

San Diego

December 2022

Events Calendar



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December Holidays

12/18–12/26: Hanukkah

12/24: Christmas Eve

12/25: Christmas Day

12/26–1/1: Kwanzaa

12/31: New Year's Eve

Holiday Parades

Everybody loves a Holiday Parade. San Diego County has plenty to choose from. From downtown all the way up to Fallbrook, there is a parade for everyone. Don't miss the Holiday Bowl Big Bay Balloon Parade downtown, San Diego's premier Holiday Parade!

Coronado Annual Holiday Parade, 12/2, 6pm

Encinitas Holiday Parade, 12/3, 5:30pm

Escondido Jaycees Parade, 12/10, 2pm

Fallbrook Parade, 12/5, 5pm

La Jolla Christmas Parade, 12/4, 1:30pm

Mission Bay Christmas Boat Parade of Lights, 12/10, 6-9pm

Ocean Beach Holiday Parade, 12/3, 5:05pm

Oceanside Harbor Parade of Lights, 12/10, 7pm

Pacific Beach Holiday Parade, 12/10, 12pm

SD Bay Parade of Lights, 12/11 & 12/18, 5:30pm

SD Holiday Bowl Parade, 12/28, time TBA

Christmas Lights

Want to take your family on a drive around San Diego looking at holiday decorations and lights? Check out San Diego's Map of Christmas Lights by San Diego Family Magazine.

Info: www.sandiegofamily.com/things-to-do/san-diego-s-best-map-of-christmas-lights

Del Mar Racetrack Season

Old Hollywood style meets classic Southern California cool this November at Del Mar with four weeks of elite Thoroughbred racing, fresh events, and musical performances to keep the good times rolling.

Location: Del Mar Racetrack

Info: www.dmtc.com/calendar/detail/2022Season

11/11–12/4: 12:30pm–5pm

Skating by the Sea at Hotel Del

This spectacular ice rink is located seaside on Windsor Lawn and features stunning views of the Pacific and Coronado beach.

Location: The Hotel Del, Coronado

Info: www.hoteldel.com/activities/skating

11/17–1/1: Various times

Snow N Glow

Enjoy snow tubing, holiday lights, s'mores, fire pits, rides, and more!

Location: Del Mar Fairgrounds

Info: www.snownglow.com

11/27–12/26: Weekends, daily during Christmas week 4–9pm

Holiday Market @ Petco Park

A fun and festive night for the whole family. This year's market will feature local & European artisan shops, magical lighting displays, seasonal food & beverages, Santa, and other holiday characters!

Location: Petco Park

Info:

www.mlb.com/padres/tickets/events/holiday-market

12/1-12/4, 12/8-12/11, 12/14-12/23: 4pm-10pm

Red Nose Run

A fun run & walk on a beautiful family & dog friendly beach.

Location: Powerhouse Park, Del Mar

Info: www.therednoserun.com

12/3: 12:30pm

Sono Fest

A fundraiser for McKinley Elementary with local chili, live music, arts & crafts, indie good, and lots of good vibes.

Location: Thorn & 32nd Streets in North Park

Info: www.sonofestchilicookoff.com

12/4: 11am–5pm



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San Diego Santa Run

Come out in your finest (or ugliest!) Christmas attire as you take part in San Diego's annual one-of-a-kind holiday experience.

Location: 912 Garnet Ave.

Info:

www.sandiegorunningco.com/sdrc_events/san-diego-santa-run

12/10: 9am

San Diego Holiday Half Marathon

A fast 13.1-mile course that includes a 711-foot net elevation drop along the "rolling" downhill bike path.

Location: Penasquitos Dr. & Carmel Mtn. Rd.

Info: www.sandiegoholidayhalf.com

12/17: 5:15am

Dirty December Poker Fun Run

Join in the holiday cheer and run the trails! In addition to a costume contest and holiday theme, this run will involve a poker element – your poker hand could give you bonus time!

Location: Sycamore Canyon Open Space Reserve, Poway

Info:

www.dirtyfeet.us/trailraces/december-run

12/17: 8am

National Funding Holiday Bowl 5K Run/Walk

The 25th annual 5k Run/Walk at the Port of San Diego Holiday Bowl Parade!

Location: Harbor Dr. & Ash St.

Info: www.holidaybowl.com/5k-walk-run

12/28: Time TBA

The Holiday Bowl

This signature San Diego event showcases a thrilling matchup of Pac-12 and ACC teams. This year features the return of the 101.5 KGB Sky Show!

Location: Petco Park, and broadcast on FOX Sports

Info: www.holidaybowl.com

12/28: 5pm kickoff

San Diego Tango Festival

All the things you expect from a tango festival: forgiving floor, great DJs and teachers and a smooth sound system with LOTS of hours of dancing!

Location: Wyndham Bayside

Info: www.sandiegotangofestival.com

12/29–1/2: Various times

San Diego International Auto Show

Where the cars are the stars!

Featuring more than 400 of the latest new models, multiple test drives, exotics, automotive products, and much more!

Location: San Diego Convention Center

Info: www.sdauto show.com

12/30–1/2: Times TBA

Big Night San Diego New Year's Eve Gala

Ring in 2023 at one of the hottest New Year's Eve parties in the country!

Location: Hilton San Diego Bayfront

Info: www.bignightsandiego.com

12/31-1/1: 9pm–2am

Holiday Happenings

The sights and sounds of the communities come to life with holiday cheer this December. Lots of fun things to do and see to get you in the holiday mood. From Coronado to Vista, there is something for everyone!

Bates Nut Farm: Christmas in the Valley, 12/9–12/10; Fri 4–8pm, Sat 9am–3pm

Balboa Park: December Nights, 12/2, 12/3, Fri 3pm–11pm, Sat. 11am–11pm

Balboa Park: Kwanzaa Celebration, 12/26–12/30, 6–9pm

Chula Vista: Starlight Nights, 12/4 time TBA

Del Mar: North Pole by the Sea & Holiday Tree Lighting, 12/4, 1pm–3pm

Fallbrook: Brunch with Santa, 12/11, 10am–1pm

La Jolla: Hanukkah Happening at JCC, 12/18, 10am–9pm

La Jolla: Holiday Festival, 12/4, 11:30am–4pm

La Mesa: Holiday in the Village, 12/3, 12pm–9pm

Little Italy: Christmas Village & Tree Lighting, 12/3, 4pm–8pm

Old Town: Las Posadas, 12/16–12/24, Times TBA

Pacific Beach: Holiday on Crystal Pier, 12/3, 8am–5pm

Poway: Christmas in the Park, 12/9, 4:30pm–8:30pm

Ramona: Tree Lighting 12/3, 5pm–8pm

SD: Liberty Station Hanukkah Festival & Menorah Lighting, 12/18, time TBA

SD: Makers Arcade Holiday Fair, 12/3–12/4, 10am–5pm

SD: Holiday Market @ Petco Park

Spring Valley: Festival of Trees & Lights, 12/16–12/22, 5pm–8pm

Vista: Jingle Terrace Live, 12/7–12/18, Various times



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