

WHAT'S HAPPENING DECEMBER



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Official Website of the Town of Vail for events, happenings, and things to do!

KRINGLE CROSSING

NOVEMBER 15 – JANUARY 5

Transport yourself to a whimsical, pocket-size village that brings the holiday spirit alive in the heart of Vail Village. International Bridge, Vail Village

KRIS KRINGLE WINE DINNER

DECEMBER 6

Celebrate the magic of the holiday season and join renowned chefs for a festive evening of delicious food, fine wine, and holiday cheer. Reservations required.

Donovan Pavilion

vail-kris-kringle-wine-dinner

KRIS KRINGLE MARKET

DECEMBER 12 – DECEMBER 15

Join us for a Holiday Market in the Mountains. The Market presents Colorado Artisans, handmade baked goods, artisanal food products, as well as musical entertainment, kids activities, gluhwein, and more.

International Bridge, Vail Village

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- DECEMBER 12 | 12 pm – 5 pm
- DECEMBER 13 | 12 pm – 5:30 pm
- DECEMBER 14 | 12 pm – 5:30 pm
- DECEMBER 15 | 12 pm – 5 pm

VAIL APRÈS

NOVEMBER 15 – JANUARY 5

Step into Vail this November and kick off your winter in style! After your ski day, join us in town for silent discos, art workshops, ice skating exhibitions, the magical tree lighting ceremony, live music, and more. Coming again this year is the enchanting Kringle Crossing mini holiday village and Smile with Santa where kids can meet the jolly man himself. For full schedule visit:

discovervail.com/series/vail-apres/

- SMILE WITH SANTA | FREE
3:30 pm – 6 pm
DECEMBER 1
DECEMBER 8
DECEMBER 15
DECEMBER 22
DECEMBER 23
International Bridge, Vail Village
- ART WORKSHOPS | FREE
4:30 pm – 6 pm
DECEMBER 5 | Colorado Snowsports Museum
DECEMBER 12 | Colorado Snowsports Museum
DECEMBER 19 | Lionshead Welcome Center
DECEMBER 26 | Lionshead Welcome Center
- SILENT DISCO | FREE
3:30 pm – 6:30 pm
DECEMBER 6 | Lionshead Village
DECEMBER 13 | Lionshead Village
DECEMBER 20 | Lionshead Village
DECEMBER 27 | Lionshead Village
- OUTDOOR ICE-SKATING SHOW | FREE
4:45 pm – 5:45 pm
DECEMBER 7 | Arrabelle Ice Rink, Lionshead
DECEMBER 14 | Arrabelle Ice Rink, Lionshead
DECEMBER 28 | Solaris Ice Rink, Vail Village
- TREE LIGHTING | FREE
DECEMBER 8 | 5 pm
Children's Fountain, Vail Village
- TIËSTO
DECEMBER 13 | 6:30 pm
Ford Park Parking Lot
- UGLY SWEATER 5K & 1MILE FUN RUN
DECEMBER 15 | 8:30 am – 11 am
Bart & Yeti's, Lionshead Village

Vail Village Welcome Center
241 South Frontage Road
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Lionshead Welcome Center
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- NEW YEARS EVE TORCHLIGHT PARADE & FIREWORKS
DECEMBER 31 | 6 pm – 7 pm
 - TORCHLIGHT PARADE 6:15 pm
GOLDEN PEAK
 - FIREWORKS 6:25 pm
VIEWABLE FROM ALL VILLAGES

VAIL COMEDY SHOW

The Vail Comedy Show brings nationally touring comedians to Vail that have been featured in film and television, like Late Night with Stephen Colbert on CBS, CONAN, HBO, Comedy Central, NBC, and more.

vailcomedyshow.com

- DECEMBER 5 | 8 pm | CARMEN MORALES
Gambit @ The Sebastian

SILENT DISCO

FRIDAY'S | 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Lionshead Village

Come dance and enjoy music to the beat of your own drum! In these outdoor silent disco experiences, switch between different genres/songs.

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VAIL YETI HOCKEY

DECEMBER 6, 7, 13, 14

Dobson Ice Arena, 7:45 PM

Semi-pro hockey returns to Vail with the Vail Yeti Hockey team hitting the ice once again this winter. Dobson Ice Arena plays host to the home team as well as many top teams across the nation.

vailyetihsoccer.com

VAIL SKATING ICE SPECTACULAR

DECEMBER 22 & 23

6:30 pm – 8 pm

The Vail Skating Ice Spectacular offers two opportunities to see the high energy entertainment for the whole family featuring ALL current 2024 US National Champions!

