, and antique shops. mckinneytexas.org

Plano

Lights on the Farm | Nov 28 - Dec 28

The Heritage Farmstead Museum is thrilled to present Lights on the Farm again! This family-friendly, fully outdoor event offers a quarter-mile trail through the historic farm site adorned with more than 1.5 million lights and animated displays created by First Choice Lights. Visitors can relish photo opportunities, savor hot chocolate, meet Santa, indulge in s'mores, and much more. visitplano.com

Plano Holiday Market | Nov 22 - 23

The Plano Holiday Market is a delightful and cost-free event where you can explore an array of handcrafted holiday gifts, including items crafted from fabric, wood, ceramic, and glass. You'll also find jewelry, clothing for adults and children, candles, and soaps. In addition, discover a fantastic assortment of salsas, jams, nuts, and dips, perfect for gifting or holiday gatherings. visitplano.com

Prosper

Kickoff to Christmas at The Gates of Prosper | Nov 22

A free outdoor event featuring Santa & his reindeer, a holiday market with 30+ local vendors, live entertainment (carolers, Toy Soldier drumline, stilt walkers), kids' crafts, letters to Santa, food trucks, and the official tree lighting ceremony at 6 PM facebook.com/thegatesofprosper

Prosper Christmas Festival | Dec 6

Bring the family Downtown Prosper on December 6 for Christmas cheer and community fun! The sparkle and joy of the holidays will be on full display at the festival! You'll find cozy, welcoming exhibits with artisan gifts, holiday decor, and delicious and treats, as well as Santa's Workshop with complimentary photos, Kids Christmas Shoppe, Santa's Selfie Station, Kid Zone, ice-skating, and creative cookie decorating. Throughout the event, the Community Stage shines with performances by local musicians, choirs, and dancers who fill the festival with the joyful sounds of the season! prospertx.gov

Richardson

Richardson's Christmas Parade | Dec 6

Join the festive fun at Richardson's long-running holiday tradition, featuring floats, marching bands, Santa, and seasonal cheer for the whole family! cor.net



Rockwall

Hometown Christmas | Dec 6

A day-long celebration presented by the Downtown Rockwall Association. Join us for a festive afternoon featuring a Christmas Market in San Jacinto Plaza with delightful treats, artisan chocolate, pecans, pound cakes, and more. Kids can enjoy bounce houses, games, crafts, giveaways, a snow play area, and train rides, making it a perfect family outing. rockwall.com

Southlake

Home for the Holidays | Nov 22

Kick off the season with a Christmas tree lighting, festive lights, Santa photos, a 3-lane snow hill, and live performances by local school groups. Fun for all ages in a twinkling Town Square wonderland! visitsouthlaketexas.com

HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES

Dallas

Christmas Pops | Dec 12 - 14, 18 - 21

The beloved tradition continues with the Dallas Symphony Chorus performing transcendent anthems, classical holiday favorites, and sing-along carols. dallassymphony.org

The Nutcracker | Nov 28-Dec 7

Texas Ballet's annual production of THE NUTCRACKER is DFW's favorite holiday tradition! Hundreds of dancers perform enchanting choreography to Tchaikovsky's magical score with live accompaniment. texasballettheater.org

Trans-Siberian Orchestra - The Lost Christmas Eve | Dec 20

Come out for a night of rock holiday music! trans-siberian.com/tour

Fort Worth

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Mariachi Herencia de México: A Mariachi Christmas | Dec 2

Originally from Chicago, Mariachi Herencia de México, a two-time Latin Grammy® nominee, has released five chart-topping albums and performed across North America—spreading festive cheer and inspiring a new generation of mariachi musicians this holiday season! basshall.com

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer | Nov 22 – Dec 23

The beloved holiday classic is back at the Dome! Join Rudolph, Hermey the Elf, Yukon Cornelius, and the Abominable Snow Monster on a magical journey full of friendship, fun, and self-discovery. casamanana.org

Plano

The Gift of Christmas | Dec 5 - 14

The Gift of Christmas is a cherished tradition at Prestonwood and has evolved into one of the Christmas season's standout attractions, drawing thousands of visitors annually. This visually captivating multimedia extravaganza features special effects, a cast and choir of nearly 1,000 members, a live orchestra, soaring angels, and much more! prestonwoodgoc.org

CHRISTMAS TREE FARMS

Caddo Mills

Kajin Farm | Nov 28 – Until Sold out

Open Nov 28 until sold out, enjoy Christmas trees, holiday activities, and family fun at this festive farm! kajinfarm.com

Gleburn

Mainstay Farm Park | Nov 28 – Dec 22

Head to Mainstay Farm for hand-dipped ice cream, Coke floats, funnel cakes, and other goodies from the Filling Station. Enjoy attractions such as the 100-foot-long Super Chute Slide, Flying Fox ride, Pedal Kart racetrack, duck races, hayrides, swings, a jumping pillow, mazes, and more. mainstayfarm.com

Crowley

Haynie's Green Acres | Nov 28 – Dec 24

Just 20 minutes south of Fort Worth is Haynie's Green Acres, the home of crazy-colored Christmas trees and regular pre-cut firs. Kids will have fun on the hayride, tree swings, and petting zoo, and you'll enjoy warming up with complimentary cider or coffee. hayniesgreenacres.com

Denison

Elves Christmas Tree Farm | Nov 28 – Dec 24

Find your perfect tree and enjoy a festive farm experience with hayrides, holiday activities, and family fun in Denison! elvesfarm.com

Greenville

Kadee Farm | Nov 21 – Dec 14

Sip some complimentary apple cider while you choose and cut your tree in the rustic country setting of Kadee Farm, an hour east of Collin County. While you relax with snacks at a picnic table or browse the gift shop for Christmas goods and handmade wreaths, your kids can have fun in the maze, hay jump, petting corral, and swinging tree. kadeefarm.com

Weatherford

4D Farm | Nov 30 – Dec 24

Cut your own Leyland Cypress or "Blue Ice" Arizona Cypress before they run out—as early as the second week of December. Then, after doing the hard work, hop on a tractor to enjoy the Farm by hayride or warm up in the store with complimentary cookies and cider. 4dfarm.com

