SeaWorld Orlando's Award-Winning Christmas Celebration Returns with Millions of Sparkling Lights, All-New Festive Shows and Timeless Holiday Joy

Visit the Fan-Favorite Event to Experience the Joy of the Holidays With All-New Entertainment, Beloved Traditions and Millions of Sparkling Lights — All Included with Park Admission

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ORLANDO, Fla. (October 30, 2026) – It's the most wonderful time of the year at SeaWorld Orlando, where millions of sparkling lights, beloved shows and festive experiences bring holiday cheer to life. Recognized by USA Today's 10Best as one of the top holiday theme park events in the nation, SeaWorld Orlando's Christmas Celebration transforms the park into a dazzling winter wonderland shimmering with millions of lights and more decorations than ever before. SeaWorld Orlando's Christmas Celebration returns on select dates November 6 through January 4. Families can experience heartwarming shows, beloved characters, festive fireworks, and holiday traditions you'll only find at SeaWorld — all included with park admission.

Miracles Returns to Light Up the Holidays

Returning for the first time since 2019, Miracles will once again take center stage as one of SeaWorld Orlando's most beloved holiday traditions. This inspirational nighttime orca presentation combines a moving seasonal soundtrack with the awe and beauty of orcas, creating an unforgettable experience for guests of all ages. Through breathtaking encounters and uplifting moments, Miracles delivers themes of peace, friendship and reflection that capture the spirit of the holiday season. Pass Members will be among the first to experience its return through an exclusive presentation time.

Beloved Shows and Holiday Spectaculars

SeaWorld's Christmas Celebration brings together a lineup of fan-favorite shows and holiday spectaculars throughout the park. Guests can enjoy the festive Sesame Street Christmas Parade, where Elmo and friends lead a joyful holiday procession, and experience the heartwarming O Wondrous Night, featuring more than 30 Christmas carols, life-size puppets and live animals. Additional seasonal offerings include Elmo's Christmas Wish Show at Seaport Theater and the spectacular Winter Wonderland on Ice. Each evening concludes with Holiday Reflections: Fireworks Finale, a breathtaking display of lights, music and pyrotechnics that fills the night sky with holiday cheer, making SeaWorld Orlando's Christmas Celebration a must-visit destination for families this season.

A Park Transformed into a Winter Wonderland

Every corner of SeaWorld shines bright with holiday cheer. Guests can stroll through the glistening Sea of Trees, where sparkling trees dance to holiday classics across the lagoon… including a towering 70-foot centerpiece that lights up the night sky. Snow flurries fall along the Waterfront, toy soldiers march, ballerinas twirl, and festive fun fills the air as classic Christmas tunes set the scene.

Seasonal Sips & Savory Bites

Guests can savor holiday-inspired flavors throughout the park, with new offerings including Three Cheese Ravioli in Chardonnay cream topped with prosciutto and red peppers, Ropa Vieja Festiva served with tostones, and S'mores and Lotus Biscoff Cookie Butter Beignets. Returning favorites include Arroz con Lechón, beef and cheese Holiday Empanadas, and the Gingerbread Martini, while Rosemary Garlic Lamb Chops are served with sweet potato mash and bourbon-cranberry sauce. From specialty hot cocoa and deep-dish cookies to new cocktails like the Snow Globe Spritz and Fireside S'mores Punch, plus refreshing nonalcoholic drinks, there's something to make every spirit bright. New this year, guests can gather around glowing fire pits to toast marshmallows and create their own s'mores with chocolate and graham crackers—a sweet way to share the holiday spirit. Food and beverages are available for an additional purchase.

Extra Holiday Cheer with Dairy Does More

Dairy Does More brings extra holiday flavor to SeaWorld's Christmas Celebration with festive dishes, sweet treats, and the new Merry Dairy Trail. Guests can follow the Merry Dairy icon throughout the park to discover featured dairy-inspired menu items. After purchasing or sampling five qualifying Merry Dairy treats and collecting a punch for each, guests can visit the Welcome Center to claim a special holiday reward, while supplies last.