Dobson Ice Arena,

vailskatefest.com

10TH MOUNTAIN LEGACY PARADE

DECEMBER 27 | 6 pm

BASE OF VAIL MOUNTAIN GONDOLA ONE

Commemorate the founders of Vail Mountain with a parade, enjoy hot chocolate, and celebrating our history. Presented by the Town of Vail and Colorado Snowsports Museum.

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BETTY FORD ALPINE GARDENS

GARDENS OPEN DAILY

At 8,250 feet above sea level, the spectacular Betty Ford Alpine Gardens in Vail, Colorado, is the highest and one of the most visited botanical gardens in North America. Providing free access to over 100,000 visitors annually, the Gardens delight and educate with each changing season. The Gardens are open year-round, offering visitors beautiful streams and waterfalls, golden aspens during the change of the season, and peaceful hibernation while snow covers the ground. The current exhibition is Dinosaurs Among Us. 970.476.0103 or bettyfordalpinegardens.org

- EDUCATION CENTER
MONDAY – SATURDAY | 10 am – 4 pm
- EXHIBIT | DINOSAURS AMONG US
- SELF-GUIDED SNOWSHOE TOUR
BEGINNING DECEMBER 2
DAILY | 10 am – 3 pm
\$10 Snowshoe rental
- GUIDED SNOWSHOE TOUR: TREE TRAIL
DECEMBER 11 | 10:30 am – 11:30 am
\$15 per person. Reservations required.
- WINTER WORKSHOP : GIFTS & GOODIES
WREATH BUILDING
DECEMBER 5 | 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
\$150 per person. Reservations required.
- WINTER WORKSHOP : GIFTS & GOODIES
HANDMADE HOLIDAY CARDS
DECEMBER 12 | 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
\$50 per person. Reservations required.
- WINTER WORKSHOP : GIFTS & GOODIES
HOLIDAY PRESERVES
DECEMBER 19 | 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
\$75 per person. Reservations required.

COLORADO SNOWSPORTS MUSEUM

DAILY | 10 am – 6 pm

The Colorado Snowsports Museum is a world-class museum, unique gift shop, and intimate theater. Located on the third level of the Vail Village Parking Structure.

970.476.1876 or snowsportsmuseum.org

- VAIL HISTORY TOUR
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
11 am – 12 pm | \$15 per person

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VAIL NORDIC CENTER

When snow blankets the Vail Golf Club, it becomes the full-service Vail Nordic Center. Glide along 17 kilometers of daily-groomed skate and classic track, or snowshoe on 10 kilometers of scenic trails. Check out 13k of fat bike trails and fat bike rentals. The exceptional staff offers daily lessons on classic and skate skiing and specialty clinics on technique and tuning for adults and children, plus a wide variety of rental equipment is available. The Nordic Center also serves as one-stop shop for all your backcountry needs including clothing, backpacks, and snowshoes.

970-476-8366 or vailrec.com/vail-recreation/nordic

ICE SKATING

- ALDERHOF ICE RINK (ARRABELLE)
Lionshead Village
OPENING WEATHER DEPENDENT
Ice skate rentals available. 970.754.7777
- SOLARIS ICE RINK
Vail Village
OPENING WEATHER DEPENDENT
Ice skate rentals available. 970.479.7132
- DOBSON ICE ARENA
Conveniently located between Lionshead and Vail Village, on the in-town bus route on West Meadow Drive across from the Vail Public Library. Visit vailrec.com for public skating & activity time schedules. 970.479.2271
 - TODDLER TIME SKATING
WEDNESDAY | 11 am
\$10 per child (ages 3 – 5)

IMAGINATION STATION

OPEN WEEKDAYS: Hours vary, please visit the [facility schedule](#) to view current availability.

Located on 2nd floor of Lionshead Parking Structure. Imagination Station features a thoughtful play space to integrate physical and cognitive learning. For children 2-12 years old and their families. \$12 per child and \$6 per adult (17+). Reservations required.

970.479.2292 or vailrec.com

- SANTA'S WORKSHOP | FREE
DECEMBER 5 | 3:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Children can share their holiday wishes with Santa, immerse themselves in festive crafts, and create lasting memories with a printed photo to take home. All ages welcome. Reservations required to reserve time with Santa.

