

10 Things to Do in Halifax This December

December in Halifax feels like stepping into a snow globe, even before the first flurries fall. The city shines a little brighter this time of year, with twinkling festivals, cozy stages, and holiday markets around every corner.

1. Catch Halifax in full glow at a holiday festival

Glow Halifax | November 20 – January 3 | Halifax Exhibition Centre
Evergreen Festival | November 21 – December 14 | Multiple locations

2. Let Halifax's stages warm your heart

Dickens' A Christmas Carol | On until December 28 | Neptune Theatre
74th Annual Festival of Carols | December 1 | All Saints Cathedral
Symphony Nova Scotia's The Nutcracker | December 5-14 | Rebecca Cohn
Candlelight: Christmas Classics | December 7 | Joseph Strung Concert Hall
The Once Christmas | December 9 | Light House Arts Centre
Broadway Brunch – Holiday Edition | December 14 | The Carleton

3. Get hands-on at a festive workshop

Holiday Centrepiece Workshop | December 4, 11, 15, 18 | Props Floral Design
Cookie Decorating Classes | December 5, 14 | Henry G. Bauld Centre
Holiday Cardmaking Workshop | December 7 | Museum of Natural History
Ceramic Ornament Painting | December 13 | Best Kind Mud Shop
Holiday Workshops at the Patch | All throughout December | Patch Halifax

4. Get your sports fix

Halifax Thunderbirds Home Games | December 5, 27 | Scotiabank Centre
Halifax Mooseheads Home Games | December 6, 7, 11, 18, 28, 30 | Scotiabank Centre
PWHL Takeover Tour: Montreal Victoire at Toronto Sceptres | December 17 | Scotiabank Centre

5. Dive into conservation, curiosity, and connection at the brand-new Beaty Marine Centre

Beaty Marine Centre for Biodiversity | 6375 Edzell Castle Circle | Opening December 6

6. Find the perfect gift at a holiday market

Shopping Under the Stars | December 5 | Spring Garden Road Area
Holiday Hygge 2025 | December 6 | Halifax Brewery Market
Holiday Night Market | December 6 | Marquee Ballroom
A Christmas Night at the Barn | December 6 | Hubbards Barn
APT 3 & Tapestry Christmas Market | December 6-7 | TAPEstry Beer Bar
Sip & Shop | December 6, 13 | The Halifax Beer Garden
Christmas in Mi'kma'ki | December 7 | Mic Mac Mall
Merry Makers' Market | December 7 | Halifax Seaport Market
Kid's Christmas Market | December 7 | Prospect Road Community Centre
Fisherman's Cove Annual Christmas Market | December 13 | Fisherman's Cove
Seaforth for the Holidays | December 13 | Seaforth Community Centre
South End Vintage Market | December 13 | Dalhousie SUB
A Merry Geeky Market | December 13-14 | Halifax Forum
Winter Market | December 21 | Oxalis
Japanese Holiday Market | December 21 | Halifax Brewery Market

7. Sweeten up the holidays with treats from a local bakery



8. Celebrate the winter season at a countryside festival

Christmas on the Farm | December 6 | Lindsay Lake Farms
Winterfest on the Farm | December 14 | Ataraxy Farm
Christmas Break Family Roundup | December 29-30 | Hatfield Farm

9. Dig into festive local feastings

Sleigh Bar | Offered until December 13 | Bar Sofia
Merry & Bright Patio | Offered until December 21 | Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel
Christmas Brunch Buffet & Dinners | December 24-25 | Seaport Social
Holiday Menu | All throughout December | Morris East
Nutcracker Afternoon Tea | All throughout December | Crème
A Very Field Guide Christmas | All throughout December | Field Guide
Christmas at The Stubborn Goat | All throughout December | The Stubborn Goat

10. Ring in 2026 with a celebration to remember

New Year's Eve 2026 | December 31 | Grand Parade
NYE 2026 at Pacifico | December 31 | Pacifico
New Year's Party | December 31 | Light House Arts Centre
New Year's Eve Bar Crawl | December 31 | Multiple locations
Countdown 2026: Midnight in Positano | December 31 | Rumours HFX
NYE 2026 at The Marquee Ballroom | December 31 | The Marquee Ballroom
NYE Party with Rankin MacInnis & The Broken Reeds | December 31 | Casino Nova Scotia



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