Families can also enjoy dairy favorites during Dinner with Santa, including creamy mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, and warm cornbread with honey butter. At Santa's Sweet Shop, holiday desserts include (Santa's favorite!) milk and chocolate chip cookies, gingerbread loaf, and festive mini cupcakes. Dinner with Santa is available on select dates and requires an additional fee.

Seasonal Favorites Spread Holiday Cheer

This season, guests can enjoy holiday wonder throughout the park, from festive fun at Mrs. Claus' Magic Kitchen to memorable photo opportunities with Santa. Clyde & Seamore's Countdown to Christmas brings its signature heart and humor to the stage, adding to the seasonal cheer for families.

Festive Experiences for the Whole Family

Parkgoers can meet Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer in Rudolph's Christmastown, snap festive photos with Sesame Street friends in holiday attire, and marvel at a charming miniature Holiday Train display near Dolphin Nursery. For a unique Floridian Christmas twist, visitors can ice skate at Bayside Stadium and glide across a beautiful rink alongside the lagoon (additional fee applies). Guests can take a festive break and enjoy Christmas movies at SeaFire Grill, with no dining purchase required. Families can also share a festive meal during Dinner with Santa at Sea Harbor Pavilions, available on select dates excluding opening weekend, or the Sesame Street Christmas Breakfast at SeaFire Grill. Both experiences require an additional fee.

Seasonal Traditions Shine Bright:

Hanukkah Celebration: Guests can celebrate the Festival of Lights at SeaWorld Orlando. From Dec. 4 through Dec. 12, friends and family can view the traditional lighting of the menorah in Sesame Street Land during Hanukkah. Big Bird will also be telling Hanukkah stories throughout the celebrations.

Kwanzaa Festivities: From Dec. 26 through Jan. 1, guests can enjoy a joyous time of reflection and celebration of African heritage with the nightly lighting of the kinara in Sesame Street Land.

New Year's Eve: Guests can embrace the connection to the sea, marine life and the world we share as they ring in 2027, SeaWorld-style, on Dec. 31 with bold fireworks, festive entertainment and more.

Three Kings Celebration: Celebrate the arrival of the Three Wise Men during this cherished Latin American tradition. Families can enjoy festive cuisine, special performances in Nautilus Theater, the sparkling Sea of Trees and dazzling holiday lights. Keep the holiday spirit shining bright during this special celebration, Jan. 3–6.

The Best Way to Celebrate All Season Long

SeaWorld Orlando's Christmas Celebration is included with park admission, and the best way to enjoy it all season long is with an Annual Pass, offering 12 months of visits, unbeatable benefits, and unlimited holiday cheer.

Save on Holiday Fun

Save up to 60% on SeaWorld Orlando tickets and make unforgettable holiday memories during SeaWorld's Christmas Celebration, included with park admission.

About SeaWorld

SeaWorld is a leading marine life theme park and accredited zoo and aquarium that provides experiences that matter while educating and inspiring guests of all ages to care about marine life. Welcoming millions of guests every year, the parks offer fun and enriching experiences from up-close animal encounters and year-round educational programs to award-winning marine-life-themed rides and attractions, special events, and exciting entertainment. For more than 60 years SeaWorld has advanced the conservation of marine life in and outside its parks through science, education, and exceptional animal care that is Humane Certified by American Humane and accredited by the Alliance of Marine Mammal Parks and Aquariums and the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. SeaWorld is one of the largest marine animal rescue organizations in the world, helping more than 43,000 animals to date. The SeaWorld Conservation Fund, a non-profit foundation established in 2003, has provided more than $20 million to nearly 1,400 organizations to advance critical research on every continent. A portion of park proceeds goes toward supporting these longstanding conservation commitments. SeaWorld parks are in Orlando, San Antonio, San Diego, and Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE). SeaWorld is part of the United Parks & Resorts Inc. (NYSE: PRKS) portfolio of theme park brands. For more information, visit us at SeaWorld.com.

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