VAIL PUBLIC LIBRARY

MONDAY-THURSDAY | 10 am – 8 pm

FRIDAY-SUNDAY | 11 am – 6 pm

Located on the in-town bus route, the library includes over 52,000 fiction, non-fiction, visual media, audiobooks, and more than 300 magazine subscriptions and newspapers in print or electronic format. Free computer stations and WIFI. 970.479.2184 or vaillibrary.com

- STORYTIME
MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS | 11 am
- STORYWALK AT BIGHORN PARK (EAST VAIL)
An Innovative and delightful way for children and adults to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time! Featuring "Senorita Mariposa" by Ben Gundersheimer.
vaillibrary.com/storywalk
- ALPINE BRASS MUSIC
DECEMBER 5 | 7 pm – 8 pm
- GATHERING GAMES
3:30 pm – 6 pm
DECEMBER 5
DECEMBER 26
- MOVIE APRÈS
3:15 pm – 5:15 pm
DECEMBER 6
DECEMBER 13
DECEMBER 20
- STANDOUT DINOSAUR TIME
DECEMBER 10 | 10 am
Betty Ford Alpine Gardens – Education Center
- SANTA & THE BABIES
DECEMBER 16 | 10 am – 12 pm
Children under the age of 3
- FAMILY HOLIDAY GATHERING
DECEMBER 17 | 5:30 pm – 7 pm
- COMMUNITY CREATES
DECEMBER 19 | 4 pm – 6 pm
- VAIL DICKENS CAROLERS
DECEMBER 19 | 6 pm – 7 pm
- STANDOUT STORY TIME & PUPPET SHOW
DECEMBER 23 | 10 am

DINE WITH THE DOGS AT HENRY'S HUT

BEGINNING DECEMBER 15

SUNDAY'S 10:30 am – 11:30 am

TOP OF VAIL MOUNTAIN CHAIR 4 NORTHWOODS

Meet members of Vail Ski Patrol and their avalanche dogs for a Q & A and dog training on top of Vail Mountain.

vail.com

VAIL MOUNTAIN TOURS

BEGINNING DECEMBER 16

This is an opportunity to ski with a Mountain Host guide with extensive knowledge of Vail Mountain, its trails, and its ever-changing conditions. Complimentary.

970.754.8245 or vail.com

- **FRONTSIDE TOURS | FREE**
SUNDAY-FRIDAY | 10:30 am
Top of the Eagle Bahn Gondola (19), Eagle's Nest
Intermediate or above recommended
- **LEGACY TOURS | FREE**
TUESDAY & THURSDAY | 1 pm
The Legacy Hut at the top of Chair 4
Intermediate or above recommended

NATURE DISCOVERY CENTER

WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY BEGINNING DECEMBER 20

10 am – 3:30 pm

Located at the top of the Eagle Bahn Gondola and operated by the Walking Mountains Science Center. All visitors must have a valid ski pass or Vail Scenic Ride Ticket in order to ride the gondola.

970.754.4675 or walkingmountains.org

- **GUIDED SNOWSHOE TOUR | FREE**
WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY
10:30 am - 12 pm & 1:30 pm – 3 pm
Ages 10+ | Free (lift ticket required)

BOWLING

Deca + Bol offers a unique dining and family entertainment experience. With a full-service dining room and sixty-foot bar, we also have an ace up our sleeve with ten lanes of bowling glory. At Solaris Vail on East Meadow Drive.

970.476.5300 or decabolvail.com

VAIL REC ADULT OPEN GYM

970.479.2279 or vailrec.com

- **BASKETBALL MONDAYS | 6 pm - 9 pm**
Red Sandstone Elementary School
\$6 per person
970.479.2279 or vailrec.com
- **VOLLEYBALL**
FRIDAYS | 6 pm – 9 pm
Red Sandstone Elementary School
\$6 per person
970.479.2279 or vailrec.com
- **PICKLEBALL**
TUESDAY-THURSDAY | 6 pm – 10:30 pm
SATURDAY & SUNDAY | 12 pm - 6 pm
Reservations & Open Play available
Red Sandstone Elementary School
970.479.2279 or vailrec.com

RELIGIOUS

Vail Interfaith Chapel – vailchapel.com/

B'nai Vail Services – bnaivail.org/

Chabad Vail – jewishvail.com

VAIL WELCOME CENTERS

DAILY | 9 am – 5 pm

Visit our friendly and knowledgeable staff.

vailgov.com/welcome-centers

- **Lionshead Welcome Center**
Located on the bottom level of the Lionshead Parking Structure. 970.477.3523
- **Vail Village Welcome Center**
Located on the top deck of the Vail Village Parking Structure. 970.477.3522

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